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*Faith Fellowship Service*



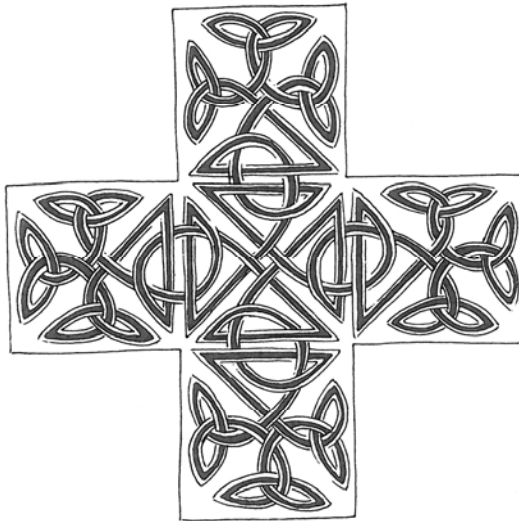
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**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

**Creve Coeur, MO**

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**July, 2009**





## **Stirrings...**



"I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God bestowed when my hands were laid on you. The spirit God has given us is no timid spirit, but rather one that makes us strong, loving and wise."

*2 Timothy 1 6:7*

As the Rector of St. Timothy's for almost ten years now, I can, with joy and gratitude think of many, many highlights of our life and ministry together. To name but a few: our deeper engagement with outreach ministry here at home, nationally, internationally; our mission leadership in the Diocese of Missouri; our enthusiasm and energy in building a new church and welcoming new members; our significant increase in stewardship commitments; our joyful and substantive worship in word and sacrament; our engagement with the community; our genuine sense of community expressed in warmth and welcome. Our planning for the years to come marked by deep faith and a commitment to building community partnerships wherever possible; our young members making differences; a youth ministry that's vital and life-giving...the call and nurturing of a diaconal ministry. I say all this with my usual reminder: "to whom much is given, much is expected" lest we forget that we are about God's work.

We begin a new dimension of this great work as we welcome Emily, that is, the Rev'd Emily Bloemker, a priest of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri, and the Associate Rector of St. Timothy's.

I am hugely confident that we, with Emily, will only become even more "strong, loving and wise," Paul's hope for young Timothy, in our time and ministry together.

Emily, Welcome!

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Jack +".

## The Concert Under the Stars—Another Memorable Evening

We had a wonderful evening of fellowship, fine music, fair weather, fun, and food. We don't have the final dollar tally yet, but we do know attendees and volunteer workers had a great time. And speaking of workers...once again we were overcome with the generosity of St. Tim's folks who gave their time and talent (cooking, serving, cleaning up) to make the evening perfect. The following is a list of people who participated, and most participated in several different areas. We thank you for your good hearted generosity! It does take a village to put on a concert.

George Podolsky	Angela Mitchell-Phillips	Karma Crowell	Joe Yokota
Rita Podolsky	Robert Phillips	Teresa McDowell	Irma Yokota
Pat Batty	Diane Brost	Mike McDowell	Jennifer Barnes
Ron Batty	Sara Vachon	Nancy Setzer	
Paul Michael	Eric Vachon	Mary Roberts	<b>Table holders:</b>
Val Michael	Alice Fritsch	Florrie Kohn	Ginni Campbell
Bea Comstock	Kirk Fritsch	Frank Kohn	Nancy Wetzel
Alice McLaughlin	Gwen Muzik	Rachel Kohn	Karma Crowell
Kathy Rogers	Pam Bye	Jess Kohn	Judy & Stan Viglione
Peggy Huesemann	Laurel Dunworth	Bud Bosanquet	Toby & Karen Hafeli
Tina Heuer	Georgiana Cameron	Norm Moenkhaus	Bev and Mo Buder
Christi Jones	Mary Gaffey	Miranda Robert	Jack & Sally Danforth
Kyra Jones	Rebecca Davidson	Marlene Gruber Clark	Bud & Janine
Jane Perna	John Davidson	Jim Clark	Bosanquet
Vincent Perna	Judy Viglione	Will Bolden	Lorna Peirce
Gina Perna	Stan Viglione	Monica Volkhardt	Tina & Ray Heuer
Anne Teymouri	Judy Flacke	Holly Wilson	Alice & Kirk Fritsch
Mike Teymouri	Mary Robert	Rick Dyer	Jane & Vincent Perna
Jackie Fleck	Karen Hafeli	Kathy Dyer	Mary Gaffey
Mary Archer	Ruth Ann Stross	Becca Dyer	John Bennett
Lenene Andre	Ginni Campbell	Nathan Dyer	Monica Volkhardt
David Hawley	Beverlee Critchell	Jan O'Neil	

We thank the Gateway City Big Band a thousand times over for their thrilling music, vocal and instrumental. Be sure to give Rick and Karen Sharp a two thumbs up when you see them.

