



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Creve Coeur, MO

Wonderful Wednesdays



Wednesday night is Church Night!

Come back to St. Tim's mid-week for great food and a variety of choices for conversation, fellowship and study. Go to www.saint-tims.org for the weekly options. No sign up necessary so come - and bring a friend - as you are able.

From the Rector—

Lent is the season of our worship in which we are commanded by God to be busy at the work of reconciliation. The word reconciliation is variously defined.

- ◇ the reestablishing of cordial relations
- ◇ getting two things to correspond; "the reconciliation of his checkbook and the bank statement"
- ◇ A nonviolent struggle is about truth and reconciliation, it is not about victory. It is about both sides coming together in truth and justice. If one has a defeat and the other a victory, it is not reconciliation.
- ◇ The process of matching and adjusting accounting records for a specific item to bring them into full agreement and to assure that they accurately reflect the quantity, description, etc., of the item.
- ◇ a sacrament in which those who repent of their sins may confess them in the presence of a priest and receive assurance of pardon and the grace of absolution.

I particularly commend one of the offerings included in our Wonderful Wednesdays. Debra Smith will be the facilitator for Reconcile - Moving Forward in Peace: The 2015 Wau Diocese Lent Study Course. Written by staff of Wau Diocese in the Episcopal Church of Sudan, this is a simple Lent course designed for use by anyone anywhere.

Sincerity, self-control, honesty and trust are required for any form of reconciliation to occur. We must speak to each other, not about each other. We must search our own hearts and work to hold a correct attitude toward each other without reservation. We must forgive and be willing to be forgiven.

This is the gospel. The result of reconciliation, spiritually, is resurrection. This is Easter. The mystery of the Christ is that through his suffering and death the power of life has triumphed. "If we get included in Christ's sin-conquering death, we also get included in his life-saving resurrection." Romans 6:8, Eugene Peterson, The Message.

The collect for Thursday in Easter week makes this clear: "Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen."

May we live with vital Easter faith and with open hearts share the abundance of his grace!

Marvin+



**As a Part of our Wonderful Wednesdays Series
Grinnell Singers to Present Free Concert
At St. Timothy's - 7 p.m., March 18**

Open to the public—All are invited.

The Grinnell Singers will present a program of choral music spanning five centuries, with works by Lassus, Handel, Rachmaninoff, and Whitacre. The concert will also feature Thomas Tallis' 40-voice motet *Spem in Alium*, a masterful and complex work in which each singer has a unique part. Much of the program will be a cappella, though a few works have piano accompaniment.

Under the direction of John Rommereim, the Singers have traveled to Estonia, Finland, Russia, the Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Romania, and Turkey. They have produced two recordings, including a complete recording of Rachmaninoff's "All-Night Vigil," which drew praise from Iowa Public Radio for its "consummate artistry." In 2006 the choir premiered a commissioned work by Pulitzer Prize-winner Steven Stucky.

Members of St. Timothy's and their guests are invited to join the choir for supper at 5:30. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.



St. Timothy's would like to say a special Thank You to member Caroline Kelsey. For the past 10 years Caroline has designed gorgeous floral arrangements on weekends for our sanctuary, and regularly beautified evensong receptions, celebrations, dinners and other events here at St. Timothy's, adding a lovely and welcoming touch to our gatherings. Caroline not only donated her time and artistry, but provided much of what she brought for less than she paid for the materials, personally subsidizing their costs. Thank you Caroline. We have been richly blessed by your stewardship.

Tract Rack

Literature Rack Renewal! Check out the refreshed literature rack in the west (small) hallway. Newly organized and stocked, there is a wide variety of titles to consider. Many address basic but important matters related to worship in the Episcopal Church, including: "Discovering the Episcopal Church," "Twenty Questions about the Episcopal Church," "Seasons of the Year," and "The Anglican Way." Questions about the literature rack or St Timothy's church library, see Jim McCullough (jamesmccullough220@gmail.com)



The Acts of the Apostles



Please join us March 11th and as a part of the Wonderful Wednesday series.

**Cathie Horrell will moderate a discussion of the Acts of the Apostles
In May and June Agnes Bolwell will facilitate discussions on Romans I and II**

Dinner is at 5:30, followed by a brief evening prayer service at 6:00.

The program begins at 6:15.

