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**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

**Creve Coeur, MO**

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July, 2014

**St. Tim's Food Pantry Garden Grows**



## **From the Rector,**

The warmth, or should I say, heat of a Midwestern summer, complete with sudden showers and storms, is strangely comforting after all the years I spent in the relative sameness of Hawai'i weather. The forecast there this time of year might have been something like this: High of 84, Low of 70, fair to partly cloudy, windward and mauka showers. Trade winds 10 to 15mph. Tomorrow, much of the same through the weekend. Extended forecast, much the same through the end of the month.

I grew up in the Midwest so the feeling of a warm still evening in the summer is a reminder of the way things were. And the towering clouds and gathering storms remind me of how quickly things can change.

I don't think most of us like change. Of course, a change of scenery for a vacation, a little adventure is a good thing, but to return to the comforts of home and routine is just as welcome as the journey.

St. Timothy's as a congregation has embraced challenge and change in ways that are quite encouraging for me as your still relatively new priest. You have risen to the challenge of funding a new worship space and then in fairly short order you took up another project: the construction of a major expansion of your parish hall and renovation of your Christian formation building. All of this occurred with very little disturbance to the harmony of parish life. Amazing.

The hardest changes, though, it seems to me, are the changes that happen when people we love make the decision to retire, step down from roles of leadership and the parish must take initiative to find our way forward into a new future.

We will miss Dean and Pam Bye. They are such good leaders and good friends. And in the fall we have to learn to get along without the constant and vigilant care and oversight that Deacon Jan O'Neil has provided to our Outreach and Pastoral Care ministries. We continue to pray for healing to Dr. Roy Moore and the Reverend Sue Eastes, though Sue has taken up her role as priest to the Wednesday Eucharist again. We are glad to see the Reverend Nathaniel in the choir, but miss him at Family Worship.

Change comes whether we seek it or not. If we don't change, change will change us. But we are making this transition work. Attendance is very steady. New programs are being well received and new people warmly welcome into this blessed community of faith.

I am very pleased to see this happening and am confident in the steady and calm process that is taking place to call new leaders. We would all do well to take a deep breath and place our trust in the providence of God and in the good leadership of St. Timothy's Vestry and ministry leaders. God is working in our community, both in the challenge of change and in the comfort and consolation of God's love.

Marvin+

## Social Media Sunday Great Success at Home and Abroad

Laura Catalano led a bunch of St. Tim's social media users and novices on a tour of social media sites, and explained how important it was that #Episcopal was "trending" on Twitter. So important in fact, that she received a tweet from THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY himself!!

Social media can be a bit intimidating to those of us who grew up in the "don't stay on the phone too long, it costs money" era. But we can't stick our heads in the sand and hope it goes away. Laura has been instrumental in taking us many levels higher than we were even a year ago. Thank you, thank you Laura. An easy way to stay connected is to go to our website—[www.saint-tims.org](http://www.saint-tims.org) and click on the News tab and then Social Media. We're encouraging everyone to post on Facebook when you're coming to church or an event at church. 'Like' St. Tim's Facebook page and stay connected.

Keep in mind, Twitter sets 1,000 as the maximum number of tweets you can do per day. Now, if you have a life, the number is a lot lower! Laura says, "If you are new to twitter, it's fine to not tweet at all. For the first 6 months I had an account, I just checked it about once a week and read through some things. If you are using twitter to promote a business, organization, or event, you would want to tweet 10 or more times a day and start developing relationships with the community and having conversations." Susan Moenkhaus



**Justin Welby** @JustinWelby · 5h

Just had an email from a friend in The Episcopal Church celebrating Social Media Sunday (A good idea?). peace be with you all. #Episcopal

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**Laura Catalano**  
@LeistCatalano

@JustinWelby Hi! The #Episcopal Social Media Sunday was a grass-roots effort started by me and @singingcarolyn! Nice to meet you :)

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## Concert Recap

**The Summer Big Band Concert Roared Back with a Splash!** With a new name, new venue, new look... and the same St Timothy spirit, “Reaching for the Stars” (RFTS) provided church members and guests with a special evening on June 7. Its goals were to heighten awareness of St Tim’s outreach efforts; raise funds for those outreach programs; and enjoy fellowship among St. Tim members and outside guests. At the request of the Vestry, the team placed special emphasis on one outreach program: this year’s focus organization was Episcopal City Mission. (The Vestry will select a new outreach program for emphasis at next year’s event.)

