

❖ ST. TIMOTHY'S PARCHMENT ❖

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Dear St. Timothy Folk,

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

Happy Eastertide! Easter is not just one day, but a season. It is also called the Great Fifty Days. Beginning with our Easter Day celebration on April 20th, the vestments and hangings are white. The Paschal candle symbolizes the presence of the risen Christ and the victory over death and darkness. The alleluias and sanctus bells are signs of our joy. The ancient tradition of the Church is to omit the Confession in Eastertide in acknowledgement of the forgiveness and new life we have through Christ's death and resurrection. Similarly, we are invited to pray standing (or sitting) rather than kneeling for prayer.

During this Easter season, our first lesson each week is taken from the Acts of the Apostles, as we hear about the effects of the Resurrection in the lives of the Apostles after they are empowered by the Holy Spirit, and their actions spreading the Gospel. Starting with the Second Sunday of Easter, the second reading each week is taken from the Revelation to John. The Gospel readings are from the Gospel of John. The second and third Sundays of Easter, we heard of the post-Resurrection appearances of Jesus to the disciples. The remainder of Eastertide we will hear important teachings of Jesus to help guide us in this way of new life.

These lessons and teachings remind us that our faith is lived out both as individuals and in community. And the community of St. Timothy's is busy this month! On May 4th, Deacon Devon Smyth will be with us to preach, and we will have our First Sunday Brunch. May 11th is Mother's Day. On May 18th, we will celebrate our graduates, and the following week concludes with Memorial Day weekend. On Tuesday, May 13th, the Ramblers will travel to the Savoy Auto Museum in Cartersville. We are collecting items for Carol's Closet this month – see the note on page 2. We are scheduled to help at the VAC, and a



In the Episcopal Church, **Easter season**, also known as Eastertide or the Great Fifty Days, is a 50-day celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, beginning on Easter Sunday and concluding on Pentecost Sunday. During this period, there is no fasting, and the traditional Christian Easter greeting, "Christ is risen! Alleluia!" is used at the Eucharist.

Keep up with St. Timothy's Online

The website has been updated and you are now able to access -
Monthly Newsletter, PARCHMENT

Calendar of events	.	Rev. Linda's Letters archived
Photos from events	.	and much more, Check it out!

<https://www.sttimothycahoun.org/>



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Vestry Summary

The Vestry met on April 27, 2025. Present were Rev. Linda Pineo, Kelli DeGuire, Judy Peterson, Walt Mason, Charlie Phelps, and Susan Skaggs.

The meeting opened with prayer. Reverend Linda reported on pastoral care and reminded vestry members about required training.

Thanks were given to Wayne Gilreath, guest organist.

Facilities reported that many maintenance issues have been resolved or repaired. Thanks to Jess Shirley, Chris Lonvick, and George Trudell for completing those tasks. Thanks also to Kathleen Shirley, who takes our recycling each week.

Parish Life has three dates: Graduation Party on May 18th; dinners on the 14th and 21st.

Worship Committee will investigate a new cover for our Gospel Book, as the current one is deteriorating.

Previous minutes and Treasurer's Report were approved.

Kelli has volunteered to clean out the library at church this summer. Judy Peterson is investigating a Community Prayer Box that would function like a Little Free Library. Susan is exploring establishing a cutting garden in the play area.

The VPOD calendar was established through August.

The future Vestry Meeting dates are May 28; June 22, July 20, and August 17. Anyone is invited to speak.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

group of St. Timothy folk will be performing with the Community Chorus May 16 and 17. There will be a cook-out on May 21st. Committees will meet and the work of loving and caring for our community and ourselves will go on. Eastertide goes on with Ascension Day falling on May 30th, and Pentecost on June 8th.

We are Easter people. We have received new life through Christ. How are we living this new life, both individually and as a church family. As poet Mary Oliver asks, "Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?"

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Easter blessings!
Rev. Linda+



Wednesday Evening Dinners

Please sign up to join in our May schedule of dinners. Information and sign up sheets are in the Parish Hall.

Join us on Sunday, May 18th, after service to celebrate graduates.



Grace Bramlett from Gordon Central HS with honors. She is the granddaughter of Karen Yates.

Callie Ensley graduates from Fannin County High School in Blue Ridge. In the fall she will be attending Walters State Community College in Morristown, TN on a softball scholarship. She is the granddaughter of Garry and Gene Jones.

The Ramblers Group will going to the Savoy Car Museum May 13 at noon. Meet at the church at 11:15 to ride share. We will eat there. **Bring a friend!**

The VAC is asking each church or group that consistently give to the VAC Food Bank to donate the same item each month so they can plan on what they get in. They have asked St. Timothy's to donate **Ramen Noodles** each month. Thank you for helping to fill our Little Red Wagon. The Outreach Committee.



Happy Anniversary!

May	5	David & Denni Moss
May	30	David & Paige Smith

We continue to collect items for two agencies serving our community.

Bloom Closet helps fill that gap by providing foster children with free clothing, books, toys, and school supplies. We are collecting pj's and socks.

Carol's Closet offers everyday essential items to families in need. We are collecting tooth brushes and tooth paste.

My heart is heavy at the death of our brother in Christ, Pope Francis. Throughout his life and ministry, he has been a witness for the Gospel and a champion for the poor and marginalized. Especially in this season, I give thanks for his powerful advocacy on behalf of migrants and refugees... he once wrote, "In the faces of the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the sick, strangers and prisoners, we are called to see the face of Christ who pleads with us to help."

In 12 years as the Roman Catholic pontiff, Pope Francis transformed our theology of the environment and recognized the need for LGBTQ+ people to feel heard, seen, and included in their church. We are likewise grateful for his emphasis on reconciliation and ecumenical dialogue, in which our church has participated through the Anglican-Roman Catholic Theological Consultation in the United States of America.

I thank God for the life of Pope Francis, and ask you to pray for him, for all who loved him, and for our Roman Catholic siblings in Christ. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.
— Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe

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May	2	Sally Peterson	Wyatt
May	2	Jeri	Dunn
May	4	Scott	Cooper
May	7	Emory	Dunn
May	13	Whitney	Carnes
May	16	Caroline	Leggett
May	17	Garry	Jones
May	21	Ellen Vaughn	Parker
May	22	George	Trudell
May	24	Rev. Linda	Pineo
May	30	Mari Shirley	Ernstsen



Evangelism Committee meeting Friday, May 9 12:30 at Dubs, 349 S Wall St, Calhoun. The "Golden Rule" of evangelism: Jesus said, "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them" (Matthew 7:12).

COVER TO COVER

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, May 19. THE FROZEN RIVER by Ariel Lawhon. "... a gripping historical mystery inspired by the life and diary of Martha Ballard, a renowned 18th-century midwife who defied the legal system and wrote herself into American history." All are invited to join us for great reads and good conversation! Contact Roberta, 678-773-5655, with any questions.

