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**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

**Creve Coeur, MO**

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Late September, 2011

*Stewardship at St. Timothy's 2012*

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

*John 1:16*



## **STEWARDSHIP 2012**

Thank you to all who picked up their Stewardship packets on September 10 and 11. The remaining packets were mailed out on September 12. You may mail your pledge along with your time and talent information. If you've misplaced your pledge or time and talent forms go to the St. Timothy's website [www.saint-tims.org](http://www.saint-tims.org), and you will find a link on the home page to both forms.

Rosemary Jasper, Campaign Chair

**Join Fellow Parishioners at the Adult Forum  
on  
Sunday, October 2, from 9:15-10:15a.m.**

**Dialogue With St. Timothy's Outreach Recipients, Including:**

Mary Kay Digby-Episcopal City Mission  
Rod Jones-Grace Hill  
Glen Koenen-Circle of Concern  
Katy Hardy-Habitat for Humanity  
Evelyn Woods-Sigel School  
Representative-Trinity Food Pantry

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### **Grace Notes**

*Grace is available for each of us every day - our spiritual daily bread - but we've got to remember to ask for it with a grateful heart and not worry about whether there will be enough for tomorrow." - Sarah Ban Breathnach*

## Love Heals

What an inspiration for five of us from St. Timothy's (Holly Wilson, Linda McDowell, Gail Schultz, Debbie Smith, and Deacon Jan) to join with about 100 others from our diocese to attend the annual Making Disciples Workshop at our cathedral on August 27! Leading the morning session, Becca Stevens, an Episcopal priest and chaplain for Vanderbilt University in Nashville, shared stories of her ministry at Magdalene House/Thistle Farms to young women working to escape the bonds of violence, prostitution, and addiction. Becca brought two of her graduates from the two-year healing program from Magdalene House; Sheila and Katrina's stories were accounts of courage, hope, amazing healing, **and** productive lives retrieved. You'll be hearing more about Becca's program, because there are seeds planted to consider an outgrowth of this ministry in St. Louis. Stay tuned: we may have the chance to perpetuate this lavish love.

The afternoon session on Contextual Bible Study was led by Pastor Jeff Moore from Webster Groves Christian Church. Relating scripture to the morning session, in small groups we looked at the context of the story of the Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman and how this gospel story is similar or different from what is happening in our own lives. When, we **all** can ask the question, "so what?" only then can we bring the kingdom of heaven right here in our midst-- love shared transforms others as we, too, are transformed. Ask any one of us to share more....

Deacon Jan

*[Those of us in church on the weekend of September 17 and 18 also heard our guest celebrant, Heather Morgan, speak enthusiastically about Magdalene House and Thistle Farm in her sermon. Ed.]*

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## Capital Campaign Update

We are celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> year of ministry this year at St. Timothy's! In the grace and love of God, we faithfully together embrace our future and we together seek a vision for ministry that meets the communities we seek to serve and we thank God for guiding us in these paths of ministry.

During the past few months, we have invited the parish to join us in a capital campaign, **The Campaign for St. Timothy's**. This campaign will fund new facilities and growing ministries for all age groups in our parish. We are grateful for the extraordinary generosity of the 123 families and individuals in our church who have pledged \$1,419,093. These gifts and pledges have been matched by The Danforth Foundation \$1 per \$1 for each pledge. In addition, The Danforth Foundation has given

a special gift of \$50,000, and therefore our total is \$2,888,185.33.

Our campaign will close on October 2 during a time of worship and in-gathering of all of our pledges. All commitments to the campaign will be received and we will ask God to bless and honor the gifts made to the campaign during our Eucharist services that weekend.

We invite you, if you have not already made a commitment to the Campaign to ask for a commitment form at the church office or pick one up on the table in the Gathering Space and join with us in a pledge.

