

February 2022

# Dear St. Timothy Folk,

We are moving into the second half of Epiphany, the season of the revelation and manifestation of Jesus as the Son of God. We will hear about the calling of some of the disciples, the Sermon on the Plain, and the Transfiguration, all from the Gospel according to Luke.

I hope you have read the email about changes in our protocols. Registration is not required to attend on Sundays, and we are no longer using the alternating groups. The left side of the nave will be marked by yellow paper for social distancing, while the right side will be more open seating with less distance necessary. Masks (properly worn over nose and mouth) are still required of everyone over the age of 2, and we will still sanitize the church following each service.

Beginning February 6<sup>th</sup>, we invite you to use the prayer books and hymnals in the pew racks along with an abbreviated bulletin. Copies of the full service will still be available for visitors and those who need them. And we will continue to email the full bulletin, so you may follow on your phone or tablet if you wish. Speaking of the bulletin, our prayer list needs updating. If you have placed someone on the prayer list, please confirm with Kerry by phone or email whether they need to stay on or can be removed. Remember to get permission from anyone whose name you place on the list. We are happy to keep people on the



#### **Recording Sunday Service and Posting** to Facebook

This is a new and vital part of the ministry of St. Timothy's. Many of our members are not able to join us and many now have distant family and friends joining us via our weekly video posts. Our new equipment allows us to record and broadcast our service live from the back of the church. The equipment is in place but needs to be monitored. Jess Shirley is looking for interested members to train and join in the rotation of operating the recording and sound equipment. Anyone interested in being a part of

our A/V production, please contact Jess Shirley.

# **Links to Sunday Services**

https://www.facebook.com/sttimscalhoun or https://www.sttimothvcalhoun.org/ You may have to scroll down when you get to Facebook.



#### **Vestry Meeting Summary** Sunday, January 16, 2021

Present: Lisa Dunbar (Senior Warden), Rev. Linda Pineo, Jess Shirley, George Trudell, Jeanne Vaughan (Treasurer), Dan De Guire, Louise Purdy Absent: Beth Vaughn, Lyle Currier

Meeting called to order: at 2:06 pm led in prayer by Rev. Lind-

Baker Pineo.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of the December 19, 2021 meeting were presented, reviewed, amended and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jeannie Vaughan stated that finances are looking good. She said they balanced out for the year 2021. The vestry accepted the Treasurer's Report and approved unanimously by acclamation.

Proposed Budget and pledges for 2022: Pledges are at \$98,000. Biggest change in budget would be changing reserves from \$10K to \$5K. Jeannie suggested we sit tight and see if pledges come in or call those who haven't turned in their pledge cards. Various forms of paying pledges were discussed including automatic withdrawal; a program called Churchbase; and credit cards on the website if set up for ecommerce. Those options will be explored. In discussion about the budget the amount for Outreach was increased and the amount for Clergy Discretionary Fund was decreased. The budget for 2022 was approved by acclamation.

#### Action Items

Election of Junior Warden: Jess Shirley nominated Lyle Currier. Rev. Linda Pineo said she had talked to Lyle and he has agreed to continue as Junior Warden. Motion was approved.

#### **Report from the Priest in Charge:**

-Attendance for Christmas Eve Services was 20 for the 4pm, 16 for the 7pm, and

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42 for the 11pm making it 78 total for the day.

-Attendance for December 26th was 14.

- -Jane Davis retired from playing the organ after the Christmas Eve service.
- -Rev. Linda has had some interest from website.
- -Outgoing phone message needs to be updated.

-Rev. Linda has been taking care of pastoral issues on phone or in person.

#### **Senior Warden Report**

Lisa participated in the Wardens Diocesan Zoom meeting the Diocese is encouraged by parishes' outreach. Lisa thinks we are doing well functioning as a team on the Vestry. Protocols from the Diocese for Covid are that masks must be worn indoors, numbers limited, and youth and children activities should be online, as well as meetings.

