

### Pastor's Pen

Over the past several months we, as a congregation, have been planning and preparing and praying for God's hand to be at work in the transitions in our staff. We have been planning for what we believe God is leading us to accomplish. We have been preparing for what we hope are the next steps in the ministries we have been given. And we have been praying for God's will to be accomplished in and through the people selected to fill each of the ministry positions.

It is with tremendous joy and excitement that I am able to share that God has worked through our planning, has prepared us for what he has in mind, and has answered our prayers in leading the right people to fill each of the staffing positions at St. Timothy's!

First, Pastor Brian Zaas has accepted the call to serve on our pastoral staff! He and his wife, Debi, will be arriving Clearwater, Florida, from during the first week of April. Pastor Brian's first Sunday with us will be Palm Sunday, April 9. He will be installed that day and will be preaching



Debi & Brian Zaas

his first sermon at St. Timothy's. I encourage you to be here for the beginning of Holy Week and to welcome Pastor Brian and Debi into our family of faith.



Jonna & Alek Bohigian

Second, Pastor Jonna Bohigian has also accepted a call to serve on our pastoral staff! She and husband, Alek, will be joining us during the second half of this month, sometime shortly after Easter. Since this is Jonna's first call into the ministry, we are in the process of planning her ordination service, currently scheduled for

Sunday, April 30. More detail about her start date and her ordination will be made available as plans are confirmed. For now, be praying for Pastor Jonna and Alek as they transition from the Fresno area to their new home in San Jose.

Third, we will be welcoming Anna-Marie Valles as our new Director of Junior High Ministry. She comes to us with years

of experience in youth ministry, in particular working through Youth for Christ on a number of Middle School campuses. She and her husband, Sam, will be joining us on April 17, the day after Easter. Anna-Marie will be working with as the Director of Youth Ministry.



Joe Hill, who will continue serving Anna-Marie & Sam Valles

Joe will take the lead with our High School students and will also be expanding his role to support our Sunday morning Contemporary Worship Team. An event to welcome Anna-Marie is set for Friday, April 21. Details for the event are found on the Youth page in this newsletter.

Finally, beginning in May, Elizabeth Hill will move away from her role as our Director of Discipleship into a "Family Ministry" position on our staff. Her new role will include responsibility for our St. Tim's Kids, along with a more intentionally directed ministry to families with young children. Be assured that her staffing move away from discipleship is not a congregational move away from being followers of Jesus. In contrast, as a result of Elizabeth's leadership over the past three years, we are now prepared to continue and expand our discipling focus more intentionally throughout the congregation, at all levels, including with our youngest followers of Jesus. Be praying for Elizabeth in her new role and for a ministry that will continue to support and equip parents to train their children as followers of Jesus.

Our planning and preparing and praying have not gone unnoticed. God has heard our prayers. New faces will soon be among us. New ministries and new opportunities to serve will soon begin. As a result, Christ will continue to build his Church as we answer his call to be and to make disciples.

Following and serving with you, Pastor Dan

# Adult Ed

Sunday mornings at 10:30 am Fellowship Hall

No Class on Family First Sunday (April 2) and no class on Easter (April 16).

#### April 9:

"Focus on the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus"

Bishop N.T. Wright offers a rather surprising (but not new) view of the Resurrection, and what it means for you and me today.

#### **Beginning April 23:**

A 4-week series on Bonhoeffer: His Life and Writings

What led this young, German pastor (a pacifist) to stand up against Hitler in his search for truth and discipleship?

Pastor Bonhoeffer died at the age of 39 in a concentration camp just weeks before the

Americans liberated the camps. What kind of faith led to his untimely death? And what does it mean for you and me today?

# Women's Bible Study

Wednesday mornings at 9:30—10:45 am Starting April 26 in the Fellowship Hall (Cafeteria Room)

#### "Who is this Man?" by John Ortberg

In this five session DVD study, we will learn how the Son of God has written himself into the tapestry of humanity -not only in our hearts- but through His inescapable influence on our current values, philosophies, and culture. Who is THIS Jesus? that through history has inspired the evolution of art, science, government, medicine, and education.

There will be a sign up sheet in the church office or contact Tammy Briner at (408) 887-3412 with any questions.

# **Church Library**

New Adult Books:

One Light Still Shines by Marie Monville In the startling tragedy of the Amish schoolhouse shooting at Nickel Mines, one story has never been told. The wife of the man who unleashed such horror, tells for the very first time this story of sorrow and destruction, majestic deliverance, unending compassion, breathtaking forgiveness, and grace-filled redemption. (Classification 815)

## Between Heaven & Hollywood

by David A. R. White, actor and producer of the movie "GOD'S NOT DEAD." (You can also find his movie in our DVD section!) (Classification 815)

#### Recommended:

Adult Ed will begin a series on <u>Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy</u>, by Eric Metaxas, on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Find this and other books about Bonhoeffer in the library. Look for the shelf labeled "Bonhoeffer" under the checkout/book returns area!

