



## St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

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Sunday, December 3, 2017

First Sunday of Advent

8 a.m.



*Advent Wreath (week 1)*

*Craig Dubishar, Photographer*

### **Sunday Worship Services**

8:00 a.m. Rite I Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Family Service (Rite II)

### **Opportunities for Children & Youth**

10 a.m. Godly Play (*ages 3 & potty trained - grade 2*) - Room B1

10 a.m. *Children/Youth grade 3 and up sit with their families today for family service. The sermon will be a children's sermon.*

**Wednesday Healing Eucharist is held at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

**Morning Prayer will be Held on Friday at 8 a.m. in the Sanctuary**

**Service in Spanish / *Misa en Español*:**

Saturday (*Sabado*) @ 7:30 p.m.

### **Saint Timothy's Mission Statement:**

AS PEOPLE OF GOD, WE JOYFULLY WORSHIP GOD, SPREAD THE WORD OF GOD'S LOVE,  
'TREASURE ALL PEOPLE, AND SERVE OTHERS EVERYWHERE IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST.

THEREFORE, WITH GOD'S HELP, WE: OPEN OUR DOORS TO EVERYONE,  
OPEN OUR HEARTS IN WORSHIP, OPEN OUR EYES TO THE SPIRIT'S GIFTS,  
AND OPEN OUR ARMS TO EMBRACE GOD'S WORK.

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## Information For Our First Time Guests



All children are welcome to stay with parents in the Sanctuary during worship. However, for parents of children ages 0-3 years who want nursery care, we have a well-equipped and professionally-staffed nursery at the end of the hall nearest the Sanctuary. Each child brought to the nursery is given a number; only the parents of the child can take the child from the nursery. If a parent is needed during worship, the child's number will appear (in red LED's) on the black panels beneath the hymn boards on both sides of the Chancel. Parents, please bring diapers, any snacks, and formula as needed for your child.



All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament. If you have not been baptized, please come to the Altar rail for a blessing during Holy Communion (place your arms across your chest to signify your desire for a blessing). If you would like to be baptized, please speak with the clergy after the service. To receive Holy Communion, accept the bread in your hand and place it in your mouth, then sip wine from the Chalice when it is brought to you (guide the Chalice to your mouth please), or hold the bread, dip it in the wine when the chalice comes to you, and place the bread with wine in your mouth. If you are allergic to wheat or are gluten intolerant, please let the person serving bread know to give you a rice wafer.

## Staff

*Regular church office hours are 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Thursday and 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Friday. If you would like to make an appointment to speak with the Rector, feel free to call the office at 703.437.3790.*

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## Vestry

*(Class year in parenthesis)*

**Senior Warden** – Genevieve Zetlan (2018)

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## Trustees

Tom McLenigan Keith Sinclair Deke Smith



**Don't forget to place your phone on silent/vibrate during today's service. Thank you!**

## First Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist: Rite I

*Piano Styling on Helmsley*

Gregory Hamilton

Prelude

Word of God

*At the tolling of the bell, all stand.*

### The Opening Acclamation (BCP 323)

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

### The Collect for Purity (BCP 323)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### Summary of the Law (BCP 324)

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

### Kyrie (BCP 324)

Lord, have mercy upon us. ***Christ, have mercy upon us.*** Lord, have mercy upon us.

### The Collect of the Day (BCP 325)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And with thy spirit.***

*Celebrant* Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

### The Lessons

#### A Reading from Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence-- as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil-- to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

**Psalms 80:1-7, 16-18 (Antiphonally)**

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*  
*shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.*
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
*stir up your strength and come to help us.*
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; \*  
*show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, \*  
*how long will you be angered  
despite the prayers of your people?*
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; \*  
*you have given them bowls of tears to drink.*
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, \*  
*and our enemies laugh us to scorn.*
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; \*  
*show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*  
*the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.*
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; \*  
*give us life, that we may call upon your Name.*
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; \*  
*show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*

**A Reading from 1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Holy Gospel; Mark 13:24-37**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch.

Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* ***Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.***

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Richard Bardusch, *Rector*

## The Nicene Creed (BCP 326)

*We believe in one God,*

*the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,*

*the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,*

*God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,*

*begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;*

*Through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:*

*by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,*

*and was made man;*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried;*

*On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;*

*he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,*

*and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,*

*who proceeds from the Father and the Son;*

*With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.*

*He has spoken through the Prophets.*

*We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.*

*We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.*

*We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## **The Prayers of the People (BCP 328)**

*Leader* Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men:

Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. **Amen.**

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially to Michael, Shannon, Susan, and Ted, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. **Amen.**

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. **Amen.**

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald our president, Terry our governor, and Lisa our mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. **Amen.**

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. **Amen.**

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor *Frances, Jim, and* all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

**Amen.**

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Saint Timothy and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. **Amen.**

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## **Confession of Sin (BCP 330)**

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**All** *Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.*

## **Absolution (BCP 332)**

*Celebrant* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Comfortable Words (BCP 332)**

*Celebrant* Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

## **The Peace (BCP 332)**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And with thy spirit.***

## **Welcome & Announcements**

## **The Offering**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **Offertory**

*Organ Chorale on "Sleepers, Wake!"*

**J.G. Walther**

## **The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer II, BCP 340)**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And with thy spirit.***

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* ***It is meet and right so to do.***

*Celebrant* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## **The Sanctus & Benedictus (BCP 334)**

*Celebrant and People:* ***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

*The people stand or kneel.*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All: *Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.***

### **The Fraction (BCP 337)**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!***

### **The Administration of Communion (BCP 338)**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Postcommunion Prayer (BCP 339)**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

***Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.***

***And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.***



## **The Blessing**

*Priest* May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you. ***Amen.***

## **Dismissal (BCP 339)**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

***People*** ***Thanks be to God.***

**Postlude**

*Praeludium in Ab*

**Johann Fischer**

## Assisting in the Preparation and Conduct of Worship

<b>Altar Guild</b>		Linda Grantham, Mary McLenigan, Stephanie Wolo, Sandy Wright
<b>Counters</b>		Keith & Tina Pinkard
<b>Ushers</b>	8 am	Tom Rust, Bill Outerbridge
	10 am	Dean Rohrbaugh, Vinny Donnelly
<b>Greeters</b>	8 am	Pat Rhoads
	10 am	Jill Cox
<b>Lay</b>	8 am	Ralph Tildon, Hector Coronado
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	10 am	Adaku Nwachukwu, Allan Stanley, Jane Burkett, Rose Berberich, Keith Sinclair
<b>Acolytes</b>	10 am	Chudi Mbonu, Max & Gabe Fang-Weeden, Sophie Dodd

**The greens on the altar during Advent are given by the People of God to the Glory of God as we celebrate God's coming to be among us in the form of a child!**



If you'd like to remember a loved one who has departed this life or give thanksgiving for family & friends with a poinsettia for the Christmas Altar, please complete a Flower Envelope (on the cabinets in the Narthex) or call the office at 703-437-3790. Write "Christmas Flowers" on the date requested line. All Christmas Flower Envelopes must be received in the office by **Sunday, December 17.**

### Thank You for Making A Difference!



Thanks to those who helped get us ready for Advent! **The Dodd family (Sophie, Kelly, Allison & Brian)** and **Holly Hartge** helped put up the Angel Tree. And to all of the St Tim's church family, thanks for taking all of the tags on the first day; a significant first for us! Also, thank you to **Heather Soliday** and **John Nixon** for leading the Advent Wreath Making event! *Have someone*

*you'd like to thank for contributing to St. Timothy's in some way? Send an email to [thanks@saint-timothys.org](mailto:thanks@saint-timothys.org) with the person's name and what they did, and we will thank them in a future bulletin & eNews.*

**Do you need someone to talk to? Call a Stephen Minister!**

You can call Peter or Beth Hwoschinsky @ 703.450.8599



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**



### **Last Names G - L Please Bring Treats on December 10!**

Please consider bringing a suitable snack to share with others at the weekly coffee hour. Simply place whatever you've brought on the table in Henry Hall before you head into the service. We also need two helpers before and after the 10 a.m. Service to replenish food and clean up. If you are able to help, please contact the Coffee Hour Captain for next week, Holly Hartge ([mhhvirginia@verizon.net](mailto:mhhvirginia@verizon.net)).

