



The **Angler** 

*Faith Fellowship Service*

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**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

**Creve Coeur, MO**

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November, 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*

I have been thinking about a new activity at St. Timothy's ; it would feature the NPR program, Speaking of Faith with Krista Tippett, (the creator of the program ) The format design would be a small group- probably no more than 10-15- that would study specified programs and use the discussion guide offered by NPR for further reflection and conversation. The group (or groups, if that what develops) would meet on a monthly basis either at St. Tim's or in participants' homes. While I was researching the idea, I ran across this reflection by Ms. Tippett; I thought it worth bringing to your attention. It's excerpted from her Book, "Speaking of Faith."

"From the beginning of my life of listening, I have observed fierce humility as a quality in the lives of people I admire. But deep spiritual humility defies the connotations of self-debasement, of ineffective meekness, that our culture assigns to the word 'humility' and that I too imagined until I dug into the sacred text, and lived with my children.....even after I began to study theology and learned to value the great nuances of the New Testament, I was frankly puzzled by the teachings of Jesus that his disciples should become humble like a little child. And then I became the Mother of little children."

"I know", Ms. Tippett continues, "of no richer source of theological enlightenment than parenting". "This is the body of raw experience with which I constantly revise and fill my image of God-as father, as parent-with complex meaning. The God of my childhood was sovereign, all-powerful; the real experience of parenting is more often one of excruciating vulnerability. Our love for our children is often defined by the fact that we cannot spare them pain and save them; that we give them their freedom as necessary steps to creativity, wisdom, and love; that we raise them for the world they go on to create. And as I watched my children move through the world, I began to imagine what Jesus meant by humility. The humility of a child, moving through the world discovering everything anew, is closely linked with delight. This original spiritual humility is not about debasing oneself; it is about approaching everything new and other with a sense of curiosity and wonder."

Note: if you have interest in a monthly NPR Speaking of Faith group here at St. Tim's, drop me a note, e-mail, phone call. One need not be a member of St. Tim's to participate. If there is sufficient interest, we would begin in Advent, early in December.

Grace and Peace,

## TRIVIA NIGHT

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7 AT 6 P.M.  
WHEN THE DOORS WILL OPEN AT THE HAVEN HOUSE GYM  
FOR  
ST. TIMOTHY'S TRIVIA NIGHT TO SUPPORT LUI DIOCESE  
COST IS \$25 PER PERSON, \$200 FOR A TABLE OF 8**

**"Trivia Host to the Stars," Ron Perez, will MC the evening**

**BYOB and snacks to share with your table; soda, water, and a light snack  
will be provided**

**Prizes will be given for the most creatively decorated table, winner of the  
50/50, and last standing in the Heads or Tails.**

**Tickets are being sold before and after services.**

**Bring your friends and family...it's going to be a fun evening!**

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### **From the Stewardship Team...**

At the services on October 17-18, we presented on the altar at St. Timothy's all the pledges of time, talent, and treasure that had been received to that time. We are well on the way to reaching our goal and providing the resources needed to sustain the parish and its outreach through the coming year. But we still have a way to go.

If you have not yet had an opportunity to make your pledge, please do so right away. We need the support of everyone in the parish, and making these pledges is an important part of our spiritual development. Pledges can still be sent in or put into the collection plate at any time. Thank you for your prayers and support for St. Timothy's future.

## *From the Senior Warden*

I identify myself as a 'cradle Episcopalian' meaning that I was born and raised in this church, but what is more important to me is that I am constantly renewed by this church, by its faith and its willingness to be open to listen to God's word. So everyday (when I'm willing) I renew my relationship with the Episcopal Church and choose again to belong to this gathering of wonderful people who care and are searching along with me. I want to share a poem from our Benedictine group that shows how we grow in the light of Christ and how we encourage each other along the way. From *The Gift: Poems* by Hafiz

*It Felt Love*  
How  
Did the rose  
Ever open its heart  
And give to this world  
All its  
Beauty?  
It felt the encouragement of light  
Against its  
Being.  
Otherwise,  
We all remain  
Too  
Frightened.

Yours in Christ,  
Holly Wilson, Senior Warden

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### **From Deacon Jan...**

Thank you!

My heart is full of gratitude for the support St. Timothy's folk (you!) have offered to me during my mom's illness and following her death in September. You have been life-giving. The Rev. Michael Hanley, an assistant at St. Timothy's when Warren Crews was rector, presided at my mom's memorial service at St. Christopher's in suburban St. Paul, MN. He sends his greetings to all. Michael will travel to Oregon next week as one of their three finalists for Bishop.

