



# St. Timothy's Newsletter

## January 2019



### The Cycles of Life

Our Christmas Eve services at St. Timothy's were a delightful and glorious offering to God this year. They are that every year, of course, but this year was particularly beautiful and inspiring. And that's because so many people did so much to make it happen: from dragging decorations out of the rifle range (most priests can't write those words) to ordering and arranging poinsettias to practicing choral pieces to parking across the street to make room for visitors . . . and on and on. So many people doing so many big and little things, and the result was that God was richly praised. It makes my soul smile when I think back on that night. And next year, we get to do it all again!

The annual celebration of the birth of Christ happens quite predictably every year. No matter what is going in our lives or in the world, Christmas is always coming. We know the exact date each time. And there are all sorts of other events in our common life where we know the exact date. This month, we'll have the Annual Meeting on the third Sunday in January and celebrate St. Timothy's Day on the fourth Sunday, just like we always do. And later on in the year, we'll bless some bikes, honor our graduates, go to a baseball game, have a spaghetti dinner, bless some animals, attend Diocesan Convention, and then decorate the church for the Candlelight Walk, the first Sunday in December.

It's all very predictable and knowable and expected. Like clockwork, you might say. If people still wore watches, you could set your watch to it. But you can also set your life to it. These yearly cycles we go through together are what shape our common life in the church, much like the liturgy we do together shapes our weekly life in the church. Predictable, knowable, and expected.

But then there is Easter. Did you notice that I left that out of the list of what's coming up? That's because in the year 325, the Council of Nicaea decided that Easter would be held on the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the vernal equinox . . . except on a Sunday. Unlike all these other things in our common life, Easter is a moving target. We know it's coming, but we don't really know when—at least not without getting more information.

And that seems fitting somehow. Because the Resurrection of our Lord reminds us that we too shall be resurrected. We know it's coming, but we don't really know when—at least not without getting more information. And in the meantime, we live out our common life together in this wonderful, glorious, delightful little postage stamp of the Church we call St. Timothy's. Together we walk through the predictable cycles of our lives, as we wait in the hope of the resurrection to new life. There are dates we know, and dates we don't know, and they all exist in the palm of God's loving hands.

Faithfully,



## SALUTATIONS FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Wow! It looks like we all survived another Christmas season with only a few scars and a few bills. It wouldn't be a great holiday if we didn't have some bills to show for it. I hope everyone was as moved by all the activities that went on here at St. Timothy's in December. During the annual Candlelight Walk in early December, we welcomed several hundreds of our friends from throughout the community into our beautiful church to enjoy the wonderful choir and share in hot cider and homemade cookies. Believe me, they were impressed with our hospitality and especially our church. Later that same week, we enjoyed a one man performance of "A Christmas Carol" by the Rev. John Ferris to an appreciative crowd of almost 75 people. Then, about ten days later, we had a standing room only crowd enjoy a fabulous Christmas concert performance by A Chorus For A Cause. That is more than 300 friends from the Stark county community that filled the church that afternoon. Interspersed throughout all this was our terrific Brown Bag concerts featuring concerts on the organ and Andrew Bolden, Choir Director, singing. Added all together, there were over 1,000 people coming to St. Timothy's during December to enjoy our house of worship, our fellowship, and our outreach to the area. None of this would be possible without the hard work, the smiling faces and the welcoming arms of an army of volunteers and our congregation as a whole working to make St. Timothy's the place to be at Christmas.

As we embark on the new year, let us all be thankful for the gifts God has given us in our personal lives and in our church lives, and may everyone enjoy a happy and healthy 2019. You remain the best congregation in the Diocese.

## **FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES** **January**

**January 6 - Epiphany Tea.** Following the 10 am service, the ECW invites everyone at St. Timothy's to the annual Epiphany Tea. Light food and refreshments will be served as we celebrate the day. All are welcome including visitors to the church.

**January 20 - Annual Meeting.** While not really considered a Fellowship activity, this is an important day in the life of our church. Each year on the third Sunday in January, we hold this meeting to review the last year's activities, lay out plans for goals we will strive for in 2019, and elect the new Vestry to represent the congregation. All are asked and encouraged to attend. Lunch will be served so that cannot be used as an excuse.