**Upcoming:** Last names M - R are on for December 17.

## Church Events @ St. Tim's This Week

*Only ministry related events are listed. Visit [www.saint-timothys.org](http://www.saint-timothys.org) and click on the calendar link to see the full calendar.*

Day	Time	Event	Location
<b>Sunday 12/3</b>	8 & 10 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Services	Sanctuary
	9:20 a.m.	Adult Choir Practice	Music Room
	11:20 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
	4 p.m.	Institution Service for Fr. Rich	Sanctuary
<b>Monday 12/4</b>	7 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 159 Meeting	Henry Hall
<b>Tuesday 12/5</b>	7 p.m.	Guitar Ensemble	Sanctuary
<b>Wednesday 12/6</b>	10 a.m.	Wednesday Bible Study	Kitchen
	12:15 p.m.	Midweek Healing Service	Sanctuary
	7 p.m.	Shawl Ministry	Narthex
	7 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>Thursday 12/7</b>	7 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
<b>Friday 12/8</b>	8 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Sanctuary
	5 p.m.	Youth Lock In	Entire Building
<b>Saturday 12/9</b>	9 a.m.	Altar Guild Set Up	Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Service in Spanish/Misa en Español	Sanctuary
<b>Sunday 12/10</b>	8 & 10 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Services	Sanctuary
	9:20 a.m.	Adult Choir Practice	Music Room
	11:20 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Music Room



**Mon. 12/4** Marion Hamilton  
**Tue. 12/5** Ava Gibbs, Ugo Nwachukwu  
**Wed. 12/6** Dariel Bonilla Lemus, Emily Reddington  
**Thu. 12/7** Lydia Gough  
**Fri. 12/8** Annabelle Brennan  
**Sat. 12/9** Peggy Curley  
**Sun. 12/10** Jeanne Bennett, Terrence Mahan

## General Announcements

### **Today We Begin Advent.**

The word “Advent” means “coming,” and in this special season, the Church focuses on the “comings of Christ.” In these four weeks before Christmas, we are preparing ourselves spiritually to celebrate the coming of Jesus as the Baby of Bethlehem. Many of the Advent Scripture lessons also focus on Jesus’ Second Coming, when he will return in glory to judge the living and the dead. We are also called in Advent to meditation, fasting, and other spiritual practices, which help us to welcome Christ into our own hearts with increased devotion.

### **The Great Litany...**

which sometimes begins our service, is one of the great treasures of the Anglican liturgical tradition. Originally composed by Archbishop Thomas Cramner in 1544, it was the first liturgical text to be composed in English and predates the earliest Book of Common Prayer. The litany is a powerful reminder of God’s loving mercy and our need for His protection and help. It holds before God the needs of the whole world, asking for His blessing and grace. The Great Litany will be included in this afternoon’s Institution Service for Fr. Rich at 4 p.m.

## **General Announcements** *(Continued)*

### **Embracing & Growing** **in God's LOVE**

**Stewardship Update-** Thank you to the 129 families/individuals who have made a pledge, our current total is \$428,711! If you missed the opportunities to hand in your pledge card, you can drop it in the offering today or mail it in to the church. Blank pledge cards are available in envelopes on the cabinets in the Narthex.

### **Additional End of the Year Extra General Fund Giving Match**

A Saint Tim's member has graciously challenged the Saint Timothy's church family to finish strong this year with an additional \$5000 match for any extra General Fund Giving through the end of the year. That means any donations given with the designation of "Extra GF Giving" on the memo line or offering envelope between Sunday, November 26 and the end of the year will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$5,000. For those who missed an opportunity to be a part of the previous match challenge, this is your chance to be a part of this additional challenge. Thank You!

