



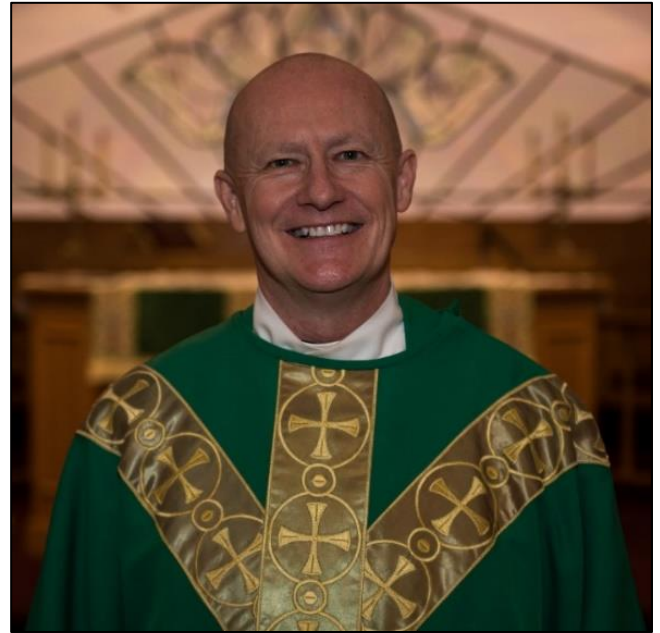
# The WORD

October 2020

Dear Friends,

Instead of my usual letter I want to draw your attention to the Stewardship Letter. Because of the pandemic we are changing the way we do our Annual Stewardship Campaign. This year it will be about half the length as usual and we will not be doing the interactive piece like we did last year. I want to be transparent and up front: 2021 is going to be much more difficult financially for Saint Timothy's than last year. The reason for this is twofold. First, we do not have the same revenue streams that we have had every year in the past. Our groups have not been meeting in our space, which means they are not able to contribute to our upkeep, and the church we have renting from us is not meeting and so we do not have the income they usually provide. Second, we will not receive a \$50,000 Payroll Protection Plan grant like we did in 2020. The bottom line is we may be down as much as \$80,000 to \$100,000 in revenue this next year.

Please enter into a time of prayer to discern what you are able to give this year. If you can raise your pledge that would be great. If you can meet last year's pledge and then give a onetime gift to help us get through 2021, I would greatly appreciate it. Please know that I will be sending out a special Stewardship letter the first week in October with a pledge card. If it does not reach you by the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, please contact the office and we will send you another.



Please fill it out immediately and send it back and consider increasing your pledge over last year. Our theme this year is *One Together*. If we all pull together, we can get through this difficult year and return to some sense of normalcy. That is my prayer.

October Blessings,

*Fr. Ricketts*



October 1, 2020

Dear Members of Saint Timothy's,

**Welcome to St. Timothy's Fall Stewardship Campaign!**

**We're so glad we are here – and together again!**

Whether you are back in our buildings, in the outdoor chapel or continue to worship and participate at home, we cannot imagine a better theme for our October Annual Stewardship Campaign than *One Together*! This is a theology you hear at the beginning of every baptism in The Episcopal Church, and one that is even more important now than ever.



There is one Body and one Spirit;  
There is one hope in God's call to us;  
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
One God and Father of all.

It is so true – regardless of our physical distance or our Zoom worship, we are indeed called by God to be *One Together* through our faith and baptism. Indeed, even separated by the virus, we remain one Body.

Tell us – where do you see our faith uniting St. Timothy's with our surrounding community? How, in our multitude of diverse gifts, are we *One*? Where do you see hope in the ways our congregation lives deeply into our baptismal covenant? We see it in the many ministries that continue to change lives and, in some cases, expand because of the results of COVID-19. We see it in the work of LINK, Cornerstones, the Latino Ministry and in the new families that have received food and medicine from our clergy and staff.

