

# **Altogether Now!**

November has always been my favorite month. All Saints Day is my favorite Church holiday, and it always kicks off November, so bonus! Another great feature for me, personally, is that my birthday always falls somewhere within a week of Thanksgiving. While most people have to settle for maybe a special meal and cake on their birthday, I always get to partake of a massive feast that week (and on good years, it lands on the same day!)

Most people might have a couple guests over for their birthday, but growing up I got friends and neighbors and family, and relatives I didn't even know or like. Some people get pizza for their birthday, while I got turkey and cranberries and potatoes and stuffing and more food than relatives I don't even know or like could possibly eat! You might invite over people you like to share cake and port on your birthday. When I was a kid, I got everybody! And the food never stopped.

Did I mention I like All Saints Day? My childhood birthdays were like All Saints Day. Let me explain . . .

The thing about All Saints Day is that it's different from All Souls Day (which is November 2<sup>nd</sup>). On All Souls Day, the Church remembers all the saints who are known to us. That is, our relations who have died. Our mentors in the faith who have passed on. People with whom we have a direct connection.

All Saints Day, on the other hand, is for ALL the saints, past, present, and future. Known and unknown. Hermits who lived in a cave in Syria in the year 200, peasants who worked on a farm in 1200, kings who chopped off their wives heads in 1500, orphans who died in India in 1800, teenagers who overdosed in 2019.

All of them saints. All of them celebrated. All of them feasting around the throne of God, with more food than relatives they don't even know could possibly eat. All of them resting at last in the arms of God.

My favorite Gospel reading to use at funerals is this one, from the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter of John: Jesus said to the people, "Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

All of us. All of them. Altogether. Even the ones we don't know or like. *Especially* the ones we don't even know or like!

Faithfully,

Fr.George



# SALUTATIONS FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Fall has certainly arrived and with it we start our plans for the holidays. Thanksgiving in November and Christmas in December quickly become the focus. The planning for the church year also starts in earnest this time of year. A lot of wonderful activities are planned for the next two months at church and they are outlined in another part of the newsletter, but I hope you will make plans to participate in some, if not all of them. This is also a great time to reflect on all we are thankful for in our lives. I know you do not need to be reminded of what is important and what isn't, but sometimes we forget to thank God for all the blessings bestowed on us. I, for one, am thankful for my church family and the spiritual revival I receive every Sunday when I am here. Thank you, generous people of St. Timothy's, for always being there when I need you. You are indeed special.

#### **Junior Warden Report**

Hello fellow parishioners of St. Timothys church. At the end of last year I was asked to serve on the vestry and am currently serving as the Junior Warden. Previously I served with the Growing with God Capital Campaign drive and currently with the Growing with God Capital Projects Committee.

I was introduced to St. Timothys around 1984 after I met my beautiful bride to be, Betsy Jo Immel from Massillon, whose family has been active members of St. Timothys for quite some time. I was confirmed and became a member of the parish. Betsy and I were active members at that time, but as life goes, we were pulled in many directions since then and eventually attended now and then as we could.

The last couple years have been very difficult ones and somehow I find I have been pulled back to St. Timothys and serving in these capacities to help with the care of the church. I do so in honor of Betsy and in respect of St. Timothys and what this church represents.

I have been able to get to know quite a few friendly and caring people of the church in these positions. I would like to thank all the members that I have served with for their help, thoughtfulness, and care towards the church and the people that are here for various personal needs and reasons. I hope that others will reach out and thank them as well. They make a very concerted and caring effort for the benefit of us all.

As to the duties of the Junior Warden whose position is directed at the care of the building and grounds and the Growing with God Capital Projects committee, it has been a trying, busy, and productive year.

The goal in these positions has been to address the needs and requirements of the building and grounds in a logical and efficient manor with respect to first-things-first and wise and caring regard to the use of the church members contributions.

Those funds are able to repair and now prevent damage to the structure of this beautiful church, repair and update the mechanical systems for safety and comfort, and allow projects for the enjoyment of the building and grounds. Please refer to the Growing with God report elsewhere in this newsletter for a review of repair, maintenance, and improvement projects completed and proposed.

