

# ❖ ST. TIMOTHY'S PARCHMENT ❖

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Dear St. Timothy Folk,

AUGUST!!! How did it get to be August so fast! For some, it is still full summer with trips to take and garden vegetables to pick and put up. For some of us, it is time for school to start. Many of us have children or grandchildren starting back to school or college. Teachers are trading in their summer casual clothes for classroom wear. On Sunday, July 30th, there will be a Blessing of the Backpacks, and a blessing of our students, teachers, and bus drivers. We pray that it will be a good and safe year for all students and school personnel. It will also be Youth Sunday, with our young members taking on many of the positions in the service. And to top it off, there will be ice cream after church – Sundae Sunday!

We always go into this new year of school hoping that the students we know will have a good year of learning new material and new skills. We don't always think about our own learning. Teachers, medical workers, and some other professions are required to take continuing education classes. What about us as Christians? Do we think about continuing to learn and grow in our faith background? There are lots of ways to do that. We can study the Bible on our own or in a group; we can read devotional books or spiritual classics on our own or in a study group. Meanwhile, in our Sunday liturgy, we are getting an Old Testament

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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.



## **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes July 9, 2023**

**Members Present:** Lisa Dunbar, Kelli De Guire, Beth Vaughn, Jess Shirley, Lyle Currier, Louise Purdy, and Rev. Linda Pineo

1. Call to Order with Prayer
2. Designate Secretary for this meeting - Kelli
3. Approval of previous Minutes (May) - Unanimous approval
4. Treasurer's Report - Unanimous approval
5. Items to be added to the Vestry Agenda
  - a. Diocesan delegates
  - b. Communications
6. Action Items
  - a. Report from the Priest in Charge (Rev. Linda)
    - Attendance is up
    - Directory almost ready to send to Roberta
    - Youth Sunday on July 30th; Catherine is doing the homily. Other youth to be contacted.
    - Louis 90th Birthday Celebration at Ascension July 19th
    - Linda will take vacation on August 6th and 13th; Father Frank will fill in
  - b. 50th Anniversary Celebration discussion - January 28th
  - c. Vestry Dates - Next Vestry Meeting - August 20
  - d. Scholarship Clarification - Tabled for now; discuss later

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e. Youth Trip Tubing Approved - this was approved by email July before their trip

f. Diocesan delegates discussion: November 10-11

## 7. Committee reports and Updates

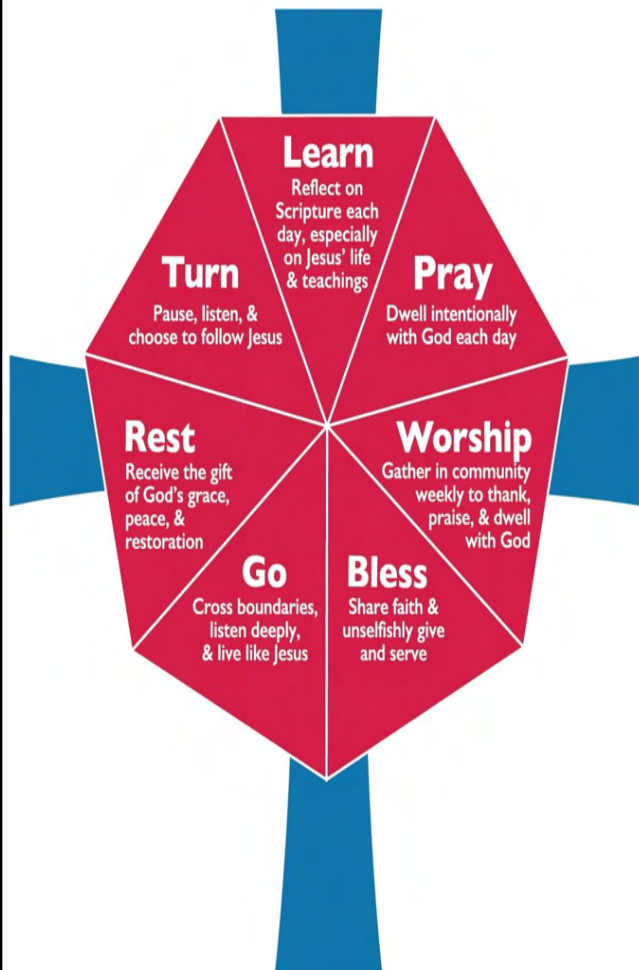
### a. Facilities

- Secondary dishwasher not working; Remove as we don't need it
- Issue with rut forming in parking lot. We need to get some gravel delivered. Lyle will take care of contacting vendor.
- Sanitizing chemicals to go to Recycle event in November