Take a look within your own heart. All around you. And at our neighbors.  
Where do you see a sign of us together as one?  
And where is there a sign of God calling you – and St. Timothy's Episcopal Church – to more?

Being *One Together* at St. Timothy's has great impact for us and for our community. We will highlight the increasing impact of St. Timothy's near and far in our print and electronic mail. Wherever you find yourself, you are welcome to be *One Together* at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church. We are so glad you are here and encourage you to share your time, talent and treasure with all. Autumnal Blessings!

Fr. Rich Bardusch  
Rector

Kent Miller,  
Stewardship Chair

Carmela Condro,  
Senior Warden

## *Stewardship Announcement*

Your Vestry and Clergy at St. Timothy's are committed to our mission,

*To restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.*

We do this when we welcome and grow in God's love.

In response to this mission and to our recent transformational calls to serve our community during the pandemic, we recognize more than ever how we are *One Together*.

Each of us has prayerfully discerned how God is calling us into greater generosity and to be One in Christ, with all people, and with God's Earth. For our 2021 pledge, we have faithfully committed to submit our pledge cards by the end of September and we encourage the remainder of the congregation to submit theirs by the end of October.

More information on pledging from Stewardship will be forthcoming through the mail and email. We're all in! Join us in being *One Together* at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church. Blessings from your Vestry, Clergy and Stewardship Ministry.

~ submitted by Carmela Condro



### ***St. Timothy's Welcomes New Seminarian, Shawn Rutledge***

I am a seminarian at Virginia Theological Seminary, entering my Middler year of the Master of Divinity program, with a concentration in New Missional Practices. I am a postulant for the priesthood through the Diocese of Arizona. I was born in Michigan but have spent most of my life in Arizona. I have a bachelor's degree in Public Relations from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, AZ, and have spent the last 20+ years in human resources positions in the staffing industry. I would never have made it this far without the support of my loving wife, Faedra, and our children, Josh (22), Jack (13) and James (9).

I love the forms, rhythms and traditions of the Episcopal Church and am most passionate about new forms of ministry, bringing the church out of the building to meet the people where they are and helping them to bring a sense of holy mystery with them whatever they are doing. I am also passionate about following the kind and loving example of Mr. Rogers as one of my personal role models and will happily talk to you about that. In fact, I was just published at [BuildFaith.org](https://buildfaith.org), sharing my interest in this subject: <https://buildfaith.org/following-mr-rogers-in-drafting-a-rule-of-life>.

I am looking forward to getting to know the community at St. Timothy's!

~ submitted by Shawn Rutledge



## Service Ministry News

Celebrating Welcome Home Sunday with our church family, cooler temperatures and students returning to school are all reminders that autumn is here. Service Ministry will continue supporting and promoting all of our traditional outreach efforts but this year those programs will look somewhat different. Cornerstones and LINK have changed their respective Angel Tree (Gifts for Kids) and Food distributions significantly to accommodate health concerns and the need for social distancing. Over the next three months we will provide you with opportunities to *put your faith to work* in a number of different ways. Stay tuned to the weekly eNews for the specifics. Service Ministry wants to assure the congregation the long tradition of St. Timothy's helping our neighbors will not change and, with God's help, we will provide our community with the services they have counted on for decades.

## Service Ministry Outreach Programs

### Cornerstones

Thanksgiving Food Drive – November 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Cornerstones will be accepting donations for the 2020 Thanksgiving Drive at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 11900 Lawyers Road, Reston, VA. All deliveries will be conducted using social distancing measures: donors will drive up and remain in their vehicles while volunteers unload their donations. Click here for the schedule and suggested list of items for donation.

<https://www.cornerstonesva.org/donations/d rives/thanksgiving-food-drive/>

Gifts for Kids Drive – This is also known as the Angel Tree at St. Timothy's and will be with gift cards only this year. Due to the pandemic, picking names and purchasing, then turning in gifts would be complicated. Instead Service Ministry will ask for donations to the Service Fund and we will purchase and deliver the requested gift

cards. We have committed St. Timothy's to support 35 children. Gift cards will be due to Cornerstones in mid-November, so stay tuned to the eNews for specific instructions regarding this opportunity.

