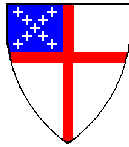


 **October**  
2012

# The Good News-letter

## St. Timothy Episcopal Church



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



**Friday, October 5:**

7:00 p.m. Fall Camp Out Bonfire

**Saturday, October 6:**

Camp out Activities: Breakfast, Games, Lunch, Tie-dying, Potluck, Bonfire



**Saturday, October 6:**

4:00 p.m. Blessing of Animals

**Sunday, October 7:**

8:00 a.m. Breakfast for campers



**Sunday, October 7:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
Baptism:



**Emmalin Rose Pulford**  
Children's Handbells



**Sunday, October 14:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
Coffee Hour Open House  
at Turmos'



**Sunday, October 14:**

CROP Walk 1:45 pm Registration;  
at Kellogg Forest



**October 18-21:**

Cursillo at St. Davids in Lansing

**Sunday, October 21:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist



**Tuesday, October 23:**

8:00 a.m. Finance Committee

**Tuesday, October 23:**

6:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting



**Sunday, October 28:**

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
Fall Festival



### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

It's time to  
"Fall Back!"  
Daylight Savings Time  
Ends Sunday at 2am

**Sunday, Nov. 4:**

Time Change  
(Turn clocks back 1 hour)

**Sunday, Nov. 4:**

All Saints Sunday



**Thursday, Nov. 8:**

7:00 p.m. Celebration of  
New Ministry

**Sun. Nov. 11:**

Ministry Fair



**Sun. Nov. 18:**

Parish Thanksgiving Dinner



## FALL CAMP OUT Friday, Oct. 5 — Sunday, Oct. 7:

Kids and Families may participate in part or all of the Activities. See the Sign-up sheet.



**Friday Night Oct. 5:  
Bonfire 7 pm**



**Saturday, Oct. 6:  
Breakfast - 8 am  
Games  
Lunch noon  
Tie-Dying 1 pm**



*(Bring a 100% cotton t-shirt or other item)*

**Blessing of Animals 4 pm**




**Potluck & Grilling 5 pm**

**Bonfire 7 pm**

**Sunday, Oct. 7:  
Breakfast for campers - 8 am**

Tents are available or you may bring your own. The cost is \$20 per family (scholarship funds available—see Fr. Joel)

### Grace and Peace,



Starting my first rectorship has given me opportunity to ponder "What does it mean to be a Church?" One of the challenges is that this is an overly broad question. I think a more appropriate question is "What does it mean to be a Christian?" An even more probing question would be "If I am a Christian, what do I do?" It's kind of like when you have a 30 page term paper due and you look at that first blank page... It looks so blank... just waiting to be filled. But where do you start? You start by researching the topic; getting as many facts about the topic as you can.

When it comes to being a Christian, where do we start? How do we research ourselves? One of the tools that I have found helpful is **a Spiritual Gifts Assessment**. The idea is that God has given each one of us special gifts (Romans 12:6-8, First Corinthians 12:8-28 and Ephesians 4:11) and we are to use them for the glory of God. On October 14th, everyone will be given a survey to fill out to help identify their Spiritual Gifts. The assessment will hopefully help us identify what areas the Lord has gifted each one of us. Once we, as individual, identify what were are to do as Christians, we are better able to identify what we are to do as a Church.

Thank you for your willingness to join me on this journey.

**Blessings,  
Fr. Joel**

**Jturmo@gmail.com  
269-350-4131**



## St. Timothy's Fall Festival is set for Sunday, October 28.

Everyone is invited to enjoy the fun after the service that day. There will be games for young and young at heart as well as

**"trick or treating"** for the kids.

**Children are invited to wear their Halloween costumes to church that day.**

*Please choose costumes that are appropriate for church -- nothing scary or gory.*

**We hope everyone will join in the fun!**



**THANK YOU TO SYD & MAC WALDORF**  
for hosting the Youth families for a FUN  
gathering. And plus the BBQ & food  
was delicious.



