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Sunday, February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

10 a.m.



## **Weekly Services:**

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Sunday, 10:00 a.m. Sábado, 7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken

Holy Eucharist Rite II with choir (Godly Play for ages 3-9 in Rm. B-1)

Santa Eucaristía Rito II, en español

#### **Staff**

Church office hours are 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday.

The Rev. Charles R. Cowherd, Priest-in-Charge (x12)
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## **Information For Our First-Time Guests**

We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack in front of you or on the podium in the Narthex. Please place the completed card in the offertory plate or give it to an usher.

Children are welcome to stay with parents in the Sanctuary or they may head downstairs for Godly Play after the reading of the Collect. For your convenience, there are also rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary to soothe little ones and worship bags with quiet activities in the Narthex.

We invite you to share in Holy Communion. To receive, come forward and kneel/stand at an open space on the altar rail. Both bread and wine will be offered (or a rice wafer/separate chalice for those allergic to wheat/ gluten intolerant). If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate that by placing your arms across your chest.

# HOLY EUCHARIST The Word of God

Prelude Prelude on Leoni John S. Dixon

At the tolling of the bell, all stand.

Opening Hymn (372) Praise to the Living God! Leoni

## Opening Acclamations (BCP 355)

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Gloria (\$278) Glory to God Mathias

The Collect for the Day (BCP 216) - Children may head downstairs after this reading.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Amen.

Celebrant: O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

#### The Lessons

#### A Reading from Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:1-8

Jerome Webster Meachen

Move to the next note of the chant on the underlined text.



- 1 Happy are they whose way is <u>blameless</u>, \* who walk in the law of the <u>LORD!</u>
- 2 Happy are they who observe his de<u>crees</u> \* and seek him with all their <u>hearts!</u>
- 3 Who never do any wrong, \* but always walk in his ways.
- 4 You laid down your commandments, \* that we should fully keep them.
- 5 Oh, that my ways were made so di<u>rect</u> \* that I might keep your <u>statutes!</u>
- 6 Then I should not be put to shame, \* when I regard all your commandments.
- 7 I will thank you with an unfeigned <u>heart</u>, \* when I have learned your righteous <u>judgments</u>.
- 8 I will keep your <u>statutes</u>; \* do not utterly for<u>sake me</u>.

#### A Reading from 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human? What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn (581) Where Charity and Love Prevail Cheshire

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:21-37

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny. "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell. "It was also said, Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife,

except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. "Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon** The Rev. Charles R. Cowherd

Please stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed (BCP 358)

People: We believe in one God,

the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father;

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man;

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried;

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please stand or kneel, as you are able.

## The Prayers of the People, Form I (BCP 383)

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Herndon, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of Saint Timothy and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ God.

#### To you, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Celebrant will add a concluding collect.

#### Confession of Sin (BCP 360)

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us; and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

Amen.

## Absolution (BCP 360)

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

Please stand.

#### The Peace (BCP 360)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements
Offertory Sentence
The Offering

## Holy Communion- Eucharistic Prayer C (BCP 369)

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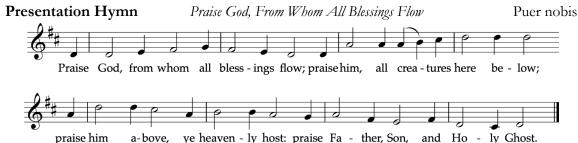
(If you would like to reflect on the text while you listen, it can be found in Hymn 513).

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Alan Smith

Please stand as you are able.

Choral Anthem



## The Great Thanksgiving (BCP 369)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space,

galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with

memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against

you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed

your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a

woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets,

apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you

in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Please stand or kneel, as you are able.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant: Lord God of our Ancestors: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.** 

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem (\$165)

Jesus, Lamb of God

Matthias

#### The Invitation (BCP 364)

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

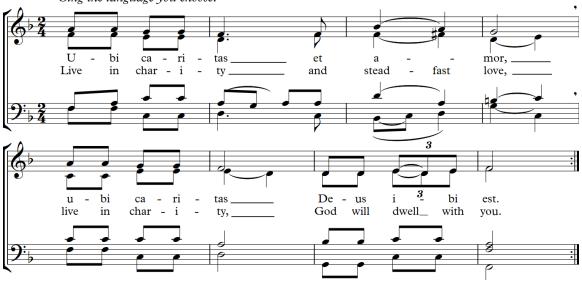
#### Administration of Communion

Communion Hymn (WLP 831)

Live in Charity

Jacques Berthier

Sing the language you choose.



Please stand or kneel, as you are able.

