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From the Rector

Dear Parish Family,

Advent has come and gone, the Christmas Season is still upon us, and Epiphany is right around the corner (January 6). In the middle of these three Christian Seasons comes the year 2024.

Thoughts of the new year bring about many questions pertaining to St. Timothy's. Are we ready for the new year? What might we do better? What does God want to happen in this place and in our lives?

I was reading an article the other day about Jim McIngvale, also known as Mattress Mac. Good ole' Mr. Mattress Mac is certainly well known, not only for his commercials – “Gallery Furniture saves you money!” and “We do it big in Texas.” -- but also for his philanthropic endeavors. We’ve all heard about how he and his company help numerous needy families with his annual giving of furniture during the Christmas Season. That article really caught my attention, because I know that Mattress Mac has always done things 'big' -- in advertising, in sales, in giving to the community, in politics, and in many other areas.

As I thought about the way he operates, I began to ask myself several questions concerning St. Timothy's and our future.

Do we do things 'big' here at St. Timothy's, or do we just maintain the status quo? Do we see ourselves as 'out in front', or do we find ourselves in the mainstream? Do we really want to accomplish what God wants us to do, or do we follow our own desires and goals? How do you answer these questions?

My dear friends -- my dear brothers and sisters in Christ -- we have the most awesome and magnificent opportunity to offer this crazy mixed up world what it most needs, i.e., the tremendous love of God. That is our purpose! Isn't that something to get excited about?

We can either move forward in faith with great excitement and enthusiasm about who we are and what we have to offer, or we can just sit back and be precious pew potatoes on those Sundays we choose to come to church.

Wonderful things have happened in this place over the past many years, and I will be the first to admit that sometimes we just have to sit back and take a breath. But now is the appropriate time to take a look at the future. What we have has been given to us to share. So, let's do it big!

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Our Mission Is: We Will Know, Love, Serve, and Obey Christ and Will Make Him Known to Others!

Our Core Values:

Growing and Discipling the Family of God

Reflecting the Love of God Through Hospitality, Friendship and Fellowship

Encountering the Living God Through Traditional and Contemporary Worship

Raising and Nurturing Children through the Grace of God

Sharing God's Love By Reaching Out to the Needy, Broken, and Oppressed.



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01/05 Grace Kenney	01/25 Fr. Oscar Gallego
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Gabriela Gonzales	Mary Karen Davis
Yanley Gonzales	01/28 Clayton Melanson
01/09 Leticia Salazar	01/29 Santos Aguilar
01/10 Nina Torres	Amelia Masterson
01/11 Wayne Ballentine	01/30 Laura Duenez
Blake Muskiet	Marian Mann
01/12 Patrick Howard	Edmund Warren
01/13 Nealene Ziebell	01/31 Clay Gardner
01/15 Suzanne Arnold	

Happy Birthday!

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(Fr. Stan continued)
Let's tell the world about who we are, and to whom we belong. Let's shout to that part of the world which surrounds our church and our homes. Let us shout *that Jesus Christ has died, that He has Risen, and that He will come again* to take us to Himself!

Now that's something to shout about! Until then, let us stand strong in the Lord!

Fr. Stan +

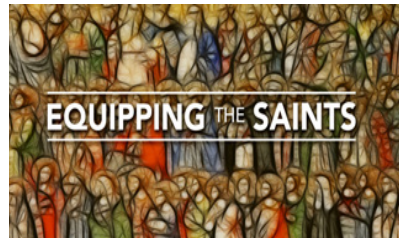
Thank you
I do want to take this opportunity to say ‘thank you’ to everyone who has helped make this Christmas Season such a holy and meaningful one. Of course, our primary thanks are always given to our great Lord who became one of us so that we might receive salvation. It is because of the Incarnation that we step up to the plate to do the things we do in ministry.