*Susan Moenkhaus and Toby Hafeli, Co-chairs*

P.S. If you left a serving piece at church look for it either in the kitchen or in the library.

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## *From the Senior Warden*

Hello to everyone from vacation. I am visiting grandchildren and it doesn't seem possible that this beautiful baby girl that was born yesterday is graduating from Jr. High School! Time is a gift and every moment is a wonder. I hope that everyone this summer gets a chance to enjoy life and it's miracles and gets the chance to take some time to be alone with God.

I will be home this weekend and can't wait to get back into everyday living, but in the meantime I am glad to have the time to enjoy these wonders of earth, children and life.

Yours in Christ,

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*"We believe that, from the transcendence of the Gospel, we can assess what the life of the poor consists of; and we also believe that placing ourselves on the side of the poor and attempting to give them life, we will know what the eternal truth of the Gospel consists of." -Oscar Romero*

**In response to interest about Oscar Romero, former Archbishop of El Salvador, St. Timothy's will be screening and discussing "Romero," the biographical film of the life of Oscar Romero, on July 21 at 7p.m.**

On Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup>, I preached about Oscar Romero's transition from the 'treetop perspective' (Ezekiel 17:22-24) to the 'mustard seed view' (Mark 4:26-34) on the streets of El Salvador. Over the course of his three years as archbishop (which ended in 1980 with his assassination), Romero was transformed to be a witness to the suffering of the Salvadoran people, and came to serve as a powerful advocate for all of God's children, especially the poor and dispossessed.

Romero is one of my favorite films. It is a film that portrays people of faith in a positive light, showing how those who follow Christ have the power to change their world. I invite you to join me in watching and discussing Romero.

*NB: Because of realistic depictions of the violence in El Salvador, "Romero" is not recommended for children who are not yet in high school.*

-Pastor Emily

### Music for July 2009

#### July 4 – Saturday

Dean Bye, Organist and Cantor

#### July 5 – Sunday

Pam Bye, Soprano Soloist

#### July 11 – Saturday

John Hexem, Solo Piano and Cantor

#### July 12 – Sunday

Bob Bell, Bass Soloist and Solo Piano

Karen and Rick Sharp, Brass

#### July 18 – Saturday

Matt Bear, Baritone Soloist

#### July 19 – Sunday

Pat Evans, Flute

#### July 25 – Saturday

Rachel Kohn and Jess Kohn,

Soprano Soloists

#### July 26 – Sunday

Marlene Gruber Clark, Soprano Soloist

### From the Stewardship Team...

We are approaching our fall period of emphasis on the stewardship of our time, our talents, our treasure. The Apostle Paul spoke frequently in his letters to the churches about this practice. One of the most eloquent statements is in Second Corinthians 9:

“Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.  
Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift.”

As he spoke about stewardship, Paul urged his people to give 1) as the Lord had prospered them, 2) regularly, 3) cheerfully, 4) proportionately. We can take this list as our own as we begin to think, this fall, about our own pledges of time, talent, and treasure. We can do no better than to take Paul as our stewardship consultant.

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### Benedictine Group Offers Retreat

All adults are invited to attend a retreat at St. Timothy's led by Fr. Ralph Wright from the Abbey, on Saturday, July 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Guests of St. Timothy's members are welcome. Contact Mary Bredenberg (314) 822-2502 for details.

## June 2009

### St. Tim's Staff

Category: All

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>01</b> Morning Prayer	<b>02</b> Evening Prayer	<b>03</b> 6:45am » Men's Bible Study 10am » Holy Communion	<b>04</b> Evening Prayer	<b>05</b> Morning Prayer	<b>06</b> 5pm » Holy Communion
<b>07</b> 8am » Holy Communion 9am » Family Worship 10:30am » Holy Communion	<b>08</b> Morning Prayer	<b>09</b> Evening Prayer	<b>10</b> 6:45am » Men's Bible Study 10am » Holy Communion 6pm » Benedictine Spirituality	<b>11</b> Evening Prayer 10am » Knitting Ministry	<b>12</b> Morning Prayer	<b>13</b> 5pm » Holy Communion
<b>14</b> 8am » Holy Communion 10:30am » Holy Communion	<b>15</b> Morning Prayer 7pm » Finance Committee	<b>16</b> Evening Prayer	<b>17</b> 6:45am » Men's Bible Study 10am » Holy Communion 6:45pm » Vestry	<b>18</b> Evening Prayer	<b>19</b> Angler Deadline Morning Prayer	<b>20</b> 6pm » Concert Under the Stars
<b>21</b> 8am » Holy Communion 9am » Family Worship 10:30am » Holy Communion	<b>22</b> Morning Prayer	<b>23</b> Evening Prayer 9:30am » Daytimers to History Museum	<b>24</b> 10am » Holy Communion 6pm » Benedictine Spirituality	<b>25</b> Evening Prayer 10am » Knitting Ministry	<b>26</b> Morning Prayer 11:15am » St. Tim's at Friendship Village 6:30pm » Rice bagging	<b>27</b> 10am » Ordination of Emily Bloemker 5pm » Holy Communion
<b>28</b> 10:30am » Holy Communion 12pm » Picnic to welcome Emily Bloemker	<b>29</b> Morning Prayer	<b>30</b> Evening Prayer 7pm » Stewardship 7pm » Conversation on trip to Lui				