Winter Coats – Cornerstones works with the Hunter Mill District to collect and distribute winter coats from October 24<sup>th</sup> through March 26<sup>th</sup>. Need a coat or have a coat to donate? Click here for more information: <https://www.cornerstonesva.org/donations/d rives/winter-coat-closet/>

Emergency Assistance – In need of emergency assistance from Cornerstones? See the box below for specific information.

**If you need help Cornerstones' emergency services include:**

- [Food & Basic Needs](#)
- [Financial Assistance](#)
- [Emergency Shelter](#)
- [Hypothermia Prevention](#)
- [Foreclosure Prevention](#)

### Eyeglasses Collection

During the COVID pandemic, the congregation at St. Timothy's collected 56 eyeglasses, sunglasses and eyeglass cases. They were delivered to the Recycling Center and will be refurbished, then distributed to those in need. Thank you for these gifts of sight and putting your faith to work.



photo by Michelle Duquette

## LINK

Stuff-a-Truck – Typically, Service Ministry hosts a Stuff-a-Truck food drive on church grounds in September. This year there will be a modified version on October 11 during the morning worship periods. A Drive-Thru Food Drive will be held in the parking lot opposite the preschool entrance. Volunteers will help unload donations directly to the collection vehicles. No need to get out of your car if you prefer to stay distant! A shopping list will be provided in upcoming eNews announcements. The list this year will be customized to accommodate the unique needs of this year's LINK holiday food distribution.

Holiday Food Program – LINK will provide prepacked groceries for up to 1500 families during the holiday season this year. The Holiday Food Distribution will occur on three dates in November and December rather than the two November and December distributions. Clients will be required to register online rather than in person and will be assigned a date to pick up their food and gift cards. All food will be packed by family size in advance and clients will drive through the distribution queue to pick up their groceries. Clients will remain in their cars. Volunteers will check them in and load the food into their car. Food distribution will be held only at Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church in Sterling. Since it's not possible to hold the coat and toy distributions, LINK is partnering with The Closet to provide coupons for clients to obtain warm clothing and toys. There will be a huge need for volunteers to help with sorting and packing donated food. Please watch the eNews for signup details to volunteer.

## *The Closet*

Donations – Donation hours have changed due to the large amount of donations. Donation hours are now: 8 am - noon

Monday through Saturday. Changeover to Fall/Winter is in place.

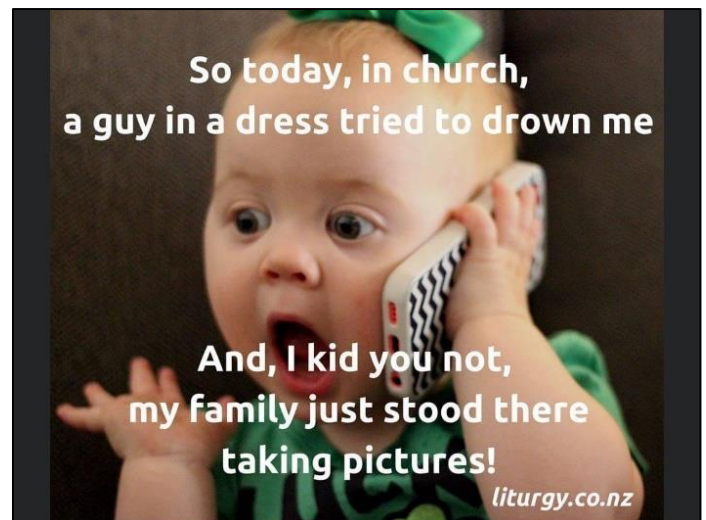
Shopping – Shopping hours are 10 am – 8 pm Monday and Thursday, 10 am – 5 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. There are Senior Shopping hours on Thursday morning from 8:30 am – 10 am. When you shop, your temperature will be taken, you will need to wear a mask and you should not shop if you are not feeling good.

