



SAINT TIMOTHY'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
CREVE COEUR, MO

Do this in remembrance of me.

Stewardship 2021



Dear St. Timothy's Family,

God's mission of grace and salvation began in the life of Jesus, and after his ascension, that mission was then handed down—from the birth of the church at Pentecost, through the last 20 centuries to now, the church as it is in our hands. We handle it at a very delicate time, an uncertain time. It is what we decide to do with it now, in this uncharted territory, that will determine what we hand off to the generations that will come after us.

Throughout the gospels, Jesus heals and casts out demons, restores sight, looses the tongues of the mute, opens the ears of the deaf, and raises the dead. Most of us will never have an experience like those healed or restored by Jesus in the gospels, but this church and the mystery we encounter here do transform us. Jesus calls to us from the table and says "come, eat, take what I am giving you and allow it to permeate your life." Even as we watch the Eucharist performed from our screens at home, say the prayer for spiritual communion, and participate in the liturgy in our pajamas, we remain tethered to this Body of Christ.

Calling us also to remember him, Jesus breaks the bread and breaks open for us the saving grace of the God who made us, loves us, calls us into relationship. Our reception of that grace and blessing happens in our worship, from wherever we are. It happens when we approach the table and when we invite Christ to enter the door of our hearts. It happens when we can point our lives toward the cross and know that we are made whole through the pure and selfless love that was expressed there.

Because of the table, we are able to be the church; we are called to be St. Timothy's. The point of stewardship is to give back to the table because we honor and live our lives according to the cross. My prayer for St. Timothy's is that we continue to grow in our desire to remember Christ in our worship and in our life as a thriving parish. In this season of uncertainty, may we secure the future of God's mission, ensuring that the legacy of St. Timothy's will carry on for many generations to come.

Blessings abundant,

The Rev. Camie Dewey
Associate Rector