**The Event:** Over 300 guests enjoyed a pleasant, dry evening of music, dance, socializing and food/drink. Gateway City Big Band once again provided a wonderful array of music and singing. More than a few folks had fun dancing on the sidewalks of St Tim’s. At the start of the evening, the guests enjoyed a Welcome Hour of light refreshments in the Parish Hall, which was filled to capacity. Here they were introduced to the new “Fund-a-Need Marketplace” where they learned about the important work of Episcopal City Mission and many of the other St Timothy outreach programs.

We enjoyed the company of many guests, including leadership staff members from Episcopal City Mission and guests from New City Fellowship church located in the city of St. Louis.

**Acknowledgements:** Norm Moenkhaus was our Co- Chair and led the very successful marketing effort. Rick Sharp was responsible for the entertainment (in more ways than one!) and also served as our ECM liaison. Susan Moenkhaus was at the helm of Publicity and Communications, generating creative and eye-catching buzz for the night. Sara Vanacht was in charge of the Fund a Need Marketplace, and had help from Adrian Moore, Danielle Pennel, Ginni Campbell, and Kurt Zwickelmaier. Andy Becker did the heavy lifting of organizing and implementing the Logistics and Set Up, with good help from Tate Mitchell and Frank Kohn. He wanted to thank all of the volunteers “too many to name, but absolute life-savers” for their flexibility in the minute-by-minute weather diversions that evening. Kurt Zwickelmaier oversaw the Finance and Ticket Sales, with help from Nancy Sinise, Linda Wilson, Anne Schweiss, and Richard Keyes. Jennifer and Brad Barnes oversaw the enormous task of Food and Drink, and their helpers included Irene & Mike Cummins, Kristin & Germaine Komor, Ron & Jackie Fleck, Leyna Loechner, Adam & Emma Barnes, Leslie & Ellen Lindsey, Kimi Becker, Judy Maloney, Will Bolden, Jim Hinrichs & Mary Lou Blackhurst.

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## RFTS, cont'd ...

Kirk Fritsch led the charge of Close-Up, with the help of several other generous and weather-flexible volunteers. Caroline Kelsey arranged the gorgeous decorations, while Nancy Sinise and Hopey Gardner convinced numerous bakers and cooks from across St. Timothy's to share their best desserts. Mitzi Uyemura oversaw the Activity Room, with help from our very cool college students. We also wish to thank Umetulisha ("you have fed us" in Swahili), a food ministry of New City Fellowship, which provided staffing support for prepping and serving the food.

**And now, what you want to know ... Fund Raising: With all of the numbers in we are pleased to report that all of this work will make a real difference in a lot of lives. The event netted \$11,000, which St. Timothy's Outreach will distribute between the special designated giving, our Guest Partners at ECM, and other direct outreach initiatives.**

[Tony Corey got the ball rolling on this year's concert and provided excellent management of all the different 'pieces/parts' that went into making it such a success. It wouldn't have happened without him! Susan M.]

*God, whose son came to serve, and not to be served; bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage they may minister in his Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy, for the love of your Son our Savior. Amen. Bcp260*

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### Extra! Extra! Read All About It!

**News flash:** Carolyn Moore has stepped up to the plate and agreed to use her leadership gifts to chair the Outreach Core Steering Committee. Bountiful thanks to Ginni Campbell for her five years of outstanding leadership. We anticipate a smooth transition capitalizing on Carolyn's broad experiences in our outreach projects.

Deacon Jan

Chester Hines, our Candidate for the Diaconate will lead Evening Prayer on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. until further notice. The parish and community are encouraged to attend.

### Full Inclusion

A group of St. Tim's members would like to begin a formal conversation about a more complete inclusion of the LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Christians in our parish life. The motivation is that our community begin the process of becoming more intentionally welcoming. We will learn more about the Oasis Missouri program, the "Believe Out Loud" - Integrity USA process, and learn from other congregations about how to proceed. Members of the group currently include Angela Mitchell-Phillips, Laura Catalano, Sarah Johnson, Louise Pooley, Kate Buckley, Danielle Pennel, and Vicky Palmer with staff support from Fr. Marvin Foltz and Heidi Clark. We will be meeting at 10am on Saturday, July 19 in the north parish hall. Please join us if you like to support this process and be a part of the conversation.

Sunday July 13th is Dean Bye's last Sunday as Music Director at St Tim's. A reception in the Parish Hall follows the 10:30 service. We are honoring Pam and Dean's extraordinary nineteen years of ministry to our parish family. The congregation is invited to share their remembrances of Pam and Dean. These remembrances could be a card, a photograph, or a particular written memory, like a favorite moment, or a hymn, or a time when the music filled you with the Peace of God. Please write your remembrances on 8 x 11 sheets of paper so they can be put in a scrapbook. There is a basket in the gathering space for all remembrances.