Peace,  
Deacon Jan O'Neil

**Music for November 2009**

October 31 – Saturday

Bob Bell, Bass Soloist and Piano

November 1 – Sunday – Feast of All Saints

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Recorder Consort

The St. Timothy Bell Choir

November 7 – Saturday

Solemn Festival Evensong for the

Feast of All Saints – 5 PM

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Recorder Consort

The Vocal Trio – Mary Robert, Miranda

Robert, and Pam Bye

November 8 – Sunday

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Brass

Karen Sharp, Contralto Soloist

November 14 – Saturday

Alice Fritsch, Soprano Soloist

November 15 – Sunday

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy String Quartet

November 21 – Saturday

John Hexem, Piano Soloist and Cantor

November 22 – Sunday – Festival of Christ

The King

The St. Timothy Choir

The St. Timothy Brass

The St. Timothy Youth Choir

November 25 – Wednesday –

Thanksgiving Eve

The St. Timothy Choir

Bob Bell, Bass Soloist

Matt Bear, Guest Organist and Choir

Director

November 28 – Saturday – Eve of The First

Sunday of Advent

Matt Bear, Guest Organist

Mary Robert, Soprano Soloist

November 29 – Sunday – The First Sunday of

Advent

The St. Timothy Choir

William Crock, Violin and Steve Crock,

Guitar

**Peace Meal Project Set for November 14**

We need volunteers to participate in the Peace Meal Program at St. John's Episcopal Church near Tower Grove park on Saturday, November 14. Volunteers will need to work 2-3 hours between 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM and will help prepare and serve the Peace Meal under the supervision of a member of St. John's parish. If you are interested, please contact Kurt Zwikelmaier at 314-983-0693 or e-mail him at [kurtzwik@charter.net](mailto:kurtzwik@charter.net).

Want to know more about it? Talk to Susan Moenkhaus, Agnes Bolwell, Debbie Smith, Holly Wilson, Judy Maloney, Carolyn Moore, Peggy Boyd, Keith Boyd, or Diane Brost who worked on the first one.)

Kurt Zwikelmaier



## We Gather Together

... and give thanks for all our blessings!

The Health & Hunger Outreach team has an opportunity to share these blessings with the Circle of Concern for a gathering of canned and nutritious foods to be distributed a little before Thanksgiving to hungry families in West County. This year they want us to collect the food in cardboard cartons, preferably printer-paper boxes with lids. Circle will pick up our donations in mid-November. We plan to have boxes at church until the pick-up date of Sunday, November 15.

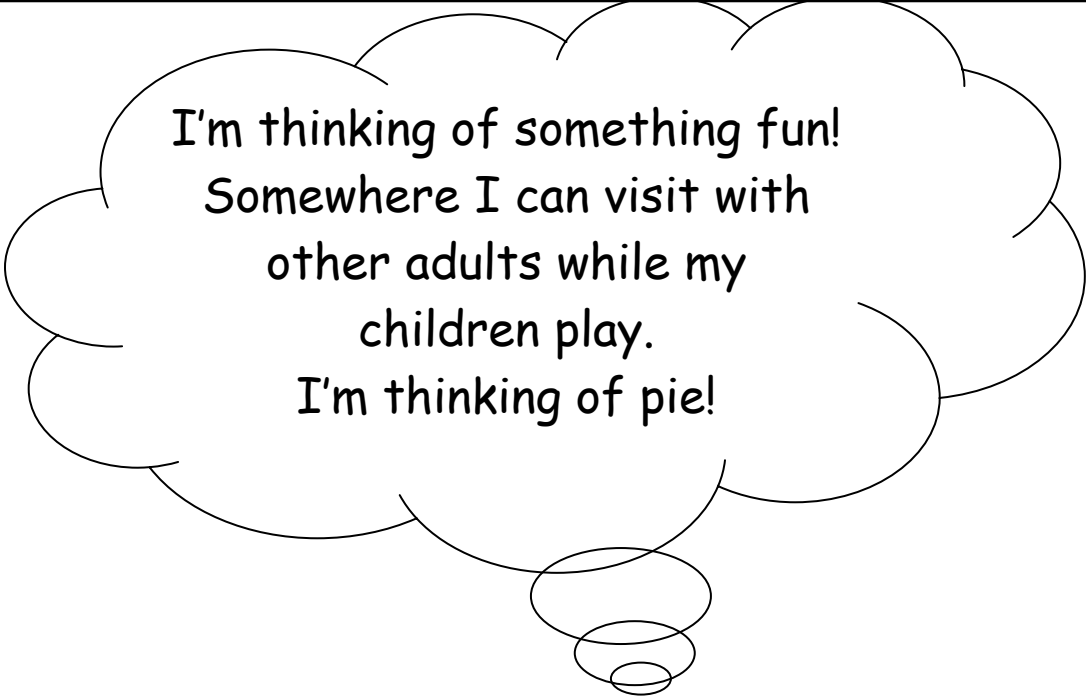
Some suggestions are (but not limited to):