During this past Advent and present Christmas Season, many hours of ministry have been given from our choirs and musicians, our Vergers and Acolytes, our Lectors and Lay Eucharistic Ministers (LEM’s), our Altar Guild, our Greeters and Ushers, our children who helped with the 5:00 PM Christmas Pageant, our Staff for all of the behind-the-scenes work, our great Vestry, our teachers of Christian Education, our nursery caregivers, our several Outreach Ministries and all who have given in so many wonderful ways to help hundreds and hundreds of people experience the love of Christ in a very tangible manner, and for all of our assisting clergy and all they do. May all of these blessings flow into our New Year, 2024!

Equipping the Saints Initiative

Wednesdays from 6:45-7:45pm

The Anglican Way of Christian Discipleship
Rev. Canon Aaron Jeffrey



This semester we will focus on the general faith and practice of the Anglican Church. The form and content of this study is based on three interrelated convictions: 1. The Anglican Church and its tradition best expresses the fullness of Christian faith and practice. 2. Christian faith and practice best expresses the fullness of what it is to be human. 3. What it is to be human is best expressed according to goals, motives, and standards of Christian love (i.e. centered upon, animated, and shaped by Jesus Christ). The Anglican Church is a living example of the Scriptural Church. Anglican faith and practice is not a hodgepodge of borrowed customs. It is not a compromise between divergent traditions. Our faith and practice are the efforts, as those who belong to Jesus Christ and are empowered by the Holy Spirit to follow Him, to walk the path of worship outlined in Holy Scripture - leading through everyday life to full communion with God in Christ. The January schedule is:

- January 10** *A Prayer & Praise night (in parish Hall)*
- January 17** *THE GIFT OF LOVE: We are a gospel people.*
- January 24** *THE WORD OF LOVE: We are a Bible people.*
- January 31** *THE STORY OF LOVE: We are a historical people.*

Rosary

This month the Rosary will be offered on Wednesday, January 17 at 5:30pm.



Epiphany Service of Light and Burning of the Greens Sunday, January 7 at 5PM

Incense Sundays

8:45am -
the first Sunday of the month
January 7
February 4

11:00am service -
the second Sunday of the month
January 14
February 11



WISE & OTHERWISE



An evening of games and a potluck dinner for adults. All adults are invited to join us for this evening of food, friends, conversation and a little competition.

Our next gathering is on Friday, January 19 at 6:45pm at the church. Please bring a dish to share.



St. Timothy Scholarship Program Available

St. Timothy’s annual Scholarship Program applications are now available. This program is open to all students going to college, university or trade school. Scholarships of \$1,000 are available, paid out in semesters. Payments are \$500 on August 15 and \$500 on December 15 for the full year.

Requirements for applications are that the student be a member of St. Timothy’s and be entering or attending either a college, university, or trade school in the Fall of 2024. An application must be filled out for each year that the student applies. The original application requires a short essay on their future plans for attendance at that establishment. Two recommendations must be sent in with the first application, with at least one from a member of St. Timothy’s congregation. Subsequent applications will only need the application form filled out.

If you are interested, please fill out an application and return it to the front office before July 1, 2024. The number of scholarships accepted will be based on available funds for that year. If you have any questions, please direct them to Deacon Jennifer Scherzer or Judith Jordan.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Timothy’s Anglican Church is an ecumenical fiber craft group devoted to creating handmade prayer shawls and various items for charity. Our Prayer Shawl Ministry has expanded to include knitters, crocheters, quilters and blanket makers. Besides going to our extended church family, our work goes to a regional Pregnancy Center, and our diocesan disaster relief team.

Interested crafters, or those wanting to learn, are invited to join us 9:30-11:30 in the Green Cross room on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. If you know of a church member who has need of a prayer shawl, please inform one of our members or leave a message for us with the office. If you are chilly during service, loaner shawls are available in the Welcome Booth.

Join us or contact Linda Llewellyn or Carolyn Boyd for more information. Newcomers and guests, novice and experienced needle crafters are all welcomed!