You are also invited to contribute to the "cash purse" gift, from all of us, as a small way to say thank you for Pam and Dean's ministry to our parish. Make checks payable to "St. Timothy's" and put "Gift for Dean and Pam" on the Memo.



### Garden News

WHO has planted a row of vegetables to share with Circle of Concern? (Even one plant would be wonderful!) Bring your produce to church, put it in the refrigerator, and add your name to the list taped on the door. Our church garden is doing well - lots of produce has been delivered already.

If anyone can help water this summer, please contact  
Nancy Setzer - [nsetzer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nsetzer@sbcglobal.net)



## Summer Journey and Sacred Conversation

**Sundays: July 13 – August 24**

**9:00 AM – 10:15 AM**

Beginning Sunday, July 13, and continuing through Sunday, August 24, the Spirituality Group is offering an opportunity to continue the Sacred Conversations we began in Lent as well as enjoy the friendship of a common journey. We will meet from 9:00 – 10:15 AM. Right now, we are planning to use the Library but can always expand to another area if we need more room.

We are taking our cue from the explosion of light and colors of summer. We will use our beautiful Sanctuary windows as the theme for our gatherings. Each Sunday we will convene to discuss a particular window, using scriptures and reflections and conversation from those around the table.

The schedule is below. We will post a signup sheet in the Gathering Space. We pray your summer journey will include joining us for some light bible study, reflection and sharing of the meaningful events in our lives as we, too, journey to Emmaus so that we may recognize Christ in the breaking of the bread.

“When Jesus joins us on the road and explains the scriptures to us, we must listen with our whole being, trusting that the word that created us will also heal us.” With Burning Hearts: A Meditation on the Eucharistic Life, Henri J.M. Nouwen

Date	Convener	Window/Theme
July 13	Rev. Sue Eastes	Creation
July 20	Cathie Horrell	Water
July 27	Chester Hines	Baptism
August 3	Agnes Bolwell	Incarnation
August 10	Rev. Sue Eastes	Resurrection
August 17	Chester Hines	Love
August 24	All	Wrap Up & Celebration



**Music for July 2014**

**July 5 —Saturday**

John Hexem, Solo Piano and Cantor

**July 6 —Sunday**

John Hexem, Piano

Pam Bye, Soprano Soloist

Alice Fritsch, Soprano Soloist and Cantor

**July 12 —Saturday**

John Hexem, Piano

Nathaniel Pyron, Tenor Soloist and Cantor

**July 13 —Sunday**

Julia Fox, Oboe

Alice Fritsch, Soprano Soloist and Cantor

Mary Robert, Soprano Soloist and Cantor

Eric Buckley, Tenor Soloist

**July 19 —Saturday**

Matt Bear, Guest Organist and Soloist

**July 20 —Sunday**

Clark Davis, Guest Organist

Steve Crock, Guitar

**July 26 —Saturday**

Matt Bear, Guest Organist

Alice Fritsch, Soprano Soloist

**July 27 —Sunday**

Matt Bear, Guest Organist

Alice Fritsch, Soprano Soloist

To the saints of St. Tim's,

Thank you all for the prayers and cards throughout my darkest days of surgical recovery. As I put your cards around my room at Bethesda, they became your witness to me - and joined the others as the Communion of Saints who supported me. As my recovery continues to be a work-in-progress for the next several months, your support (in other ways, as well) continues to be sacramental for me. Thank you.

*Sue Eastes*





## **Women and Men Needed to Help the Women's Business Center**

The Grace Hill Women's Business Center can use help with its Business Development classes. The WBC offers classes for low income individuals to provide education and guidance in starting and operating a successful business. The program has expanded from offering two series of classes per year to now offering four 16-week sessions. Speakers are needed with individual topic expertise, mentors are needed for personal guidance/tutoring, and discussion leaders for specific topics are also needed. Classes are offered at the Old Post Office building or at the Helix Center in Creve Coeur. If you are interested in providing your experience and expertise or learning more about the program, contact Marcia Conaghan at Grace Hill WBC 584-6841 or Ginni Campbell at 314.878.3627.

Ginni Campbell reports that this very specific curriculum – Workshop In Business Opportunities (WIBO) – was developed in Harlem in 1966. Grace Hill has been using it since 2012. It is a 16 week course with topic lectures, follow-on workshops, and individual assistance as necessary. At the upcoming graduation one class will graduate 100% and the other will graduate 93%! Over the 14 years of operation of the Women's Business Center (WBC), the graduates have received over \$10,000,000 in loans for start-up or expansion, created over 1,000 jobs, and created on average 20 new businesses per year. The program can use anything from one-time participation to full 16-week involvement.