**January 27 - St. Timothy's Sunday.** On the fourth Sunday each January, we honor and celebrate our patron saint. The altar is adorned in red and the priest wears red vestments in celebration of Saint Timothy Day. A wonderful Swiss Steak Dinner is served after the 10 AM service. While there is no charge for it, reservations are requested just so the chefs know the quantity of food necessary to bring a smile to everyone's face.

**Please plan to attend all the wonderful January activities.**

## **OUTREACH**

This was a busy December for Outreach projects at St. Timothy's. There were many activities happening during this Christmas season especially on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, but St. Tim's volunteers still found time between the greening of the church and the decorating of the cookies to ring the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle from 4 o'clock to 8 o'clock and the pot was full.

This year St. Tim's adopted 5 families for Christmas. They included 8 children (6 boys, 2 girls) and 6 adults. With great generosity the parishioners of St. Timothy's shopped, wrapped packages, stuffed stockings and packed groceries so that all could be delivered by December 20<sup>th</sup> in plenty of time for Santa Claus. There was also a Christmas tree full of mittens, gloves and warm hats to be donated to help keep some children in need warm on their way to school or play.

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED.**



*Birthdays  
of the Month*

January Birthdays

Holly McCalla 1/1	Catherine Ripich 1/3
Jim Jobe 1/3	Jason Smith 1/5
Katie Miller 1/5	Doreen Pennington 1/6
Evan Smith 1/7	Brian Fichter 1/8
Erick McCalla 1/10	Jill Strodbeck 1/13
Jay Bomze 1/15	Doug Miller 1/16
James Bower 1/16	Patrick Streb 1/16
Maureen Wood 1/18	David Strodbeck 1/20
Olivia Regula 1/23	George Cazan 1/26
Marilyn Croasdaile 1/27	Lara Sanders 1/27
Christine Lane 1/29	Jon Silvis 1/30

January Anniversaries

Matt and Reena Kurian 1/2/78  
Jonathan and Anna Schroeder 1/20/07  
Dave and Ann Renkert 1/25/69

Treasurer's Corner  
November 2018

**November 2018 Contributions**

(4) Sundays \$ 9,134.95

**Savings**

\$ 4,000.00

Thank you so very much for your continued support and please continue to keep your pledge up to date. Remember that the bills don't take a vacation, but together, we can keep our church a thriving church.

Thank you so much!!!!!!! Dave Coltrin, Treasurer

**The Change Challenge**

Cheers to everyone who helped us gather more than \$800 in the penny box in 2018. Let's see if we can surpass \$1000 in 2019! The concept is simple. For every good meal you enjoy, set aside two cents for someone who needs assistance. Of course, you need not be that literal...and that won't get us to our goal. How about the change that accumulates in your car cup holder or in your pocket by the end of the day? All denominations are welcome and there's no need to roll the coins! Paper money and checks fit nicely into the box as well. While the pesos, bus tokens, good luck coins, and casino chips I find in the box make me smile, the bank has yet to accept any of them. But, every single penny you give is converted directly into grocery and gas credit cards for local folks who need our help.  
Margy Vogt

**Baptisms**

Richard Charles Sherer, IV  
November 11, 2018

Ruby Noelle Van Dam  
December 30, 2018

**Funerals**

Carl Pennington  
January 15, 1930 - November 29, 2018

Rhea Bossart  
April 25, 1968 - December 15, 2018



**Epiphany Lessons**

**and Carols**

**3pm, Sunday, January 6th**

The Choirs of St. Paul's and St. Mark's in Canton will join the Choir of St. Timothy's for a festive celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany.

One last chance to sing all your favorite carols as we celebrate the revelation of the Incarnation to the world.

2 Cents-a-Meal

The 2 Cents-a-Meal Program collects your loose change for the purpose of buying food vouchers for the hungry. Look for the money box in the Parish Hall.

We collected \$34.46 in the month December. Thanks for all your support.  
No need to roll the coins.