### **Beans and Greens Pickup This Sunday**

If you ordered Haitian coffee or holiday wreaths and centerpieces, please stop by Henry Hall during coffee hour this Sunday to pick up your order. There will also be a few pieces of Haitian art for sale, hand-carried back here by our Mission Team. The tin angels make great holiday gifts! If you cannot pick up your order on Sunday, please contact Genevieve Zetlan (gzetlan@gmail.com). For anyone that was not able to pre-order, there are beans and greens available for purchase and pickup today only!

### **Book Exchange Today, December 3**

The books return December 3 and we will have a few new books to exchange with your contributions. Bring one - Take one is the policy. We may extend the opportunity to twice a month in the New Year, but we would welcome volunteer to set up and dismantle. If interested, please contact Danna Wechtenhiser (mravnk92@aol.com) or Jill Cox (jillcoxva@verizon.net).

### **Institution Service for Fr. Rich this Afternoon, December 3, at 4 p.m.**

This special service institutes Fr. Rich as our new Rector. Fr. Rich joined the staff in September of 2017 and will be officially installed by the Rt. Rev. Edwin F. "Ted" Gulick Jr. on Sunday, December 3, at 4 p.m. in the afternoon. A reception will follow the service. For those who are participating in the service as a presenter, LEM, Usher, etc. there will be a brief meeting following the 10 a.m. service the morning of December 3 where Fr. Rich will briefly outline the service and who participants where they will stand, etc.

### **St. Timothy's Viewpoint Book Club**

We will read Ordinary Grace by Wm Kent Kreuger during December. The date for the next meeting will be announced by December 3rd. Copies of the book may be obtained at church from Sandy Schanne 703-476-6799 or by arrangement from December 3 from Jill Cox 703-963-8251 or e-mail jillcoxva@verizon.net.

## **General Announcements** *(Continued)*

### **Angel Tree Update**

All Angel Tree gifts should be returned by Sunday, December 3. You may:

- Return your unwrapped gift to the church on Sunday or during the church office's regular business hours. (See page 2 of your bulletin for hours.) Attach the tag to your unwrapped gift.
- If you took a gift card, please place it in a plain envelope and attach the card to the outer envelope. You may put the envelope in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office. Please do not place gift cards under the tree.
- If you are unable to locate the gift specifically requested, feel free to substitute an item suitable for the age group on the tag.

If you have questions, or are unable to get your gift to the church in time please contact Carolyn Hamm (carolynhamm@verizon.net). *The Service Ministry thanks you for putting your faith to work!*

### **Help Decorate for Christmas on December 22 or 23!**

The Altar Guild will begin decorating on December 22 at noon by prepping the poinsettias. We will decorate the Sanctuary and the Narthex for Christmas services on December 23, starting at 9 a.m. until completed. The Altar Guild welcomes anyone who wishes to help. Don't have time but still want to help? Please consider making a donation for poinsettias. The deadline for poinsettia donations is Sunday, December 17. For more info contact Mary McLenigan at 703-391-2950.

### **Christmas Eve Nativity Play**

We will be having a Nativity Play for the 4 p.m. Children's Christmas Eve Service on December 24. Rehearsal will take place on Saturday, December 23 at 1 p.m. If you have a child who is age 3 - grade 5 who is interested in participating, please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/StTim-sNativity2017> by December 16. If you have any questions or need more information, email Jeanne-Marie Burke at jeanne\_marie\_raymond@hotmail.com.

### **Annual Christmas Eve Illumination Set-Up**

We are looking for any and all to join us on Christmas Eve, 1 p.m., just outside the main entrance by the bell. We will have the "production line" ready so we can make and set out approximately 500 luminaries around our church property. There will be Christmas music (playing from Mr. D's car) and plenty of camaraderie! With sufficient help we will be done by 3 p.m. Does the fun stop there? NO! Join us on December 26th, 10 a.m. to clean up the property and properly dispose of the bag candles. Please bring large yard garbage bags to assist with clean up. Questions? Please text Craig Dubishar at 703.850.1751. Thanks for all of your support these many years!