In case you're concerned about being "thrown" out in front of an audience ... they use experienced business people and provide the content for each session. Marcia Conaghan, the WBC Director, interviews every potential volunteer before selecting to make sure there is the right fit and a clear understanding of the course and the expectations. She also wants to make sure the potential instructor or presenter has appropriate experience in the specific topic. Some people need to be topic specific and others need to be more of a generalist in business operations.

You can make a real difference; won't you help? Check it out at [www.gracehillwbc.org/](http://www.gracehillwbc.org/)



Our J2A class, Adam Barnes and Jared McAvoy with leaders Kim Dressel and Steve Crock journeyed to Maine on their pilgrimage from May 31 to June 7. With 20 lessons to choose from, varying in topic from “Stuff” to “Have Faith” to “The Choices We Make,” the group selected two each day to discuss.

*The pilgrims also enjoyed the opportunity to see the first light of the sun hit North America by having a prayer service atop [Cadillac Mountain in Acadia National Park, Maine](#). (photo by Kim Dressel)*

*For Use at Sunrise... (Adapted from [The Book of Uncommon Prayer](#) by Steven Case)*

*The Light begins slowly - Remove the darkness, God.*

*We couldn't take it all in one burst - Remove the darkness, God.*

*It would be too bright. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*Our minds wouldn't grasp it. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*In the same way God reveals himself to us. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*We can't see God in all His glory. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*It would send us over the edge. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*Slower is better. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*We see things as we need to see them. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*We learn things as we need to learn them. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*All things happen in God's time, not ours. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*The problems we face have answers. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*The more we pay attention, the more we see. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*The more we see, the more we understand. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*God gave us the light as a gift. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*We follow the light. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*His word is a light on the dark path. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*The light begins slowly. - Remove the darkness, God.*

*We couldn't take it all in one burst. - Remove the darkness, God. Amen.*

*Father God, we begin this new day with a new determination to be your children. Amen.*

On the 7th of September a new J2A class will begin. This 2-year class is for all students who will be in grades 8 and 9 for the Fall of 2014. (For the second year, participants will be in grades 9 and 10.) It is by participating fully in this program that teens have the opportunity for Confirmation, Urban Adventure and Pilgrimage. If you have any questions, please contact me at [peggy.at.saint.tims@gmail.com](mailto:peggy.at.saint.tims@gmail.com)

*Blessings,  
Peggy*

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

1	Owen Uyemura	17	Elliott Barnes	28	Mimi Butler
2	Adam Turner		Heidi Gioia	29	Peter Wangler
	Ray Heuer	18	Susie Kramer	30	John Bennett
	Morgan Mitchell	19	Florrie Kohn	31	Pat Batty
3	Sally Danforth		Tim Johnson		Gina Perna
	Tino Mazhou	20	Frank Kohn		
4	Peggy Huesemann		Lydia McCullough		
	Valerie Michael	21	Ron Batty		
	Joe McAvoy	22	Jane Gordon		
	Rosemary Jasper		LaVerne Moseley		
7	Irina Hinrichs		Cletus Coughlin		
14	Kay Kozicki	23	Kim Dressel		
15	Ellyn Neise	25	Cathie Horrell		
	Leslie Corey	26	Joseph Gioia		

**JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

5	Ann and Dick Buckman	15	Valerie and Paul Michael
8	Louise and Ian Pooley,	18	Carol and Bill Rogler
	Brittani and Bryan Pomeroy	24	Jessica and Joe Gerst
9	Julia and Gerry Amies	25	Linda and Don Lambert
10	Ellyn and David Neise		Stephanie and Mark Nauman
11	Susan and Norm Moenkhaus	26	Judy and Stan Viglione
13	Laurel and Bill Dunworth	29	Mary Roberts and Jim Schumacher
	Kathy and Rick Dyer		

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*The sympathy of the parish is extended to Lance Kramer on the death of his brother-in-law, Lane Ware.*

Congratulations to Meghan Decker and Alonzo Collins who were married on June 28th. Father Marvin officiated at the ceremony at the 9th Street Abbey.



## **Financial Snapshot May 2014**

For the first 5 months of 2014:

Target revenues and expenses (Budget %)	42%
Actual plate receipts	38%
Actual pledge receipts	44%
Actual expenses	42%

5 months into the year and we carry an \$18,000 surplus so things are going well financially. Pledges are slightly above plan and expenses slightly below plan. We hope you enjoy this beautiful summer weather!

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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