Volunteers Needed

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations on Saturday, January 12 from 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!!!!

# FLOWER AND CANDLE MEMORIALS JANUARY 2018

## January 6

**The Chancel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Chapin Greer by the family of Dean and Jane Lauritzen.

**The Chapel Flowers** were given by Nancy Kerr to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schrader and Mr. and Mrs. David A. Atwater.

**The Niches** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Oliver Mazzaferri by his wife Janice Massafferri.

**The Sanctuary Candle** was given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the birthdays of Evan and Jason Smith by Anne Smith.

**The Eucharistic Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our son, Robert M. Hess, III.

**The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Stephen G. Smith by Carol, Charles and Matthew Smith.

## January 13

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**The Chapel Flowers** were given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Hess to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert M. Hess, III.

**The Niches: OPEN**

**The Sanctuary Candle** was given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Duffy Eisenbrie by The Lewis and Hartman Families.

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## January 20

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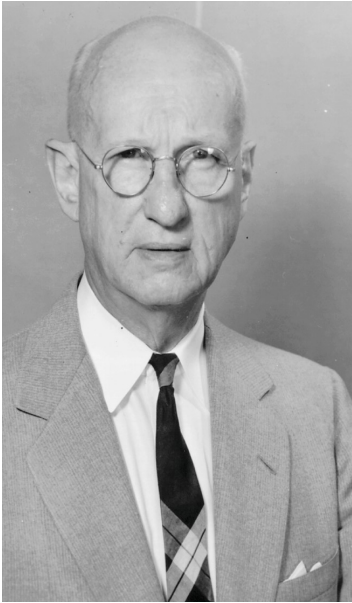
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# Patron of the Parish

## Fred W. Gates



Fred W. Gates, a Massillon civic leader and philanthropist, was born in 1895. He graduated from Dartmouth College and earned his law degree from the former William McKinley Law School in Canton. Admitted to the bar in 1932, he practiced law from his home.

Early in his career he was employed by the Central Steel Co. and Peerless Drawn Steel Co. He worked as a public accountant for a time in the Canton office of Ernst and Ernst.

The youngest of four children of Charles and Mary Gates, he grew up on Fourth Street, Northeast, in an 1889 victorian beauty. He and his wife Madaleine, Washington High School's first home economics teacher, moved into that home in the 1940s, shortly after their marriage. They refashioned it extensively to make it seem more like the Southern homes of Mrs. Gates's youth. The couple bequeathed the stately home to St. Timothy's at their deaths.

They had no children of their own, but their residence was a haven for the young people of the neighborhood. Like the Pied Piper, Mr. Gates led a procession of children nearly every morning as he walked downtown to take care of business. He stopped at Lincoln Way and watched that they made their way safely back home. The Gates home was widely known as the best Trick or Treat destination in town. Children collected extravagant candies, but not until they modeled their costumes and courteously met the adults who gathered to admire them. There was masquerade fun to be found year-round there, as Mr. Gates used colored pens to adorn neighborhood children with temporary tattoos and faux jewelry.

Throughout his life, Fred W. Gates affiliated himself with the organizations that he felt contributed to the town that he loved. He was elected secretary of the Massillon Public Library Board and treasurer of the Massillon Museum Committee in 1937, positions he held until 1965. He served as secretary-treasurer of the Charity School of Kendal from 1944 to 1972, judiciously allotting the trust fund left by Charity Rotch to benefit children. He was a long-time member of Massillon Rotary and presided over that organization in 1946. He volunteered on the Massillon Welfare Federation's budget committee. He was president of the Massillon Cemetery Association for many years. A World War I veteran, Fred Gates was a member of American Legion Post 221 and served as post historian for many years.

Mr. Gates was the Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 2 at St. Timothy's during the 1920s, and he served on the Buckeye Council of the Boy Scouts of America from 1929 to 1946, earning the prestigious Silver Beaver, the highest regional award for adult Scouts.

At St. Timothy's, Fred Gates served on the vestry, sang in the choir, was the long-term treasurer, and looked after the endowment fund. Revered as the church historian, he penned the parish's centennial history in 1936.