Along with funding it also takes time, effort, patience, and understanding to see the benefits of these en-There are many things that have been accomplished and many things still to do. Take care deavors unfold. everyone and thank you.

Terry Conner, Jr. Warden

# **STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**

Our annual Stewardship campaign has been extended two more weeks to enable everyone who wishes to support St. Timothy's the time to return their cards. Thank you to the many stewardship who have returned a pledge card. This helps the Vestry as they tackle the tough, tough job of



developing a realistic budget for 2020. If you are still considering your level of support, we thank you for that and request that you turn in the pledge card before the end of the campaign. The Vestry must make some very difficult decisions on the best way to allocate the limited resources we have to work with. Your support and your prayers during this time are deeply appreciated.

#### The Change Challenge

Pennies (and quarters, checks, and paper money) are stacking up successfully as we try to make our \$1000 challenge by the end of 2019. We're on track to make the mark! Thanks to everyone who contributes to the penny box on Sunday mornings. And thanks to Friends and Family Credit Union for allowing us free use of its mechanical counter so we don't need to roll the coins. Margy Vogt

#### <u>Treasurer's Corner</u> <u>August 2019</u>

 August 2019 Contributions

 (4) Sundays
 \$10,232.00

 Choir Fund - TOTAL
 \$12,030.00

Thank you so very much for your continued support. When your out and about, remember St. Tim's and keep up your pledge. Together we can keep our church a thriving church.

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



# Mark your Calendars

December 13

7:00 p.m. Sonnenberg Station Concert

December 15

3:00 p.m. Don Irwin Concert

December 21

3:30 p.m. Chorus for a Cause

## 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 \$158.85 in the month of October. <u>Thanks for all your support!</u>

No need to roll the coins.

#### **EVENSONG**

We had a lovely first run of Evensong, the last Sunday in September. Thanks to Bill Kendrick for filling in as organist for the service. We're hoping to have these as many times as schedules allow, the last Sunday of each month.

However, we're foregoing having a service in October because we will instead be joining with the choirs of St. Mark's and St. Paul's for a joint Evensong service on November 3rd, in honor of All Saints Day.

This service will be held at 4pm, Sunday, November 3rd at St. Paul's Episcopal Church (425 Cleveland Ave SW, Canton, OH 44702), and will feature the musicians and choirs of all three parishes. Join us if you can!

# AS OF JANUARY 2020 THE MEMORIAL FLOWER/CANDLES ARE GOING UP IN PRICE!!!!

Chancel \$55.00 Chapel \$40.00 Niches \$35.00 Eucharist Candles \$20.00 - for the month Five Branch Candles \$30.00 - for the month Sanctuary Candle - \$5.00

## SUNDAY SNACKS

After the 10am Service, we invite everyone to the parish hall for coffee and snacks. While Ron kindly makes the coffee each week, those snacks don't make themselves. If you're interested in providing something on occasion, please sign up on the sheet in the parish hall. You'll be glad you did. (And so will we!)



#### FALL UTO INGATHERING

UTO Fall Ingathering!! Count your blessings and donate that others may be blessed. Offerings will be collect-

ed TODAY and also on Nov. 10. Sorry for the short notice!! November sort of sneaked up on Carol.

You can also turn them into the office until Nov 17. Thank you all so much for supporting the United Thank Offering!





and Birthdays



# November Birthdays

Hal Dill 11/2 Larry Hann 11/9 Fr. George Baum 11/23 Mary Vasilo 11/30 Etta Trimpi 11/4 Ann Renkert 11/15 Matthew Mizer 11/24

November Anniversaries

Jim and Donna Bower 11/22/69 Keith and Betty Jarvis 11/26/77 Robert and Jane Meyer 11/29/80 Bob and Linda Morrow 11/25/67 Ted and Cricket Boyd 11/27/65

Quinn Higgins 11/8

Nickolas Rohr 11/25

Jackie Regula 11/21

<u>In Loving Memory of</u> Those Who Have Died

> Beverly Hess October 8, 2019

<u>Baptized</u> Charlie Anne Baker-Myers

## Salvation Army Red Kettle Bell Ringers

We will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army again this year. \*\*\*\*CHANGE IN DATE for BELL RINGING for SAL-VATION ARMY RED KETTLE DRIVE!! The date has changed



to Wednesday DECEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>!! The time slots for volunteers will be half hour shifts from 4pm – 8pm at the Massillon Giant Eagle location. Watch the parish hall for a sign up sheet.