Volunteers – Volunteers are encouraged to sign up using the Sign-Up Genius link on the main webpage:

<http://theclosetofgreaterherndon.org>.

Churches are not currently being assigned dates; however we encourage anyone who wishes to volunteer to check out the Sign-Up Genius page and volunteer for a shift. If you have questions about The Closet or wish to volunteer and do not want to use Sign-Up Genius, please contact Holly Hartge, St. Timothy's Closet Representative, at [mhhvirginia@verizon.net](mailto:mhhvirginia@verizon.net) or by calling 703-318-8292.

~ submitted by Members of the  
Service Ministry





Celebrating  
a Return  
to Worship



*photos by Selva Valderomar, Alex Schumann, Vidai Genovez-Andres and Craig Dubishar*

## *Coffee with the Rector and Senior Warden*

Please join us on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 am on Zoom for Coffee Hour. Bring your own coffee and we can enjoy some time to converse and reconnect. It is informal and there is no agenda. I just want to check in and see how people are doing. Others might have questions about when we think there might be in person worship or any other manner of things. Bring your coffee, bring your questions and bring you!

~ submitted by Father Rich

## *Information for joining the Zoom Meeting*

Topic: Coffee with the Rector and Senior Warden

Time: October 13, 2020, 10 am Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87588184006?pwd=L3ZKbzIyWGVTzJ6anF2NnFJcUtsUT09>

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*I'll Walk with God*

Music by Nicholas Brodsky and lyrics by Paul Francis Webster.

The above title might be familiar to any readers who have watched the movie "The Student Prince" (1954) which starred Anne Blyth, who did her own singing and Edmund Purdom, whose singing voice was dubbed by Mario Lanza (who was not considered handsome enough to play the part of the title character!).

The lyrics seem quite appropriate to our times and very poignant for those who have lost dear ones in recent months and years as Edmund Purdom "sang" to them while standing beside the coffin of his grandfather – the King of Karlsburg, who it appears was the "Student Prince's" guardian and surrogate parent. The movie is available on YouTube for anyone who needs some relief on a grey day.

The lyrics read:

I'll walk with God  
From this day on,  
His helping hand, I'll lean upon.  
This is my prayer, my humble plea,  
May the Lord be ever with me.  
There is no death though eyes grow dim,  
There is no fear when I'm near to Him.  
I'll lean on Him forever, And He'll forsake me never.  
He will not fail me as long as my faith is strong  
Whatever road I may walk alone,  
I'll walk with God. I'll take His hand – He'll understand.  
I'll pray to Him and He'll hear the words I say,  
His hand will guide my throne and rod  
And I'll never walk alone  
While I walk with God.

~submitted by Jill Cox



**American  
Red Cross**

*Thank you!*



## St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Sponsor Group

**September 15th, 2020**

Date of Drive

**45**

Total Number of Donors

**6**

First Time Donors

**46**

Units Collected

**138**

Potential Number of Lives Saved

**When you made the decision to host a blood drive, you helped change lives.**



## ***Vestry Notes – September 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting***

On a Zoom meeting, we were introduced to our seminarian, Shawn Rutledge, who will be in training at St. Timothy's this year. Some of you were able to meet him at the outdoor in-person worship services. We are pleased to have Shawn join us and we welcome him to our church. We look forward to getting to know him while he is with us.

The Vestry spent the September meeting discussing the budget for 2021. Vestry members shared their thoughts on fiscal priorities. We are not able to finalize these priorities until the congregation's pledges are received in October. These priorities will be determined in collaboration with the Finance Committee.

~ submitted by Carmela Condro

### ***A Prayer-Song***

Now I lay me down to sleep,  
I pray, dear Lord, that you will keep  
Your eyes upon this sleeping world,  
Every little boy and girl.