After the 1974 death of Fred W. Gates, *The Independent* editorialized that he was "...a man of high principles, his friends were numerous and they held him in high esteem."

## ***St. Timothy's Christmas Poinsettias Memorial 2018***

***Were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of.....***

Sandy Aegerter by Henry Aegerter

John David Baum by Fr. George and Cristin Baum

Her parents, Freddie Cornell & Don Cornell by Jay and Laurie Bomze

Her grandparents, Laurie & Hilda Edwards, Ralph and Mabel Cornell by Jay & Laurie Bomze

Her Godmother, Ellen Stuhldreher by Laurie & Jay Bomze

His mother & stepmother, Dorothy Breyfogle & Marie Breyfogle by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Breyfogle

Her parents, Don & Maxine Jett by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Breyfogle

Ed & Edna Rice by Michael & Bonnie Burns

John F. Burns by Michael & Bonnie Burns

Louise Boyd by Ted & Cricket Boyd & family

Gerald Boyd by Ted & Cricket Boyd & family

Hazel Pietroski by Ted & Cricket Boyd & family

Kenneth Fitzpatrick by Ted & Cricket Boyd & family

Dr. and Mrs. Kenworthy M. Hoge, Jr. by Christine Hoge Eckhauser, M.D., Carrie & Ken

Ken Kester by Dana Ehmer

Braden Ehmer by Dana Ehmer

Herbert C. Douglas by Sarah H. Douglas

Dr. and Mrs. J. Mace Harkey by Sarah H. Douglas

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Perkins and Jennie C. Perkins by Sarah H. Douglas

