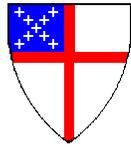




2012



The Good News-letter

St. Timothy Episcopal Church

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



June 1-8: William out of town

Sunday, June 3:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Worship Leader:
Fr. Charles Homeyer



Adult Education: Cliff Barry (Restorative Justice)

Cursillo Secretariat Meeting 2-4 pm



Sunday, June 10:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Children's Handbells



**Recognition
Sunday**



Tuesday, June 12:

William leads Bible Study
at 10:00 a.m. (in place of Wed. 6/13)



**Friday, June 15 –
Saturday, June 16:**

Relay for Life



**Sunday, June 17:
Father's Day**

9:30 a.m. Holy
Eucharist



Tuesday, June 19:

8 am Finance Committee

Sunday, June 24:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist



Tuesday, June 26:

Vestry Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Friday, June 29 – Saturday, June 30:

Memorial Garden Repair

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 2-July 27: William out of town



Wednesday, July 4:

Independence Day - Parish Office Closed

Sunday, July 8: Worship Leader: Rev. Nancy Hotra

Sunday, July 15: Worship Leader: Rev. Nancy Hotra

Friday, July 20: Tami Varricchio & Jon Drehle
Wedding & Reception 7:30 p.m.-10 p.m.

Sunday, July 22: Worship Leader: Fr. Charles Homeyer

Sunday, July 29:

Celebration for William's last Sunday

Wednesday, August 1:

Fr. Joel Turmo moves into Rectory

Sunday, August 5:

Fr. Joel Turmo's first Worship Service

This will probably be my next to last newsletter piece to you. Thus it is time to say something that I strongly suspect most of you already know, but I think it needs to be said explicitly. When a new priest comes to a parish, the former priest needs to depart totally.

Once Knute Jacobson left St. Timothy's, he did not have anything to do with the parish anymore, pastorally or liturgically, and that is the appropriate thing to have done. I will do the same. Once Fr. Joel is here, he will be 100% your priest and I will be 0% your priest.

That's just the way it works in the Episcopal Church. Having the former priest stay completely away clears the decks for the new priest to BE the priest in every way; and a priest who hangs around his/her former parish, in any way at all, violates good boundaries and acts in unhealthy ways that are not fair to the new priest or to the parish. Please know that this has nothing to do with any lack of love or concern on my part for all of you; it's just the way things work. Fr. Joel, as of August 1, will be your rector, and I will move out of the picture. I will keep you in my heart with great and abiding affection, but I cannot and will not have anything to do with St. Timothy's pastorally, liturgically, or politically once Fr. Joel arrives. This does not preclude an occasional friendly phone call or email from you, but even in responding to those I would need to refrain from talking about anything going on at St. Timothy's. Will I feel grief about leaving? Absolutely I will, and am already feeling some of that, now that I know I will be leaving at the end of July. But I also rejoice in the time we have had, and I rejoice that you have a new rector to lead you forward. And I will plan to be here when all of you have your Celebration of a New Ministry with Fr. Joel, probably sometime in the fall.



We will have some sort of farewell celebration of my time with you all, and I have begun to talk with Cliff Barry about that, and we will, of course, let you know any and all details as plans are made, and we welcome suggestions from any of you about what would be good ways to celebrate.

I will be the priest of the week at our diocesan summer chapel, St. John's, in Onkama, which is a few miles north of Manistee, from June 1-8, and so I will not be here on June 3. I will be here for the last 3 Sundays of June and on July 1. Then I will be in Massachusetts and Maine for just over 3 weeks, and will be back somewhere around July 25, and will be with you for our last worship service together on Sunday, July 29.

Being your interim rector has been a privilege, a joy, and a blessing for me, and I thank you for that.

Wishing you the fullness of God's love and blessings,

William+



Sunday, June 17:

Happy Father's Day

**Memorial Garden Repair on
Friday, June 29 and/or
Saturday June 30.** For more
information, please see
Steve Schoenleber.



**Come and
Join Us!**



**William leads Bible Study
on Tuesday, June 12
at 10 a.m.**

(in place of Wed. June 13)

*Please NOTE: Weekly Bible Study is temporarily
suspended for summer.*

They plan to meet on the following dates:

Tues. June 12

Wed. July 11

Wed. August 8



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.

Recognition Sunday

June 10, 2012

In gratitude and appreciation we celebrate the work, ministry, dedication and effort of the following in **teaching** our children the wonder and joy of God's Word:



Children's Chapel: Chris Bradford, Taylor Bradford, Mike Schau, Judy Schau, Sydney Waldorf, Jeff & Julie Walker, Emily Wood

King's Kids: Becky Eldridge, Laura Stout

Youth Squad: Johnna Monroe

In celebration we congratulate the following **Students** for participation and successful completion in:

Children's Chapel:

Blakeslee Boudeman
Madeline Eldridge
Ben Lynes
Claire Walker

Charlotte Boudeman
Alex Kroon
Charlie Waldorf
Grace Walker

Genevieve Boudeman
Arianna Kroon
Will Waldorf

Kings Kids:

Kylie Buckham
Gracie Monroe

Allison Eldridge
Nicholas Tracy

Brandon Reynolds

Youth Squad:

Lorrie Bouchie
Hannah Monroe

Cody Buckham
Elizabeth Stout

Catherine Eldridge
Michael Tracy



Support St. Tim's Team to Relay for Life



Friday, June 15 - Saturday, June 16, 2012

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life of Richland Area for 2012 will take place from **3 PM Friday, June 15 to 3 PM Saturday, June 16, 2012** at the **Richland Township Park** (32nd Street, South of the Village of Richland).