Date	Book	Facilitator
March 11	Acts 13-15	Cathie Horrell
April 8	Acts 15-21	Cathie Horrell

Paul & Barnabas' Mission & The Counsel of Jerusalem
Acts 13:1-15:35 Expanding to the Ends of the Earth – Asia Minor

Who was St. Paul? What does our faith-life (spirituality) as a journey look like? On March 11th we will continue our discussion of Christian identity and discipleship as it is reflected in Paul and his missionary journeys. We will also see the issues and challenges that faced the first followers of Jesus as the Christ and as they contributed to what the church in his name would become. We will meet at 6:15 pm in the Library. All are welcome. Bring a friend.

Sponsored by St. Timothy's Spirituality Group



Weavers 3 Class to Make and Sell Pretzels



The Weavers 3 class has set the date for their 2nd annual Lenten Pretzel Bake Sale - please mark your calendars for Sunday, March 22. Last year they spent the proceeds at Build-A-Bear and then gave the bears to the Pediatrics Department at St. Luke's.

Wonderful Wednesdays at St. Timothy's for Lent 2015

Every Wednesday we will gather for a light supper at **5:30**, followed by a short evening prayer service at our tables.

Parishioners and their guests are then invited to stay for a number of different options, including table fellowship, guest speakers, church meetings, Bible Studies, special music, movies games, and much more. Watch the schedule (emails, announcement sheet, bulletins, website) for the weekly options, and **sign up in the Gathering Space to bring food to share**. The Youth Lounge will be supervised for those who need to do homework, or take a break, or watch a movie. Nursery care also provided. Contact the office if you need help with transportation.

Starting Wednesday March 11th

Reconcile -- Moving Forward in Peace

A terrific option for your Lenten Wednesdays. We're pleased to offer this program, written especially for Lent 2015 by clergy and lay leaders in the Episcopal Diocese of Wau in South Sudan. You do not have to attend every week to participate; come as you are able. Through the lens of scripture, and Sudanese reflections, we will explore conflict and reconciliation in our own lives and cultures. The study materials will be provided, or you can download them at <http://www.wau.anglican.org/index.php?PageID=lentad>. Wau has also provided an online discussion board in hopes of sparking international engagement for those who would like to extend the conversation. Facilitated by Debbie Smith.

March 11

Starting at 5:30, Safeguarding God's Children Training in upstairs classroom. Bring your soup and come on up.

Starting at 6:15

1. Fellowship & K. P. Relax, hang out after supper,
2. **The Acts of the Apostles** – Lessons from Scripture. Led by Cathie Horrell. In the Library
3. **Reconcile – Moving Forward in Peace**. Led by Debbie Smith. In the North Parish Hall
4. **Movie in Youth Lounge**: Despicable Me 2 (with Homework option)

March 25th:

Programs Starting at 6:15:

1. Fellowship & K. P. Relax, hang out after supper, drink coffee, visit.
South Parish Hall
2. Reconcile – Moving Forward in Peace. Led by Debbie Smith. In the North Parish Hall
3. St. Timothy's Dismantling Racism Ministry Team – Open meeting, moving the conversation along, library.
4. Congregational Vitality – Open Invitation for Q & A on the work of this Ministry Team, upstairs classroom.
5. Movie in Youth Lounge: Wreck It Ralph (with Homework option)

Note: The Vestry will meet this evening at 6:45. Vestry is an open meeting, and all are welcome to attend. The meeting will be held in the Chapel.

April 1st First Wednesday

Game Night!

Programs Starting at 6:15

1. Fellowship & K.P. It's Game Night, so Poker, Bridge, your favorite regular partners & games, are welcome.
2. Community of Hope – Come learn about this ministry which combines Benedictine Spirituality with pastoral care. Presented by our 3 recently trained parishioners. -In Library
3. Reconcile – Moving Forward in Peace. Led by Debbie Smith. In the North Parish Hall
4. Board and card games also going in Youth Lounge

We'd Like to Be Liked!

Our Communications Team really needs you to "Like" the St. Timothy's page on Facebook. We're sending lots of information, and invitations, out on that medium, and want you to join in. Type "St Timothy's Creve Coeur" into the Search bar at the top and then click on Like. The more Likes we get the higher we show up in people's searches. If you follow St. Tim's you'll never miss an update.

Endowment Committee Selects Chairman

St. Timothy's Endowment Committee selected Norm Moenkhaus to replace Louise Pooley who stepped down as chair of the committee after serving her term. If you need information about St. Timothy's Endowment committee and how to become a member of the Legacy Society, please contact a committee member—Norm Moenkhaus, Chuck Kiefe, Larry Thomas, Tate Mitchell, Joe Fox. Website information is being created.

Members of the Legacy Society are parishioners who wish to make an end of life bequest to the church. A bequest to St. Timothy's at end of life is not something that only rich people do. All of us are called to give back to God a tithe of what we earn and what we are able to accumulate over a lifetime regardless of what we have. Some prefer to pledge a percentage of their legacy, some give a dollar amount.

