

# ❖ ST. TIMOTHY'S PARCHMENT ❖

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Dear St. Timothy Folk,

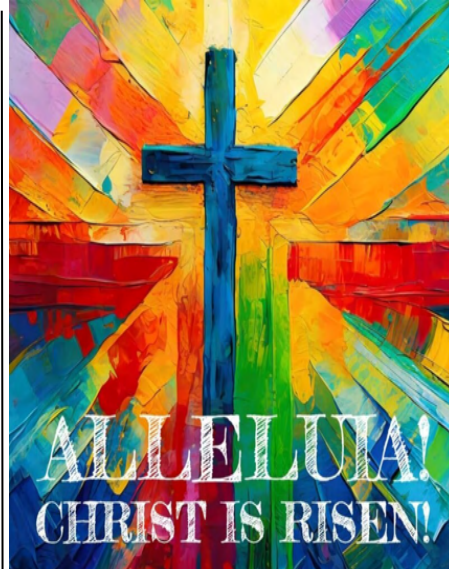
We begin April in the middle of Holy Week. Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, is **Maundy Thursday** and Eucharist will begin at **7:00 p.m.** We remember Jesus' last meal with the disciples and the institution of the Eucharist. The liturgy ends with the Stripping of the Altar, which represents the abandonment of Jesus by his disciples, his betrayal, and the stripping of his garments by Roman soldiers before the crucifixion. **Good Friday noon** we will hear again of Jesus' betrayal, trial, and crucifixion from the Gospel of John. Following that solemn service, the church will remain open for anyone wishing to follow the Stations of the Cross. Booklets will be provided for individual prayers. Walking through these stories prepares us for the wonderful good news of Easter: Christ has conquered death, and we share in his Resurrection.

Although we will not celebrate the **Easter Vigil** at St. Timothy's, Fr. John Herring has invited all of us in the Northwest Georgia Convocation to participate in the Vigil at St. Peter's in Rome on **Saturday at 9:00 p.m.** The Easter Vigil is one of the most ancient liturgies of the Church. We will celebrate **Easter**, the Resurrection of Christ, on Sunday morning at **11:00 a.m.** You are invited to bring flowers for the cross, and bells to ring! There will be no Sunday School. Our annual Easter Brunch will follow - please sign up!

The remainder of April this year is the first half of the season of Easter, sometimes called Eastertide. On the Second Sunday of Easter, we hear John's account of Jesus appearing to the disciples on the evening of Easter Day. On the Third Sunday of Easter, we hear the report in the Gospel of Luke of Jesus encountering the disciples on the road to Emmaus. These are core stories for us about the Resurrection. The Fourth Sunday of Easter we call Good Shepherd Sunday as Jesus teaches about the role of the Shepherd.

Celebrating Eastertide invites us to make some changes in our worship. It is a very old tradition of the Church to NOT kneel during the Easter season. You may stand as you are able, or sit. God cares more about the posture of our

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**Service at 11:00**

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**  
at 7:00 p.m.

**GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY**  
at Noon  
You're invited to stay and  
**Walk the Stations of the Cross**  
Immediately following service in  
the sanctuary.  
(Self Guided)

**VIGIL** at St. Peter's in Rome  
101 E 4th Ave. Free parking in  
ramp directly across 2nd St.  
on **Saturday at 9:00 p.m.**

**EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE**  
11:00 a.m.

Bring your bells and  
flowers from your garden  
to place on cross.



## St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Vestry Summary

The vestry met on Sunday, March 22. Present were Walt Mason, Jeff Adair, Susan Skaggs, Charlie Phelps, and Rev. Linda Pineo. The meeting began with prayer.

Rev. Linda updated the vestry concerning pastoral concerns and the Vestry retreat which will be May 30. The Vestry worked with Rev. Linda to complete the Parochial Report addendum for the diocese.

Committee information was discussed.

- Communications is working on The Parchment and a new directory which will be out soon. Online signups for volunteers have been added to the website.
- Education: Youth parents will be meeting after Easter to determine how best to go forward. Rev. Linda is continuing Episcopal 101 and looking forward to possible confirmation dates.
- Evangelism is meeting on Friday the 27th at Dubs at 12:30.
- Facilities gave an update on the plumbing, which is finished. Paving and floor finishing will be the next step. Thanks to Judy and Charlie on their excellent management of this huge project.
- Crickets on the roof should be installed on the remaining chimneys. A "punch list" was developed based on parishioner requests.
- Parish Life will host an Easter Luncheon. Ham will be provided. Next meeting is after church on the 29th.
- Outreach met and made a final budget.
- Worship: Rev Linda said that Easter acolytes are set; LEMs and music aren't decided yet.

