



Good News

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH | SEPTEMBER 2021

Pastor's Pen

This fall our Sunday morning schedule will continue to offer two worship services with our Traditional Service at 9 am and our Contemporary Service at 11 am.

We will be placing renewed emphasis on the 10 o'clock hour as our Friendship/Fellowship Hour. Please plan to be here during the 10 o'clock hour to meet new friends and renew ongoing friendships. There will be coffee and treats and an opportunity to encourage one another in this wonderful faith family. There will be a special emphasis for our young people to gather for fellowship as part of our Friendship/Fellowship hour at 10am each Sunday. (Think: Food, Fun, and Fellowship)

Young people are important to us at St. Timothy's. We understand the calling of Jesus upon us to love and nurture our children and youth in their relationship with Christ. I am so grateful to Tony and Leslie Mazzucco for stepping up to lead our children during this interim period while we search for our new Director of Children and Family Ministry. This fall, our children will be checked in as their families arrive at the 9 am worship service. The opening of this service will be family friendly and transition the children to their Sunday School classes after the children's message. After worship, children will be picked up by their parents from their classrooms.

I am excited to announce that our youth ministry hiring team has affirmed Anna-Marie Valles as our Director of Youth Ministries (leading our Middle School, High School, and Young Adult Ministries). Anna-Marie has demonstrated in abundance deep love for Jesus, and skill and experience in youth leadership. The plans are moving forward and great things are already happening.

In the coming weeks, we will bring our draft of a plan for Confirmation ministry to a meeting with the Confirmation families. The current idea includes regular participation in youth group plus several Confirmation Retreats to provide a strong opportunity for the faith development and a clear understanding of our Lutheran Christianity for our middle school students.

The youth ministry hiring team will now move forward to find an additional staff person to support this ministry with emphasis on discipling our high school guys and facilitating our College/Young Adult Ministry.

Grateful to be on this journey with you,

Pastor Jim Cords



Get Connected

Have questions about how to get involved at St. Timothy's?

Contact **Gabe Tseng**, Director of Discipleship and Connections

(gabriel.tseng@stlcsj.org)

MEMBERSHIP CLASS Sunday, September 19 12pm Lunch included

If you are curious about what membership at St. Timothy's entails, we'd love to share a meal with you to hear stories and discuss possible next steps. You'll have a chance to hear where God is leading us and prayerfully consider how we might move from strangers to neighbors to friends to family.

Contact Gabe if you would like to attend. We look forward to getting to know you better!



We are beginning our Grow Group season the week of September 12! If you are interested, or are wondering how you can serve as a leader in a group, we are having our last group training kickoff September 12 @12pm (lunch included). Please email Gabe if you are interested. Otherwise, you can find pertinent group information and meeting times on our group website here

<https://www.stlcsj.org/get-involved/grow-groups/>



St. Timothy's MOPS is registering moms for Fall 2021!

All moms are invited to join us as we seek to live life ALL FOR LOVE!

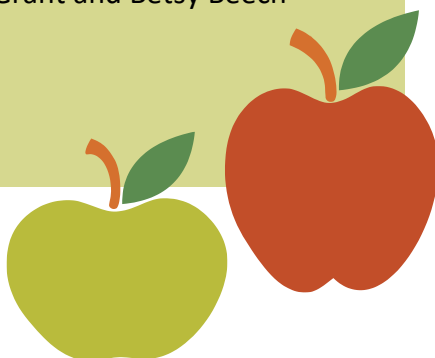
Coming this Fall - MOPS and MomsNext!

We are a group of moms who support each other through the joys and challenges of motherhood. We encourage moms through resources, speakers, mentorship, and friendship - all pertinent to our roles as mothers, wives, and women.

Are you pregnant? Do you have toddlers, preschoolers, or school-age kids? We'd love to have you join this awesome cohort of women! **FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER, VISIT www.stlcsj.org/mops**

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.