## Postcommunion Prayer (BCP 366)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## Blessing

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Closing Hymn (594)

God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

## Dismissal (BCP 366)

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Fanfare Jacques Lemmens

## Flowers are given by the Turner Family In memory of Muriel Turner

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#### PRAYER LIST:

(Please email <u>careteam@saint-timothys.org</u> with any prayer concerns.)

Repose of the Soul: Muriel Turner, Clay Barr (brother of Eric Barr)

Health: Pauline, Liz W., Lourdes Valles, Brenda Weeden (mother of Joe Weeden), Peter Hwochinsky

(back surgery), Desmond Quaye, Robert Mendenhall (cancer), Leonard Johnson (Covid)

**Long Term:** Sid, Maryanne, Chris W., Donna W., Chris, Chuck and Peggy, Christine Y., Sarah (recovering from brain surgery), Brad Rundlett, Catherine Hutcheon (Long Covid), David & Mabel

Tettyfio (stroke, arthritis), Brian Law

## **Vestry**

Sr. Warden - Maria LaWalt (2025)

**Jr. Warden** – Kristie Rudolph (2025)

Betsy Bosworth (2025)	Tom Davis (2024)
Carolyn Hamm (2025)	Vilma Lemus (2026)
Paige Williamson (2024)	Rick Wilson - Alternate

David Dopsovic (2024) Matt Schumann - Alternate Midori Yanagihara (2026)

## **Trustees**

Tom McLenigan Keith Sinclair Deke Smith

#### THIS WEEK at ST. TIMOTHY'S

Sunday, February 12

8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist - Sanctuary

9:15 AM Adult Choir Warm-up - Music Room

10:00 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist - Sanctuary/Livestream

11:00 AM Valentine's Day Coffee Hour - Henry Hall

7:30 PM Serenity Seekers AA - Virtual

Monday, February 13

12:15 PM Monday Gratitude AA

4:00 PM DanceWorx - Narthex

6:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 159

7:00 PM Hope For Today

7:30 PM Service Ministry Meeting - Narthex

8:30 PM Monday Night Milkshake Group AA

Tuesday, February 14

4:00 PM DanceWorx

Wednesday, February 15

4:00 PM DanceWorx

7:30 PM Finance Meeting - ZOOM

7:30 PM Latino Ministry Prayer - Offsite

7:30 PM SA Meeting

8:00 PM New Hopefuls AA

Thursday, February 16

12:15 PM Came to Believe AA

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

7:00 PM Debtors Anonymous

Friday, February 17

10:00 AM Friday Gratitude AA

9:30 PM Friday Night Lights AA

Saturday, February 18

9:00 AM Altar Guild Set-Up - Sanctuary

10:30 AM Shawl Ministry Meeting - Narthex

11:00 AM Masonic Lodge Dinner - Henry Hall

7:00 PM Rite II Santa Eucaristía - Sanctuary

#### VALENTINE'S DAY COFFEE HOUR TODAY at 11 AM

Please join us today in Henry Hall, after the 10 am service, for a special Valentine's Day coffee hour sponsored by Community Engagement.

## LENTEN SUNDAY ADULT FORUM - STARTING FEB 19TH at 9AM

Join us in the Sanctuary to hear Parishioner Ronald Boggio lead us in a Lenten series entitled: "The Integration of Psychology and Spirituality." This six-session series of presentations will explore how a healthy spirituality can be enhanced by an understanding of psychological development. Topics covered will include concepts from child development, Jungian psychology, and a biblical view of the human person. We will also explore the significance of how a mature understanding of the cross and resurrection of Jesus and the Eucharist can inform a sound spirituality and discuss some ideas on prayer.

## SAVE THE DATE! - LADIES LUNCHEON - APRIL 23RD at 11 AM

Women of St. Timothy's, please put "Ladies Luncheon" on your calendars for after the 10 o'clock service on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Community Engagement is planning a fun-filled event to encourage the development of closer connections within our church family. We hope most, if not all, of you will be able to attend.

#### ST.TIMOTHY'S PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2023 - 2024

It's hard to believe it but it's already time to register for the upcoming school year. St. Timothy's Preschool is currently accepting applicants for all age ranges.

Please visit the (newly updated and redesigned!) website at <u>www.sttimothyspreschool.com</u> or contact Allyson Showalter, St. Timothy's Preschool Director, at <u>sttimothyspreschool432@gmail.com</u>.

#### OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes are available and may be picked up at the church office. If you need them mailed to you, please call the church office or email at <u>office@saint-timothys.org</u>.

## In honor of Black History Month, St. Timothy's Community Engagment would like to highlight Dan Smith, a heroic person of color.

