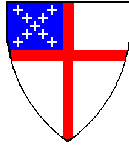


SEPTEMBER

2012



The Good News-letter

St. Timothy Episcopal Church

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



Sunday, September 2:
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Monday, September 3:

Labor Day - Parish Office Closed

CLOSED



Sunday, September 9:
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Adult Education: All the Single Ladies
by Kate Bolick

Sun., Sep. 9:

12-3 pm Safeguarding
God's Children Workshop
at St. Luke's



Saturday, Sept. 15:



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



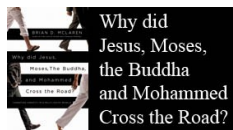
Sunday, September 16:
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Children's Handbells
Commissioning of Teachers
Nursery Recognition



**Sundae Sunday
& Photographic
Scavenger Hunt**



Tuesday, Sept. 18:
Bruce McLaren Presentation
Car Pool meet at 5:30 pm



Sunday, September 23:
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist



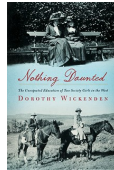
ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY



Tuesday, September 25:
6 pm Adopt-A-Highway
Clean Up

Tuesday, September 25:

6:30 pm Vestry Meeting



Wednesday, September 26:
7:00 p.m. Book Club

Sunday, September 30:
9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist



OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, Oct. 5 — Sunday, Oct. 7:
Camp Out
Bonfire & Fun Activities



Saturday, Oct. 6:
4 pm Blessing of Animals



Sunday, October 14:
CROP Walk 1 pm registration



October 18-21:
Cursillo at St. Davids in Lansing





Registration for Christian Formation Classes will begin with Sundae Sunday on **Sunday, September 16.**



We at St. Timothy's value children, and strive to provide a setting in which they can grow spiritually. What is most important to us is that they feel the love of Jesus, and experience a warm welcome that will make them want to return Sunday after Sunday. We are excited about church school this year. We have a great curriculum, great teachers, and a great group of young people. We hope you will be present to register your children (or grandchildren).



Invite-A-Friend to introduce them to St. Timothy's Church and help them discover our Christian Formation classes. Why do we call it **Sundae Sunday**? Because we serve **ice cream sundaes**, of course!!

There will also be a photographic **SCAVENGER HUNT!**
****PLEASE BRING A CAMERA****



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 to you,

What an amazing first month here. I can thank you enough for the warm welcome we have received.



The Rectory is amazing. You would not believe what a wonderful transformation it has seen. We are planning on an open house soon to share with you all the improvements that have been made.

I am looking forward to the Sundae Sunday on September 16. It should be fun for everybody. Kid's don't forget to bring a camera for the scavenger hunt. On September 18, I invite you to GVSU to explore how we can be strong in our faith and still be welcoming of people with different faith backgrounds.

I have met with many of the ministry leaders and had some wonderful time of sharing with each other they vision we have for St. Timothy's. If I have not had time to talk with you, give me a call or an email and we can set up a time to talk. My door is always open... I also make house calls.

**Blessings,
Fr. Joel
Jturmo@gmail.com
269-350-4131**



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

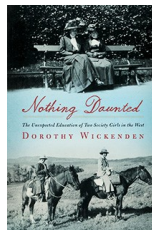
Upcoming workshops in our area:

Sun. Sept. 9:

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

For other dates, please visit:

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



The Book Club selection is **Nothing Daunted by Dorothy Wickenden.**

They will meet **Wed. Sep. 26 at 7 pm.** You are invited to join us--we'd love to have you! It is a great opportunity for learning and fellowship and making some new friends.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY



Volunteers are needed for our final

Adopt-A-Highway Pickup of the year scheduled for **Tuesday, September 25**

(Note: rain date is Thursday, September 29)

Meet @ **6:00 p.m.** in St. Tim's parking lot. Please sign-up with **Dan Hills.**

Sunday Dollars !!!!!



We are making real progress the collection of Sunday Dollars. So far we have collected \$1,000 in individual dollar bills in the collection plate.

Sharon has made the first payment of \$1,000 to the principal on our church mortgage. This should help greatly to bring the balance down and shorten the length of our mortgage.

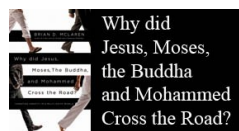
Thank you to all who have found a spare dollar on Sunday, a little giving can go a long way.



Cursillo: Have you heard about Cursillo and wondered what it is all about? **The Goal of Cursillo is the goal of the Church - to bring all to Christ.** The co-ed weekend is at St. David's, Lansing, **October 18-21.** For information please see **Lou Ann & Colin Cruttenden** or visit: <http://www.wmec.net>

Adult Education

All the Single Ladies by Kate Bolick Join the discussion of this Atlantic Magazine article after worship on **Sun. Sep. 9th** to gain insights on the demographics that describe single women (and men) and the challenges this has for ministry. Article highlights include: historical evolution of marriage & family; current statistics on marriage & motherhood; scarcity of marriageable partners; cultural trends. The article is available on our website or there are extra copies on the table.



Brian McLaren presentation Why Did Jesus, Moses, the Buddha and Mohammed Cross the Road? Christian Identity in a Multi-Faith World on Tues., Sep.

18 at 7 pm at GVSU Eberhard Center.

To join the **car pool, meet at St. Tim's at 5:30 pm--** --see the **Sign-up sheet.**

Please register and purchase your ticket online: <http://lifeinthetrinityministry.com/mclarenbooktour/locations>

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Diocesan Mission Trips

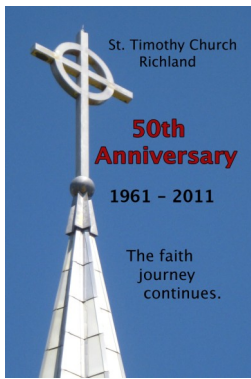
Sep. 15-22 & Sep. 23-29: Kentucky

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.



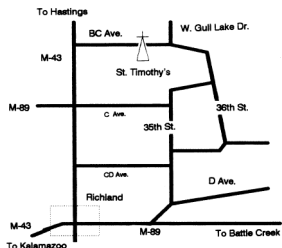
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The mission of the Christian community called St. Timothy Episcopal Church is to grow together in Jesus Christ. We do this through worship, education, service, and celebration, offering up the talents God gives us for the glory of Christ and the building 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"

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bill Morris — Sept. 1
Tom Schau — Sept. 1
Emily Wood — Sept. 2
Tom Monroe — Sept. 6
Anne Borden — Sept. 8
Sherwood Boudeman—Sept. 9
Kaylee Bradford — Sept. 13
Claire Walker — Sept. 13



Cody Buckham — Sept. 17
Joy Light — Sept. 17
Kyle Lynes — Sept. 20
Dylan Bouchie — Sept. 26
Denny Bouchie — Sept. 29
Sallie Patterson — Sept. 30

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 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.

