

## The Monthly Newsletter for Saint Timothy's Episcopal Church March 2016

Dear Members and Friends of Saint Timothy's,

With the weather turning more and more pleasant, the temperature rising and the days lengthening, it's difficult to put into one's mind and heart that we're actually in the throes of Lent. It seems to me the weather ought to be gray and gloomy as that would be appropriate for dreary Lent. As I write this we're in the third week of Lent and with the bright, clean air it's easy to turn my attention to Holy Week and Eastertide. The wonderful liturgies we celebrate from Palm Sunday through Easter Day are the holiest of all the year and I look forward to celebrating them with all of you. As a parish church, I think we keep Holy Week and Easter with all of the proper devotion and attention they deserve. We have the seriousness and concentration on the major events in the life of Our Lord from His entry into Jerusalem, His commandment to love another, His gift of the Holy Communion, His arrest, His suffering and death on the Cross and His triumph over death on Easter. We have the opportunity to live through these once again and celebrate all the Lord has done for us. Please do not miss these liturgies through Holy Week and Easter. Find the calendar portion of this Tidings for the days and times. We should all go through this together.

Last month I wrote about the trip Tim Tinnesz and I took to Saint Timothee's Church, Boucan-Carre in Haiti. The goal of the trip was really fact-finding. We needed to find out if entering into a "partnership" with this parish and school would be a mission we should undertake. What is a "partnership"? The Partnership Program run by The Episcopal Diocese of Haiti works in conjunction with The National Association of Episcopal Schools. The Partnership Program exists to coordinate those who want to serve with

those who want and need those gifts that have been given by God's grace. The Episcopal Diocese of Haiti describes the program this way: All that we do and all that we are, by God's grace, grows out of our inspired hearts, which moves us to serve. Blessings abound for all that are involved, receivers and givers alike. The coordination of these efforts is essential for their proper functioning. The Partnership Program exists to provide such coordination.

This means for us that we have gifts from which the priests and people of Saint Timothee's, Boucan-Carre can benefit and they have gifts from which we can benefit. It seems a natural work of Christian charity that we should be "partners" with another Episcopal Church and School under the guardianship of Saint Timothy that is in our Communion and from which we can draw closer to Our Lord by serving. The Vestry will decide in the next month whether or not we should enter this "partnership". If we do, we will pray for the people of Saint Timothee's, Boucan-Carre and they will pray for us. We will have the opportunity to make a real difference in the life of their parish and their school. They will make a difference in the life of our parish by teaching us how binding and strengthening the worship and work of the Church can be among the faithful.

Rapidly approaching Holy Week and Easter and the opportunity to reach outside our parish to our brothers and sisters in Haiti makes us look forward with excitement. Exciting too is the possibility of having an assisting priest on the staff before this fall. I am currently interviewing priests for the position we have open as an Assisting Priest in our church and Chaplain of Saint Timothy's School. Our goal is to call a priest who will serve a number of days in the

Church and a number of days in the School chaplaincy. Combining the two positions will make for a fulltime position. The difference this will make in the life of our Church and School, I think, will be immeasurable. We have the opportunity to have more Christian instruction in our School, the pastoral care of the students and faculty will be enhanced, the teaching, preaching and visitation in the parish will be increased and we will have another priest to visit and welcome newcomers. Please pray that God will send us a faithful and devoted priest who loves Jesus and will help us continue our work and witness in His Name.

Yours faithfully, in Christ Jesus,

The Reverend Jay C. James Rector

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I am writing this on Shrove Tuesday. Happy Mardi Gras! Of course, this means that tomorrow will be Ash Wednesday and our choir will be singing for the 7 PM Communion service.

With thoughts of Lent, and having just completed the bulletins through Holy Week, I thought I'd give an overview of the anthems and hymns which we will be singing and presenting during this Lententide.

Both Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day (the First Sunday of Lent!) will feature the motet by Richard Farrant, "Call to Remembrance", which is a Tudor era masterpiece. Our Lenten, musical journey will continue on February 21, February 28 and March 6 with "Teach Me, O Lord" (The way of Thy Statutes) by Thomas Attwood; a contemporary setting of "Great is Thy Faithfulness" by Craig Courtney; and lastly, followed by another great Tudor master, Orlando Gibbons' anthem, "O Lord, Increase My Faith".

On March 13, the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, we will commemorate "Passion Sunday" with a setting of the Passion according to St. Matthew by Heinrich Schuetz, a Baroque-era composer. The choir will also sing the lovely motet, "O Lamb of God, Most Holy" by Christiansen that day.