#### **Discussion Concerning Current Protocols**

Decided that Left side of the church will be physically distanced (every row-alternate end, with no one seated where yellow paper is placed.) They will exit first. Right side of the church will sit alternate pews at first then fill in where you feel comfortable. If needed overflow will watch downstairs livestream and come up to communion. Masks required indoors. Fans will be on for good circulation. Ushers will be asked to assist the vestry person and photos will be taken at the Peace for contact tracing if necessary. If you are showing symptoms don't come to church. Rev. Linda and Lisa Dunbar will compose an email to go out to parishioners about these changes. Live streaming has been moved to the cry room to better help train several volunteers. Louise Purdy volunteered to help with Facility sanitizing.

#### Other business

Vestry gave its approval for a Deacon Postulant placement for about 6 months. Afghanistan status update - George Trudell will take the lead on our involvement.

#### **Facilities Update:**

Jess Shirley suggested that before we paint we get an estimate for vinyl siding. He also has a handyman who will look at the roof and give us an estimate. Until painting is complete and storm windows are replaced it was suggested that plastic be placed on the inside of the windows to reduce heat loss.

#### Other Committee reports:

Education: Louise Purdy needs to let families know that we cannot have in-person Sunday School or Youth at this time. Communications: At this time we will ask Roberta Charbonneau to continue hosting zoom with plans to meet in person soon.

#### **Future Calendar:**

Jan. 22nd - Vestry retreat postponed, Feb. 13th- Vestry Meeting 2PM via Zoom

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 closed in prayer by Lisa Dunbar.



### Hello!

I am a native of Houston, Texas. I was raised as an Army brat, having the opportunity to live overseas and stateside.

A graduate of Warren Wilson College with a degree in history and Duke Divinity School with a Master of Arts in Christian Practice, I dream of the possibility of another degree one day.

I married David, a Rome native, in 1994 and we have two

children, Katie-Wimberly (23) and Bennett (16). I am the executive director of The Davies Shelters, a homeless ministry in Rome. The Davies Shelters serve men, women, and children who are unsheltered in the community. My career has been tied deeply to the church and the non-profit world.

I am looking forward to being with St. Timothy's! Devon Goddard Smyth Thank you to all my St. Timothy's people for the prayers, calls, cards, well-wishes, and the meals. My



family went through a very tough time and the concern you showed to us was extremely touching and really appreciated. I am grateful to you all for helping us out when I didn't have the energy to cook.

Thank you for sending us all your overwhelming love and support. I am so thrilled that you kept us in your thoughts and close to your heart. I don't think I can ever hope to repay you. I'm happy to say we are all doing much better now.

Much love,

Kerry Nance and Family

list if there is a chronic condition or continuing need.

Looking ahead, Ash Wednesday falls on March 2<sup>nd</sup> this year. We will offer a noon service and an evening service that day.

We have exciting news: we have been asked to have a deacon postulant with us for 5-6 months as part of her training before ordination. Devon Smyth is a postulant for the permanent diaconate. See her introduction and photo for more about her. She will be observing and assisting in various ways, sometimes serving as Lay Eucharistic Minister, sometimes doing other things. She will observe Vestry meetings and participate in some Committee meetings and generally get to know how St. Timothy's does ministry both in the parish and in the community. As part of our welcoming Devon, please wear your name tag so she can begin to get acquainted with you.

Blessings, Linda+



Have You Submitted Your Pledge Card?

Please contact Jeannie Vaughan or Kerry Nance if you would like to arrange for your pledge to be counted in our 2022 budget.. *It's not too late!* 

# **Church Meetings**

While there are no in- person meetings, committees will be conducting **virtual** meetings—

Vestry Meeting - Sunday, Feb. 13 at 2:00 via Zoom



- Feb 13 Mark & Robin Cleeland
- Feb 26 Dan & Kelli DeGuire

Jerry & Ellen Overlander Feb 29 Sargee

### COVID-19 Q&A: What To Know About Masks

In a new video, Dr. Marybeth Sexton and Dr. Jodie Guest, the diocesan covid expert, go through the gamut of respiratory masks, from the heavy-duty N95 to surgical masks to cloth masks. What's the difference between them? How do you get the right fit? (Using actual masks and showing how to do it.) What are some problems with surgical and cloth masks? "[Wearing the right mask] is one of your best defenses to add on top of vaccinating and boosting," says. Dr. Guest. View at: <u>https://</u> fb.watch/aQ8xY8IspZ/