St. Timothy’s Apparel

You now have the opportunity to get the St. Timothy’s logo embroidered on a large variety of clothing items through Lands’ End. We have set up a store front at Lands’ End Business Outfitters and our store URL is: <http://business.landsend.com/store/sttimothys>. There is also a link to the store on our website. Once there you can shop for the product(s) you want. After you choose your color, size and quantity press the add logo button. There is a logo with black text for lighter items and one with white letters for darker things. Please choose the correct logo. If you are purchasing a cap please make sure you use the correct cap logo, these are designed to stitch on a curve. The logo is an additional \$5.95 fee per item. We are excited about this because it allows you to pick from different types of shirts, sweaters, jackets, caps, etc. in a wide assortment of colors and sizes which we would never be able to do if we had to buy each stock. Questions? Talk to Tracy Pegues.

From the Organ Bench

“What is this lovely fragrance wafting like to the scent of flowers in spring? What is this light so fair, so tender, breaking upon our wondering eyes?”—Traditional French Carol

“What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?”—W. Chatterton Dix

“Lowly and small, the weakest of all, unlikeliest hero wrapped in His mother’s shawl—just a child: is this who we’ve waited for?”—Marc Martel and Jason Germain

It’s a question songwriters have been asking for generations: “What’s this?” “Who is that?” “What on earth is going on?” in an attempt to make sense of that singularly bizarre event that took place in a Bethlehem stable two thousand years ago. And all this time later, we still haven’t gotten very far. How could we? The mystery of the Incarnation has baffled not only musicians, but the greatest of theologians since it happened; what chance does the average follower of Christ have?

Well, there’s good news—you don’t have to get it, or rather, ‘getting it’ doesn’t have to be something you do logically with your brain. When God moves, Creation responds. This might be part of why the angels appeared to “certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay”—certainly not the brightest of customers—yet God chose them to bear witness to the perfect response to Christ’s birth: unbridled songs of praise to the Lord God. You know what happened next: “And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them” (Lk 2:20). Like Mary (see Lk 2:19) they understood with their heart what no head could fathom.

Music is a response from the soul to how God is moving through His world. It is an ascent—an amen to the sovereign Lord of the Universe when words alone are inadequate. That is why so much of the saints’ time in Revelation is spent in singing and praise. Words are not enough.

So it doesn’t matter if we don’t understand everything God is doing, and it doesn’t matter if we don’t understand how to sing His praises properly, well, or even at all. We must sing. We must move our spirit in resonance with His; it’s part of our calling as created beings.

At 5:00pm on Sunday, February 4th, the choir and I will be responding to that call with a service of Evensong (a predominantly sung form of Evening Prayer), featuring music composed almost entirely by in-house composers here at St. Timothy’s. I hope you will be moved to join us, binding your prayers with ours as an earnest answer and expression of gratitude to the Spirit of creativity that thrives in all of God’s created.

From your servant and brother in Christ,

Zachary Musick
Music Director

Canterbury Kids & Heavenly Harmonies

Sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Psalm 96:1

It’s hard to believe it’s 2024! Our younger choir, Canterbury Kids, will be blessing you with song on January 21st, and then both choirs will be working on their acts for the Shrove Tuesday Variety Show. You won’t want to miss either one. I hope their enthusiasm and joy will inspire you to be bold in your praise for our Lord whether it’s in song, dance or just quiet meditation, just Praise the Lord!

Singing and praising,
Bonnie Hartwell, Zach and Lisa Musick



A Calendar to point out some highlights for the next three months:

- January**
Jan 4 – Canterbury Kids Choir Rehearsal begins
Jan 7 – Epiphany Service, Burning of the Greens & Mexican Potluck, 5:00pm
Jan 11-14 -- Paseo Weekend
Jan 21 – Children’s Education Begins
Jan 26-28 -- Diocesan Youth Retreat at Lone Star

- February**
Feb 10 – Valentine Dinner/Dance 5:00pm
Feb 13 – Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Supper & Variety Show 6:00pm
Feb 13 -- Staff Reports due for annual parish meeting
Feb 14 – Ash Wednesday – Services at 7:30am, Noon, and 7:00pm
Feb 28 – Annual Parish Meeting, 6:45pm

