

The Word

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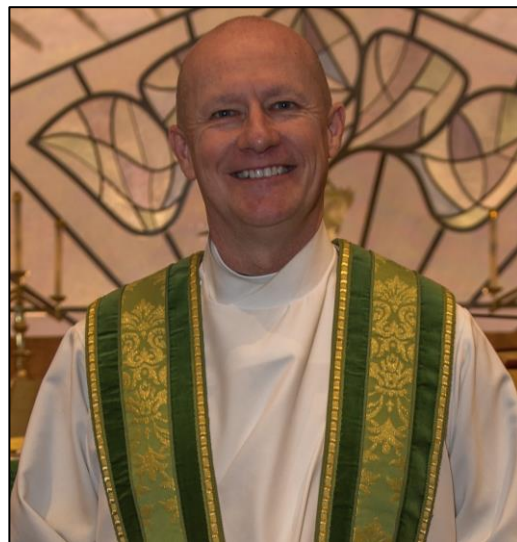
July 2018

Dear Friends,

The summer is a time when we break our routines and give extra attention to refreshment and renewal. We are able to be outside more, to relax, to vacation and to do some things we have been wanting to do, but had no time for until now. The same is true in the life of our church. In the summer we change our routines and focus more on rest and renewal. There is a seasonality to our lives as individuals, families, churches and our nation.

This is not the same, however, as going to sleep. While there may be rest as part of our days, it is more a shift in focus. We replace some of our busyness with what is really important, namely, connection with our bodies and our souls. Summer is a time when we return to play, sport, and rest. Additionally, I have begun using the summers as an opportunity to vision and plan for the future.

I remember when I was a Curate in my first Episcopal Church, everything seemed to stop in the summer, and then two weeks before school began there this flurry of activity. We tried to create the program year in two weeks. It didn't work out too well. For the most part we were able to open the doors on Homecoming Sunday and do what we did the year before in a rote sort of way. There was little energy or opportunity for listening to where the Spirit was leading us as a community. There was little vision for a new direction for the coming year. Not much changed from year to year. While that was fine in the 1980s, it is not realistic now. The world has changed and continues to do so. As individuals and communities we need to spend more time listening and visioning. Preparation requires more effort now.



All that is to say I try to use July and August to connect with members of the parish and listen to where they are and where they think we are heading as a church. The connection and listening provide substance as we prepare for next year. As a general practice I do not take vacation on the weekends in the summer because I want to be part of what is happening as we prepare for next year. I may take some short day trips during the week, but generally I am going to be working. My routines have changed for the summer and we have shifted a couple of processes in the office until September. We have done this in order that some of my attention can be focused on listening to the parishioners and collecting pieces for moving ahead. This is an invitation to you. Would you like to connect? Do you have things you want to share with me? What is your opinion about planning for the future?

In July and August, the Vestry and I will be doing a lot of planning for next year. We are going to be doing a lot of visioning for the future. I would like you to be part of that. Let's talk.

Finally, on another note at our June meeting the Vestry approved the formulation of a Capital Campaign to run concurrently with the 150th Celebration. The launch date for this will be November 4th, the same day we begin our 150th year and celebration. We have two separate teams for this very important year: one for the 150th Celebration and one for the Capital Campaign. Perhaps you would like to be part of one of them? If so, please let me know so that I can get your name to the chair of the respective group. Next year is going to be exciting and refreshing. Even more than the summer.

Blessings,



The Rev. Dr. Rich Bardusch



Vestry News

The Vestry met for the regular monthly meeting on June 19th. As is our custom, we started by sharing stories of God's grace, then opened with prayer. Kent Miller and John Nixon presented a report from the Stewardship Committee, which includes a request for a 2019 Vision Budget from the Vestry. This budget is needed so the committee can plan the fall Stewardship Campaign. Andy Hamm reported that a portable dehumidifier has been installed in the sanctuary and the Vestry approved the completion of the music area, including bolting choir pews and purchasing some flexible seating to complement the fixed seating in the area around the organ. Father Rich reported that St. Timothy's will be sharing space with a small church, starting in July. Holy

Trinity has approximately 20 members and will be using the sanctuary and narthex every Sunday after the 10:00 service. They are interested in joining with us on mission activities. The Vestry approved a Capital Campaign to run concurrently with the 150th Anniversary celebration. An outline of the Campaign, including specific purpose and goals will be discussed at the July Vestry meeting.