Our hymns will include Lenten "staples" such as "Forty Days and Forty Nights", "The Glory of These Forty Days". The Church school will lead us in "Onward Christian Soldiers" during the Communion on February 28. Other hymns will be familiar and loved, such as "Were You There" and "All Glory, Laud and Honor".

Looking forward to Easter, we will have our string quartet from Christmas joined by a brass quartet to accompany hymns and anthems. Our Church school choir will sing "Sing Alleluia!" as they've done for the past few years. They just rehearsed it last week, February 7 --- and they already know it WELL, having remembered it from last year!! This year, along with the glorious Easter hymns we have always sung, we will sing "Hallelujah, Amen" (from "Judas Maccabeus") by Handel as well as the hymn sung by the congregation, "Thine Be the Glory" ... also from Judas Maccabeus. A special addition following the Recessional hymn after the 11 AM service, the full company of choir and orchestra will lead YOU in a "Hallelujah Chorus" sing-along.

I hope this Lenten musical journey will bring you closer to God and enrich your devotion to Him. *Respectfully submitted, John Herrmann Organist and Choir director.* 



From Our Senior Warden

Here is hoping March "comes in like a lion and out like a lamb"! This March finds us in the middle of Lent and preparing for the resurrection of our Lord and Savior. The parish is busy with Lenten Soup Suppers, Warmth for Wake, and Christian Education service projects.

I am especially proud and humbled to be a member of the choir. John Hermann has been preparing us for the Passion, Holy Week, and Easter services since January! Our choir is composed of professionals and those that have a love for music. I fall in the latter category. You do not need to be a soloist or read music to perfection to be member of the choir. We strive diligently to ensure the Sung Eucharist is well received and a means of worship for many. Growing up with both professionally and trained and talented singers, there was no way to avoid learning an appreciation for classical music. My grandfather and uncle sang professionally and my father was a regular in the parish choir. My grandfather sang bass, my uncle baritone, and my father sang tenor. I can remember how beautifully they sounded when they sang together. One vivid memory is my uncle singing Handel's. "The People that Walked in Darkness Have Seen the Great Light" during Christmas Eve Midnight mass. My point being, if you have a love for music and would like to come and try us out, we would welcome new choir members and I am sure John would enjoy talking with you. We are thankful John's leadership and transition into his new role.

Fast forward to March 2017 and save the date for our next Parish Weekend at the Trinity Center, March 10-12, 2017. It will be seven years since our last trip to the beach and we are hoping for a great turnout. We will start the signup this month and need a firm commitment in September, as we have to give our guaranteed reservation six months in advance. So please save the date and head to beach for a weekend of great fellowship for all ages!!

Finally, as we approach Holy Week, please note we have adjusted our evening services to 7:00 PM this year. This will allow families with children to attend and be home at a reasonable time. We hope to have many in attendance during the Holy Week services.

Faithfully, Cathy

#### Pastoral Care

Thank you for all the prayer requests you share with our committee in the bulletins and the Tidings. Praying for each other truly binds us together as a parish family. A Daughters of the King resource states, "Persistent prayer for others leads to opportunities to care, displaying God's Love." As we are experiencing the joy of praying together and caring for each other, "don't be surprised if God opens ways for you to express His love in tangible ways. Just find some simple way to display the smallest kindness."

Come join us in our current activities of correspondence, visitation and transportation. Pastoral Care meets the third Thursday of each month at 3:30 in the parlor, but you don't have to be present to participate. We welcome your involvement and ideas!

Submitted by Joanna Smothers jsmothers@nc.rr.com



# Soup Suppers

### Wednesday Evenings in Lent

Wed., March 2, 6:30 Hosted by the Altar Guild Wed., March 9, 6:30 Hosted by the Bible Study Wed., March 16. 6:30 Hosted by the Men's Fellowship