- March**
March 28 – Maundy Thursday, 7:00pm, All-Night Vigil
March 29 -- Good Friday, Noon liturgy, 5:00pm Rosary and 6:00pm Stations
March 30 -- Holy Saturday, 7:30pm Easter Vigil
March 31 – Easter Sunday, 7:30, 8:45, 11:00am with Easter Egg Hunt at 10:15am

Greetings from Canon Aaron and Amy Jeffrey

Our hearts are full of love and gratitude, as we extend warm greetings to the beloved family of St. Timothy’s Cathedral. We are Fr. Canon Aaron Jeffrey and Amy, his wife, and we are truly thrilled to join this loving and vibrant community. Your welcoming embrace as we arrive from Lafayette, LA, has touched us deeply, and we are truly grateful for the warmth and hospitality that you have extended to us. Returning to Texas feels like a homecoming, especially after spending five wonderful years of our marriage here. We are high school sweethearts who exchanged vows in 1999. Our family extends to include our two incredible daughters, Payton (a college Junior) and Sarah (a college Freshman), both dedicated students at LSU. Our household is also graced by furry companions - two cats, Rex and Bella - Amy’s beloved “fur babies,” whose dog-like antics add to the joy and laughter of our home.

With over 20 years of experience in various ministries and churches, we hope to be a blessing to St. Timothy’s Cathedral. For the past three years, I (Canon Aaron) have had the honor of serving as the Canon Theologian of the Diocese of the Western Gulf Coast and Amy serves on the Diocesan Team as the Director of Communications. I (Canon Aaron) am eager and excited to serve as Sub-Dean of St. Timothy’s Cathedral and the first Provost of the School for Mission & Ministry. This opportunity is a blessing, and we are eager to witness all that God will do in and through our church’s collective efforts.

We are genuinely grateful for the warm and enthusiastic welcome extended to us by everyone at St. Timothy’s Cathedral. Your kindness has made our transition a joyous one, and we are eager to contribute to the continued growth and warmth of this remarkable community.

Welcome to the Jeffrey Family!

Kudos and Congratulations!

On the birth of:
Lyla Joan Fennel - granddaughter of Wade and Valerie Fennel



From the Deacon's Desk

Seeking Wisdom

What comes from the Lord because it is impossible for humans to manufacture it? Wisdom. What comes from humans because it is impossible for the Lord to experience it? Worry. What is it that brings wisdom and expels worry? Worship.

Charles R. Swindoll, The Quest for Character



Wisdom. It's what the wise men were given to forge their path to the King of Kings. It's what the shepherds gained from their midnight visitors that first Christmas night. It's what you and I can have in abundance if we but ask and seek it from the Lord.

This year, what I want most to gain is wisdom. Wisdom, also according to Chuck Swindoll, is the "God-given ability to see life with rare objectivity and to handle life with rare stability." To see life with rare objectivity. Oh, how many times have I grieved or angered over things that I have let offend me or hurt me. What if I saw life through the eyes of Jesus instead? What would it be like to see people, with all their faults and all their beauty, and recognize my Savior in them all?

To handle life with rare stability. I was reading the other day that pride is the biggest stumbling block to surrendering to God. The writer asked how we could possibly hold on to pride when every Sunday we confess our weaknesses and our unworthiness to the Lord? We can't be both weak and unworthy in one breath and great and mighty in the next. How can we not see ourselves through the lenses of our own imperfections and be okay with all around us?

So, yes, this year, I ask the Lord for wisdom. The wisdom to see clearly that loving Him is more important than feeling "good" about myself. The wisdom to understand that treasuring His love for me is better than harboring resentment toward others. The knowledge that my faith and salvation are not dependent on what other people think of me, but on what the Lord has given me out of His mercy and grace.

May this year bring each of you wisdom and peace as you seek the Lord with all your heart.