St Tim's Church's team goal is raising **\$2,500** to further the American Cancer Society (ACS) mission to eliminate cancer by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer. Funds raised support research, education, advocacy and service. Since 1946, ACS has funded \$3.6 billion in research to find cures, including \$20 - \$25 million per year to Michigan and Indiana university researchers. We join 22 other teams to raise \$80,000 in the Richland area.

St Tim's will raise funds through seeking donations and sponsorship of walkers, luminaria sales (\$10 each) and St Tim's Heavenly Food concessions at the event. **Friday's menu includes grilled brats, chicken breasts, and dogs; chips, pop, water, and ice cream, as well as the Boudeman kids' lemonade and cookie stand.** All around the track, other teams will have concessions and activities to raise funds as well. This year there is a **Silent Auction** with each team contributing 2 items.

Support St. Tim's Relay for Life Team ANY TIME by purchasing luminaria (submit slide show pictures by June 1) or making a donation. Checks payable to "American Cancer Society". Sign up at Church or contact **Deb Russell, drussell473@msn.com or 269 598-3579.**

If you are able to attend Relay for Life on June 15 -16, consider **signing up to raise money by walking the track for 1/2 hour with your family, friends, or others.** Also, we need people to help with our concession sales at the St. Tim's Heavenly Food tent on **FRIDAY afternoon and evening.**

IF there is interest and volunteer labor, we may do sales on Saturday...

Cancer survivors and their caregivers/supporters are invited to the **Victory Lap at 6 PM Friday**, followed by a dinner in their honor.

Highlights of the Relay include cheering on the Survivors in the Victory Lap, buying and **launching balloons at 8 PM Friday or NOON Saturday**, walking the track to view lighted luminaria and seeing the slide show at dusk on Friday, and attending the pancake breakfast on Saturday morning. A full schedule of fun will be distributed soon.



Nearly all of us have been touched by cancer in our own or family or friends lives. How about you? Will you help fight cancer and support more birthdays? Join us!





**Congratulations to our most recent
high school graduates:**

Taylor Bradford, Mike Schau and Emily Wood



All three are graduating from **Gull Lake High School**.

TAYLOR BRADFORD: During her senior year, she participated in Health Science Education for Employment. She has been certified as a Certified Nursing Assistant and in professional CPR and first aide. She also works for her uncle's cleaning business. Taylor is also currently enrolled in summer classes at Kellogg Community College and plans to continue her education for a nursing career. Her favorite memory at St. Tim's is working in the Nursery and getting to watch the children grow up. She said it's very crazy to see how fast they grow up and learn. She was able to watch Rhett take some of his first steps. She also felt that working in Children's Chapel classroom has been a great experience. She said that those kids are so smart that she actually found herself learning from them! Everyone is invited to her graduation party on Saturday, June 30 from 2-6 pm.



MIKE SCHAU: In his high school years he played both varsity basketball and football, as well as co-ed club soccer. He is a member of the National Honor Society, a Big Brother to a 9-year-old boy, a member of the yearbook staff, and a State finalist for DECCA. Throughout high school he volunteered as a coach for both football and basketball summer youth camps, refereed G.L.Y.B.A. youth basketball games, and was the announcer for freshman and JV basketball games. He participated in the community holiday food basket drives, relay for life and the crop walk. Mike has worked at the Ice House for 5 years. He has been a member of St. Timothy's for 15 years. He has served as an acolyte for 10 years, an usher for 3 years, and has helped teach Children's Chapel for 2 years. His favorite memories of St. Tim's include: vacation bible school, the Easter bunny, Pentecost Picnics, Hang Time video games in the Youth Room, the kids in Children's Chapel, and the people that make up St. Tim's. Mike will be attending Butler University this fall to pursue a degree in business. He was honored with the Butler Trustee and Butler Business Scholarships, as well as the Jim Field Memorial

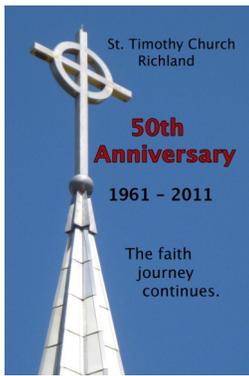


Scholarship from the Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation. He was recognized as a Distinguished Academic Scholar by the Foundation.

EMILY WOOD: Participated in track and field all 4 years of high school; cross country during her junior senior year; choir for 2 years and made it to DECA Conference champ and State qualifier. She plans to study nursing at Kalamazoo Valley Community College. She has been an acolyte and has helped teach in Children's Chapel. Her favorite memory at St. Tim's is when Mathew Jacobson was dressed up in the chicken costume and Shawn Wood was dressed in the bunny costume for Easter Sunday! She said that she looks forward to coming back and visiting St Tim's whenever she can.



**We wish all of you the best of luck and may God help guide
you on your new journeys!**



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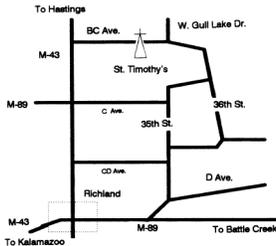
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The mission of the Christian community called St. Timothy Episcopal Church is to grow together in Jesus Christ.

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”

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

**Deb Russell — June 3
Judy Risdon — June 6
Cliff Barry — June 9
Joni Green — June 9
Marcia Johnson — June 10
Patty Engle — June 12
Kylie Buckham — June 13
Michael Cassin — June 15
Kent Kiser — June 17
Mike Pulford — June 18
Cora Hills — June 21**



**Sarah Staples — June 21
Steve Balgoyen — June 21
Colin Cruttenden — June 23
Hannah Monroe — June 25
Allison Eldridge — June 29
Susan Schoenleber — June 29
Genevieve Boudeman — June 29**

Do we have your email address and birthday?

Fair Trade Coffee \$8

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.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study Group
10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays in the upstairs conference room.

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

Share our Good News with friends!

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