Dan Smith may have been the last known living person born to a formerly enslaved parent. He was born in 1932 to former enslaved person, Abram (A.B.) Smith, of Massies Mill, Virginia. (Dan Smith at Virginia's Camp Pickett during Army basic training in 1952. (Family photo). Growing up, young Daniel's father, Abram instilled excellence in his children. They were pressed to be, and known to be – always the hardest working children, the most polite. Dan in retrospect, "can now see his parents as followers of the



children, the most polite. Dan in retrospect, "can now see his parents as followers of the "twice as good" philosophy — the futile belief that black people must perform twice as well as whites just to be considered equal. And beneath the sunny message of how extraordinary the Smith children were, lay Abram Smith's stories of slavery with their frightening symbols of brutality." (Sydney Trent, WaPo article, 2020).

A very short select list of his truly NUMEROUS accomplishments are listed here:

Served as a medic in the Korean War. Saved the life of a white young man whose truck flipped over in flood waters in 1955 during Hurricane Diane when the Mad River breached its banks. 87 others perished in the flood that day. Was elected student body president of the largely white Springfield College. Was admitted to Veterinary College. In 1972 started a \$60 million dollar program with NIH, the AEC, aiming to train primary care doctors to work in underserved areas. Ushered U.S. Presidents as head usher at the National Cathedral.

For more enthralling details, go to the following links to see his obituary from the fall of 2022, an amazing interview account, in 2022, by writer Sydney Trent from the Washington Post, and his historical memoir. <a href="https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/washingtonpost/name/daniel-smith-obituary?id=36903394">https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/washingtonpost/name/daniel-smith-obituary?id=36903394</a>

https://www.washingtonpost.com/history/2020/07/27/slave-son-racism-george-floyd/ You can read his memoir at: https://www.politics-prose.com/book/9781624294273

#### ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH CLERGY & STAFF

~Following from last week's bulletin, here are more of the clergy and staff at St. Tim's. To read about all the clergy and staff please visit our website at <u>saint-timothys.org.</u>

#### The Rev. Franklin Morales - Latino Service Priest

**JOB DESCRIPTION:** Franklin serves as the Supply Priest for our Spanish-Speaking members, leading the Saturday night community in worship as well as helping with formation and pastoral care.

**BIOGRAPHY:** Franklin is a native of Venezuela, and a former Carmelite priest. He spent time in Central America before becoming a Lutheran Pastor; he currently serves as the Associate Pastor at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Silver Spring, MD. Pastor Franklin, as he prefers to be called, is licensed to celebrate in the Episcopal tradition and in the Diocese of Virginia. He makes his home with his wife and daughter in Silver Spring.

Favorite Bible Verse: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ~2nd Corinthians 5.17 This verse reminds me that God's design is always unique and never the same, which I found beautiful, the fact that God's grace is constantly renewing us and making us unique, no matter what. It gives me joy and hopes in my daily journey.

**Favorite Hymn:** *Vamos todos al banquete.* This Spanish hymn invites all people to worship God, regardless of their backgrounds and social status. It is a hymn that seeks justice and righteousness from God.

**Fun Fact:** Because Father Franklin was raised as a Catholic, he never thought or looked to become a priest. He wanted to have a family and get a regular job. So, when he was invited to a retreat, he realized it was for those who felt God's call to ministry. He talked to the priest in charge and said he was in the wrong place. The priest told him we were never in the wrong place, just at the wrong time. Five years later, he went to seminary and started his studies to become a priest within the Catholic Church.

## Todd Grivetti - Organist/Choirmaster

**JOB DESCRIPTION:** Todd works part-time at St. Tim's and his duties include: choosing the hymns with Charles for Sunday worship, preparing the adult choir for the offertory anthem, and playing a prelude and postlude each Sunday. In addition, Todd prepares special music, instrumentalists, and guest vocalists for festival services throughout the church year. Todd oversees the entire music ministry and looks forward to collaboration with future handbell and children's choirs.

**BIOGRAPHY:** Todd grew up Southern Baptist and has had experience playing for and planning worship in nearly every mainline denomination. Todd graduated (2007) from the Conservatory of Shenandoah University with a Bachelor of Music Education degree with emphasis in choral/general music and certification in church music and organ performance. Todd then received his Master of Music Education degree with emphasis in choral conducting from Florida State University in 2017. He has been teaching elementary general music in Loudoun County Public Schools for 16 years and at Horizon Elementary in Sterling since 2010. Todd proudly married the supportive and doting Geoffrey Bloomfield in October 2022. They recently bought their first home in Reston where they reside with their 2 cats.

Favorite Bible Verse: I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:6.

Growing up, I had a lot of Bible verses thrown my way, but this one always stuck with me especially when I got to sing these words set to music in church during high school. I was always getting into trouble in school and just look at me now. I'm a perfectly normal functioning adult in society, right?! Music really helped me find my way and settle down to focus. I also remember this scripture verse often while I'm teaching and frustrated with a student. I'll often see students later in their lives and it's so fruitful to see what they've become! God works wonders...all in God's time.

