## \*ST. TIMOTHY'S PARCHMENT\*

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Dear St. Timothy Folk,

November, as usual, is a busy month. November 2-5 are performances of the play *The Trip to Bountiful*, directed by our own Jeff Adair. We are providing water and snacks for the cast and crew – see the Evangelism Committee article on page 2.

Sunday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the Feast of All Saints. On that day we will not only celebrate the great saints of the Church, but also those who have joined the ranks in heaven in the past year. Please email or call the office with the names of loved ones who have died since Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> last year, so that we may remember them in the prayers that Sunday. In addition, we will have a First Sunday Potluck, followed by a House Blessing at the home of Chris and Janet Lonvick with dessert.

The Annual Council of the Diocese of Atlanta will take place Nov. 10-11 at the Cathedral of St. Philip in Atlanta. Booley (Ann) Dimon is registered as the delegate from St. Timothy's in addition to myself as your clergy representative.

In the first days of November you should receive a letter from me on Stewardship with a pledge card enclosed. On November 19<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday before Thanksgiving, we will gather in the pledge cards for 2024. You may mail yours if you will be out of town that day, or place it in the envelope provided in the offering plate the previous Sunday.



### 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 October 22, 2023

Present: Rev. Linda Pineo (Priest in Charge), Kelli De Guire, Louise Purdy, Jess Shirley, Lisa Dunbar (Senior Warden), Beth Vaughn, and Lyle Currier (Junior Warden)

### Call to Order with Prayer

Designate Secretary for this meeting - Kelli Approval of Sep minutes- All approved

Treasurer's Report Aug and Sep – approved by all

Items to be added to the Vestry Agenda

Set December 3rd as the date for the annual Parish meeting

Discussed updating the number of Vestry members - Approved a plan to decrease the number to five starting in 2025.

Discussed need for new handicap parking signs for the front of the church.

#### **Action Items**

September 12<sup>th</sup> the vestry used email approval to increase budget by \$1000 for use by the Evangelism committee.

Report from the Priest in Charge (Rev. Linda)

- -Discussed adding building temperature adjustments to the VPOD duties list.
- -Linda and Kerry will create a bulleted list of action items for funerals and special events. Kerry to add to the policies and procedures book.
- -Sunday for In Gathering of pledge cards November 19th.
- -Diocesan Council 11/10-11 Ann Dimon will be our delegate.
- -Special Project to commemorate our 50<sup>th</sup> year on Sunday, Jan. 28th

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. 50 birthday cake bags for 50 families - To help families who are victims of Domestic Abuse. Outreach Committee is heading this effort. Linda asked for volunteers for an Anniversary committee. We will have dinner with Bishop Wright on Jan. 28th after the service.

Established VPOD for each service through November

#### **Committee reports and Updates**

Evangelism, Outreach, and Parish Life reports available for comment or question.

Facilities - we need gravel for lower parking lot

Next meeting November 26 Adjourned with prayer

## Building Fund Matching \$ Challenge



As of 9/23/23

Last Spring, we had a generous offer of \$5000 to be donated to the Building Fund with a challenge to match those funds by the congregation. We are almost half way to our goal! Please use "Building Fund" on the memo line of your check. Please remember that this special donation would be in addition to your normal contributions and designated pledges.



The committee will meet on Sunday, 11/12, after service. Projects include -Adopt a Child/ Family from VAC

for Christmas; Items to include in VAC Senior Boxes for Christmas, Purchasing gifts for the Calhoun Senior Center holiday party, and more. All are welcome to participate with any of these projects.



Evangelism

The Evangelism committee is working hard to get our name out in the community, and it seems to be working! We were surprised last Sunday when it was discovered that we had given out all of our Welcome Bags already! What a good problem to have!

Our next project will be supplying bottled water and snacks for the cast and crew of our own Jeff Adair's "The Trip to Bountiful" at the Harris Arts Center November 2-4 at 7pm and November 5 at 3pm. You can help by signing up to bring snacks and/or water on the bulletin board in the

Fellowship Hall downstairs. And don't forget to go see the show!

The committee is currently considering entering the "Snowmen Spectacular" contest at the Calhoun Rec this year. Please consider sponsoring us for the entry fee of \$30 and another \$20 for materials.

If you are interested in sharing the Good News about St. Tim's, please join us for our next meeting on Friday, November 17 at 12:30 at Dubs.

AND you can help by:

- -liking and sharing **every** post from St. Timothy's on social media -inviting a friend to church
- -inviting a friend to Wednesday night dinner

Plans are underway to create a video that showcases what makes St. Timothy's special. Stay tuned for updates on this important project!