- ◆The Cost of Discipleship
- ♦ Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy
- ◆ Life Together
- ♦ Letters and Papers from Prison
- ♦ Psalms: Prayer Book of the Bible
- ◆ Ethics

## Youth & Children's Books

Eggs, ashes, palm branches, the cross... Lent, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Good Friday..

What's it all about?

They're not just symbols and dates on the calendar.

They're promises!
Find lots of resources in the children's area to help your family understand and celebrate that Jesus has risen!



Need help finding a book or DVD to help you Know, Grow, Go?

Librarians are available in the church library Sunday mornings, fill out a request form in the library, or...

Carolee Crane (books for adults) – lantana.woman@gmail.com
Rebecca Sayuk (books for youth/children & DVDs) rsayuk@gmail.com

# Silicon Valley Discipleship Walk for Water April 30, 2017

**April 29, 2017** 

Register at siliconvalleywalk.org

During the approximately 4-mile walk, participants carry a bucket of water to symbolize the trek that women and children make each day to collect water in developing countries.

## Here's How You Can Help

Pray A Register to Walk Become a Team Captain

Join a Team Donate Become a Sponsor

Volunteer Spread the Word



# Boarding School in Ranchi, India

A project with the Ekka's

Good news! The matching funds that our Congregation approved last year has provided a useful tool in the fund-raising for this school. St. Timothy's provided \$50,000 in matching funds. At the end of March, they were just \$15,000 shy of reaching the matching fund goal, with very real hope that they can meet our Easter deadline. Our Leadership Team has approved an extension of this deadline, to make this tool as productive as possible.

Pastor Neeraj writes: "The matching fund of St. Timothy has been a wonderful incentive for churches to join in this ministry. We are very hopeful as many of these churches are working to share this in their congregations to keep the excitement and involvement in this ministry strong. Besides we are sharing this with individuals also and many of them are excited to support orphan and poor children like Angelina. We are visiting at least 8 to 10 more churches in the coming months. We are excited about these visits. "

Thank you for your support! The fund comes out of benevolence funds set aside for projects like these, that will go a long ways in meeting real needs and offering opportunities for the Gospel to shed its light.

## **NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY**

It's been 5 years since our last photo directory. We are once again teaming with Lifetouch to bring us our 2017 edition! Our goal is to have every family photographed. Each family that participates receives a complimentary 8x10 and a free directory. You also will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits.

Portrait dates are:

May 4-7 (Thu-Sun)

May 10-13 (Wed-Sat)

June 1-4 (Thu-Sun)

Sign-ups START THIS MONTH! We will also be looking for people to help with photography check-in. Look for updates in emails and in the Sunday bulletins.



# Monthly Lunch Bunch

# Thursday, April 27 at 12:00 noon A wonderful Lunch Out at the Mandarin Gourmet Restaurant

Reservations at \$19 per person are required for this event, so call Betsy Grandey at (408) 629-6093 or Betty Rhodes at (408) 628-4799 by April 23. Monthly Lunch Bunch is a fellowship group open to ALL. Always a social time with visitors and members of St. Tim's. This month is a very special lunch at a local Chinese eatery. Enjoy family-style Chinese fare in an elegant dining room with white tablecloths and colorful wall murals. We welcome new attendees. Join us, you will like it.

# West Side Saints

Saturday, May 6 – 1:00 p.m.

At the home of Virginia Frank
Please bring a salad to share
Bread, drinks and dessert will be provided

Our lunch will be followed by a time of sharing travel pictures – please email five (5) of your most interesting travel pictures to Bill Mowson by Sunday, April 30. No computer? Just give your pictures to Bill at church or mail them to him!

Please RSVP to Betsy Grandey by Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 408-629-6093 or egrandey@yahoo.com

# FISH Update

We are currently working with partner churches to extend our clientele, working through local schools, community centers, urgent care centers, mobile home parks, senior centers, social workers and hospitals to get the word out. If you have contacts in any of these places, please let us know! You can always contribute to FISH. Bring food to the FISH room at Carter after services, or leave food in the bin outside the room.

And volunteers are always welcome!

Contact BJ Bushur at fishpantryvolunteer@gmail.com

# Lydia Book Club

Lydia Book Club meets the 2nd Thursday of the month (except this April it will be 2nd Wednesday) at 6:30 pm. Members take turns hosting at their home and serve dinner. Books are chosen by the club at the December meeting for the whole year. If you are interested in joining this women's group, contact Wendy Brukwinski at 408-266-9641 or wendybrukwinski@aol.com

# Thanks from Pastor Judy

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

So Paul wrote to the Philippian church, and it is also a perfect expression of my thanks to you as I close out 10 years of ministry in your midst. You have welcomed me, taken me into your hearts, and honored me as your pastor. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I know you will welcome and love your new pastors in the same way. Give them every opportunity to shepherd the flock that is St Timothy's. I will join you in doing so, and look forward to continued ministry among you – but in a different role. God is good. He will finish the work he has started among us. I have every confidence in him.

Join St. Timothy's Christian Academy for Dinner and a Good Book
Thursday, April 6th

# BARNES & NOBLE



Grab a bite to eat at Blaze Pizza 5:00-9:00 pm (flyers available in church entryway)

# **THEN**

Come on down to Barnes & Noble while some of our Alumni read stories back in the Picture Book area. Great time to mingle with our St. Tim's Families.