Your gifts will help to sustain the church's good work, support ongoing outreach, ensure the ongoing magnificent music program, a strong youth education program, or/and the gardens of St. Tim's.

Norm Moenkhaus
Chairman, Endowment Committee

Music Notes ...

First things first: My sincere thanks to Karen and Rick Sharp for arranging to have a Dixieland Band at our 9:00 and 10.30 services for the Last Sunday after the Epiphany. I know that their music-making touched the heart and soul of many in the pews, and for this I am grateful.

The Choir will sing the Evening Office for the Fourth Sunday in Lent (Laetare Sunday), 15 March at 5.00. The evening's canticles will be sung to Anglican chants by Henry Walford Davies and Charles Hylton Stewart. The anthem will be O Savior of the world by Arthur Somervell.

As part of St. Timothy's Wonderful Wednesdays in Lent, we will host the Grinnell Singers from Grinnell College of Grinnell, Iowa, Wednesday evening 18 March at 7 PM.

To assist the Singers in keeping their expenses to a minimum, we have offered to find overnight accommodation for as many of the young men and women as possible for the evening of the 18th. If you have some extra room at your home and would be willing to provide a bed and some breakfast, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Place. Your help will be very much appreciated!

Before the Concert, a lovely dinner will commence at 5.30 in the Parish Hall. A catered entree will be provided by the Parish, with salads and desserts provided by parishioners. Please contact Kate and Eric Buckley for further information.

Pax,
Mark R. Scholtz, Director of Music

Dismantling Racism Workshop at St Timothy's--April 24-25, 2015

The Dismantling Racism Commission (DRC), led by Chester Hines, will present two, 7-hour sessions reviewing, presenting, and facilitating deep discussion around the issues and sub texts of racism.

Chester and the presentation team do an amazing job of quickly establishing a good group environment that provides a safe and trusting platform to delve into admittedly difficult, but important topics. The DRC designed this course and teaches it with an understanding and sensitivity for the "newness" that this subject is for many of us. At the same time, we will be invited to enter into authentic conversations about the messiness. So... are you excited, tentative, or even frightened by the whole thing? Go ahead, think about it... keep thinking...pray to God, talk to your spouse, your partner, your parents, your kids, Marvin. Surf the DRC website Dismantling Racism Commission: Episcopal Diocese of Missouri ... Okay, now SIGN UP. The registration form is on our website.

This workshop is being offered to members of St Timothy's church. Space is limited so please give this serious consideration earlier rather than later. The DRC will open this up to other churches and outside organizations, so do not tarry. Continental breakfast and lunch will be served each day.

If you cannot make this workshop, there's more good news. St. Timothy's has established a new ministry to keep this conversation in front of us and guide us on our journey. Stay tuned as we get ourselves organized.

Contact: Tony Corey at agcore@mac.com, 636-346-4065 or Alice McLaughlin, Parish Administrator, at St. Timothy's, 314-434-5906.

Volunteer for Peace Meal—You Won't Regret It

A group of St. Timothy's volunteers has been going to St. John's Episcopal Church on Arsenal Street, St. Louis, approximately five times a year to prepare and serve a hot meal to the public living in and around the area.

How does it work?

Shift #1 – 1:30 - 4 p.m.	Prepare food	5-6 people needed
Shift #2 – 4 - 6:30 p.m.	Serve food & clean up	4-5 people needed

Carpooling is arranged by individual volunteers who meet at St. Tim's parking lot and leave approximately 45 minutes before assigned shift.

If you or someone you know are interested in becoming a Peace Meal Volunteer, please drop an email to jam330@charter.net and I will be happy to add your name and email address to our volunteer list.

Judy Maloney

2015 dates: Saturdays - April 18, June 27, September 12, and November 21.

Fat Sunday Breakfast

At 8:30am on Sunday February 15th there were 86 empty seats in the Parish Hall. From 8:40am until well after 10 those seats were filled with smiling faces as they enjoyed our traditional Fat Sunday Breakfast to start the Lenten season at St Timothy's. The children were busy enjoying the face painting and stick on tattoos. And the pancakes, the J2A team hit it out of the ballpark again. Great food, great service and great fellowship, a winning combination. There is a long list of people who helped to make the day so successful in one way or another so without further ado Many Thanks to: Lexi & Kim Dressel, Emma & Adam Barnes, Cathy & Aaron Agne, Rita & George Podolsky, Pieter Vanacht, Adian & Angela & Robert Phillips, Irena & Keith Pennel, Liam & Mike Wyland, Owen & Ethan & Mitzi Uyemura, Sophia & Becky Porter, Olivia Buckley, Marin Moenkhaus, Jon Buhro, Thomas & Tina Warhover, Jim McCullough, Keith Boyd, Rebecca & Nathan Dyer. If I missed your name it's not that you're not appreciated, it's just that I'm not as sharp as I used to be and tend to miss a few names each year. Thank you all for continuing to make this a special day at St Timothy's.