# **Altar Flowers**

You are invited to give flowers for our weekly services. We can contact Teresa Bailey , 678-986-6622, or Ann "Boolie" Dimon, 706-624-9055, for any flower requests in February. Please call to let us know which Sunday you wish to have flowers at the altar. Please call **EARLY** in the month. The cost remains the same at \$30. <u>Checks</u> <u>are to be made out to the Altar</u> <u>Guild lady</u> purchasing the flowers, and can be mailed to them, or sent to the church office. **DO NOT** make the check out to the church.

# CONTACTS

Office: 706-629-1056 or timothyschurch@gmail.com Follow us on Facebook at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Calhoun GA or our webpage https://www.sttimothycalhoun.org/



Feb.	6 Faye	Penick
Feb.	6 Martin	Vaughn
Feb.	6 Matthew	Tomasello
Feb.	6 Denni	Moss
Feb.	11 Harvey	Scott
Feb.	13 Evie	Briones
Feb.	13 John	Richardson
Feb.	15 Alex	Avery
Feb.	15 Lee Thomas	Richardson
Feb.	17 Samantha	Avery
Feb.	18 Margarita	Mackenson
Feb.	18 Garrison	Ensley
Feb.	20 Ella	Briones
Feb.	21 Lewie	Camp
Feb.	26 Jane	Davis
Feb.	26 Susan	Maltony
Feb.	27 Dan	DeGuire
Feb.	29 Peggy	O'Connor

# COVER TO COVER Book Club

All are welcome to join our Church Book Club. We meet virtually from



the comfort of your home via Zoom starting at 6:45 PM to discuss books we have decided on and read. Feb 21 we'll discuss THE EXILES by Christina Baker Kline. "... an am-

bitious, emotionally resonant novel about three women whose lives are bound together in nineteenthcentury Australia and the hardships they weather together as they fight for redemption and freedom in a new society.

# All are invited to join us for great reads and good conversation!

What have you been reading? Join our group and share a new or old favorite for us to read and then discuss. Contact Roberta, 678-773-5655, to learn more about joining Zoom meetings!

# ST. TIMOTHY'S PARCHMENT



# FREE TREES 2/19/22 at Calhoun Recreation Center

Sponsored by: City of Calhoun, Keep Calhoun Gordon Beautiful, Volunteers from Calhoun Woman's Club, GA Cumberland Academy, SHS Agriculture Class, and other great volunteers

601 S River St. Calhoun, GA 30701 FROM 9:00 – 12:00 706-629-0151



"Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said: "We must discover the power of love, the redemptive power of love. And when we discover that, we will be able to make of this old world a new world. Love is the only way." There's power in love. Do not underestimate it. Anyone who has ever fallen in love, knows what I mean. But think about love in any form or experience of it. It actually feels good to be loved, and to express love. There is something right about it. And there's a reason. "

> Bishop Michael Curry May 19, 2018



#### Have You Considered Becoming a LEM?

By definition, the LEM is any lay person or member of the Episcopal Church in good standing is eligible to be trained by the Rector. This position is licensed by the Bishop. to administer

the consecrated elements of the eucharist. They may also be licensed to go from a Sunday eucharist or other principal celebrations of the eucharist to share the sacrament with members of the congregation who were unable to be present at the celebration because of illness or infirmity. Prior to the current lay ministry canons, specially licensed lay readers administered the chalice at the eucharist and were known as "chalice bearers."

If you have considered this ministry or would like to discuss more in-depth-please contact Rev. Linda.

A training with practice opportunities would be scheduled.



"The heart-shaped communion wafers were a nice touch for Valentine's Day."