Bless the children far away,  
The ones who don't know how to pray.  
Those who are not feeling well,  
The little one who slipped and fell.

Bless the puppy down the street,  
The neighbors I have yet to meet.  
Bless my Mom and Dad especially.  
Just one more thing I'd like to say  
Before I close another day,  
I'd like to thank you, Lord,  
For all the ways  
That you bless me.

Bless the child whose home is torn,  
The babies who are not yet born  
Bless the ones who take our word  
To all the hearts that have not heard.

Bless all your children everywhere  
I hope they know how much you care.  
Maybe someday I can go  
And tell them that you love them so.

Bless my Grandma and Grandpa too  
And all my friends and all they do.  
Bless every twig on my family tree.

Just one more thing I'll say to you,  
I'm so amazed by all you do.  
I'll thank you once again because it's true  
That you bless me.

~ submitted by Jill Cox

*(Note from Jill to the children of the parish: I found the following prayer-song in a magazine recently, which is evidently a song sung by Twila Paris who is completely unknown to me, but some of you young people might well know her name.)*

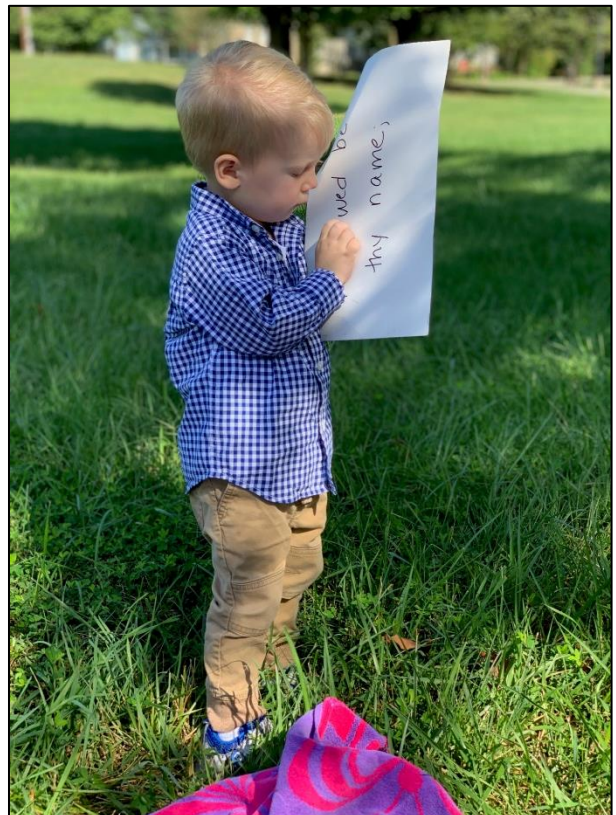


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**Service Times**

Saturday: 7 pm	Outdoor Chapel (Spanish)
Sunday: 8 am	Outdoor Chapel (English)
9 am	Virtual (English)
10:15 am	Outdoor Chapel (English)

**Please Note:** reservations are required for in-person services due to limited group sizes required because of COVID-19. Please contact the church office by phone or email to make a reservation.

**Welcome New Members**

*(no new members this month)*

Please be aware that there are MANY active congregants who have been attending and donating to St. Timothy'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 do not have an email address for you and your family, or if your email has changed, update your information at [www.saint-timothys.org](http://www.saint-timothys.org) or send the information to [office@saint-timothys.org](mailto:office@saint-timothys.org).

To transfer your membership to St. Timothy's or to find out if you are a registered member, contact Mindy Rohrbaugh ([blessed2boma@gmail.com](mailto:blessed2boma@gmail.com)) or fill out the Parishioner Information Form: [www.saint-timothys.org/uploads/docs/info-form.pdf](http://www.saint-timothys.org/uploads/docs/info-form.pdf)

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**Submission deadline for the November issue:  
Saturday, October 24, 2020**



Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, 'You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die.' Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.'

~ Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20  
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost