



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Creve Coeur, MO

Late October, 2011

A CAMPAIGN FOR





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

Thank you, St. Timothy's!

Jack +

Stewardship at St. Timothy's 2012

Of God's abundance we have all received
GRACE UPON GRACE

John 1:16

The harvest ingathering of all pledges occurred on the weekend of October 22 and 23. To date we have received 97 pledges for a total of just over \$367,723. We hope to hear from those who have not responded. Contact the parish office if you do not have your pledge forms, or download the pledge forms from our website <http://saint-tims.org>.

Grace Notes

Grace has been defined as the outward expression of the inward harmony of the soul.

Grace is but glory begun, and glory is but grace perfected.

Capital Campaign Update

The Campaign for St. Timothy's celebrated the completion of the first phase on Sunday, October 2 during all of the Eucharist services that weekend. The campaign has been a tremendous success, and we are very thankful for those who have offered commitments and pledges that have brought our grand total (to date) to \$3,080,928. This total includes \$1,500,000 from the Danforth Foundation, matching 140 pledges from communicants and friends of St. Timothy's who have pledged \$1,580,928. We thank you and we thank God for leading us as we together seek to be responsive to a vision for ministry for our parish that enables us to become a great church in the Diocese of Missouri.

The Building Design Committee, Bud Bosanquet, Caryl Fox, Holly Wilson, Michael Wyland, Paul Pennel, Ron Batty, and Paul Michael has been working with Chiodini and Associates, or architectural firm, to refine the design and to finalize construction drawings and specifications. We expect to let contractor bids in November and then to select a general

contractor in December, giving us a firm total construction cost and a timetable for the proposed expansion of our facilities. See the committee report on page 5.

We hope that these final costs are far less than the generic estimate given to us months ago of \$3,500,000. When this estimate is received it will be carefully reviewed and analyzed, and a decision will be made to proceed. If the estimate is somewhere between our present total of nearly \$3,100,000 and \$3,500,000, a plan to raise additional funds will be formulated. Part of that strategy may include an invitation for all the parish to offer "naming gifts" for our new building and some of the rooms in that structure.

So we ask for your prayers, and we want to say how grateful we are to the St. Timothy's community of faith for this very, very successful capital campaign! Thank you.

Kurt Zwickelmaier, Chair

Daytimers to Tour Channel 9 and Dine at the Fountain on Locust

Grand Center is the destination for two Daytimer events this fall. On October 12 we carpooled to the Sheldon where Dean and Pam Bye's daughter-in-law, soloist Christie John Bye, performed with jazz pianist Carolbeth True. Their show, excellent and well-received, gave us a preview of what we will see and hear when they perform at St. Tim's 50th anniversary Gala Concert in February.

Our second destination is a docent-led tour of Channel 9's spacious facilities on Olive in Grand Center. Dick and I recently attended a reception at KETC, which took place in a beautiful, spacious studio. We are eager to see the rest of the facilities.

Date: Wednesday, November 16

Departure time from church: 10:15 for our 11:00 a.m. tour

Lunch will follow at The Fountain on Locust

The sign-up sheet is posted in the Gathering Space. Daytimers events are for all ages, and guests are welcome. Any questions, contact Mary Wrausmann, 314-469-3365
Mary Wrausmann

Music for November 2011

November 5 – Saturday

Solemn Festival Evensong for the Feast of
All Saints'

The St. Timothy Choir
Pat Evans, Flute and Steve Crock, Guitar

November 6 – Sunday--The Feast of All
Saints' (Transferred)

The St. Timothy Choir
The St. Timothy Brass

November 12 – Saturday

Mary Robert, Soprano Soloist and Cantor

November 13 – Sunday

The St. Timothy Choir
The St. Timothy Youth Choir
Winifred Crock, Violin; William Crock, Violin; and Steve Crock, Guitar

November 19 – Saturday

John Hexem, Solo Piano and Cantor

November 20 – Sunday—Festival Sunday of
Christ The King

The St. Timothy Choir
The St. Timothy Brass
The St. Timothy Bell Choir

November 23 – Wednesday –
Thanksgiving Eve

The St. Timothy Choir
Bob Bell, Bass Soloist
Matt Bear, Guest Organist and Choir
Director

November 26 – Saturday

Matt Bear, Guest Organist
Bridget Evers, Solo Piano

November 27 – Sunday – The First Sunday
of Advent

The St. Timothy Choir
The St. Timothy Bell Choir



**St. Timothy's Spirituality Group to Meet
Wednesday, November 9**



6:00 PM

TOPIC: "Everyday Spirituality – Practicing God's Presence"
Speaker: Dean Bye

A practical look at ways to "practice the presence of God" every day by discovering and enjoying God's presence on earth. We will explore some of the things necessary for practicing everyday spirituality—things like humility, simplicity, love, and faith. We will look again, and in a new way at the extravagance of God's grace and our daily response!

We will also serve a light **supper** prior to Dean's talk, so please sign up in the Narthex under "Education"

Building Addition Update



On September 27, drawings were delivered to the church office from the architect reflecting they are 75% complete with the overall building design. Members of the Facility Needs Committee independently reviewed the drawings to make sure specific issues of concern were being addressed. Then on Thursday the 6th, the committee met to continue to discuss issues that need to be resolved, including hardware and security, lighting and internet access, and fixing the foundation leaks by the stairs to the Education Building.

Design milestones completed include project drawings that were submitted to the Building and Fire Department at the City of Creve Coeur for their review and comment. Drawings will also be submitted soon to the Metropolitan Sewer District for their review of how we are handling the increased storm water runoff on our site. These storm water runoff collection and treatment strategies are going to cost us money but they are a healthy contribution to the overall St Louis groundwater situation. Keeping more storm water on our site will

help reduce regional flooding and replenish groundwater, which we ultimately use for drinking.

We also began to map out strategies for continuing to use our facilities throughout the construction process. Renovating the Education Building will take place over the summer months so Sunday School classes won't be interrupted. Big construction trucks will plan to enter and stay on the south side of the Education Building so as not to destroy the existing driveway and parking lot. There will be a couple of weeks when entering the site may be over gravel and dirt while the new driveway is being connected to the parking lot. We are also giving thought to how parishioners will access the Gathering Space and offices throughout construction. Ultimately how and when all this is achieved will be left up to the General Contractor but everyone involved understands that maintaining access to the existing facilities is critical.



Caryl Fox

ST. TIMOTHY'S WILL HOST THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE PETS ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5TH, AT 2PM. THE BLESSING WILL CELEBRATE THE VERY SPECIAL PLACE THAT ANIMALS HOLD IN THE TRADITION OF CELTIC SPIRITUALITY. ALL PETS ARE WELCOME, INCLUDING PICTURES (E.G. HORSES); STUFFED ANIMALS, PET FRIENDS ETC. CELTIC SAINTS BRIGID OF KILDARE, KEVIN OF GLENDALOUGH, COLMAN OF LINDISFARNE WILL BE HONORED. THEIR LOVE OF ANIMALS, WILD AND TAME, WILL BE FEATURED IN STORY AND PRAYER. VETERINARIAN WILL BE ON HAND, AS WELL AS A DOG TRAINER. CEAD MILE FAILTE! (YOU WILL BE WARMLY WELCOMED)

Daytimers: It's Not Too Early to Plan to Attend a Holiday Concert

Join the Daytimers as at a Holiday Brass Concert on Tuesday, December 13, at 10:15 at Manchester United Methodist Church. The concert features the Grammy award winning soprano Christine Brewer, the Kirkwood Children's Chorale, MUMC Chancel Choir, and the Holiday Brass Ensemble. The cost is \$23 for adults and \$21 for senior citizens We'll have lunch at a nearby restaurant after the concert. Look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.



Oppression to Opportunity Response Team Update



The Unveiling! Oppression to Opportunity Response Team will soon reveal its new name and will meet on Wednesday, November 16 at 7 p.m. in the library. Join us as we make more loans to real live people based on their personal stories. Stay tuned for our suggestions for non-commercial Christmas gifts!

Deacon Jan

World Food Day Update

Many thanks to Ann Schweiss for organizing the St. Tim's teams to package food at the Danforth Plant Center on October 14 and 15. Nineteen of our parishioners participated, and we filled about 500 packets in two hours! That is 500 meals for people in sub-Saharan Africa. Thanks to all who participated! More than 3000 volunteers created 523,000 meals for a small community in crisis in Africa!

Ginni Campbell

From God's Bounty Flows Our Gratitude

During the first 3 weeks in November we will hold our annual Thanksgiving food collection for Circle of Concern to help Circle share the spirit of Thanksgiving with struggling local families.

Especially needed are:

Canned Meat
Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables
Gravy and Broth
Breakfast Cereal

Canned Pasta
Tomato Products
Cranberry Sauce
Stuffing Mix
Cake and Cookie Mix

The donated food will be picked up by Circle of Concern on Thursday, November 17, and Thanksgiving baskets will be given to families on Saturday, November 19. Circle provides the perishables, so let's all bring the makings of our favorite Thanksgiving side dishes.

Ann Schweiss



Opportunities to Work on Relief Efforts in Joplin Being Explored

We continue to explore opportunities for a personal connection for tornado relief in Joplin. Father Jack and Pastor Roy have contacted local congregations to determine which ones might be interested in a joint effort with us. They have had a number of positive responses. In addition, they have contacted their counterparts in Joplin. As you may recall, Prince of Peace ELCA was totally destroyed by the tornado and St. Phillip's has provided worship space as well as other support. Prince of Peace was in a transition period with the Pastor. The new Pastor has now been in place for about six weeks. A very small group from St. Tim's will be going to Joplin to meet with her and some of her lay leaders to determine needs of the congregation and how St. Tim's and others could help.

We know Joplin will not be made whole for a long time so our hope is to develop an ongoing relationship. As specific projects are identified, many hands, expertise, talents and creativity will be needed. Stay tuned!

Deacon Jan initiated a Diocesan effort to reach all parishes to contribute \$100 each to provide the funds to buy a piece of land for an additional shelter for women and children in Joplin. The current shelter (Lafayette House) is facing a large increase in need because of the tornado related stress. St. Tim's committed \$200 to offset a parish that could not afford the contribution.

Ginni Campbell, Outreach Chair

Mitten Tree Ready to Be 'Decorated'

It is time to begin gathering mittens, hats and scarves for the Grace Hill Christmas Shop. At the shop the families that Grace Hill serves can 'purchase' items (mostly clothing) for their Christmas giving. Hand knitted or purchased items will be greatly appreciated. We will accept donations through November 13. If you have questions, contact Jane Wyland: jwyland@charter.net or 636-527-9809.



From the
**Director of Christian
Education**

**Peggy
Huesemann**

Our YACs – Young Adults in Church, grades 11 and up – are busy. This year, they spend class time discussing Jesus Was an Episcopalian (And You Can Be One Too!: A Newcomer's Guide to the Episcopal Church by Rev. Chris Yaw. They can be found in the kitchen taking their turn at cooking the 36-45 dozen eggs given to the needy in downtown St. Louis, or on Mason Road cleaning up discarded trash. On the fifth Sunday of any month, they create deli sandwiches for the residents of Haven House (These are quite a hit after numerous casseroles.) But on October 16, they were at Trader Joe's – shopping. Our YACs remember our members who are away at college by sending freshmen "care packages" and upper classmen "thinking of you" chocolate bars. Always well received, our college students send out thank you notes, emails, and respond joyously in person for being remembered. Please keep our college students in your prayers:

Andy Boyd, Lexi Dressel, Nicholas Huesemann, Miranda Robert, Scott Wootton, Walter Buhro
Sasha Hinrichs, Rachel Kohn, Josh Wangler, Ginna Zwickelmaier, Nancy Davidson, Chelsea Holland,
Marina Mason, and Noah Wangler

Blessings,
Peggy

Why Do People Do That?