Blessings, Deacon Jennifer

re:generation - Ready, Set, Go!

Meetings begin on Sunday, January 28 at 12:30pm Lunch will be provided

Re:generation – Moving Closer to God and Our Brothers and Sisters in Christ

As we begin a new year an outstanding resolution would be to address our personal struggles. One of the re:generation leadership team, Deacon Kathy Boggs discussed re:generation in her sermon New Year's eve. The holiday season is a time for joy and merriment, but also is a time when many people struggle with memories of lost loved ones, feelings of loneliness, anxiety, depression and even excessive alcohol use. We are all broken and hurting in some way, and should try re:generation, a Christ centered 12-step program. Give it a try, and include struggling loved ones or friends. The first regular weekly meeting will be Sunday, January 28 at 12:30pm at St. Timothy's. Food and drinks will be provided.

A warm and welcoming atmosphere will help participants "open up" and share since scripture tells us, "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Recognizing that everything is not "OK" is the first step toward personal peace and tranquility. The next 11 steps will guide you into a peaceful and accepting relationship with yourself and with your family and friends. With re:generation, we learn to release the heavy burdens we carry of shame, frustration and loneliness. Christ has promised to relieve our burdens and cares. Re:generation will show us how to take the steps necessary to accomplish that. As the popular ad says, "Try it, you'll like it".

Band of Brothers Men's Ministry



All men of St. Timothy's Anglican Church, 18 years of age and older, and their guests, are invited to attend !

Join us as we continue to equip, empower and impact our daily life, our church and our community in the name of Christ! The Band of Brothers' four mission-essential tasks are:

Teaching - To understand manhood through God's word.

Outreach – To serve others with the Lord's heart.

Service - To honor God by serving in His church.

Accountability – To connect and encourage each other through the salvation of Jesus.

Brothers, our monthly Band of Brothers meeting is Saturday, January 20 at 8:00 AM in the Parish Hall. Remember, if you are at least 18-years old and a member in the parish, you are a member! So come join us for breakfast, fellowship, scripture discussion...and bring a friend!

Mark your calendars for the BoB's fellowship event on the first Friday of every month! Please bring your favorite meat to grill, sides and refreshments, a musical instrument to play or any game to share. This is a time for fellowship and relaxing. See you at the BBQ Pavilion on January 5, 5:00 – 9:00 pm!

Trail Life USA Troop 2317

Troop 2317 had a busy December. We hosted a survival campout, played airsoft, participated in Wreaths Across America and visited an assisted living center where we passed out Christmas Ornaments and sang carols. We ended the month with a Christmas party before taking the last week off.

Upcoming events include an area Worthy Derby, where the boys get to test their pinewood cars against area troops and a joint campout with AHG.

We are continuing our weekly bible study as we work our way through 1 and 2 Timothy.

Trail life is at its core a Christ-centered program that utilizes the outdoors to draw boys and their families into a closer relationship with their Creator.

We meet on Thursdays at 7p.m. -8:30p.m. At St. Timothys in the youth building. Please come see what we're all about.

Also if you have an American or Texas flag that needs to be retired please allow us to do so. We respectfully retire flags several times a year. Just place your flags in one of the cubes on the bottom shelf of our awards wall in the youth building.

Contact Joe Kenney , 281-813-0455, for more info.



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Adventure › Character › Leadership

Walk Worthy

"So that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:17



**Marys and Marthas:
Sisters Seeking and
Serving Our Savior**

The team is ready to move on to our next big event – the Spring Tea! While we have a way to go before we have to set it all up, planning and preparation begin now. As we start the New Year, we always have room for more women to come alongside and join the M&M design team for a season or longer. If you are interested, we have our meetings every second Tuesday of the month in the Youth Building at 7:00 pm. Just come on in and make a place for yourself!

May your New Year be filled with wonderful memories and may some of those be fellowship with one another through the M&M events!

