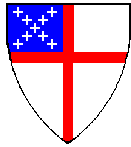




2012



# The Good News-letter

## St. Timothy Episcopal Church



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



**Wednesday, August 1:**

Rev. Joel Turmo moves in to Rectory



**Saturday, August 4:**

Dog Days of Summer Picnic 4-6 pm

**Sunday, August 5:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist



**August 11-17:**

Diocesan Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation (Tami Varricchio & Jon Drehle participating)



**Sunday, August 12:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**Wednesday, Aug. 15:**

Bible Study 10 am



**Sunday, August 19:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**Tuesday, August 21:**

8 am Finance Committee



**Wednesday, Aug. 22:**

Bible Study 10 am



**Wednesday, Aug. 22:**

CROP walk planning meeting 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, August 26:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist



**Sun. Aug. 26:**

Safeguarding Workshop 2-5 pm St. Martin of Tours, Kalamazoo

**Tuesday, August 28:**

6:30 pm Vestry Meeting



**Wednesday, Aug. 29:**

Bible Study 10 am

### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Monday, September 3:**

Labor Day - Parish Office Closed



**Sun. Sept. 9:**

Safeguarding Workshop 12-3 pm St. Luke's, Kalamazoo



**Sat. Sept. 15:**

Wedding of Nicole Stephens & John Born (Ida Pearce's grandson)

**Sunday, September 16:**

Sundae Sunday - 1st Day of Classes



Grace and Peace to in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

It's good to be home. As many of you know, Melissa and I were raised in Michigan. We met at Central Michigan University, and then we moved to this area so I could attend Western for graduate school. We moved to Wisconsin so I could work as an occupational therapist in the vocational rehabilitation field. That is where our children, David (10) and Andrew (8) were born. It is also where I listened to the call to pursue ordained ministry.



I went to the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, and then keep going south. I have spent the last four years as the associate rector for youth and family ministries at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Boca Raton, Florida. And now I am back home.

I want to thank everyone for the love and the care you have already shown me and my family. I was told by many – Bishop Gepert, friends from seminary who serve in this diocese, and Fr. William – what a great church St. Timothy's is. I want to thank you all (there's that southern influence) for all the hard work that is being done to prepare the rectory for my family. It is a wonderful home.

I look forward to working alongside of you for many years. The Lord has blessed you with a great community that responds to God's call on your lives through faithful worship, joyous fellowship and generous acts of service.

Blessings,

Fr. Joel Turmo

### Sunday Dollars



**Sunday Dollars** are piling up thanks to all of you. So far we have collected **\$536** in individual one dollar bills. With your continued support it is easy to see how this will quickly bring down the principal on the mortgage. **Thank you all for your generous giving.**

### Bishop Search Team Update



Thank you to those who attended the **Bishop Search Have Your Say** event.

#### A Prayer for Discernment

Gracious God, Great Shepherd of your people, may we seek your wisdom as we listen for your voice among many voices. May we imagine boldly, pray unceasingly and act to be the community you would have us be. May we be strengthened by our companionship with each other and by your presence in our deliberations and decision making. May you bless the labors of those who seek our next bishop who will lead us with vigor and vision; and in this discernment may we all be encouraged in discipleship in Christ for the good of your people throughout Western Michigan. Amen.

Visit the website: [www.edwmsearch.org](http://www.edwmsearch.org)  
and/or The Facebook page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/edwmsearch>

### Clean Water for the World

The water purification system that St. Tim's donated as part of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration last year for a classroom in Zaragosa, El Salvador, has received an updated electrical system and increased piping. <http://www.cleanwaterfortheworld.org/>



July 1, 2012  
Permanent Wiring Installed  
Zaragosa, El Salvador

Team Lopez:  
School's teacher Juan,  
Miguel Angel CLARO company  
Jose Lopez

Ben Cuffa  
BbCuffa@gmail.com

CleanWaterForTheWorld.org

Photos by Jose Lopez

# RELAY FOR LIFE 2012



## RELAY FOR LIFE



It's a nail-biter every time, but once again, St Timothy's Relay for Life Team exceeded our goal to raise at least \$2500 to fight cancer. As of July 15, our team raised, after expenses, **\$2,764** to the American Cancer Society. A few more pledges are yet to be turned in, so we may hit \$3,000 in donations before the deadline of August 31.

The weather was perfect for Richland Area Relay for Life events on June 15-16, 2012. This year St Tim's was the only concession providing nourishing food for the walkers and others attending Friday evening Relay. We ran out of brats and burgers twice, and also sold grilled chicken breasts, chips, pop, water, ice cream, and fruit. Our food and cooking were very popular and St Tim's has been requested to continue it next year!