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY PRAYER REQUESTS **Browning Altizer** 03/01 Vivian Ugochukwu Frieda Artis Benjamin Stager 03/03 Gabriel Baldwin Todd Ackman 03/06 **Annette Bandy Stephen Sholtis** 03/07 **Doris Brock** Robert Brown **Darlene Sholtis** 03/07 **Tom Casey** Khalila Thompson 03/09 **Penny Caldwell** Larry Deckard 03/10 Vicki Cannefax Alice Levoff 03/10 **Father Cheney** Elizabeth Benson 03/11 Gini Cox David Klingler 03/11 Lyle Delano Jimmy Mac-Thomas 03/12 Mark Dwyer Jemie Jonah 03/14 **Charles Hensley** Ryan Searcy 03/14 **Caroline Hodges** Collier Cobb, Jr. 06/16 Jane James Cole Locklear Josh 03/17 **Gretchen Graves Lewis** Ryan Murphy 03/17 **Betty Moore** Henry Carreker 03/19 Terri Northcutt **David Booth** 03/20 **Shelby Norwood Charles Simpter** 03/21 **Rorin Platt** Nortee Louder 03/22 **Father Presler Ryan Smawley** 03/22 Hank Rippetoe Emma Smawley 03/22 **Carson Rouse** Gini Cox 03/23**Bobby Rutledge** Will Flaugher Rachel Rutledge 03/23**Gary Shelton** Trev Mason 03/23 **Mimi Spears** Hannah Ackman 03/24 **Dee Stewart** Karen Duckett 03/25 **Barratt Sturtevant Endia McCray** 03/25 Allie Thompson **Connor Case** 03/27 Roger Watson **Purvis Louder** 03/27 **Alexander Wheat** Sean Manuel 03/27 **Farah Williams** Rob Pollock 03/27 Nathan Zook Valerie Vreeland 03/31

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Michael & Vivian Agu 03/13 Steve & Darlene Sholtis 03/18 David & Shelia Jeter 03/21 Chip & Chrisry Anen 03/23 Nursery Care is provided for both Sunday morning services and between the services. (9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.) Our Nursery accepts children ages 3 months to 3 years of age.

Kyllie Nicholas is our Nursery care attendant and loves taking care of children. Kyllie offers child care during the week, she can be reached at 919-264-1973.

#### Church School Special Needs Classroom

Do you know a family with special needs children? Many families avoid church due to feeling uncomfortable during a church service and frustrated by not having a place for their special children. This year God has blessed us with a special needs teacher, Hannah Squires, for our church school program giving us the opportunity to teach that God loves ALL the little children. Please spread the good news!

#### **CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS**



**Hands on Worship, Wednesday evenings during Lent:** The Church School will be hosting Hands on Worship for children in grades Pre-K thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Join us for songs and interactive Bible lessons concerning the events of Holy Week. Come at 6:30 p.m. for Soup Supper and from 7 - 8:00 p.m. allow your children the chance to enjoy Hands on

Worship.



**Pretzel Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>:** One of the children's favorite days of the year! During Lent the Church School will bake pretzels as a treat to share with the Parish. We can use them as a reminder to pray and be thankful for the "little rewards" or blessings we receive. Please have the children dress appropriately as we will be working with flour and dough. If you would like to donate a batch or two of the pretzel dough please see the recipe.

#### Pretzel dough Recipe

1Tbsp. dry yeast
<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> c. warm water
1 Tbsp sugar
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp. salt
2 c. flour

Combine the sugar, salt and yeast in warm water in a large mixing bowl. Allow the mixture to rest for 5 minutes, it should become foamy. Add 1 ½ cups flour to the foamy mixture and mix into a rough dough, using the dough hook attachment of a stand mixture, or a wooden spoon. Using the last ½ cup of flour, flour your hands and working surface and knead the dough until smooth and soft – about 5 - 7 minutes. Lightly flour the dough and place in a plastic zip lock bag and leave in the Parish Hall kitchen for the children!





**Church School Forum, March 13<sup>th</sup>:** This forum is for volunteer teachers, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. Please join us in the Kindergarten Building Science Lab at 10:00 a.m. for spiritual guidance and answers.



Youth Group Egg Hunt, Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>: The Youth Group will provide an Egg Hunt following the 11:00 am service for the Church School.

Easter Hymn Rehearsal Dates (Please mark your calendars):

March 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, we will sing Easter Sunday, March 27th.

All rehearsals will be directly after the 11:00 am service and we will meet Mr. Hermann in the Choir

Loft for practice. Please meet your children in the Narthex following the rehearsals.

## Mark your Calendars!

Vacation Bible School will be held June 10th-12th!

Our VBS will offer classes for Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and an opportunity for Middle and High School students to help.