Deacon Jennifer

Women’s Ministry

American Heritage Girls Troop 2317

Faith | Service | Fun

The troop worked on the etiquette badge in December. They had fun learning proper phone manners, how to walk with poise, and speaking politely with others. They will continue working on etiquette into January. The girls also participated in a service project at Salem Lutheran Church helping with Families Feeding Families. Such a blessing to help so many families in need.

New badge work for January will include Living and Working in Space, and Rocket Building. The girls will build and shoot off rockets.

We are gearing up for the annual family campout in South Texas Jan. 18th- 21st. We will be learning geocaching and orienteering among other things. It’s a great time for AHG families and Trail Life families to get together and enjoy outdoor activities.

Troop 2317 meets on Thursday nights at 7p.m. at St. Timothys. We would love to have anyone interested in our troop stop by and learn more about AHG.

Contact Penelope Kenney for more info at penelopekenney@sbcglobal.net



*“So that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped
for every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:17*

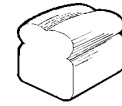
Ladies’ Night Out

Our next gathering will be on Tuesday, January 9 at 7pm at Pecos Grilling Company, 28900 Tomball Parkway. All ladies and their friends are welcome. If you are able to come, be sure to call or text Valerie Fennel so she can save a spot at the table for you: 281-744-0345 or just show up—we will make room!

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Mission & Outreach



**Tomball
Emergency
Assistance
Ministries**



**Don’t forget to bring non-
perishable food items for
T.E.A.M.**

What is Tomball Emergency Assistance Ministry? **TEAM** serves anyone in need living in Tomball's city limits or TISD or who is a member of a supporting church. The **Emergency** can be personal or a localized emergency such as a hurricane. **Assistance** covers monthly food, occasional help with medical bills, rent, or utilities, and financial management and ESL classes. The **Ministry** is supported by approximately twenty member churches, dozens of volunteers, generous donations and proceeds from their resale store. Check the website, ask me or visit the resale shop on the corner of Main and Cherry in Tomball.

Shalom,
Carolyn Boyd



**Monday Nights
6- 8 pm**

We invite all to join us on Mondays from 6 - 8pm in the new cry room (old library). You will find empathetic hearts that will journey with you on this walk through grief - a journey that will shine Hope along your walk, as well as tools that will assist you in working through your grief.

May God bless you during this time of your life and cover you with his never-ending comfort, mercy and love.

HIS and yours,
Susie Geaslen

Daughters of Honor

Prayer, Study, Service and Evangelism

Dear Ladies of St. Timothy’s,

We have just experienced the wonder of God sending down His son as an unimaginable gift that would pave THE WAY for an eternal life in His presence. Epiphany taught us that the wise sought after Him. What I have tucked away in my heart over the wise men, is “seeking.” It’s right there for us, plain as day: we should never stop seeking after our Lord. Isaiah tells us (40:28) that his understanding is unsearchable, but yet the wise still seek. And so it is as the Daughters gather each month to fellowship and study God’s Word, that we are seeking a deeper relationship with Him so that we can reflect a brighter reflection of Him to a thirsty world. The Daughters will be gathering on January 20th for our next gathering. We would love for you to join us as we go on this journey together – there are treasures in His Word that have yet to be discovered for each of us.



If you would like to learn more about the Daughters or would like for us to pray for you, please contact myself at smgeaslen@gmail.com (281-660-6634) or our church office.

In Christ Alone,
Susie Geaslen



Outreach Ministry for Disaster Relief

Have you heard the news?? Let’s talk about the Outreach Ministry for Disaster Relief at St Timothy’s.

St Timothy has built a beautiful outreach building and tool trailer that will house our bucket supplies and other items to distribute to those affected by a disaster. The dedication of this building took place on November 3, 2023 during the SYNOD meeting hosted by St Timothy’s.

Everyone is asking “How they can help?” and it is exciting to have people step up. We have a list of volunteers already that are able and willing. Some of these volunteers may help with filling the buckets, providing the items needed to fill the buckets or in most cases, make a monetary donation to St Timothy’s - Mission Outreach. We are concentrating on a few specific items in the beginning with the hope of expanding later if needed.