We are so grateful to Richland Meat Center's owners, **Jim and Kristina Nieuwenhuis**, for donating the brats and burger for grilling - over \$330 worth of great meat. Stop by (at the stoplight at M89/43 and 32nd Street), and thank Jim. The store is open on Sunday's after church, so that's when I stop to buy.

Our team leadership was **Pete Hawk, Jari Pulford, Val Ozolins, Joe and Pat Rapp, and Deb Russell**. I (Deb) was out of town for the event, but Jari managed the tent and money, and Pete continued his grillmeister duties assisted by others. **The Boudeman girls** sold lemonade and cookies, and **Becky Kloosterman** and her kids returned for a visit from their new home out of state to help with concessions. Other volunteers included **Donna and Dave Pinneo, Linda Enzinger, Jon and Carolyn Schutte, and Johnna Monroe**.

Richland area Relay for Life met or surpassed all its goals for 2012!!! With 27 teams, our Relay bested its goal of \$79,000 by more than \$10,000. As of July 12, \$89,100 had been raised, with more to come. There was an increase in registered cancer survivors: 84. Cancer Advocacy Network members/donations increased to 31. Sponsor and sponsor donation goals were met, as well. **Kristie Maiers**, who works for Richland Township, was a superb chair of the event.

The Richland Area Relay for Life event was started several years ago, in part prompted by the death of Melanie Chojnowski, a young woman from our area. While there was no Team Melanie this year, several of our parishioners donated in her memory, and the **Boudeman's girls with help from Mom Kathryn**, set up a Lemonade and Cookie stand ("Melanie's") that earned \$125 for our team.

Almost all of us have been touched by cancer - in our own lives, or in the lives of our families and friends. This year, we lost a valiant fighter in parish member **Jill Gould**. She was a huge part of Richland Area Relay for Life and many funds were raised as a tribute to her, including a pancake breakfast at Relay.

We earned funds for Relay as follows:

|                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Luminaria and cash donations | \$ 1,025        |
| Food Concession              | \$ 1,174        |
| Silent Auction               | \$ 565          |
| <b>Total:</b>                | <b>\$ 2,764</b> |

**Many thanks to St Tim's Relay volunteer workers and donors: St Timothy's Social Concerns Ministry, Richland Meat Center, The Boudemans, The Buckhams, The Dillworths, Loyal and Bonnie Eldridge, Linda Enzinger, Steve Frank, Pete Hawk, The Hills, Richard Jamieson, The Johnsons, Lani Kittridge, The Kisers, The Kloostermans, The Lights, The Monroes, The Ozolins, The Pinneos, The Pulfords, The Rapps, Barb Ray, Judy Risdon, Deb Russell, The Schuttes, Jim Shoemaker, The Stouts, Curley Striklin, and Tami Varricchio.**

In-Kind Contributions paid for tent, tables and chairs, meat, water, fruit, cheese, and supplies, (covering \$573 of approx \$700 in expenses), as well as the Silent Auction items: a three night stay at a cottage in Ludington and a quilt made by a St Timothy's member.

Any remaining 2012 donations should be submitted by August 25 to Deb Russell or Jari Pulford with checks made out to ACS (or American Cancer Society).

The 2013 theme will be "Once Upon a Cure" - A Fairy Tale Theme. Fundraising goes on all year round. Gull Lake High School's Sept 28 football game will be a fundraiser to benefit Relay for Life/ACS. Kickoff is at 7 PM, with a cancer Survivor Walk on the Gull Lake High School Stadium Track at half-time.

Organizing for Richland Area Relay for Life will begin in February 2013. Interested in being part of the **2013 Relay for Life** organizing team for St. Tim's? Contact **Deb Russell or Jari Pulford** for further information.



## Dog Days of Summer Picnic

Please join us on **Saturday, August 4 from 4-6 p.m.** here at St. Tim's. This is a great opportunity for **dog owners and their dogs to get together** and interact. A cookout with hot dogs, potato chips and pop is planned. Any questions, please contact **Nick Hotra at 629-5327.**



St. Tim's staff/volunteers/teachers/nursery workers—anyone who works with children—needs to be certified through the

### Diocese's Safeguarding God's Children Workshop.

We have **23** people that have attended these workshops and have found them to very informative and well worth attending (even for any parent).