### b. Communication

- Discussed Wifi connection progress
- Calendar on website discussion

Adjourn with Prayer



## THE WAY OF LOVE

### *Practices for Jesus-Centered Life*

#### St. Timothy's Evangelism meeting schedule:

Sunday, August 13 after church

Friday, September 15 at noon at Dubs

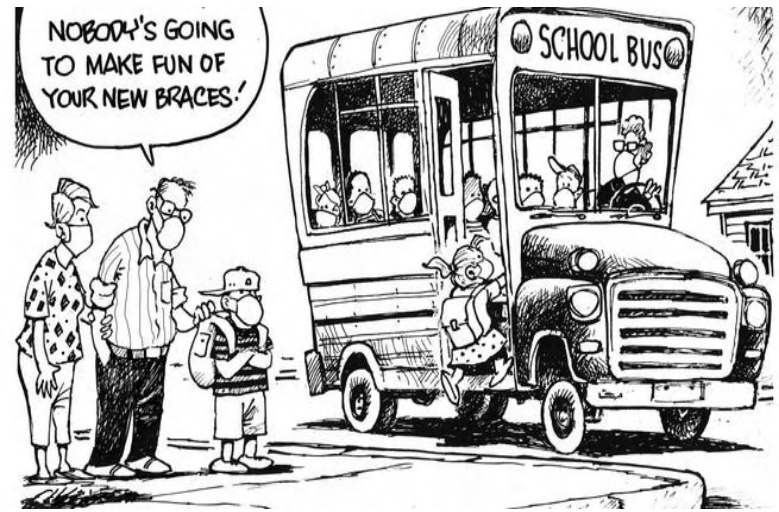
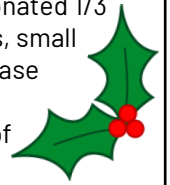
Sunday, October 8 after church

Friday, November 17 at noon at El Nopal

Sunday, December 10 after church

Peace,  
Susan Skaggs

**Christmas in July** - This Outreach Project was held on July 22nd. This year 101 families with 321 children. St. Timothy's donated 1/3 of the underwear needed for the youth. Other churches, small businesses and industries provided funds for the purchase of even more underwear. Thank you for your continual support of these community projects for the neediest of Gordon County families.



**Stay on Track with Jesus (faith)**  
Victoria and Grant enjoyed a trip to TN Valley Railroad for a train ride in Chattanooga in July.

Thank you to all who helped with these fun events—Teresa Bailey, Lisa Dunbar, Louise Purdy and Beth Vaughn. It is support like this that helps enrich our lives at St. Timothy's.





history refresher from Genesis, and we continue to have challenging lessons from the Gospel according to Matthew.

Another way to learn is by doing. We have a number of liturgical ministries that could use some more folks: Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Acolytes. We can still use a couple more folk to help with Live-streaming on Facebook. Ask Kathleen Shirley about Altar Guild, and ask Charry Chaapel about Flower Guild. Our Committees are open to new members as well: Outreach, Parish Life, Communications, Facilities, Finance, Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism. There are also opportunities to learn as we serve the community at VAC and in other groups. What interests you? What would you like to know more about? Stretch your mind and heart and spirit this year! Grow as a Christian and as a person.

"The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." [Ephesians 4:11-13 NRSV]

Blessings,  
Rev. Linda+

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Aug 5 James & Kathy Adams  
Aug 20 John & Gladys Lampe  
Aug 21 Lyle & Colleen Currier  
Aug 25 George & Deb Trudell  
Aug 27 John & Rebecca Richardson

**VOID** - God's word does not return empty or void, the book of Isaiah says. Once it's out there, the world changes. God's word was the creative force that brought the world and life into being. God's word brought exiles home, the dead to life. God's word changes everything. So when God says "there is no condemnation for those in Christ," those words aren't empty. They do their work in us to give life and peace and freedom. When we allow God's words to take root in us, something happens! Our words have power to shape the world also. Are we speaking words of life? Are our words helping bring us closer the kingdom? Speak God's words of life today to self and others. They don't return empty.

[Isaiah 55:10-13](#)

<https://episcopalatlanta.org/for-faith/void-2023-07-14/>

**NEW NEW NEW!** - The Education Team is pleased to announce two new resources for our younger members. The first is the establishment of "Quiet Bags" for our youngest, especially preschoolers. These bags are located in the narthex under the Clipboard Church materials. Each "Quiet Bag" contains activities related to Bible stories that don't require reading. Parents (guardians) can choose bags, read the enclosed 4 page book quickly to set the stage, then allow the child to play with the related materials during the service.

Additionally, there are binders located in the narthex that include materials that parents can check out and take home. These packets contain Bible stories, puzzles, and coloring sheets. Directions are included in the binder.



Aug 2	Renee	Hughes
Aug 5	Dan	Bump
Aug 6	Elizabeth	Dutch
Aug 10	Dan	Hogan
Aug 13	Mark	Cleeland
Aug 14	Jim	Kirk
Aug 16	Terry	Overlander
Aug 19	Benjamin	Anderson
Aug 23	Michael	Tomasello
Aug 23	Robin	Cleeland
Aug 24	Linda	Phelps
Aug 27	Chareen	Chaapel
Aug 29	Rita	Collins

**SUMMER SHOULD GET  
A SPEEDING TICKET.**

PictureQuotes.com

## COVER TO COVER Book Club



All are welcome to join our Church Book Club. We meet at the Parish House starting at 6:30 PM with discussion beginning at 7:00. On Monday, Aug 21, we'll discuss THE ISLAND

OF SEA WOMEN by Lisa See. "Mi-ja and Young-sook, two girls living on the Korean island of Jeju, are best friends that come from very different backgrounds. When they are old enough, they begin working in the sea with their village's all-female diving collective." All are invited to join us for great reads and good conversation! Contact Roberta, 678-773-5655, with any questions.



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.

The Outreach Committee thanks you for your help in filling the *Little Red Wagon*. For September VAC requests that we provide breakfast cereal, break foods and peanut butter. These are the items they are needing to refill their pantry.



Together we emulate Christ!

**TRY THIS:** Begin your day by asking: How could my words, actions and heart reflect the loving, liberating, life-giving way of Jesus? Ask God to help you, especially at decision points.

At day's end, with genuine curiosity and zero judgment, ask: When did I see myself or others being loving, liberating or life-giving today? Where do I wish I'd seen or practiced Jesus' Way?

**LOVING  
LIBERATING  
LIFE-GIVING**  
*the Jesus Movement*