Our *tentative* schedule is below

Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-8:00pm

Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> 9:30am-3:00pm-Lunch will be served Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> 10:45am-12:30pm

If you have any questions about Church School, please email or call me, I am happy to help in any way. Sarah Culton; christianed@sttimothys.org or 919-787-7590.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	9:00 Staff Meeting 10:30 HC and Healing	3	4	5
			6:30 Soup Supper Hosted by the Altar Guild			
6 4th Sunday in Lent Pretzel Sunday 9:00 HC	7	8	9 9:00 Staff Meeting 10:30 HC	10	11	8:30 Men's Fellowship, Warmth for Wake
11:00 HC and Church School 12:30 Youth Group 1:00 Choir Rehearsal for Easter Day			6:30 Soup Supper Hosted by the Bible Study			
6:00 Stations and Benediction						
Passion Sunday 5th Sunday in Lent 9:00 HC	14	15	16 9:00 Staff Meeting 10:30 HC	17	18	Saint Joseph 12:00 HC
10:00 Question and Answer Session						
11:00 HC and Church School		6:30 Vestry Meet- ing	6:30 Soup Supper Hosted by the			
6:00 Stations and Benediction			Men's Fellowship			
Palm Sunday	21	22	23 9:00 Staff Meeting 10:30 HC	24 Maundy Thursday	25 Good Friday	26 Easter Vigil
9:00 HC 11:00 HC and						
Church School				7:00 pm HC All–night Vigil at The Altar of	2:30 Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm HC
12:30 Youth Group				Repose	7:00 pm HC	
Easter Day	28	29	30 9:00 Staff Meeting 10:30 HC	31	1	2
9:00 HC						
11:00 HC  Easter Reception						5:30 Men's Fellowship at
No Church School						Hurricanes' Game

# MARCH SERVERS' SCHEDULE

	March 6 (Purple)	March 13 (Purple)	March 20 (Red and Purple)	March 27 (White)
ALTAR GUILD	Midge Silberman Mary McDaniel Everlyn Boro Shawna Hastings	Darlene Sholtis Bonnie Searcy Danielette Coleman	Marie Stewart Princess Cheetham-Smart Jennifer Wainaina Carol Rippetoe	Pennie Bliss Scotty Martin Sandy Wheat Princess Byass
ACOLYTES	C: Christopher Bain  1st Server: Eli Williford  2nd Server: Danielle Lewis  C: Michael Lewis  Torch: Brody Culton  Torch: Matthew Bain	C: Christopher Stewart  1st Server: Jake Bodiford  2nd Server: Taylor Wamser  C: Meredith Elsea  Torch: Millie Soler  Torch: Sean Manuel	C: William Johnson  1st Server: Danielle Lewis  2nd Server: Taylor Wamser  Banner: Parker Johnston  C: Michael Lewis  Torch: Roma Boren  Torch: Brody Culton  Banner: Izayah Lamont	Boatboy: Sean Manuel Thurifer: Meredith Elsea C: Ali Persing 1st Server: Christopher Stewart 2nd Server: Parker Johnston Banner: William Johnston C: Fei Persing Torch: Roma Boren Torch: Layah Lamont Banner: Eli Williford
9:00 LAY READERS	L/C: Mike Spencer P/C: Tom Donegan	L/C: Tom Donegan P/C: Al Clement	L/C: Al Clement P/C: Mike Spencer	L/C: Pennie Bliss P/C: Al Clement
11:00 LAY READERS	L/C: Connie Wilson P/C: Kathryn Carroll	L/C: Margaret Soler P/C: Jon Castro	L/C: Kathryn Carroll P/C: Kevin Bodiford	L/C: Simon Naylor P/C: Meghan Lord
LECTORS	Meghan Lord	Patricia Michael	Vivian Finkelstain	Betsy James
9:00 USHERS	Pete Gattis Ed Watson	Derek Doolittle Doug Jurney	Arthur Cheetham-Smart Martin Whitley	Freddie Martin
11:00 USHERS	Rob Stone John Poole Rick Smothers Robert Elsea	Kevin Bodiford Mike Lewis John Royall Frank Louder	Duncan Culton Steve Sholtis Jim Caldwell	Bill Marley Dave Elsea Van Vreeland
9:00 GREETERS	Doug Jurney	Doug Jurney	Doug Jurney	Doug Jurney
11:00 GREETERS	Anne Wamser	Carol Rippetoe	Tom & Ann Jones	Deb Lanier



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Saint Timothy's Episcopal Church Mission Statement



Saint Timothy's Episcopal Church is a traditional, welcoming, and scripture-based place of worship that leads to salvation through the celebration of the sacraments, service, fellowship, and outreach.

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