Donut Sunday Choir/ Fellowship Fundraiser

We will be having "Donut Sunday" the first Sunday of the month. \$1.00 a donut. The proceeds are going to the choir / fellowship fund. The New England Cruise scheduled for September 2020 has been CANCELLED.





#### PRAYER CHAIN

Carol Smith is the leader of St. Timothy's Prayer Chain. She can be reached at 330-854-2534 or by email at maplehillfarm@sssnet.com. Please submit any names for the Prayer Chain to Carol. If you would like to join this ministry talk to Carol. There can never be too many people praying!

#### **GROWING WITH GOD PROJECT UPDATES**

Our capital campaign Projects Committee has been busily making improvements to the structure and integrity of our building. Some updates are obvious; others not so obvious. With the strong economy, it has been challenging to find contractors willing to take on more work. Also, the committee wants to make clear that cosmetic repairs (plaster and paint) are best done after a full cycle of seasons, to be sure the repair holds. Also, it's important to keep in mind this is a 3-5 year campaign. Point being, we're getting there, slowly but surely. Thanks for your support, and please do share your input with us or Vestry on how we're doing.

Water intrusion: \$27.650 Kitchen roof was replaced last year. Buxton Roofing has made numerous repairs around the building, from replacing two tower roofs, to sealing gutters and downspouts.

\$800

**Chancel floors:** \$1.958 Carpet was removed by parishioners, then floors sanded and stained by Brain Coons

**Pew cushions:** \$10,600 Old ones hauled out by parishioners; replaced by Waggoners

Vent window under Parish Hall: \$276

Animal control: \$605 Three raccoons removed from office attic and entryway sealed

**Parking lot:** \$8,811 Vasco dug out and refilled the two sinkholes, sealed entire lot and repainted lines

Tremont retaining wall:

Water heater in basement:

#### \$18,489

Rice's Landscaping removed and replaced the failing wall, dug out and redirected the drainage pipe that is causing erosion in the sloped lawn, and added boulders along steps to contain erosion.

Henry Aegerter and Rita Haines spent many days scraping, repairing, and painting the fence on the east end of the parking lot

Tree trimming and removal: \$6,450 Beren's Tree Service has been contracted to remove two dead/diseased trees and trim up the rest sometime in November.

## Additional upcoming projects:

Expanding bathrooms and making them ADA compliant Scrape and paint second story of office Updating sound system est. \$5,442 Installing columbarium Repairing plaster and painting interior sections Replace AC unit for upstairs offices Outdoor patio from bell tower est. \$12,115

Our Gratitude Parking lot fence:

# FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS **November/December**

November 3- Last Sunday Evensong program- Evensong will be at 4 P.M. at St. Paul's Church in Canton featuring the combined choirs of the three Episcopal churches in this area; St. Timothy's, St. Mark's and St. Paul's. It will be a truly wonderful program.

November 24- This is our annual blanket Sunday. We will collect blankets during the month of November and bless the collection on this Sunday, then give them to the Salvation Army to distribute to those families needing a little extra warmth this winter. Again this year, our goal will be 100 blankets. Please help us make that goal.

November 24- Last Sunday Evensong program. Remember, we are holding this service the last Sunday of every month. It will start at 6 P.M..

**November 24** Thanksgiving Outreach program. We will, again this year, furnish Thanksgiving dinner for a number of families who may need our assistance and, at the same time, show our thanks for the many gifts we have been blessed with. The full list of items is in the bulletin and the newsletter. All items must be dropped off at the church by November 24 following the 10 A.M. service.

November 30- Greening of St. Tim's. We will gather at 9 AM to decorate our church for the Christmas season. Lunch is provided and we need volunteers galore to help.

December 8- Massillon Candlelight Walk- This annual event brings people to our church as they visit many Massillon area churches in this evening walk toward the conclusion at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

**December 15-** Reception following the 10 A.M. service to celebrate Father George's 10th anniversary of his ordination. It is always wonderful to celebrate meaningful anniversaries.