- ⇒ Canned meats of any kind (ham, tuna, chicken, spam, etc.)
- ⇒ Canned vegetables
- ⇒ Soups
- ⇒ Yam
- ⇒ Peanut Butter
- ⇒ Canned Fruit
- ⇒ Canned Spaghetti/ Ravioli
- ⇒ Baked beans
- ⇒ Chili
- ⇒ Fruit juices/ Tomato juices
- ⇒ Tomato sauces
- ⇒ Pasta sauces
- ⇒ Asian foods



We need sturdy boxes to transport the food in and some volunteers to help box the food.

Please join us in this gathering of blessings! Bring your cans to church during November and place them in the boxes we will have ready. If you would rather give money, we will take the money and buy the canned food. Let's make Thanksgiving a special holiday for some deserving people. Thank you!



I'm thinking of something fun!  
Somewhere I can visit with  
other adults while my  
children play.  
I'm thinking of pie!

You must be thinking of

**MOMs**

(Mornings with Other Mothers)

November 19th

10—11:30 a.m.

For more info contact Peggy at

[peggy@saint-tims.org](mailto:peggy@saint-tims.org)



### Teaching People to Fish

The Teaching People To Fish team of St. Timothy's Outreach is excited about moving forward in our partnership with Sigel Elementary School. During the month of August, we met with the necessary people at the St. Louis Board of Education and Mrs. Evelyn Woods, the new principal of Sigel Elementary. In September, our volunteers met the staff and had a wonderful tour of the school. We were well received. Mrs. Woods and her staff have identified students, K-6, that will benefit from tutoring. Mrs. Woods and one of her teachers conducted a Saturday training session for volunteers. Seven of us attended the session. We are now equipped with many tools for helping students improve their reading skills. I will schedule a time to share those tools with volunteers that could not attend the training

session.

All volunteers for St. Louis public schools must complete a volunteer application. Kathy Rogers has applications in the office for anyone who wants to join us. Sigel School's operating hours are from 9:10 AM to 4:08PM. Our initial group will be cleared to work in the school as soon as the St. Louis Board of Education receives the police report. I talked with Mrs. Nolan, the Volunteer Coordinator. She expects the report soon. Our intent is to be working with students in the school by the end of October. Our efforts in the school will be congruent with Mrs. Woods' main objective, to improve her students' academic performance.

Carolyn Moore

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### Potluck Pals in 2010

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time and cooking talents to this ministry in 2009. Thank you also to the Whittingtons who faithfully deliver the casseroles to Circle of Concern each month.

It's time to schedule volunteers for the 2010 Potluck Pals Program. Many volunteers choose to prepare casseroles quarterly. Please feel free to try it once or sign up more frequently if you wish. Casserole pans and recipes are provided. Volunteers buy the ingredients, prepare the casserole at home, and deliver it to the church freezer for delivery to Circle of Concern.

There is a sign-up sheet in the common area for quarterly volunteers, who like to have a pan reserved for them on their designated months. Each month there are also a few pans labeled "Volunteer Needed," for folks who would like to help out once in awhile, without a regular schedule.

Happy Cooking!  
Kathy Dyer

### Outreach Committee Grants YTD

The following grants have been made thus far for the current year:

\$2000	Habitat for Humanity	\$1500	Grace Hill Business Center
\$1000	Rivers of the World	\$3000	Diocese of Lui (\$500 Tuition, clergy;
\$ 500	Reading is Fundamental (Lakeside)	\$500	Support for Clergy's family;
\$ 375	Peace Corps, Gender and Development Committee in Ecuador	\$1200	salary for one teacher;
\$ 200	Peace Meal Project at St. John's	\$800	mission trip to Lui)
\$1600	Circle of Concern	\$136.99	to Stray Rescue

Additional funds have supported eggs for the homeless at the Cathedral, dinners for families who reside at Haven House while their children are in St. Louis for medical treatment, toiletries for the upcoming Cathedral Christmas Breakfast for the Homeless; rice bagging for Trinity Food Pantry.

The remaining funds in the Outreach budget will be allocated at the December Grant Team meeting

### Good Food, Fine Fellowship—Here!!

You are invited to join the Supper Club for great fellowship and good food. This is not a gourmet group, nor does it cost anything to join. There will be three fairly informal dinners and one finale sometime in May/June.

The hosts provide the home and provide the main course then assign other dinner items to the guests that may include such things as wine, bread, beverages, salad, dessert, appetizers, hors d'oeuvres and vegetables. We are assigning approximate dates, but each group should decide on a date when they can all meet.

