

Financial Snapshot April 2010

Target revenues and expenses for 4 months (Budget %)	33.33%
Actual pledge and plate receipts for 4 months	41.51%
Actual expenses for 4 months	36.23%

Receipts through April 2010 are well above budget due primarily to the receipt of the Danforth Foundation Grant in February to support the ministry of our Associate Rector. Expenses are running above budget YTD which reflects the costs related to Jack Fleming's upcoming sabbatical. Currently, we show a YTD budget surplus of \$35k. We expect to end the year with surplus in that same range. To achieve that surplus, it is very important that we all continue to honor our 2010 pledges so that we can remain financially strong through 2011 and beyond.
The Finance Committee

St. Timothy's Mission Statement

Inspired by the Spirit of Christ, we glorify God by being a welcoming Christian community with meaningful and joyous worship, challenging education and care and respect for all God's creation, while proclaiming the Gospel and reaching out to the world.

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Stirrings...



"I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God bestowed when my hands were laid on you. The spirit God has given us is no timid spirit, but rather one that makes us strong, loving and wise."

2 Timothy 1 6:7

Stirrings Will Be On Sabbatical for the July and August Anglers!

"Vital congregational ministry depends on the leadership of pastors...whose hearts sing with vision, creativity, faith, competence and passion"

(from the Alban Guide to Pastoral Sabbaticals)

I will begin my Pastoral Sabbatical from St. Tim's beginning June 7. Tricia and I will be first in the west of Ireland, in a remote spot on the Connemara coast. We will be spending time hiking the hills and mountain trails on the Galway-Mayo border. We will be exploring places and landscapes dear to the heart of Celtic Christianity, including many offshore islands where the spirit of the Celtic Church was maintained for centuries. We had originally included a pilgrimage to Iona in Scotland, but time and expense required a change of plans. Many places we will visit in the West of Ireland have connections to that holy ground. We will spend time in Oxford, England and re-visit Anglican historical sites, concluding the European part of our sabbatical at Chartres.

Returning to the States in late July, we will go on retreat in the American South west, beginning in Monument Valley in the four corners area of Utah, a wild and remote part of our country. We will be in the heart of Navajo land, and will be immersed in Native American life, culture and spirituality. From there we pilgrimage to other parts of New Mexico and Colorado before spending a few days with family in Colorado, returning to St. Tim's on July 28.

In my absence, St. Tim's will be well cared for by our staff, Emily, Jan, Roy, Sue, Alice, Peggy and Kathy, the Rev's Susie Skinner, John Kilgore, and Jack Danforth, as well as Susan Moenkhaus and our excellent Vestry. You are all in good hands.

Slainte ! (from the Celtic, meaning good health and a great spirit to you all)

Jack +

(Please see the list of scheduled celebrants on page 5.)



Teaching People to Fish Team

Hats off to all of our tutors in the various schools and communities where they offer their services. There is no greater gift that we can give to future generations than to help them further their education.

Sigel Elementary School

Both Karen Hylton from the St. Louis Board Of Education and Evelyn Woods, principal of Sigel Elementary School, praised St. Timothy's congregation after their May 2 Adult Forum presentation. It is wonderful to hear that others feel our warmth and hospitality. On Friday, May 7, 2010, at the Community Education Council's Annual Awards Ceremony, St. Timothy's was honored with one of the "Outstanding Community Partner" awards for our work at Sigel Elementary School.

Many of you have expressed an interest in tutoring or mentoring a student. I encourage you to get an application from Kathy in the office and apply now. The application clearing process takes a month or more. If you have completed the application and are already cleared to tutor, you can start whenever you want. If we put our applications in now, we would certainly be cleared to work in the schools by September. Remember, The St. Louis Board of Education has allowed Jack to submit a letter of recommendation that covers all of us.

Grace Hill Women's Business Center

Our entrepreneurs have the opportunity to share their expertise and experience with up and coming entrepreneurs at the Grace Hill Women's Business Center. They would love to hear about your passion for your business, how you got started and what you have to do to sustain your endeavor. If you are in the initial stages of starting a business, they would like to hear from you also. Their entrepreneur classes are offered in Clayton at the old Famous Barr building on Forsyth. Louise Pooley and Caroline Kelsey are scheduled to present in May and June. The last class for the current schedule is June 10. I will put the next schedule of classes in the Angler for your consideration.

 * The Community Garden is growing! It appears the heat has set in and *
 * we will, once again, need evening and weekend "waterers." Check the *
 * chart in the gathering space and sign up to do some watering! Deacon Jan *
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**Peggy
Hueseemann**

*From the
Director of
Christian Education*

Thank you so much to our Youth Leadership Team for another wonderful year in Christian Formation!

Godly Explorers – Madeline Zwickelmaier assisted by Gina Frey with helping hands: Amy and Hank Conard, Lori Hotra, Christi Jones, Susan Moenkhaus, Mike Omahen, and Paul Pennel

BEST – Becky Porter

Rite 13 – Steve Crock

J2A – Keith Boyd and Kim Dressel

YAC – Don Dewey

Come and Worship – Danielle Pennel (lead), Amy Conard, Angela Mitchell-Phillips, Paul Pennel, Gina Zwickelmaier and Elise Zwickelmaier

This is a time of celebration! Graduating from high school:

Chelsea Holland, graduating from Parkway North and will be attending Truman.

Rachel Kohn, graduating from Parkway North and will be attending Mizzou.

John Mullin, graduating from MICDS and will be attending SLU, Madrid, Spain

Miranda Robert, graduating from Parkway North and will be attending Grinnell.

Ginna Zwickelmaier, graduating from Parkway North and will be attending Colorado State.

People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies.

Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you.

Be honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight.

Create anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous.

Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, will often be forgotten.

Do good anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough.

Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God.

It was never between you and them anyway.

attributed to Mother Teresa

Friday, June 11, PG (Parents' Group) will be hosting a fun-filled family night. We will begin with a simple supper featuring hotdogs and vegan sausages at 6:30 p.m. Then we will watch the Oscar-winning Wall-E. The movie, rated "G" will begin approximately at 7 p.m., with a runtime of 98 min. For planning purposes, RSVP by June 8.

St. Tim's Facilities Update

The Facilities Needs and Design Team has completed the Request for Proposal (RFP) and submitted it to six local architectural firms that had indicated an interest in our project. Highlights of the RFP include:

- Remodeled, Updated & Enlarged Educational Facilities (infant through high school)
- Expanded Parish Hall (approx. double) with Room Dividers, Improved A/V, Computer Access
- Restrooms on All Levels
- Enlarged Kitchen Built to Certification Standards
- Two Additional Meeting Rooms (which will allow us to convert the existing Chapel/Meeting Room to a fulltime Chapel & Music Room)
- Additional Office Space for 4 Staff
- Enlarged Parking Lot
- Elevator Access to All Levels
- Bell Tower
- Built Using Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Principles

We expect to hear from the architects by the end of June and, hopefully, select the "winner" by early August. Stay tuned for more news! If you have any questions about this process feel free to contact any member of our team: Ron Batty, Peggy Huesemann, Emily Bloemker, Bud Bosanquet, Keith Boyd, Caryl Fox, Stan Helfrich, Paul Michael, Paul Pannel, Holly Wilson, or Mike Wyland.

St. Tim's Feasibility Study Update

Much of the work preparing for the feasibility study will commence after the architect has been selected in August. Currently, we anticipate conducting feasibility study interviews and surveys beginning in early October. Our target is to complete the study by year end and to present the results and recommendations of the study to the Vestry in January 2011. At that point in time, a decision will be made as to whether we move forward with a capital campaign. The Feasibility Study Team members consist of Ron Batty, Amy Conard, Alice Fritsch, Norm Moenkhaus, Susan Moenkhaus, Robert Phillips, Rick Sharp, Eric Vachon and Kurt Zwickelmaier. Please contact any of us if you have questions.

Drinks, Dessert and Dante

"Abandon All Hope, Ye Who Enter Here!" Amidst the summer heat of St. Louis, we will devote six Tuesday evenings to Dante Alighieri's classic, *The Inferno*. This masterwork forever formed the Western conception of hell, sin and damnation. Led by Pastor Emily, we will gather in the library to read and discuss the theology behind Dante's compelling poetry and wrenching images. The course will run from 6:30 until 8pm, on June 8, June 15, June 22, July 6, July 13 and July 20. Childcare will be available, and it is recommended that you purchase a copy of *The Inferno* through the St. Tim's office - sign up for both in the Gathering Space.

Music for June 2010

June 5 – Saturday

Marlene Gruber Clark, Soprano Soloist

June 6 – Sunday

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Bell Choir

Rachel Kohn, Soprano Soloist

June 12 – Saturday

John Sorsen, Baritone Horn

Alice Fritsch, Soprano Soloist

June 13 – Sunday

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Recorder Consort

June 19 – Saturday

Matt Bear, Guest Organist

John Hexem, Pianist and Cantor

June 20 -- Sunday

The St. Timothy Choir

Matt Bear, Guest Organist and Choir

Director

Bob Bell, Bass Soloist

June 26 – Saturday

Mary Robert, Soprano Soloist

June 27 – Sunday

The St. Timothy Choir

Miranda Robert, Soprano Soloist

Do You Know What the Church Periodical Club Is?



Church Periodical Club coordinator, Annie Rayman recently said, “When I attended the diocesan convention, I was surprised how little any one knew about our organization’s mission and work!”

CPC has two major initiatives. Miles of Pennies collects monies for children’s books. Each grant is for \$844.80, or the amount of one mile of pennies laid flat. The other program CPC collects for is their National Book Funds initiative. This fund is designated for adults and helps many seminarians from abroad studying in the U.S. Annie reports that the greatest request is often for this grant and, “our funds were low this year.”

Every year the Presiding Bishop suggests CPC directors ask churches for a special Sunday collection, and our Sunday is June 13.

The Church Periodical Club was started in 1888 by Mary Ann Fargo, wife of the founder of Wells Fargo Stage Company. The story is that on a trip to the west coast, Mary Ann was surprised to see how few prayer books and bibles were in churches. With her friends, she gathered a supply of books and bibles to distribute on the family’s stage coach runs.

On the weekend of June 12 and 13, Annie will have a display about the CPC and envelopes for your donations. Please give serious thought to donating to this organization.