Don Dewey

Daytimers Plan Busch Stadium Tour

On the first day of Spring, Friday March 20, the Daytimers have planned a Busch Stadium Tour (one hour) followed by lunch across the street from Busch, at Ballpark Village. If you are interested please see details on the bulletin board. Elevators are available for those who prefer not to use the stairs at the stadium.



Welcome The Rev. Dr. Paul Metzler

The Rev. Dr. Paul A. Metzler will be joining the pastoral staff of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church at one quarter time. He is an Episcopal priest and psychotherapist, is semi-retired following over 40-years of service as a clergy, therapist, educator, administrator, grief counselor, spiritual director and consultant to community, professional, and religious organizations.

He is a Fellow of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors and a Clinical Member of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. He has served as priest associate in numerous New York State churches.

Please give The Rev. Dr. Metzler a warm St. Timothy's welcome.



The Rt. Rev. Gene Robinson April 18 at St. Martin's

The former Episcopal bishop of New Hampshire, The Rt. Rev. Gene Robinson will visit the St. Louis community for a discussion of his faith journey. Rescheduled from last fall, the Conversation with Bishop Robinson is now scheduled for Sat., April 18, 2015 from 10 AM to 1 PM at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Ellisville.

We talk about getting people through the doors of the church, but we rarely talk about what we leave outside the church when we come in.

Gene Robinson will cover the changes in the church in the last 10 years and the challenges of inclusiveness in the church today. What did he leave at the door, and what do we ask our congregations to leave outside on Sunday morning? His talk will be followed by small groups discussing these questions, trying to find answers for our individual communities.

Registration begins at 9 a.m.; the event starts at 10 a.m.

NOTE: If you require child care for this event, please contact Colleen Hall at 314-630-0295.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 - Brent Pannel Samantha West	10 - Mo Buder Mike Teymouri	17 - Pat Evans Vincent Perna
2 - Nancy Sinise	Jacob Mitchell	Charlotte Spinks
4 - Beverly Rhea Gavin Spinks	Cindy Foltz	20 - Joy Rouse Bill Buhro
5 - Adrianna Hotra	11 - Lexi Dressel	23 - Mark Nauman
6 - Beverly Buder	12 - Stu Thompson Lynn Whittington	24 - Bill Crowell Claire Warhover
7 - Gerald Amies	14 - A. J. Andreson	25 - Rob Uyemura Marvin Foltz
8 - Dorothy Bacon Leland Schuerman Caitlin Schuerman	15 - Mike Bacon Mary Gaffey	26 - Claudia Uccello
9 - Anne Teymouri	16- Zach Cameron	27 - Luke Nauman Karen Hafeli

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MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

21 - Ron and Pat Batty

Food Pantry Garden News!

Spring is around the corner and we have started making plans for another year. But, first a short summary: this is the 5th year, the food is donated to The Circle of Concern in Valley Park and some will be used to prepare a Peace Meal for St John's, we now have 5 raised beds surrounded by a fence, and EVERYONE, YOUNG AND OLD, IS WELCOME TO HELP IN ANYWAY THEY FEEL COMFORTABLE IN HELPING!!

As the season progresses, we will need help in planting, moving mulch, watering, harvesting and delivering food to Circle of Concern. This year we will be weighing the produce picked so everyone can see how much was grown. Our first work date is March 21 at 9 a.m. We will do a little amending of the soil and then plant potatoes and onions. Come and plant, or offer moral support, or just come to visit and find out more about our garden!

Nancy Setzer

Thank you from the Sharps ...

We'd like to thank our St. Tim's friends & family for their love and compassion as we've lost loved ones recently. Your support means a great deal to us! Rick and Karen Sharp

Financial Snapshot January 2015

For the first 1 month of 2015:

Target revenues and expenses (Budget %)	8%
Actual plate receipts	3%
Actual pledge receipts	6%
Actual expenses	8%

Expenses are starting out right on plan but pledges and plate are a little behind. We still ended January with a \$31,436 surplus because we received \$38,962 in prior year pledges from people who were catching up with last year's pledge commitment. Thank you for your generosity! We look forward to hitting our pledge and plate plan next month.

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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