**Groups Meeting Regularly at St. Timothy's:**

**ESL classes**  
9-12:30 pm M-F in the library and multipurpose room

**AA groups**  
Mon. 5:45-7 pm  
Double classroom  
Tues. 5:30-7 pm  
Small classroom  
Wed. 10-12 noon  
Multipurpose room  
Wed. 6:30-8 pm  
Double classroom

**Aerobics**  
Wed. 6-7:15 pm  
Parish Hall  
Sat. 9-10:15 am  
Parish Hall

**St. Louis School of Music**  
Most days – one or two classrooms – early afternoon through early evening



**Thank you**

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The outreach weekend in connection with the Pentecost celebration was a huge success thanks to the many people who worked on it.

First, a huge thank you to **Robert Falk** for the extraordinary creative work he developed for our Outreach pursuits: the logo design "**Transforming Compassion**", the brochure, the mug design, the diagram of the outreach organization and the wonderful header for the bulletin board.

To the team leaders: **Carolyn Moore, Debbie Smith, Mary Archer, Mike McDowell, and Paul Michael**. To staff: **Alice, Jack, Jan, and Kathy**. To our web experts, **Paul Pennell and Charlie Holland**.

To all who helped with the weekend activities: **Bob & Ruth Ann Stross, Judy Flacke, Susan Moenkhaus, Val Michael, Susie & Lance Kramer, Kurt Zwickelmaier, Rachel Kohn, Cletus Coughlin, Holly Wilson** and others who I may have inadvertently missed.

To all who signed up for new outreach commitments, to those who are considering new options and to those who have contacted me with new activities and ideas. **Transforming Compassion** is indeed the core of St. Timothy's Outreach.

### **Outreach Grants Awarded**

Recently, three requests for grants have been awarded to: Habitat for Humanity (\$2000.— Paul Michael, contact); to Rivers of the World - Brazil (\$1000.-Rachel Kohn will be traveling there in July); and to Lakeside Center as part of the Reading is Fundamental program (\$500 - Kathy Dyer, contact).

All three grant requests align with the mission of St. Timothy's Outreach: "To use our God-given gifts and talents to provide resources, support, love and hope to meet the needs of the less fortunate as Jesus commanded us to do."

**Please look for this Outreach banner in each Angler and around the church for news about our programs.**



## **Outreach – Hammer & Nails**

The 2009 Habitat for Humanity build is a go!! Every year since 1998 St. Louis area Episcopal churches have sponsored all or part of a house. St. Tim's participation is made possible by a generous grant from our Outreach Ministry and by providing volunteers to work on-site. The dates that we are on-site are: Friday July 10, Saturday Aug 22, Saturday Aug 29, and Saturday Oct 3. If you were not able to sign up on our volunteer list on Outreach weekend (May 30-31) and would like to participate, contact Paul Michael by phone 636-458-9498 or e-mail [prmich@sbcglobal.net](mailto:prmich@sbcglobal.net) for further information. Overall, St. Louis HFH has a goal of building 28 homes in 2009, all in the JeffVanderLou neighborhood about 2 blocks east of the 2008 build.

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## **From our friends in Lui...**

Dear People of St. Timothy's,

I bring you greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from the people of Lui Parish in the Diocese of Lui in Southern Sudan. They were so happy to have Jim Hinrichs and me visit them last month and give them your greetings, and they were very excited to hear that Emily Bloemker, who preached to them at Christmas, has finished seminary and joined the St. Timothy's staff. Thank you for all your prayers and support, both for our brothers and sisters in Lui and for our mission teams from Missouri. If you are interested in knowing the day-to-day details of the recent trip, I kept a blog, as did Mary Seager from the cathedral. You can find them at <http://stl2lui.blogspot.com/> (mine) and <http://luinotes.blogspot.com/> (Mary's). By the time the Angler reaches you, I should have posted some video from Pentecost at Lui Parish.

