

# ◆ ST. TIMOTHY'S PARCHMENT ◆

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Dear St. Timothy Folk,

This month begins on a sad note, with the Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving for the life of Phyllis Purdy. A founding member of St. Timothy's, she has been active in so many ministries over the years, including Vestry, Senior Warden, Outreach, Worship, Altar Guild to name a few. She sent cards to remember birthdays, anniversaries, and holidays, and wrote cards to those who were sick or bereaved. She will be greatly missed in this church family.

**Exciting news!! We are getting things going for our younger members.** This Sunday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, I will do a special "sermonette" for those who are under 19 before the regular homily. In addition, we have new printed resources on the Sunday lessons for them available with the clipboards. On Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, All Saints Sunday, there will be classes for younger and older young members. I would also like to schedule acolyte training with anyone interested. And see the article about pumpkin carving on October 26<sup>th</sup> on page 2.

Last Sunday (September 24<sup>th</sup>) we said goodbye to our Deacon Candidate Devon Smyth. She will be ordained to the permanent Diaconate on October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of St. Philip in Atlanta. See page 4 for the official invitation and more information about deacons. She has been a wonderful blessing to us these past eight months.

We are seeing good turnout for the Wednesday night suppers, as we enjoy a variety of menus and lots of good conversation with one another. Please note the dinner now starts at 5:30 p.m. to accommodate our singers who are joining with the Presbyterians to prepare a Christ

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## Recording Sunday Service and Posting to Facebook

This has become a 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.sttimothycalhoun.org/>  
You may have to scroll down when you get to Facebook.



## Vestry Minutes Summary Sunday, September 18, 2022

**Present:** Lisa Dunbar (Senior Warden), Rev. Linda Pineo, George Trudell, Dan De Guire, Louise Purdy, Devon Smyth (Deacon Candidate), Beth Vaughn **Absent:** Lyle Currier (Junior Warden), Jess Shirley, Jeannie Vaughan (Treasurer)

**Call to Order:** at 12:45 pm and opened with prayer.

**Designate Secretary for this meeting:** Lisa Dunbar and Rev. Linda Pineo

**Approval of Previous Minutes:** The minutes of the August 21, 2022 meeting were presented, reviewed and a motion was made by Beth to accept as written and presented. Motion was seconded by George Trudell. All in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Pledges are coming in a little slower than normal for this time of year. Snapshot of financial status was presented and reviewed. The Vestry accepted the Treasurer's Report as presented.

### Action Items

**-Delegates to Diocesan Council (Nov. 11-12)** – Beth Vaughn has volunteered and Louise Purdy as a tentative delegate.

**-Addition to minutes:** Financial Inspection (audit) was approved by email 8/23/2022 by the Vestry.

**-Report from the Priest in Charge (Rev. Linda)** – Devon's Ordination will be Oct. 8th at the Cathedral. Stewardship Campaign is in the planning stages with pledge card in-gathering on All Saints Sunday. The piano needs to be tuned.

**-Established VPOD for each service through October 2022**

**-Discussed "Hug Your Church" week Sept 19-24** – A list of everything that needs to be cleaned or fixed will be available. People will be able to come that

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week, see what needs doing, choose one or more things to do.

### Committee reports:

**Facilities:** Lyle will purchase the old windows. Jess is having his handyman come to give us an estimate on cleaning the roof drain. The county extension agent will come look at the health of our trees.

**Parish Life** – Salacoa Creek Picnic has a new date of October 16, and other notes were reviewed with weekly dinner hosts. The holiday meal is being planned for Dec 4<sup>th</sup> and a Fundraiser planned for February 2023.

**Education Committee** – Sunday School to start in October, a planning meeting was held Sep 7<sup>th</sup> but the committee will meet again next Thursday with parents. Susan Skaggs has volunteered to be the Chair of the Christian Education committee.

**Future Calendar** Vestry Meeting – October 16th

**No Sound Check** in October

**Adjourn with prayer:** Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM, closed in prayer by Rev. Linda Pineo.



### Let's be good stewards of our buildings.

Be sure to check that lights, all water faucets, and kitchen appliances are turned off before leaving the buildings after a service or event.

Thank you!