Susy Nixon, Co-Warden



Creating a Sustainable Church - Ensuring Saint Timothy's will be around for another 150 years

Chapter VI- The Endowment Fund

The third and final piece of our stewardship initiative is THE ENDOWMENT FUND. To review, the General Fund pays for outreach programs and operating expenses while the Reserve Fund pays for the repair and replacement of large capital assets. The Endowment Fund benefits the parish wherever the need is the greatest. **An endowment is broadly defined as a permanent gift of money or property to an institution for a particular purpose.** Church endowment funds are generally permanent funds whose investment income is made available for ministries, outreach, care of the facility or reinvestment. St. Timothy's Fund is typical of most church endowment funds because "only" the investment proceeds are used to benefit the parish. The principal of the endowment cannot be distributed. For example, the endowment committee this past year, with vestry approval, decided to reinvest the \$4,000 earned rather than contribute to either the General or Reserve Funds. At St. Timothy's, an endowment gift can be

made at any time or on a regularly scheduled basis as part of a member's estate plan. The Endowment Fund at St. Timothy's currently contains about \$100,000 and is held and administered for St. Tim's by the Diocese of Virginia. On average, many parishes have \$500,000 invested with the Diocese. Some parishes have more and some like St. Timothy's have much less. If only St. Timothy's had \$500,000 in its Endowment Fund, it could have put a total of \$20,000 toward our most pressing need which is currently deficit reduction. In sum, a donor to the Endowment Fund has the assurance that their gift will be a stable source of income and a "lasting" contribution by them to the ministry and mission of St. Timothy's for generations to come. Next month we will examine how members can assist in growing the Endowment Fund, helping make St. Timothy's sustainable well into the future.



Joy of Living Senior Ministry

Our Mission:

The Joy of Living Senior Ministry seeks to enhance the lives of the seniors (aged 55+) of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church and the surrounding area by encouraging them to grow in the Lord and live fuller, more meaningful lives through education, information and fellowship.

When:

Join us on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 11am in the Narthex.

Mark your Calendars:

We will spend our time sharing ideas about how the Joy of Living Ministry can help us navigate the golden years and learning more about each other.

A light lunch will be served.

Sign Up:

Sign up through the "Sign-up Genius" link on the St. Timothy's website.

Questions/Comments:

Contact Janet Dopsovic at jgdops@gmail.com

Faith

I have just read former President Jimmy Carter's latest book simply titled "Faith" and been inspired by many of the quotations cited by many philosophers at the start of chapters and within the context and I would like to share them with the church family to help evaluate our "faith". First I would like to quote a few paragraphs from a speech Carter made in 1978 (and please put politics aside!)



Summer Cookouts at St. Timothy's – July 15th through August 29th

Starting July 15th, we will have a cookout on Sunday after the 10:00 service (rain or shine-we will gather in Henry Hall if it rains). The church will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments and water. Just bring a dish to share and plan on enjoying time for fellowship with your fellow parishioners. It's a great time to invite a guest to St. Timothy's. Questions? Comments? Would you like to lend a hand? Contact Sarah Hobson (sarahhobson@gmail.com) or Susy Nixon (senixon@verizon.net).

“A country will have authority and influence because of moral factors, not its military strength, because it can be humble and not blatant and arrogant; because our people and our country want to serve others and not dominate others. And a nation without morality will soon have lost its influence in the world.”

What are the goals of a person or a denomination or a country? They are all remarkably the same: a desire for peace, a need for humility, for examining one’s faults and turning away from them, a commitment to human rights in the broadest sense of the words, based on a moral society concerned with the alienation of suffering because of depression or hatred or hunger or physical afflictions and a willingness, even an eagerness, to share one’s ideals, one’s faith with others, to translate love in a person to justice.

The last paragraph of the book says:

“As a Christian I believe that the ultimate fate of mankind will be good. I believe that the love of God will prevail. I believe and I pray as a person of faith the words of the Lord’s Prayer: “Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven”. Two other quotations caught my eye – the first by Soren Kierkegard:

“Faith means the betting of one’s life upon God in Jesus Christ”.