Excitement is building for St. Timothy's 50th anniversary celebration in January! Help us compile a pictorial history of our parish beginning at 4 on Wednesdays. You are invited to bring your pictures, photo albums, digital downloads, and scrapbooking supplies so that we can SHOW everyone how great it is to be at St. Timothy's! It will be SO MUCH FUN to take a trip down memory lane as we put together these scrapbooks!

On the Sunday following Thanksgiving, the Church celebrates the Feast of Christ the King, the Last Sunday after Pentecost. That day, Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup>, is our November Vestry meeting.

We are invited to share in the Calhoun Community Thanksgiving Worship at the Harris Arts Center on Monday, 11/20, at 7:00 pm.

Church is about more than 70 minutes on Sunday morning, the shared liturgy (*liturgeia*). It is also about being part of a family, a community of faith, that share in fellowship (*koinonia*) and service (*diakonia*). A balanced Christian life includes all three facets. As a family, we support and encourage one another as we share in these activities

I am training new Acolytes, Lectors, and LEM's (Lay Eucharistic Minister) on an individual basis. I am looking for volunteers! And please sign up to usher if you are willing to do that.

We are also planning for our big 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, which will include a visitation by our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Rob Wright. If you are interested in helping with that celebration, please speak to me.

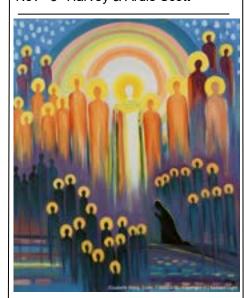
**Note**: We have had a couple of corrections submitted for the new Directory that was emailed October 7<sup>th</sup>, PLEASE email the office as soon as possible if you have any corrections.

Blessings, Rev. Linda+





Brian & Roberta
Nov 2 Charbonneau
Nov 5 Harvey & Ardie Scott



### **Celebrate All Saints Day**

This year we continue our tradition of making a paper chain of our most beloved saints as well as a saint guessing game. See the tables in the Parish Hall to participate through November 5th.

Blessed are you, O God, for you are holy, gracious, and good, the hope of all the faithful. Empower the meek and encourage the poor. Comfort those who mourn and fill humble hearts with gladness. Give food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty, peace to the peacemakers, mercy to the merciful, and honor to the despised.

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Nov.	7	Lisa	Dunbar
Nov.	9	Meghan	Ensley
Nov.	13	Brett	Shirley
Nov.	16	Owen	Camp
Nov.	17	Pat	Evans
Nov.	18	Brian	Avery
Nov.	23	Barbara	Langford
Nov.	23	Jeff	Adair
Nov.	25	Lucy	Leggett
Nov.	28	James	Adams



Your faithful service is an offering to God.

Philippians 2:17

### 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 Mon-



day, Nov. 20, we'll discuss
ONE FOR THE
BLACKBIRD,
ONE FOR THE
CROW by Olivia
Hawker.
"Wyoming,
1876. For as
long as they
have lived on
the frontier, the

Bemis and Webber families have relied on each other. With no other settlers for miles, it is a matter of survival. " All are invited to join us for great reads and good conversation! Contact Roberta, 678-773-5655, with any questions.



Dear Friends,

Please come to our home on November 5<sup>th</sup> at 2pm for our house blessing! The address is 143 Derby Lane in the Devonwood subdivision. Please park in the upper and lower driveways and in the street in front of our house. After the blessing we will have coffee and dessert. Please

know that your presence and good wishes are the gifts the Chris and I will always treasure.

The Lonvicks



Thank you to all who visited Mark while he was hospitalized and who sent cards and messages of caring before and

after his passing. I am enormously grateful to those who attended and participated in Mark's memorial service: those who sang or played music, arranged flowers, provided the reception, and those who took on other tasks. I especially thank Rev. Linda for coordinating the service, for the homily, and for her numerous calls and visits. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered.

Robin Cleeland



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
November VAC
requests that we
provide rice and

water. These are the items they are needing to refill their pantry.

Together we emulate Christ!



### BLESSING ANIMALS



Our pets and their families gathered on Saturday, 10/28, for the annual blessing with Rev. Linda.

PLEASE SEE ALL THE
PHOTOS OF THIS
FUN EVENT IN THE
"B" EDITION OF THE
PARCHMENT IN YOUR EMAIL!



Great fun was had at the annual pumpkin carving event held on Wednesday, 10/25. Over fifty parish folk, friends and family attended. And pumpkin seeds and "innards" were plentiful for roasting, feeding birds or composting.



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Photographer for the event—Alex Avery.