**PARISH PICNIC** – Parish Life Committee will host a casual Blue Jeans Service and Parish Picnic following on Sunday afternoon, October 16, from 2:00–8:00 pm at Salacoa Creek Park. The Committee will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, and paper/plastic goods. Please bring a dish to pass and drinks for your family. Also bring lawn chairs, bug spray and outdoor games. Board games and card games are also welcome. **A sign-up sheet is posted!**



Saturday, **October 15**, Rev. Linda will offer a Blessing of Pets. A short liturgy will begin at 11:00 am followed with treats for pets and lemonade and cookies for people. The liturgy takes about 15 minutes depending on the number of critters. I can also offer drive-through blessings for a short time after the liturgy. Pets of all shapes, breeds, colors, sizes and likenesses are welcome!

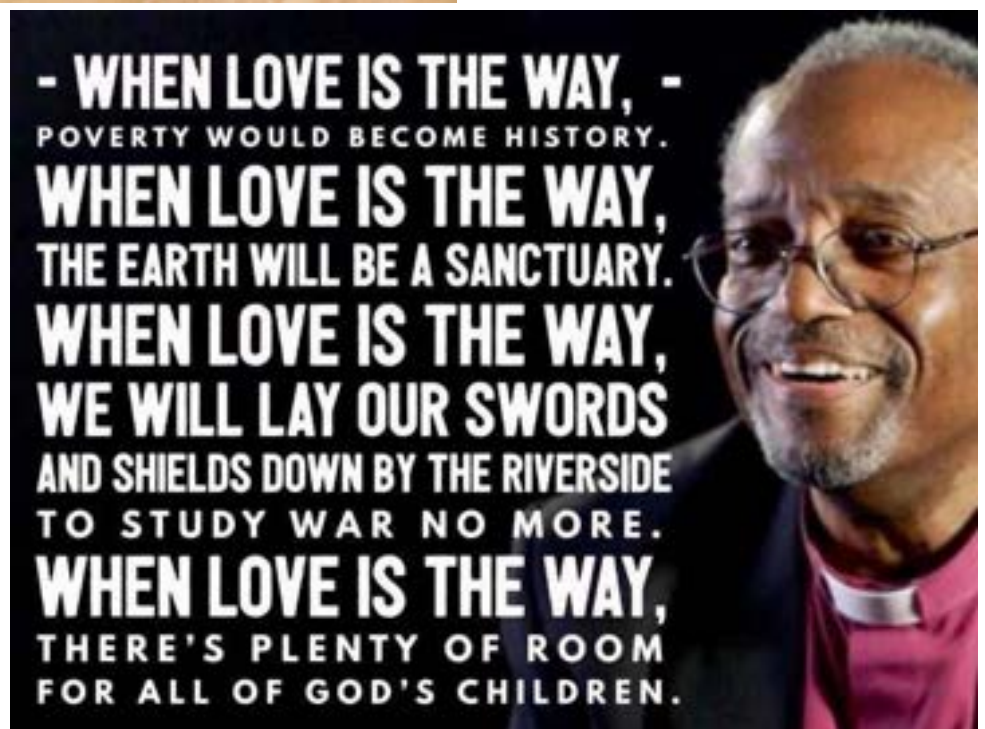


### Pumpkin Carving for All Hallows Eve

Sponsored by Parish Life  
Bring your Pumpkin &  
Join in the Fun at St. Timothy's  
Wednesday, October 26, 2019  
at 5:00 PM

Pumpkin Carving  
and Hot Dog Supper  
**All Ages welcome!!**

Signup sheet for side dishes and attendance is at church or email Beth Vaughn at [martinbethv@aol.com](mailto:martinbethv@aol.com)





mas Cantata. Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will resume our First Sunday Lunch, after a break for Labor Day weekend last month. And our picnic at Salacoa has been rescheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup>, which will also be Blue Jean Sunday, an opportunity to wear casual clothes to church. See page 2 for more information.

On Saturday, October 15th, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis with a Blessing of the Animals. (See the article elsewhere in this issue.) Pets must be leashed, or in carriers or containers. Please note that we will also do virtual blessings for pets who do not enjoy social interaction (I will bless photos, or even just names) and stuffed animal pets are welcome as well.

October is the beginning of Stewardship season. We exercise Stewardship in many ways throughout the year, but this is the time of year when we prayerfully consider our pledges of time, talent, and treasure for the coming year. Expect a letter from me with a pledge card enclosed later this month. The ingathering and blessing of pledges will take place in November. In this time, please also consider how you might offer your time and talent to one of the committees or ministries at St. Timothy's, or in the wider community of Calhoun and Gordon County.

Wonderful things are happening at St. Timothy's – join in!