Mary S. Harkey by Sarah H. Douglas

Beverly Frye by Sarah H. Douglas

John Isaacs by Sarah H. Douglas

Michael & Helen Isula by Bob & Mary Ann Fulton

Robert & Peggy Fulton by Bob & Mary Ann Fulton

Robert & Helen Nelson, Wilbur Wertz, William & Carol Wertz, Kenneth Zuercher by

Lawrence & Wanda Hann Family

Coyla, Susan, Rita Hann, Evelyn & Dan Kellarney by Lawrence & Wanda Hann Family

Carl & Marie Wertz by Lawrence & Wanda Hann Family

George & Burdella Hann by Lawrence & Wanda Hann Family

All loved ones by Caroline Hoge

Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Hise by Caroline Hoge

Dr. and Mrs. Kenworthy M. Hoge Jr. by Caroline Hoge

Arlene & Delmar Jarvis by Keith & Betty Jarvis

John & June Scott by Keith & Betty Jarvis

Frances Ruth Cleaver by Nancy & Jim Jobe

Betty Jobe by Nancy & Jim Jobe

Mr. and Mrs. David Atwater and Mr. and Mrs. Ben W. Schrader by Nancy Kerr

Mr. & Mrs. N. Preston Kerr by Nancy Kerr

My husband, Ken Kester by Gerry Kester

My grandson, Braden Ehmer by Gerry Kester

Horace & Mary Wertz by Robert and Mary Lou Long

Harold & Dorothy Young by Robert & Mary Lou Long

Raymond & Evelyn Long by Robert & Mary Lou Long

Pamela Marks by Neil Marks

Ethel Conrad by Janice Mazzaferri

Great- Grandfather, Oliver Mazzaferri by Oliver, Donovan & Edie

Oliver Mazzaferri by Janice Mazzaferri

Dr. & Mrs. Kenworthy M. Hoge, Jr. by Muffy and Will Miller

Loyola & Roland Moore by Tim & Carol Moore

Carl & Gloria McCalla by Tim & Carla Moore

Her sister, Betsy Jo Conner by Bobbie & John Muhlbach

Their grandson, Corey John Cline by Bobbie & John Muhlbach

Mike O'Donnell and Cindy Breig by Sue O'Donnell

Her husband & their father by The Pennington Family

Their son, Mark by The Pennington Family

Floyd & Katherine Postlethwait by Floyd Postlethwait

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Gisela Postlethwait by Floyd Postlethwait  
Nan & Pop Shew by Alex Ripich  
Bill & Hap Shew by Bob and Cathy Ripich  
Frank Ripich & Rod Dumitrescu by Bob & Cathy Ripich  
John & Letitia Ripich by Bob and Cathy Ripich  
Our grandparents by Bob & Cathy Ripich  
Her father, Ralph E. Oberlin, Jr. by Ellin & Bob Schroeder  
His brother, James Schroeder by Bob & Ellin Schroeder  
His parents, Ted & Evelyn Schroeder by Ellin & Bob Schroeder  
Leola Pittman by Ellin & Bob Schroeder  
Rick Sherer by Mary Ann Sherer  
Our Great-Grandparents by Carol Smith & Sons  
June & Burtney Smith by Carol Smith & Sons  
Carson, Betty & Carol Sisler by Carol Smith & Sons  
Stephen G. Smith by Carol Smith & Sons  
Violet Clark by Carol Smith & Sons  
My dear husband, Joe by Anne L. Smith  
My parents, Gladys & John Dittmer by Lisa Smith  
Cindy Ross by Barbara & Patsy  
F. Jeanne Miller by The Family  
F. Jean Miller by Barbara & Patsy  
Her son, Douglas W. Sorg by Ginger Sorg  
Her husband, Walter T. Sorg, Jr. by Ginger Sorg  
Her parents, Burtney & June Smith by Michael & Chris Streb  
His parents, Paul & Nancy Streb by Michael & Christine Streb  
My brother, Stephen G. Smith by Christine Streb  
Their grandparents, Burtney & June Smith by Patrick, Mike & Katie Streb  
Their uncle, Stephen G. Smith by Patrick, Mike & Katie Streb  
Her parents, Jack & Virginia Roesch by David & Judy Wigginton  
His parents, John & Mildred Wigginton by David & Judy Wigginton  
My parents, Jim & Katherine Yeager by The Rev. Wayne Yeager  
My wife, Chris Yeager by The Rev. Wayne Yeager



***Were given to the Glory of God and in memory of.....***

Loved Ones by Mary Ann Sherer  
Cindy Reese by Pat Smith

***Were given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for.....***

Jay, Andrew & Levi by Fr. George & Cristin Baum  
Candy, Ron & Debbie by Fr. George & Cristin Baum  
Wonderful family & friends by Michael & Bonnie Burns  
A loving family by Lawrence & Wanda Hann  
My family by Caroline Hoge  
My Ocean Reef friends by Cathy Ripich  
Our wonderful granddaughters, Madeline and Blakely Schroeder by Ellin & Bob Schroeder  
Father Baum & St. Timothy's by Carol Smith & Sons  
Maeghan, Danielle, Aleigha, Quintin and Aria by Lisa Smith  
My most loving & wonderful family by Anne L. Smith  
Wonderful family & friends by David & Judy Wigginton

***Were given to the Glory of God and as a family memorial.....***

For the Bower Family by Jim & Donna Bower  
For the Ripich Family by Jim & Donna Bower  
By Doug & Fran Miller  
By Dave & Ann Renkert

***Were given to the Glory of God .....***

By Larry & Barb Muschkat

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### **ST. TIMOTHY'S STAFF**

*Rector:* The Rev. George R. Baum  
*Accountant:* Mrs. Debbie Williams  
*Organist:* Mr. Levi Muriuki

*Administrative Assistant:* Mrs. Candy Dickerhoof  
*Sexton:* Mr. Ron Johnson  
*Choir Director:* Mr. Andrew Bolden

### **VESTRY**

#### **Term Expiring January 2019**

Dave Coltrin, Treasurer  
Ann Higgins  
Hayley Sunquist, Jr. Warden

#### **Term Expiring January 2020**

Chael Brady  
Grover Buhr, Clerk  
Bob Meyer

#### **Term Expiring January 2021**

Connie Keplinger  
Bob Schroeder, Sr. Warden

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

The Mission of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is to spread the Gospel through Liturgical Worship, welcoming hospitality, and community outreach.