### **Are You Called to the Vestry?**

St. Timothy's will hold Vestry elections on January 14 for four members and one alternate to the Vestry. Vestry members serve 3 year terms, and meet for a weekend retreat January 27, and then every second Tuesday of the month afterwards. Serving on the Vestry is a tremendous opportunity to learn more about the temporal workings of the church, enrich your spiritual life, and move St. Timothy's forward in partnership with Fr. Rich. If you feel you may be called to serve, please contact Sr. Warden Genevieve Zetlan at gzetlan@gmail.com

## General Announcements *(Continued)*

*Join us for our annual*

# *Holiday*

## *POTLUCK AND SING ALONG*

*Saturday, December 16th  
at 5:00 p.m.*

*at the home of*

*John, Susy, Timothy, & Elizabeth Nixon  
12712 Builders Road  
Herndon, VA 20170*

*We will provide the entrée. Please bring an  
appetizer, side dish, beverage, or dessert to share.*

*Children of all ages are welcome.*

*RSVP 703-437-0370 or [senixon@verizon.net](mailto:senixon@verizon.net)*

### **Bulletin & eNews Submission Deadlines**

Submissions for the Sunday bulletin and eNews are **due Mondays by 9 a.m.** of the week they are published unless otherwise communicated. To submit a church-related announcement, email [office@saint-timothys.org](mailto:office@saint-timothys.org). You'll receive a reply via email to confirm your submission was received.



## Saint Timothy's Prayer List

*Submissions added this week are in italics.*



**Deceased:** Bill Sanger, Lynn Staulcup.

**Health:** Dan.

**Long Term Needs:** Analise, Arnaldo's family in P.R., Barbara, Beth, Bill, Carolyn, Danny, Dave, David, Dolores, Emmanuel, Florita, Fred, Geraldine, Helen, Hurricane Victims, Jake, Jane, Jerry, Joanne, John, Julie, Laura, Lauren, Leslie, Mabel, Marie, Martha, Matthew, Michael, Pam, Prof. Dr. Sakr, Ralph, Timothy, Virginia & Cameron, and Wallace.

**Other needs:** *Frances, Jim*

**Please Note:** *Email requests to [Prayer@saint-timothys.org](mailto:Prayer@saint-timothys.org) with the name of the person and prayer request. Request details will only be placed on the Pastoral Care Team listing; first names only will be placed in the bulletin. If you don't have access to email, call the church office & leave your request with the Director of Parish Operations, 703.437.3790 x. 10. **Prayer requests, unless specifically requested as a Long Term Need (in cases of prolonged illness, etc.) will remain on the Prayer List for three Sundays with the exception of Thanksgivings which remain for one week.***



St. Timothy's Episcopal, founded on November 1, 1868, is a member of Region V of the Diocese of Virginia, one of the Episcopal Church's 9 original dioceses and the largest diocese in the domestic U.S. The bell from our 1881 church building has been electrified and continues to ring before every Sunday service and major holy day. Our 1870 James D. Moore Tracker pipe organ was restored and reinstalled April, 2017.

We have a long history of outreach within and beyond the Herndon/Reston community. We staff The Closet, which had its beginnings at St. Timothy's in the 1970s. The first homeless shelter in Fairfax County began in our Henry Hall in 1984 and became the Embry Rucker Shelter, which we continue to staff. We run a school supply drive and holiday Angel Tree in addition to supporting LINK, Helping Hungry Kids, and Cornerstones, among others. We serve the poorest in our state, our nation, and our hemisphere with yearly mission trips to Dungannon, VA, Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, SD, and Chapoteau, Haiti.

We worship 4 times per week, in English and in Spanish, and we welcome everyone who would like to worship with us and become a part of our community. If you are visiting us, please sign the guest book in the Narthex and introduce yourself to our clergy and vestry members.