The calendar was adjusted and VPOD assignments were determined. Previous minutes were approved as was the Treasurer's Report. Next Vestry meeting date is April 19. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

hearts than the posture of our knees. We will also omit the Confession for some Sundays, as a celebration of our identity as those God has redeemed and forgiven, another ancient tradition. We will return to using the "Glory to God" or other song of praise at the beginning of the liturgy. The Sanctus bells will ring again after their Lenten silence. The sung Lord's Prayer will return to the liturgy.

Blessings to you as we approach and celebrate the season of Easter!

Rev. Linda+



**We're Proud of Our Youth!**

The 2025 Environmental Excellence Award from KEEP GEORGIA BEAUTIFUL was recently awarded to Pippa McKinney. She was also one of the two recipients of the Lynn Cobb Students of the Year for engaging peers and small businesses in youth-led sustainability initiatives.

The CHS team has won the State Championship in Literary, 1st place overall at State! Pippa McKinney won 3rd place Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking.

Gordon Central students won a total of six awards at the State Literary Competition including State Runner-Up: Harrison Hughes, Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking.



Watch for signup information to attend this luncheon

immediately following Easter service on April 5. An email announcement will be sent from Kerry Nance, our administrator, early next week. Thank you!

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 Access - PARCHMENT  
 Calendar of events  
 Rev. Linda's Letters  
 Photos archived from events and much more, Check it out!  
[www.sttimothycalhoun.org/](http://www.sttimothycalhoun.org/)

**St. Tim's Ramblers**

Ramblers will meet on April 7 in the Fellowship Hall starting at noon.

Program is undecided, so be sure to watch for emails, listen to announcements, and scan social media for updates. Attendance signup sheet is by the kitchen door. Luncheon sandwiches will be \$10 per person.

The Ramblers group is seeking new leadership. Who would be interested in being in charge of just one meeting?

**EPISCOPAL 101—will restart on April 12**

Are you new to the Episcopal Church? Have you forgotten what you learned in Confirmation class decades ago? Do you have questions about liturgy or theology or our weird words? Join us on Sunday mornings during Coffee Hour for Episcopal 101.

**WEAVER THANK YOU!**



The sewer line issue in the Fellowship hall has been handled. There are a few finishing touches needed but we thank our Facilities Committee and Weaver Plumbing for their prompt and professional assistance.

The VAC is asking St. Timothy's to donate **Ramen Noodles** each month. Thank you for



helping to fill our Little Red Wagon. Note, other food items are welcome too. Such as breakfast bars/cereals, protein bars, canned meats, etc.

**Altar Flowers** - Sign up to provide flowers for a Sunday service on calendar downstairs. Make a \$30 check out to the Flower Guild Person with your dedication instructions.



April 8	Spencer	Dunn
April 12	Louise	Purdy
April 14	Daniel	Bennett
April 16	Callie	Ensley
April 17	Rebecca	Richardson
April 21	Mike	Gunter
April 26	John	Anderson



**New online sign up sheets are available~** We want to make it easy for people who can't get downstairs, are out of town, or just remembered at home that they forgot to sign up for something. Using the link, folks can sign up for Acolytes, Altar Guild, Greeters, LEMs, Lectors, Live streaming, Usher, and Wednesday Night dinners. We will add Ramblers after the April 7 meeting.

<https://www.sttimothycalhoun.org/sunday-service-sign-ups/>

**The Communication Committee**

would like your input. Please consider and send along thoughts we can discuss. These are items we should plan to discuss and let me know of any others to include on the agenda. Items include - the completion of the church directory and distribution; learning the streaming; learning about "Cynthia" the organ; the website; Facebook, postings, etc.. Also, an invitation to participate on the committee..." share your talents" type of call." Your input would be great ... Contact Susan S, Kelly, Walt, Jess or Roberta

**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, April 20, we'll discuss



THE BRIAR CLUB by Kate Quinn. "Capturing the paranoia of the McCarthy era and evoking the changing roles for women in postwar America, *The Briar Club* is an intimate and thrilling novel of secrets and loyalty put to the test." All are invited to join! Contact Roberta, 678-773-5655, with any questions.