Kurt Zwikelmaier, Campaign for St. Timothy's Chair

**Music for October 2011**

**October 1 – Saturday**

Percy Vanacht, Solo Piano

**October 2 – Sunday**

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Brass

**October 8 – Saturday**

Matt Bear, Guest Organist

John Hexem, Solo Piano and Cantor

**October 9 – Sunday**

Matt Bear, Guest Organist and  
Choir Director

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy String Quartet

**October 15 – Saturday**

Bridget Evers, Solo Piano

**October 16 - Sunday**

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Bell Choir

**October 22 – Saturday**

Matt Bear, Baritone Soloist and Cantor

**October 23 – Sunday**

The St. Timothy Choir

Bob Bell, Bass Soloist and Pianist

**October 29 – Saturday**

Alice Fritsch, Soprano Soloist and  
Cantor

**October 30 – Sunday**

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Recorder Consort

**Golf Outing**

A golf outing is planned for ladies and men on October 16 at 1:00pm at Crystal Springs Golf Course. Play 9 or 18 holes and stay for a barbeque meal. There is a sign up on the bulletin board.

**Daytimers**-Join us for a Coffee Concert at The Sheldon Concert Hall on October 12. "Look of Love" is the program featuring Carolbeth True and Christi John Bye. We will carpool from church at 8:15 a.m. for the coffee and pastries at 9 and the concert begins at 10. Lunch will follow at Vito's. Tickets are \$15.25 and the sign up is on the bulletin board.

## Women of the Parish and Guests Invited to Italian Dinner



"Grazie" means "thanks" in Italian. On Tuesday, October 18, at the next Women's Fellowship Dinner, come learn how best to say thanks to those in your life. First, we'll have a delicious Italian meal and then a wonderful discussion led by our new Coordinator of Family Ministry, Heidi Clark. Tickets (\$18) will be sold after services. Childcare is available.

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### Coming to the Parish Hall on Sundays in October from 9:15 to 10:15 The Adult Forum

#### October 9, Present at the Creation

This Forum will feature a panel of those who were here at St. Tim's in the early years after our founding in 1961 ... the Reverend Bill Thomas, first Vicar, and others will share their memories of the "farmhouse days" and what it was like to see the beginning of our parish.

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#### October 16, American Grace

Mike McDowell and Jim Hood, PhD

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#### October 23, What Really Happened on the Road to Damascus?

Fr. Sean Charles Martin, S.T.D.

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#### October 30

The Right Reverend George Wayne Smith

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### Food Collection for October

The Food Pantry Collection in October will go to Trinity Food Pantry in the Central West End. They will appreciate canned meats and fruits, boxed cereal, peanut butter and jelly, as well as toilet tissue, bars of soap, and tooth paste and tooth brushes.

Ann Schweiss



## Oppression to Opportunity Response Team Update

St. Tim's micro financing lending team is going strong. Please visit [www.kiva.org](http://www.kiva.org) to learn more about our loans. Our loan of \$100.00 to **Justine** from Uganda helps her buy more sugar, salt, soap, and cooking oil to sell. Justine is single and has two children. She also takes care of her mother. Justine lives in a home that she owns; however, she has no electricity or piped water. She has a goal of educating her children up to university level.

**Dagni** from Peru is 30 years old and lives with her daughters in her parent's home, which only has electricity. Our loan of \$100.00 helps her purchase in bulk to replenish her store's supplies. She runs her business from home because it is a safe option. Dagni's goal is to provide her children with greater comfort in life.

Would you like to be part of this exciting ministry? Contact Deacon Jan, Danielle Pennel, or me to find out how to make a difference.

Jane Coughlin

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## Join the Danforth Plant Science Center to Recognize World Food Day

On Friday & Saturday, October 14-15, the Danforth Plant Science Center is hosting a community food packaging event to commemorate World Food Day, a global event to increase awareness, understanding, and action to alleviate hunger. It is observed in recognition of the founding of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

The program consists of one-hour packaging sessions, where volunteers assemble nutritious rice/soy meals to be sent to those in dire need in Africa. After packaging, participants will have the opportunity to tour the Danforth Center and learn more about the long-term

research to reduce hunger and malnutrition around the world.