Favorite Hymn: I have many favorites. I'll share 3 that always choke me up:

- 1) "Take my life and let it be." (#707) My favorite verse is: Take my voice, and let me sing, always only for my King; take my intellect, and use every power thou shalt choose.
- 2) "Turn your eyes upon Jesus."

Turn your eyes upon Jesus.

Look full in his wonderful face.

And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.

3) "In the Bleak Midwinter." (#112) My favorite verse is at the end: What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; if I were a wise man, I would do my part; yet what I can I give him give him my heart. Just wow. In my mind, that's what it's all about!

**Fun Fact:** Todd grew up on a small 12-acre farm just east of Richmond, VA. His father bought him a wild pony when he was in kindergarten, and he helped tame her (Bitsy) and they become like best buddies. Todd was kicked in the head by a very mean, old, Palomino when he was 9. He required seven stitches just above his left eye and immediately to the right of his temple. Doctors said he was lucky, but his parents said it was God.

## Allyson Showalter, Director of St. Timothy's Preschool

**JOB DESCRIPTION:** The Preschool Director is responsible for the oversight and/or performance of all functions associated with the St. Timothy's Preschool to ensure that its operation is in accordance with the St. Timothy's Preschool Bylaws and the Commonwealth of Virginia Licensing Standards. Duties include the day-to-day operation of the Preschool, hiring of all staff (subject to final approval by the Rector), maintaining a sound financial program, recruitment of students, publicity, purchase of materials, record keeping, contracts with clients and collection of fees.

**BIOGRAPHY:** Allyson has been a member of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church since the fall of 1991 and has had several careers over the years. She graduated from William and Mary with as a Computer Science major (with a minor in Religion to prove that she had a well-rounded education) and started her first career in information systems and computer network security. Her next career was stay-at-home mom, which included being a perpetual volunteer: teaching Sunday School for a year, volunteering in her children's classrooms, being a Girl Scout Leader, working with the Boy Scouts, helping with choir and band activities. Along the way she started substitute teaching for FCPS (focusing mostly on preschool)

and St. Timothy's Pre-School. That led to the next career: St. Timothy' assistant teacher, then lead teacher, and now director.

**Favorite Bible Verse (and why):** The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm. I have had it memorized from childhood, and it gives a message of comfort and hope that "restoreth my soul."

**Favorite Hymn (and why):** "Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy..." (#482) I love how the hymn celebrates the different aspects of God (Lord of all joy, faith, grace, and calm) and asks for specific gifts (bliss, strength, love, and peace) at the different times of the day. It is a wonderful prayer, a pretty tune, and I loved singing it to my children when they were younger.

**Fun Fact:** Church is a large part of my family tradition. My uncle and grandfather were ordained in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), my other grandfather was a publisher of the Presbyterian Outlook and general manager of the Outlook book service, and my brother is an Episcopal Priest. Most of the rest of my relatives are active laity in their own churches, continuing the tradition.

## Deb Angerman, Bookkeeper

JOB DESCRIPTION: Deb runs all things financial at St. Timothy's She works with our Church Windows system, oversees input of weekly deposits, expenses, and check issuance, and helps the treasurer prepare monthly financial statements for the Finance Committee and Vestry as needed. She manages the church's health insurance and pension plan and keep employee information in the payroll service up to date. She also collaborates with other staff and volunteers for the input of financial records and membership information into the church database. Deb assists the parish administrator in data entry of annual pledges and prepares pledge reports as requested. She prepares mid-year and annual giving statements for members and assists the lay and clergy leaders with creating financial projections. Support Treasurer in preparing the annual parish budget.

**BIOGRAPHY:** Deb is a Certified Lay Servant in the United Methodist Church. She spent 14 years working with youth and young adults in a local church and district setting. She is also the founder of 'Debbits & Credits Bookkeeping Service' and serves as the Parish Finance Administrator for two Episcopal churches in Northern VA.

**Favorite Bible Verse:** And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ~ Romans 8:28.

I have many favorite passages that have carried me through many storms in my life, such as Jeremiah 29:11-13 and Philippians 4:13, but Paul's assurance to the Romans is what I cling to when the world seems to be spiraling. It reminds me that God can take even our ugliest messes and turn them into something beautiful.

**Favorite Hymn:** "Here I Am Lord" The ultimate servant song, it reverberates in my bones. It brings me back to my early days as a Christian, time spent with the Emmaus community, and reminds me that there is a calling on my life.

**Fun Fact:** I love all things music, and play both the hammered dulcimer and Appalachian lap dulcimer – poorly but with spirit!