A prominent architectural feature in the worship space at St. Timothy's is the stunning baptismal font located at the entrance. You might have seen parishioners occasionally dipping their fingers into the water in the font, sometimes making the sign of the cross over their chests or foreheads with their dampened fingers. Why do they do this? Should you be doing this?

Why: Many religious traditions have sacred "items of identity" on their doorposts. In the Jewish faith a Mezuzah, which contains a scroll declaring God's blessing, is affixed and sometimes touched or kissed upon entrance. In some Orthodox and Christian homes, or places of worship, a font or small stoup (little holders of blessed water or oil) is affixed to the entrance, also touched - sometimes with the addition of crossing oneself. In some native people's tradition, it is the custom to smudge individuals and spaces for sacred cleansing upon entry. In some other Middle Eastern,

and some Far Eastern religions you will find spaces for ritual water blessings or cleansing upon entrance to a temple or place of worship. It is both simple and profound: a physical expression of entering into a sacred space, and a reminder of your identity as someone who is a part of this faith.

Should you?: As with other physical expressions of worship, this is based on your preference; like crossing yourself, genuflecting when entering and exiting a pew, or choosing to stand or kneel during the Confession or the Eucharistic prayer. You are encouraged to try different postures of worship, and even to change what you're "used to" now and then. You shouldn't necessarily choose the postures that make you feel the most comfortable. You should choose based on which ones cause more of your attention to be focused on being present, and focusing on the words and actions of worship.

Heidi Clark, St. Timothy's

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 - Beverlee Critchell | 10 - Andrea Johnson | 18 - Thomas Warhover |
| 2 - Don Lambert | 11 - Kathy Dyer | 19 - Tyler Nauman |
| Carolyn Moore | Jane Williamson | 25 - Jessica Michael |
| 6 - Janine Bosanquet | 12 - Alex Huesemann | Ann Schweiss |
| Nathan Dyer | 14 - Jane Coughlin | 26 - Holly Wilson |
| Daniel Hotra | 15 - Liam Wyland | 27 - Cathy Agne |
| Adrian Moore | 16 - Tommy Gordon | Uma Segal |
| Alexander Vachon | 17 - Charlie Ives | 28 - Andy Arras |
| 7 - John Hexem | Ethan Uyemura | 29 - Mary Lou Blackhurst |

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



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| 2 - Joe and Irma Yokota | 15 - Peg and Verne Luther |
| Michael and Jamie Omahen | 24 - Nick and Pat Mason |
| 7 - Jeff and Andrea Johnson | Dick and Nancy Sinise |
| 10 - Brad and Peggy Huesemann | |

The sympathy of the parish is extended to Bill Crowell and Kristin Crowell Hatch and family on the death of Karma Crowell; To Nancy and Bob Levitt on the death of Bob's father, Lester Levitt; To Andy Becker on the death of his grandmother, Lucy Kathryn Becker; To Nancy Setzer and family on the death of her father, Joseph Molello; To Sandi McCarthy on the death of her husband Paul (former parishioners) To Lorraine Weisler and family on the death of Harlan; And to the Stehnach family on the death of Bill.

Adult Forums

November 6 **Our Neighborhoods and Their Future** The City Managers of Olivette, and Chesterfield and the Assistant to the City Administrator of Creve Coeur share their knowledge about the trends developing in our communities (economic, demographic, political, housing, etc) and how they will impact the future and affect long-range planning for St. Timothy's.

November 13 **The Future St. Tim's**
Hear and see where we are in the planning/building process with an update from Chiodini Architects and the Building and Design Team.

Financial Snapshot September 2011

Target revenues and expenses for 9 months (Budget %)	75.00%
Actual pledge and plate receipts for 9 months	74.46%
Actual expenses for 9 months	72.60%

Our finances continue to be very strong through September of 2011. We show a surplus at this point of \$31k and anticipate attaining our budgeted surplus by year's end.

Please be sure to pay your pledge in a timely manner so that we can continue on a firm financial footing this year.

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.

Saint Timothy's Calendar

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