Blessings,  
Rev. Linda Baker Pineo  
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- Oct 3 Mari & Rob Ernstsén
- Oct 17 Daniel & Shea Bennett



**Celebrating Devon Smyth's Ministry**

After serving 7 months with us, Devon is to become a permanent deacon on Saturday, October 8th, at the Cathedral of St. Philip in Atlanta. Rev. Linda presented her with St. Timothy's gift of a leather Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal volume with her name imprinted on the cover. A reception followed. A money tree was available for donations in her honor to the non-profit for whom Devon now works - Development officer for ESP Java Joy in Rome.



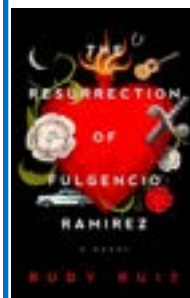
- Oct. 2 Ellen Overlander Sargee
- Oct. 4 Dale Seger
- Oct. 6 C. K. White
- Oct. 7 Betty Vaughn Briones
- Oct. 7 Catherine Hughes
- Oct. 9 Zelfhia Avery
- Oct. 13 Daniel (Vaughn) Tate
- Oct. 15 David Smith
- Oct. 23 Judy Peterson
- Oct. 24 Ardie Scott
- Oct. 25 Savannah Findley
- Oct. 27 Giovanna Luca
- Oct. 28 Karen Yates

**13th Annual Gordon County Hunger Walk**

will take place on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022 at 2 pm at the Black and Yellow Playground Pavilion of the Calhoun Recreation Center. Monies collected are distributed to local Gordon County food banks.



**COVER TO COVER Book Club**



All are welcome to join our Church Book Club. We are meeting at the Parish House starting at 6:30 PM with discussion beginning at 7:00. On October 17 we'll discuss [The Resurrection of Fulgencio](#)

[Ramirez](#) by Rudy Ruiz. Southern Review of Books states the book "is a work of magical realism set on the border between Mexico and the United States. All are invited to join us for great reads and good conversation! Contact Roberta, 678-773-5655, to learn more about upcoming books !



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A monthly calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall for sign up to offer flowers for the altar. Post your name, "in honor of ...", and submit your payment to the indicated flower guild person listed for the month. Remember checks for \$30 are not made to the church.

By the grace of God,  
The Right Reverend Robert Christopher Wright,  
The Bishop of Atlanta,  
will ordain

**Katherine Owen Kennedy**

**Florence Cooper Mitchell**

**Julie Elizabeth O'Neill**

**Devon Goddard Smyth**

**Jess W. Speaker, III**

**Faustina Ward-Osborne**

to the Sacred Order of Deacons  
in Christ's One Holy Catholic  
and Apostolic Church

On the Eighth day of October  
two-thousand and twenty-two,  
at two o'clock in the afternoon

Cathedral of St. Philip

You may also offer your prayers and support by  
joining the live stream

<https://episcopalatlanta.org/event/ordination-2022-10/>



**Deacons are members  
of one of three distinct orders  
of ordained ministry ...**

In the Episcopal Church a deacon exercises "a special ministry of servanthood" directly under the deacon's bishop, serving all people and especially those in need (BCP, p. 543). This definition reflects the practice of the early church, in which deacons were ordained "not to the priesthood but to the servanthood [diakonia, "ministry"] of the bishop. (Hippolytus, Apostolic Tradition).

Christian deacons were agents of the bishop, often with oversight of charity. Since ancient times the liturgical functions of deacons have suggested the activity of angels. As they proclaim the gospel, lead intercessions, wait at the eucharistic table, and direct the order of the assembly, deacons act as sacred messengers, agents, and attendants.

The revival of the order of deacons in the twentieth century has emphasized social care and service. Many bishops in the Episcopal Church expect their deacons to promote care of the needy outside the church. In addition to those ordained deacon as a permanent vocation, there are also "transitional deacons" who are ordained deacon as a preliminary step toward ordination as a priest. This practice is required by the canons of the Episcopal Church.

In August she transitioned from Director of The Davies Shelters in Rome to being Development officer for ESP Java Joy in Rome. "A program of the non-profit ESP Inc. (Formerly Extra Special People, Inc.), Java Joy was created in 2016 as a way to provide meaningful employment for adults with disabilities while giving the community one-of-a-kind opportunities for engagement. Java Joy exists to create experiences of unmatched joy through moments of engagement with people of all abilities." From the website: [<https://javajoy.org/home/who-we-are/>]

Above all, we want to thank God for the blessing of having Devon with us for these past 7 months, and for all she has brought us.