Here is how you can help Mission Outreach achieve our goals:

- 1) Sponsor a Tool Kit;
Tool Kit: Hand Drill and bits, various hand tools and measuring tape to work with wood and sheetrock. We can provide a list of tools upon request.
- 2) Sponsor a Disaster Bucket;
A \$20.00 donation will cover the bucket and supplies needed.
Make checks out to St. Timothy’s - Mission Outreach in the Note Section
- 3) Donate individual items to go into the buckets;
Cleaning Supplies: bleach, gloves, masks, sponges, trash bags, paper towels, Toilet paper, pencil or pen and tablet, etc.
Bring these items to the church and put on the donation table for Mission Outreach.
- 4) Sponsor a Hygiene Kit;
A \$20.00 donation will cover the kit. Our team will put these together.
Make checks out to St. Timothy’s – Mission Outreach in the Note Section
- 6) Donate individual items for the Hygiene Kit;
Hygiene Kits: soap, washcloths, towels, shampoos, toothbrushes, toothpaste, new socks, ball caps, etc.
- 7) Donate a gift/money to support these efforts;
Make checks out to St. Timothy’s – Mission Outreach in the Note Section

Be the hands and feet of our Lord by assisting us in helping those affected by a disaster. Take it from someone who knows all too well. They need us!

Look for the Mission Outreach table on Sundays and sign up there. Your participation will be greatly appreciated and is the key to the Mission Outreach success.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this mission.
George Vick, Parish Coordinator
Sonji Williams, Parish Administrator



Thoughts from the Youth Ministers

Happy New Year! January; a new month! 2024; a new year! As we open the door to January 2024 embarking on this fresh start, clean slate, STAY is excited for what God has in store, and where The Holy Spirit is leading us.

In today’s world our youth are bombarded on all sides; social media, acceptance, friends, activities. It is our duty to equip our young saints with the same weapons we are being equipped with. Teaching them to be strong in the Lord, to be one with Christ. We are to provide them with the knowledge to remain steadfast, focused, while also being humble, obedient, capable of hearing and submitting to God. In addition to St. Timothy’s following God’s instruction to “equip our young saints” this mission continues across the whole Diocese of the Western Gulf Coast!

STAY will be attending the DWGC Winter Youth Retreat the last weekend in January. This is a time of teaching, worship, small group discussions, prayer stations, and play time. Our mission statement this year is Wholly Devoted to God, with the daily lessons being taught from Luke 10:27 “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul with all your strength, and with all your mind”. How miraculous is this? We serve an amazing all powerful, all knowing, God who has put it in the minds and on the hearts of not only the leaders at St. Timothy’s but also the youth leaders across our gulf coast diocese! Can you feel it? God is on the move and revival is breaking out!

We sincerely appreciate your love, support and prayers as we continue on this journey together throughout this new year. May God richly bless each of you!

STAY Honored Leaders,
Shelia Chandler, Ana Acosta, Cody Hicks

STAY Invites YOUth!

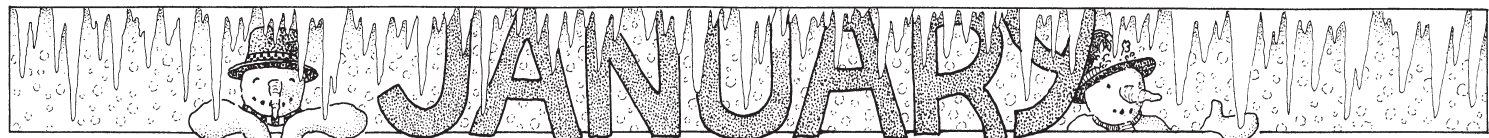
7th-12th graders can join us for dinner, fun & games and Bible Lessons on Wednesday
Nights in the Youth Building. Bring a friend or two!