# KIDS ARE INVITED TO WEAR COMFY P.J.'S. STORYTIME BEGINS @ 7 PM

SP.S. If you can't make it, you can order online at BN.com/bookfairs to support our school.



St. Timothy's FAMILY EASTER EVENT

Saturday, April 15 10:00 am

Join us for the Easter story, Worship, Crafts, a Photo Booth, and an Easter Egg Hunt!

Bring your parents and a basket to St. Timothy's Fellowship Hall.

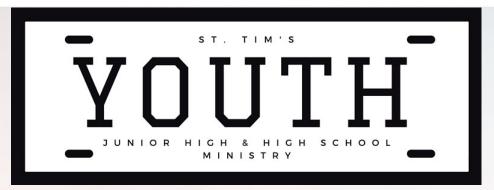
Friends are always welcome!

VBS - June 19-23 9am-noon Preschool 3's - 6th Grade \$85



REGISTER AT STLCSJ.ORG/VBS

Crew Leader registration coming soon!



# Introducing... Anna-Marie Valles! Our New JUNIOR HIGH DIRECTOR

Anna-Marie is a bay area native. She began her faith journey at a tender age of 9. At 12, sitting in chapel at her Christian school, she felt called to pursue full time ministry. Anna-Marie Valles comes to us with 27 years of experience in youth ministry. She studied Social Work at both Pacific Christian College & San Jose State University.

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During the last 20 years she has worked for Youth for Christ as their Ministry Director, establishing outreach clubs in the public schools. Her programs minister to over 500 students weekly. She is regularly called as a guest speaker for camps and church events to share her unique perspective on sharing the Gospel with young people in this day and age.

Anna-Marie enjoys attending Golden State Warrior basketball games, reading, and spending time with her husband, Sam. She & Sam have an English bulldog named Melvin.

Come for a Meet & Greet Event on Friday, April 21st, 7:00-8:30 pm in the Carter Great Room. There will be snacks, some fun for the whole family, and a chance to hear from Anna-Marie, ask questions and get to know our new Director of Junior High Ministry!

This event is for students and parents—bring the whole family!

# -EVENTS THIS MONTH-

# CORNERSTONE

**MINISTRY** 

NOR INIGH HIGH SCHOOL DAYS SUNDAYS O AM 7:00-8:30 PM OUTH @ YOUTH OUSE. HOUSE.

# Walk for Water, 2017

April 29th!
8:30am-12:30pm

Lunch is provided
Sign-Up for the St. Tim's Youth Team!

All-Youth Event!

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Join the Prayer Group on St. Tim's Connect for up-to-date prayer requests. To add or renew a prayer request call 408-264-3858 or email info@stlcsj.org.

Dee Abeloe

Dale & Vera Frase

**Reid Mosher** 

Gary & Karin Mallet-Boegner

Aaron, Jennifer, Justin, Jerry, Teresa & Natalie

Ramiro (friend of Bob Couper)

Cyndi Beeson (friend of Karen Ries)

Lisa Boegner (niece of Karin Boegner)

The Fareles Family (friend of Chris Brewer)

Kathy Fricke (aunt of BJ Bushur)

Pastor Gary Gould

Bill and Carol Jenkins

John Sanford (relative of Lynn Canatan)

Cruz Vasquez and his family (friends of Steve Hill)

Joanie Warwick (friend of Betsy Beech)



	General	Building
OFFERINGS to date	\$213,775	\$39,299
SPENDING to date	\$233,053	\$28,821
Excess/(Shortfall)	\$(19,278)	\$10,478

	Capital Campaign	
OFFERINGS to date	\$65,052	

#### **NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

All articles need to be emailed by April 18. Email to: beth.tkacheff@stlcsj.org

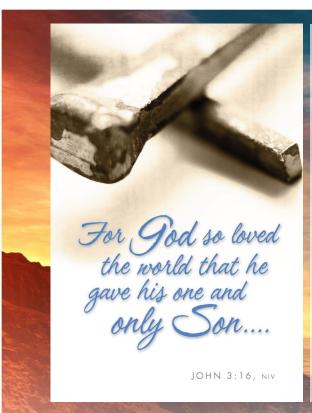
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11:45a Mexico Meeting		Team	Bible Study	Rehearsal		
<b>7p</b> H.S. "Cornerstone"						



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#### **HOLY WEEK**

April 13- Maundy Thursday Worship at 7:00 pm in sanctuary.

April 14- Good Friday Worship at 7:00 pm in sanctuary.

#### **FAMILY EASTER EVENT**

Saturday, April 15- Join us for the Easter Story, worship, crafts, a photo booth, and an Easter egg hunt. Begins at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Don't forget your basket!

#### **EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16**

Easter services are 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 am. 8:00 and 9:30 are traditional. 11:00 is contemporary.

Easter Breakfast in support of our Mexico Mission Team will be 8:30 am to 11:00 am. Freewill donation. Each house costs \$1850 to build. This year we are building at least 6 houses.