**Children playing the Handbells**  
(Led by Rob Wagley)



**NURSERY RECOGNITION**  
**Rev. Joel gives special thanks and recognition to the Nursery Staff:**  
**Betsy Barlow, Leora Varricchio, Colleen Reynolds and Grace Herbert**  
(not pictured **Nell Barlow & Jan Rose & Taylor Bradford**)



**Commissioning of Christian Formation Teachers**

**SCAVENGER HUNT TEAMS:**



**Team: Cody & Mike**

**Team: 1 love Koalas**

**ICE CREAM SUNDAES!**



**Team Awesome**



**OPEN HOUSE**



The Turmo family would like to invite the people of St. Timothy's to an Open House at the newly renovated rectory on **Sunday, Oct. 14, immediately following the service.** The open house will last until well after Sunday School classes are finished so teachers, students, and adult forum participants can come. A light lunch will be served. Many thanks again for the beautiful home!

**STEWARDSHIP AT ST. TIMOTHY'S**



**Stewardship Campaign**

Fall is here, the days are shorter, the air is cooler and the leaves begin to change — God's great gift of color to us. We have much to be thankful for in this beautiful season especially the generosity from of all of you who donated your time, talents and funds to St. Tim's during 2012.

October marks the beginning of the year when we ask for your commitment for 2013. We need your help to not only sustain the many programs that we have in place, but more importantly, to grow.

We are excited that Rev. Joel and his family are here and we look forward to new ideas and programs that Rev. Joel will help us to grow with Christ.

For the next few weeks you will see and hear more about our hopes and plans for 2013 and how you can help during this important time. We ask each of you to consider giving what you can of your time, individual talents and monies.

Giving is an act of worship, it expands hearts, nourishes your soul, and puts money in proper places.

Thank you,

Your Stewardship Committee,

**Linda Enzinger, Marcia Johnson and Steve Frank**

**CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY**

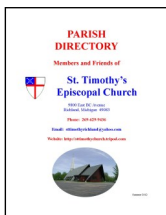
for Rev. Joel Turmo

Thursday, November 8,

at 7:00 pm



**PHOTO DIRECTORY**



Did everyone pick up their new **Photo Directory** from their mailslot downstairs? We would like to acknowledge and **especially thank** the following people-- for their valuable time and efforts:

-**Marcia Johnson** (for organizing and putting the entire directory together)

and, **Bill Johnson, Randy & Laura Stout; Judy Schau; Sarah Staples** for taking such wonderful photos.

*NOTE: If you do not have a mailslot, please see box underneath and locate the directory with your name on it. If you cannot find it, please contact the office.*

**CLOTHING COLLECTION**

We are **collecting adult & children's clothing** for the Hands of God Ministry. Please bring in your items to St. Tim's, there is a collection box in the lobby.



**BISHOP SEARCH**



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

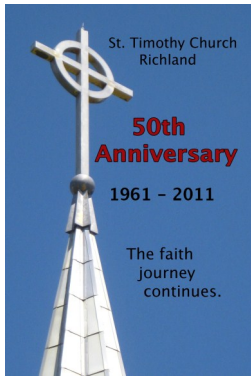
**DIOCESAN MISSION TRIP**

**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.

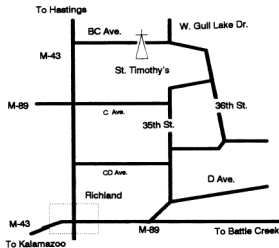


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**"Growing Together in Christ"**

**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!**

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

- Steve Schoenleber — Oct. 2
- Karen Brookmyer — Oct. 3
- Kepler Pax Kolasinski — Oct. 3
- Sarah Barry — Oct. 3
- Ben Lynes — Oct. 8
- Jim DeMaagd — Oct. 10
- Virginia Siegart — Oct. 11
- Blakeslee Boudeman — Oct. 13
- Jan Fouts — Oct. 19
- Linda Enzinger — Oct. 20



- Bill Risdon — Oct. 20
- Deb Howard — Oct. 21
- Charlotte Boudeman — Oct. 25
- Stephanie Butler — Oct. 27
- Kate Boudeman — Oct. 28
- Betsy Barlow — Oct. 31
- Roseanne Heatherly — Oct. 31

*Do we have your email address & 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 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>

**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.