And the other which will utterly depend upon your own translation and quoted to his students by Karl Barth:

“You should read the Bible in one hand and your newspaper in the other!”

As regards that final quote, I would say “Be careful to note the Word of God, rather than a writer who addressed a community in a particular time and circumstance, who nevertheless has words of wisdom and faith!”

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Cox



Membership Records Update for Adult Children of Members

Any families in the system that have children turning 21 this year, please note the following information about our records update. Adult children (turning 21 or older) are being designated as their own record and will be labeled as a friend and family member of the church. If the adult child is an active member, please have them supply their current address, phone number, and email address to St. Timothy's or if easier, email the information to nikki.omalley@gmail.com. If the adult child does not contact us, they will not receive regular mailings or birthday greetings, so please encourage them to do so if they still attend. Thank you!

Dementia Friendly America



Recognizing Dementia- a free learning session in September

Dementia Friendly America is a national public-private partnership whose mission in part is ... *to more effectively support and serve those across America who are living with dementia and all the people who care for them.*

The Town of Herndon was the first community in Virginia to become Dementia Friendly!

- When we are leaving a concert and come across a person using a cane, we make sure to give them plenty of room to navigate.
- When the elevator doors open and we see someone exiting who is using a walker, we hold the door open for them.
- When we meet someone in a wheelchair, we don't stand over them to talk, we squat down to their eye level.

We've all been publicly trained to be kind, compassionate and helpful to someone we understand to have a disability.

But because dementia is an invisible disability, we don't always recognize the fact that they need us to help them by being kind and compassionate.

In September, St Timothy's will host a free session to learn how to recognize the signs of dementia and valuable tips on how to communicate with those living with dementia.

Look for the Sign-Up Genius link on our website – coming soon.



Altar Flower Donations

Dear Friends,

I am writing to let you know that the Altar Guild would like to invite members of the parish to bring in flowers from their yards from now until frost for the Altar. The flowers need to be in the cooler in the kitchen by Friday afternoon so that they can be arranged on Saturday by the Altar Guild. The Altar Guild will continue to accept donations of \$50.00 or more for each Sunday the flowers are in Memoriam of someone. However, it will help tremendously if we can have some flowers from our own lovely gardens.

Please contact Mary McLenigan (mpmhokie@verizon.net) or Carol Sinclair (csinclair83@msn.com) one week prior if you wish to donate flowers. A week's notice is necessary to ensure recognition for the contribution is put in the bulletin. Flowers will be arranged by the Altar Guild so more than one person's flowers may be in an arrangement. Also, specific flower requests made in Memoriam will have priority. We will do our best to use the flowers we receive, but aesthetics will decide how they are to be arranged.

Please note that blue/purple flowers will not be accepted due to the fact that this color does not show up at a distance and appear as "holes" in the arrangement.

Flower Blessings,

Father Rich

2018 Vestry with Liaison Assignments

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Service Times:

Saturday: 7:30 pm Santa Eucharista

Sundays: 8:00 am Eucharist, Rite 1

9:00 am Children's Eucharist

10:00 am Rite II service with Holy Communion

Godly Play ages 3-2nd grade

SPARK+, 3rd-5th grade

Christian Ed

Nursery Care

Wednesday: 12:15 pm, Eucharist and Healing Service

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Welcome New Members

Please be aware that there are MANY active congregants who have been attending and donating to St. Ti



mothy's for many years that are not registered members. Our goal is to aid the transfer of all congregants interested in being registered members of St. Timothy's.

Non-registered congregants can participate in all aspects of church worship with the exception of serving on the Vestry and participating in elections. However, the more registered members St. Timothy's has recorded the more delegates we can send to the conventions, giving us a stronger vote in Diocese matters.

If we don't have an email address for you and your family, or if your email has changed, update your information at www.saint-timothys.org or send the information to office@saint-timothys.org.

To transfer your membership to St. Tim's or to find out if you are a registered member, contact Nikki O'Malley (nikki.omalley@gmail.com) or fill out the Parishioner Information Form: www.saint-timothys.org/uploads/docs/info-form.pdf

Submission Deadline for the next issue:

Friday, July 27, 2018

Submit to Ian Smith at

ids227@gmail.com



But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him. When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

John 20:11-18 (New Revised Standard Version Bible)