

Pastor's Pen

Dear Friends at St. Timothy's,

Welcome to 2019! For some of us, this year couldn't come quickly enough. We walked, trudged, and crawled our way to the end of 2018, and we've made it to the beginning of another new year.

It's interesting how nothing has really changed. January 1st is just another day, and yet for many of us, so much has changed. We can put 2018 behind us, and move forward into the future.

We often think of the future as in front of us, the horizon ahead, with all manner of possibilities available to us. Anything is possible; we can almost touch it and smell it! The future is in front of us and the past is behind us.

I once heard someone share that our analogy is backward. Our past is something we can see (and hopefully with increasing clarity as the years pass). Our future is something we cannot see, but will come to see and to know as it becomes our present and our past. So, perhaps the analogy is walking backward into the future. (The Back to the Future trilogy is beginning to make more sense!)

We are walking backward into an unknown future. We do not know what awaits us, but we walk faithfully nonetheless. We do not know the particulars, but we *do* know that we don't walk alone. We walk with one another and we walk with God. The promise Moses made to Israel in Deuteronomy 31:6 is a promise we can claim: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you." You are not alone. We are not alone.

I want to thank you for walking faithfully with us in 2018. 2019 will not always be easy or the way clear, but we will do our best to be faithful to respond to where God is leading us and walk with one another in love.

May God bless you with His presence this year, as we walk backward together in the journey ahead!

Pastor Jonna



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Junior High Winter Camp February 1st-3rd, Cost- \$225 **High School Winter Camp** February 22nd-24th Cost- \$230 Space is limited so sign up fast!

St. Timothy's Lunch Bunch Program Thursday, January 24th, 2019 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall

The Sizzling Seniors group of dedicated, enthusiastic and dynamic women and men will present their program of aerobic and conditioning exercises - WITH MUSIC. Their desire is to motivate everyone to exercise (no matter the age) and have a good time doing it!

Lunch is provided by the Board and includes Soup, Salad, and Rolls. Drinks and dessert always included. Cost is \$7.00.

Reservations are preferred for this event, so please call Betsy Grandey at (408) 629-6093 or Betty Rhodes at (408) 628-4799. If you prefer your own food for lunch, that is OK and there is no charge. Just come for this special musical inspired activity! Lunch Bunch is a fellowship group open to ALL. New attendees are always welcome.



....that the "Quilters & Cut-Ups" made over 200 quilts last year? These quilts were then distributed to those in need. The group meets twice a month on Wednesday mornings. If you are interested in being a part of this wonderful group of ladies, please contact Paula Wright at paulawrightd8@gmail.com



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.



	General	Building
OFFERINGS to date	\$853,741	\$133,031
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*Numbers are through December 16th. Final 2018 Financial Report will be in the annual report available January 20, 2019.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

All articles need to be emailed by January 22. Email to: beth.tkacheff@stlcsj.org

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 10 AM WORSHIP	31 Church Office Closed	1 <i>Church Office Closed</i> 6:30a Men's Breakfast	2	3 12:30p Naomi Circle	4	5
6 8:30 & 11 AM WORSHIP 9:45a Middle Hour 12:15p Alpha Training	7 7a Prayer Group		9 9:30a MOPS 6p Jr High Cornerstone	10 6:30p Lydia Book Club 7p Chancel Choir	11 9:30a Pins and Needles	12
13 8:30 & 11 AM WORSHIP 9:45a Middle Hour	14 7a Prayer Group 7p Leadership Council	Breakfast	16 9a Quilters and Cut-ups 6p Jr High Cornerstone	17 7p Chancel Choir	18 9:30a Pins and Needles	19
20 8:30 & 11 AM WORSHIP 9:45a Middle Hour	21 MLK, Jr. Holiday-Church Office Closed	22 Newsletter Deadline 6:30a Men's Breakfast 7p H.S. Cornerstone	23 6p Jr High Cornerstone	24 12:00p Lunch Bunch 7p Chancel Choir	25 9:30a Pins and Needles 7p Jr. High Scavenger Hunt	26
27 8:30 & 11 AM WORSHIP 9:45a Middle Hour 12:30p Annual Meeting	28 7a Prayer Group	6:30a Men's	30 9a Newsletter Team 6p Jr High Cornerstone	31 7p Chancel Choir	1 9:30a Pins and Needles	2

Geoff Schuller

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The family of Michael Campbell, nephew the Mazzuccos Monica, friend of Lorraine and Del Crawford Debra Mandanici

Melanie Meyer, friend of Marla Kramer

The family of Deryk Ulmer, cousin of Marla Kramer Jim and Sharon, relatives of Marsha Wells



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Annual Congregational Meeting January 27 at 12:30 pm Fellowship Hall Come early for lunch and childcare is provided



If you would like to lead an Alpha Group, plan on joining the Alpha Training on January 6th at 12:15.

At this meeting, Alpha Group trainer and coordinator, Rie Collett from Menlo Saratoga, will be providing training tools, tips, and advice on how to lead an Alpha Group of your own.