Last October, three teams from St. Timothy's participated in this event, and found it to be a worthwhile and enriching experience. It is a good opportunity for family service and sharing. Participants must be at least 7 years of age. The cost to participate is \$11.34 for students (elementary through college) and \$21.69 for adults. Teachers and Scout leaders are charged the student rate. If you would like to join, there is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space.

Ann Schweiss



## Building Addition Update

The architects are working hard to finish the drawings so we can get bids and select a contractor by the end of the year. The committee is finalizing the following for the architects:

**Audio Visual Equipment** – The committee is currently reviewing the equipment recommendations given back to us by the AV consultant. We expect to have some permanently mounted equipment in the Parish Hall and some portable equipment that can be moved around the building as needed. Having an elevator will make moving equipment around the building easier for anyone who is setting up before meetings and classes. With the additional meeting rooms and state-of-the-art AV equipment, we will be able to offer our facility to outside groups throughout the community.

**Security** – We are also planning to be able to lock off parts of the church (especially the offices and the sanctuary). The architects are also looking into a keyless entry system, which means not having to change out locks every time keys go missing.

**LED Lighting** is being considered for much of the addition and parking lot. Primarily LED lights use 35% less electricity but they also have twice the life of fluorescent light lighting. This will really reduce energy use in the new addition, which has been a concern to all of us.

**Kitchen** - It is a challenge to balance future demands for our new kitchen with what we can afford to buy now. The biggest expense will be the exhaust hood, which will need to be sized now to accommodate our future growth. We're considering many options.

We are all excited to see the plans shape up for the future of our church home. Stay tuned for more updates.

Caryl Fox  
Facilities Design Team



**At the Adult Forum on November 13, Chiodini architects and the Building and Design Team will give us an update on the building addition.**

From the  
Director of Christian  
Education

Peggy  
Hueseemann

There something new in the Christian Formation wing – a new curriculum. *Weaving God's Promises* is an Episcopal-based three-year program for children preschool - 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

"The goal of *Weaving God's Promises* is to teach children the way of Christ, not only in the church but also in the world."

To build a strong faith foundation, *Weaving God's Promises* covers:

**Holy Scripture:** Stories from the Old and New Testaments

**Our Episcopal Church:** History, Traditions and Book of Common Prayer

**Christian Living:** Prayer, Outreach and Service

Classrooms are divided into age appropriate groups:

**Weavers 1:** Age-ready 4 - 1st Grade

**Weavers 2:** 2nd and 3rd Grade

**Weavers 3:** 4th, 5th and 6th Grade

So that parents may learn more about their children's Sunday school there will be an informative meeting on October 2 (a Family Worship Sunday), 10:30 -11, in the double classroom (upstairs, last room on the right.)

Blessings,  
Peggy

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### The Social Network and St. Timothy's

Many congregations have a presence on the internet, and St. Timothy's might like to be among them. We've decided to explore this possibility a little further. Our first step will be to ask 5-15 regular Facebook, LinkedIn, or other social networking site users, who are members of St. Timothy's, to subscribe to a series of church pages and observe the activity. What do you like? What do you read? What is helpful? We will collect our findings and begin to envision a route for St. Timothy's. If you are a regular user of social networking and can help us do this first bit of work, please let Heidi Clark know. This initial commitment will take only one month, and you know you're on there anyway.

☺ Thank you for considering being a part of this work for the church. [heidi@saint-tims.org](mailto:heidi@saint-tims.org)

Heidi Clark, Coordinator of Family Ministry





## Financial Snapshot August 2011

Target revenues and expenses for 8 months (Budget %)	66.67%
Actual pledge and plate receipts for 8 months	68.15%
Actual expenses for 8 months	64.53%

Our finances continue to be very strong through the month of August of 2011. We show a surplus at this time of \$40k 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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