Suggested dates are: January 23, 2010 - Comfort Food; February 27, 2010 - Love Affair; April 17, 2010 - Spring Fling

Sign up by December 6, 2009 - sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. If you can host, please indicate how many people you can accommodate.

### Bag Rice at the Advent Event!

Please note we will hold Rice Bagging on Sunday, November 29 at 9 AM as part of the Advent Event. Rice Bagging is not scheduled for December 2009. We will return to our regular 4th Friday of the month schedule in January 2010.

This is an event for all ages. We scoop a cup of rice into a plastic sandwich bag, and tape it closed. With a few people helping, the project is done in about an hour. The bagged rice is then delivered to the Trinity Episcopal Food Pantry in the Central West End.

Kathy Dyer

*From the  
Director of  
Christian Education*

**Peggy  
Huesemann**

November 1 is the *Celebration of Manhood and Womanhood* for the Rite 13 class. This *Celebration* is key to our Youth Ministry Program – it reminds us that manhood and womanhood are a gift from God

and that adulthood earned. The celebration will take place during the 10:30 service, where we'll recognize and pray for teens **Elliott Barnes, William Crock, Julia Fox, Kyra Jones, Brooke Mason, and Sara Vanacht**. They will be challenged that these gifts are not only to create new life but also to “shape the world according to God’s purpose.”

The teens, with their leader Steve Crock, have been preparing for this service. They have talked about their gifts and talents. They have reflected on Bible lessons. They have discussed God’s call to Moses and pondered about God’s call to them. They have prayed together, eaten together, done service projects together, griped together and laughed together.

There is only one other group who has done more preparation for this celebration – their parents. For the parents, we pray,

*O God, bless the parents of these young people. Rejoice with them as their sons and daughters become women and men. Strengthen them that they may support their daughters and sons as they begin the journey toward adulthood. Uphold them by your Spirit, that they may comfort them, although they can neither walk their road for them nor shield them from pain. Carry them all safely through this journey, so that one day they may stand together as adults and friends, a joy and comfort to each other all the days of their lives. Amen.*

Faithfully,  
Peggy

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### **New Orleans Revisited**

Ron and Pat Batty, Tina Heuer, Rick Spahn, Gerry Amies, and Julia Travis will be representing St. Timothy's by continuing flood recovery work the week of December 6-12. They'll be working with the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana and staying in Chapel House, the campus ministry house for Loyola and Tulane. The rebuild needs in New Orleans continue and our people have raised their hands. Thank you.

from Deacon Jan and all of us.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 - Beverlee Critchell<br>Emily Grace Winders                           | 11 - Kathy Dyer<br>Jane Williamson               | 20 - Alice Welch         |
| 2 - Don Lambert<br>Carolyn Moore                                        | 12 - Alex Huesemann                              | 24 - Gracie Wiegmann     |
| 5 - Drew Kramer                                                         | 14 - Jane Coughlin                               | 25 - Jessica Michael     |
| 6 - Janine Bosanquet<br>Nathan Dyer<br>Adrian Moore<br>Alexander Vachon | 15 - Liam Wyland                                 | 26 - Holly Wilson        |
| 8 - Sydney Winders                                                      | 16 - Tommy Gordon                                | 27 - Uma Segal           |
| 9 - Eric Setzer                                                         | 17 - Charlie Ives<br>Ethan Uyemura<br>Kyra Jones | 28 - Andy Arras          |
| 10 - Andrea Johnson                                                     | 18 - Thomas Warhover                             | 29 - Mary Lou Blackhurst |
|                                                                         | 19 - Tyler Nauman                                |                          |

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 2 - Joe and Irma Yokota<br>Michael and Jamie Omahen | 24 - Nick and Pat Mason<br>Dick and Nancy Sinise |
| 7 - Jeff and Andrea Johnson                         | 29 - Ed and Susan Scott                          |
| 15 - Peg and Verne Luther                           |                                                  |



### Birth

Congratulations to Jenniffer and Tom Sheldon on the birth of their daughter, Jocelyn, who was born on October 23. She weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. and was 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Irma and Joe Yokota.



### We Offer Sympathy

The sympathy of the parish is extended to Bill Stehnach and his family on the death of his wife, Elaine, on October 26. Bill and Elaine are long-time members of St. Tim's.

Lois Gimblett, a long-time member of St. Tim's, died on October 25.

## Financial Snapshot September 2009

Target revenues and expenses for 9 months (Budget %)	75.00%
Actual pledge and plate receipts for 9 months	79.26%
Actual expenses for 9 months	77.79%

Our overall financial picture for 2009 continues to remain strong and we are 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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