Lu karu ami (God bless you) --

Debbie Smith

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## **New Orleans Update**

When Paul Michael signed up for the diocesan spring mission trip to rehab in New Orleans, he hoped to use his gifts perfected while working in St. Louis with Habitat for Humanity and Beyond Housing. Paul had a pleasant surprise when this late April mission trip turned out to be an ecumenical one. The group of 15 included Methodists, Lutherans, Baptists, and Episcopalians (including Emmanuel Episcopal). Missioners were able to work together completing some framing, drywall, and mudding. It was great to be part of a link in the chain of churches that helped yet another family in need of assistance. Thank you, Paul, for representing St. Tim's and letting New Orleans know that we have not left them behind!     Deacon Jan

From the  
Director of  
Christian Education

Peggy  
Huesemann

In May, my office moved upstairs. Being in the Education Wing with all the youth activity is wonderful! The move also provided me with an opportunity to clean out old files and happily rediscover other ones. This is one of those pleasant finds. (There are copies available in my office –

stop by for one and a visit.)

### ***A Parent's Prayer***

*I pray that I may let my child live his own life and not the one I wish I had lived. Therefore, guard me against burdening him with doing what I failed to do.*

*Help me to see to her missteps today in perspective against the long road she must travel, and grant me the grace to be patient with her slow pace.*

*Give me the wisdom to know when to smile at the small mischiefs of his age and when to show firmness against the impulses he fears and cannot handle.*

*Help me bear the anguish in her heart through the din of angry words or across the gulf of brooding silence. And having heard, grant me the ability to bridge the gap between us with understanding.*

*I pray that I may raise my voice more in joy at what he is than in vexation at what he is not, so that each day he may grow in sureness of himself.*

*Help me to regard her genuine affection so that she will feel affection for others. Then give me the strength, O Lord, to free her so that she can move strongly on her way. Amen.*

Blessings,

Peggy

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**DAYTIMERS:** *a group organized to provide monthly activities for parishioners of all ages and their friends!*

After the baseball game in July, the Daytimers will have completed another fantastic year of activities. We toured a historic home, watched the eagles along the river, attended a coffee concert, had several programs presented by our own parishioners, and even had support dogs at church showing us how they are able to help people. All of this was possible because of the help of many people but especially Jane Perna and Lynn Whittington. We are beginning to plan the upcoming year and if you have any suggestions, please share them with Nancy Setzer.

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

2 Al Nessel Adam Turner Ray Heuer	7 Irina Hinrichs Amanda Sinise	21 Ron Batty
3 Sally Danforth	15 Ellyn Neise Rebeca Davidson	22 Jane Gordon LaVerne Riebold Cletus Coughlin
4 Peggy Huesemann Valerie Michael Joe McAvoy Rosemary Jasper	16 Ruth Ann Stross 17 Elliott Barnes 19 Florrie Kohn Kyleigh Dean	23 Kim Dressel 29 Peter Wangler 30 John Bennett 31 Pat Batty Gina Perna
	20 Frank Kohn	

**JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

3 Nancy and Eric Setzer	15 Valerie and Paul Michael
5 Ann and Dick Buckman	18 Carol and Bill Rogler
8 Louise and Ian Pooley	20 Judy and Stan Viglione
10 Ellyn and David Neise	25 Linda and Don Lambert Stephanie and Mark Nauman
11 Susan and Norm Moenkhaus	29 Mary Roberts and Jim Schumacher
12 Gina and Al Nessel	
13 Laurel and Bill Dunworth Kathy and Rick Dyer	

*Another graduate – Congratulations to Jimmy Bosanquet who graduated from the University of Missouri School of Medicine and will intern there.*

The sympathy of the parish is extended to Bud and Janine Bosanquet on the death of Bud's sister, Jeannie Gilchrist.

Congratulations to Debbie Goldfarb on the birth of her granddaughter, Reagan Brynn Donegan, on May 25 in Salt Lake City. Reagan is the daughter of Shaun and Melissa Donegan.

### **Financial Snapshot May 2009**

Target revenues and expenses for 5 months (Budget %)	41.67%
Actual pledge and plate receipts for 5 months	43.75%
Actual expenses for 5 months	39.39%

Income in May benefited from a portion of the Danforth Grant which is designated to cover costs related to our new associate rector. This will be offset in coming months as those costs are incurred and reflected in our operating expenses. Our overall expenses remain remarkably low thanks to the efforts of the fine staff of St. Tim's.

We are currently projected to end the year on budget.  
The Finance Committee

### **St. Timothy's Mission Statement**

Inspired by the Spirit of Christ, we glorify God by being a welcoming Christian community with meaningful and joyous worship, challenging education and care and respect for all God's creation, while proclaiming the Gospel and reaching out to the world.

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