January 2024

Wednesday 01/03	NO STAY
Wednesday 01/10	STAY Resumes 5:30pm- 7:45pm
Wednesday 01/17	STAY Meets 5:30pm- 7:45pm
Wednesday 01/24	STAY Meets 5:30pm- 7:45pm
Friday 01/26- Sunday 01/28	DWGC Winter Youth Retreat @ Camp Lonestar in La Grange, TX
Wednesday 01/31	STAY Meets 5:30pm- 7:45pm

Follow us on Instagram [@sttimothys.youth](#) and Facebook [@St. Timothy’s Anglican Youth](#) for more updates! For any questions, please reach out to [Shelia Chandler](#), [Ana Acosta](#) and/or [Cody Hicks](#) via email at stayanglican@gmail.com

Christian Formation



CHILDREN & YOUTH EDUCATION

If we don't teach our children how to follow Christ, the world will teach them not to.

Another Advent season has come and gone. But notice that Emmanuel means God is with us, not that God was with us! He continues to walk among us, though not in a corporal body. The children's classes will be starting a study on the Tabernacle. Building the Tabernacle was a lesson in obedience for the Israelites, When Moses went and told the people all the Lord's words and laws, they responded with one voice, "Everything the Lord has said we will do." Exodus 24:3 They were realigning their spiritual hearts even as they were creating a physical space for God to dwell among them. Isn't that what God still calls us to do? We clean our hearts as we prepare for the time He will come again. One of our lessons will be to compare our holy sanctuary with the Tabernacle and to consider how we are building a space for God in our lives. As you enter this New Year, I challenge you to look at your own heart, mind and schedule and to build a space for God in each of them by starting a Bible study, meditation or a spiritual journal. There are as many different ways to spend time with God as there are people. Find yours and make a covenant with God to do "everything the Lord has said" to you.

Before I close, I want to thank all who have extended their hands and time to assist with the children's programs from the weekly nursery, Sunday or Wednesday classes, Children's Chapel or special events like the Christmas Pageant. I want all our young ones to know that they are loved by Jesus and all of St. Timothy's and that includes you! Everyone has been blessed with a different set of gifts and it takes all of us to raise Godly children. Thank you for continued prayers and support!

In Christ's Service,
Lisa Musick

Yahweh Adonai – YA a fellowship ministry for those post high school to 30 years old



If you are interested in joining them watch the Sunday bulletin and listen to the Sunday announcements for the next meeting. Want more information? Contact Shane or Jessica Anderson, or email Shane at ShanemAnderson@outlook.com.

ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday school classes for 2024 will include:
9:30 - 10:30 - Study of Numbers and Deuteronomy
10:45 - 12:00 - Study of Romans

Wednesday Evenings - 6:45 - 7:45pm - Equipping the Saints - the faith and practice of the Anglican Church

Thursday Mornings - 9:30 Women's Study - *Arise: A Study on the Book of Nehemiah*
10:30 Co-Ed - Romans

Thursday night - 6:30 - 8 pm - Precepts Bible Studies - Harmony of the Gospels

Join us for these studies and others.

Eventfully Speaking



Epiphany Service of Light and the Burning of the Greens

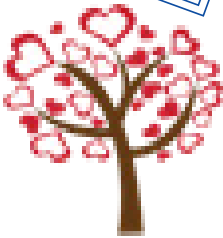
Followed by a Mexican Potluck

Bring a dish to share!

Sunday, January 7, 5pm



Heart to Heart



Our annual Valentine Dinner will be on Saturday, February 10 at 5:30PM in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$25 per person. Mark your calendar and watch the Sunday Bulletin for ticket sales for this always popular and fun evening. Tickets are \$25 per person. All proceeds benefit STAY. Babysitting will be available.



Corporate Prayer Meeting with Muslims and Jews



Agnes and Nazir's Anglican Ministry shared Christmas Joy with our interfaith community

Interfaith Ministries



Agnes' Light of Peace Women's Ministry shared 30 Christmas food packages with jobless women in Pakistan



Acolyte
Recommissioning



Women's Advent
Luncheon