#### Upcoming workshops in our area:

##### Sun. Aug. 26:

Safeguarding Workshop 2-5 pm  
St. Martin of Tours, Kalamazoo

##### Sun. Sept. 9:

Safeguarding Workshop 12-3 pm  
St. Luke's, Kalamazoo

For other dates, please visit:

<http://www.edwm.org/form/MYP/Safeguarding.htm>

## Caring for our Rectory

As we look forward to Father Joel, his wife Melissa, and their two sons David and Andrew joining our St. Timothy's family, **many of our parishioners have been working hard to ensure the Rectory is ready and welcoming.** The planned improvements include new windows and sliding doors, air conditioning for the main level, laminate flooring, a commercial dehumidifier for the basement, wall paint in many of the rooms, a new refrigerator, and a professional carpet cleaning. To complete these improvements, a campaign has been initiated to raise \$20,000 and volunteers are needed to provide assistance such as painting. If you have questions regarding the campaign, please **see Linda Enzinger, Trey Eldridge, or Dave Pinneo.** To volunteer your time to assist with the improvements, please see **Laura Stout or Sharon Barry or Val Ozolins.** Thank you for your support!



## Cursillo

St. Tim's would like send a candidate to the co-ed weekend at St. David's, Lansing, **October 18-21.** For information please see **Colin Cruttenden** or visit: <http://www.wmec.net>

## Bible Study



### Men's Morning Bible Study

7:00 a.m. on Tuesdays downstairs in the social hall.

### Wednesday Morning Bible Study Group

10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays\*  
in the upstairs conference room.

\*resumes **Wed. August 15** (not Aug. 8)

## Diocesan Mission Trips



**August 11-17:** Pine Ridge Indian Reservation (Tami Varricchio & Jon Drehle participating)

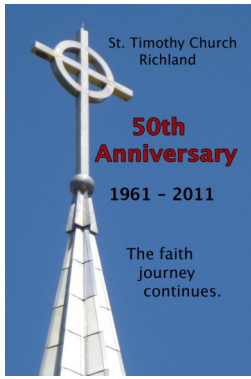
**Sep. 15-22 & Sep. 23-29:** Kentucky

**Nov. 9-18** New Orleans

Phone Terry Dorcy: 269-349-3625



**The Gift that Keeps on Giving: St. Tim's Endowment Fund** was established in 2008 and is intended to assist in the funding of children's and music programs, as well as upkeep of our physical plant. We are hoping this fund will grow over time, and gifts are usually tax deductible. **Trey Eldridge and Sharon Barry are available to answer specific questions you may have about the fund, and can provide advice about including the fund in your will.**



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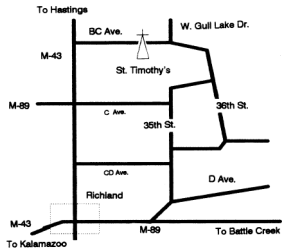
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**The mission of the Christian community called St. Timothy Episcopal Church is to grow together in Jesus Christ.**

**We do this through worship, education, service, and celebration, offering up the talents God gives us for the glory of Christ and the building up of his Church.**

**We offer our best to God!  
We expect great things from God!**

**We're on the Web!  
<http://sttimothychurch.tripod.com>**



**"Growing Together in Christ"**


## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- Lou Ann Cruttenden — Aug 2**
- Louis Hall — Aug. 3**
- Julie Walker — Aug. 4**
- Mac Waldorf — Aug. 10**
- Donna Pinneo — Aug. 13**
- Barb Cassin — Aug. 15**
- Sharon Barry — Aug. 19**
- Nicholas Tracy — Aug. 20**
- Pat Rapp — Aug. 22**
- Tom Howard — Aug. 22**
- Jon Schutte—Aug. 26**



- Pam Dalitz — Aug. 27**
- Joanne Mobey — Aug. 28**
- Judy Schau — Aug. 29**
- Joe Brookmyer — Aug. 30**
- Wendy Dillworth — Aug. 30**
- Jeff Walker — Aug. 31**

*Do we have your email address and birthday?*

 St. Timothy's participates with both the **Hardings and Meijer Community Rewards programs**. Information on how to enroll is located on the table in the lobby, or contact the Parish Office.

 **The Choir practices on Thursday evenings from 7:00 -- 8:30 p.m.**

**Men's Morning Bible Study**  
7:00 a.m. on Tuesdays downstairs in the social hall. 

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10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays in the upstairs conference room.

 **Fair Trade Coffee \$8**

**LINKS:**  
 Episcopal Diocese of Western Michigan: <http://edwm.org>  
 Western Michigan Episcopal Cursillo: <http://www.wmec.net>  
 Episcopal Life Online: <http://www.episcopalchurch.org>  
 Lectionary Readings: <http://www.lectionarypage.net>  
 St. Timothy Church: <http://sttimothychurch.tripod.com>

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There are extra copies of this newsletter available on the table in the church entrance and it is linked on our website. 