December 21-A Chorus For A Cause will sing a Christmas Concert in the church. Program starts at 3:30 P.M. Admission is free, although free will donations are accepted. This chorus has sang many times at our church to huge crowds and it is always a delight to have them back.

During December, we will again be providing Christmas for a number of worthy families in the Massillon area. Look for the bulletin board with all the information right after Thanksgiving.

# **Thanksgiving Outreach**

The holidays will be here before you know it. It is time to start thinking and praying for our Thanksgiving Outreach. We will be feeding families from the area. I would like to encourage the participation of volunteer family groups to donate time, group shop and pack the grocery items. We also always include a personal note from St. Tim's Church and a new Bible. If you are interested in volunteering Thanksgiving individually or as a group, please contact Ann Higgins (330.833.2887) to discuss when and how.



#### **ITEMS NEEDED:**

(All food items should be new and no low fat or diet items please. Per the request of the Salvation Army). Canned corn, green beans, peas, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, peaches or other fruit or vegetables Large bag of noodle, Large box of spaghetti, Large Jar of sauce, Large jar of peanut butter & Large jar of jelly, Large box of Cheerios, Large box of instant mashed potatoes, Turkey gravy in jar and Large box of macaroni & cheese.

We will also need money to purchase the perishable items and items not donated so cash contributions are always welcome. Absolute Deadline: Sunday, November 24.(after 10:30 a.m. service).

Also looking for volunteers to help shop, sort and deliver Thanksgiving food and groceries on Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup> immediately after 10am service coffee hour.

Watch for Christmas Family gift lists coming soon. The lists will be posted in the Parish hall.

# Flower and Candle Memorials - November 2019

## November 3

The Chancel Flowers were given by Nancy BakerCazan to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her parents Jean and Bob Neidert.

The Chapel Flowers were given by Nancy BakerCazan to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her brother and sister-in-law Joyce and Wayne Neidert.

**The Niches** were given by Nancy BakerCazan to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my grandparents Hazel W. Scholough and Helen and Peter Neidert.

**The Sanctuary Candle** was given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the anniversary of Kelly and Brandon Warner by her grandparents, Lawrence and Wanda Hann.

**The Eucharistic Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of George Cazan by Nancy BakerCazan.

**The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and as a Rice-Burns Family Memorial by Michael and Bonnie Burns.

## November 10

**The Chancel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jim Rodgers by Stacy Rodgers.

The Chapel Flowers were given to the Glory of God and in celebration of family birthdays by Mary Vasilo.

**The Niches** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Betsy Jo Conner and Bessie Waldman and in thanksgiving for Ella Mae Conner by Terry Conner.

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of LeRoy Curtis by Sarah Douglas.

**The Eucharistic Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of George Cazan by Nancy BakerCazan.

**The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and as a Rice-Burns Family Memorial by Michael and Bonnie Burns.

## November 17

**The Chancel Flowers** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my husband Walter Sorg, Jr. by Ginger Sorg

The Chapel Flowers were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of loved ones by Mary Ann Sherer.

**The Niches** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dean G. Lauritzen by The Lauritzen Family.

The Sanctuary Candle was given by The Hartman Family in loving memory of the Hartman Family.

The Eucharistic Candles were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of George Cazan by Nancy BakerCazan.

**The Five Branch Candles** were given to the Glory of God and as a Rice-Burns Family Memorial by Michael and Bonnie Burns.

## November 24

The Fruit and Veggies on the Altar were given to the Glory of God by the Altar Guild.

The Grains on the Chapel Altar were given to the Glory of God by the Altar Guild.

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Ted and Cricket Boyd's anniversary.

**The Eucharistic Candles** were given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of George Cazan by Nancy BakerCazan.

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#### **VESTRY**

**Term Expiring January 2020** Chael Brady Grover Buhr Bob Meyer

Term Expiring January 2021 Jeanne Glick, Treasurer Connie Keplinger Bob Schroeder, Sr. Warden

Term Expiring January 2022 Terry Conner, Jr. Warden Sarah Emmert Christine Streb, Clerk

## St. Timothy's Misson Statement

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