Del Crawford
 Alexander Filor
 Anita Haugh
 Carol Mitri
 Jeanine Weissahn
 Sarah, granddaughter of Bette Jorgensen
 Austin family
 Joyce Browne, mother of Katy Stamos
 Carrillo family, friends of the Stamos family
 Katherine Clarke and her dog, Joy
 Jack Cords, brother of Jim Cords
 Nathan Holden, brother-in-law of Juli Buccellato
 Jacob Zubillaga, friend of the Stamos family
 The family of Jim Welsh,
 friend of Grant and Betsy Beech



BUDGET REPORT



	General	Building
OFFERINGS to date	\$637,003	\$104,805
SPENDING to date	\$764,708	\$50,943
Excess/(Shortfall)	(\$127,705)	\$53,862

	Capital Campaign
OFFERINGS to date	\$169,161

**NEXT NEWSLETTER IS OUR
OCTOBER EDITION.**

Newsletter deadline is September 22.

Email articles to info@stlcsj.org

SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

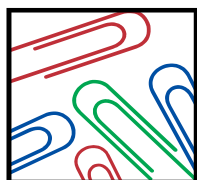
9 AM Traditional

11 AM Contemporary

Current COVID guidelines: Mask required indoors for those over the age of 2. Outdoors- no mask required.

ONLINE WORSHIP

Videos are live recorded at both morning worship services. Recordings will be available in the afternoon on our website: stlcsj.org/watch



Office Hours

**MONDAY-THURSDAY
9 AM TO 1 PM**

Not all staff have regular hours, so it's best to schedule an appointment with them. You can find the updated list of staff emails on the staff website page:

stlcsj.org/staff

Ministry Partner Update

Each month, we will highlight updates from our domestic and global ministry partners. Many of these partnerships have been formed through congregational involvement and relationships, and are financially supported through the annual benevolences of St. Timothy's Lutheran Church.

Central Pacific Mission District Seminary Student Scholarship

One of the concerns we are facing in the North American Lutheran Church is the dual reality of an increasing age of pastors and a decline of new pastors entering the ministry. Sadly, this reality is the experience of many denominations in the United States. But as a denomination, we believe that God is continuing to call men and women to serve Christ's church as pastors, and it is the church's responsibility to encourage young men and women into the ministry.

St. Timothy's is one of seven in a cluster of NALC churches, called the Central Pacific Mission District. As a mission district, we have felt called to take action by way of providing scholarships to seminarians. (The cost of seminary can be quite expensive and at times prove to be a barrier for pastoral candidates.)

Each year, churches with our mission district set aside benevolence monies to be directed toward a scholarship. This year, we were honored to award a scholarship to Ramiel Shamwel, attending the North American Lutheran Seminary. Because of the generous contributions of our congregations, we were able to award a scholarship to fund Ramiel's entire 2021 – 2022 school year! In a word of thanks, Ramiel recorded a video that you can view here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/14j7u4eRYgG8o8mhjO7u-Bjrl1A5Dtqh8/view?usp=sharing> Our mission district's goal is to continue to extend future seminarians similar support, to remove barriers and encourage more men and women to shepherd the people of God!

North American Lutheran Seminary

Another way in which we support future pastors and church leaders is through our annual benevolence to our denomination's seminary, the North American Lutheran Seminary. The NALS' mission is to form pastors and church leaders for the North American Lutheran Church who will faithfully preach, teach, and live God's eternal truth, through Word and Sacrament, proclaiming Christ's cross and resurrection, making disciples who will renew and grow the church in Christ's name.

The NALS is an interdependent network of five seminaries across North America. These include: Trinity School for Ministry (Administrative Center), Ambridge, PA; Beeson Divinity School, Birmingham, AL; Sioux Falls Seminary, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Concordia Theological Seminary, Edmonton, Canada; and Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA and Houston, TX.

Two goals of the NALS governing body (NALC Board of Regents), are to identify and train 300 well-qualified clergy within the next decade, and to establish a solid and sustainable financial structure for the seminary network.

It is a privilege to support the next generation of pastors and leaders in Christ's church! To God be the glory!

NEW BIBLE STUDY STARTING

Pastor Jim will be teaching "Explore the Bible: Philippians." This will be a 5 week class offered at two different times each week:



Wednesday mornings at 10:30 am in Room B2

Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm in Room B3

Starts September 8 and 9. There will be participant guides available.

NAOMI CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

We are starting a Bible Study entitled,
"What is the Gospel?"

Thursday, September 2 at 12:30 pm.

Fireside Room at Carter

Masks are required for everyone We invite any women who wants to grow in the knowledge of God to join us.

For questions call Mickey Miller at 408-371-5789 or email to mickey1970@comcast.net.



Del & Lorraine Crawford would like to thank everyone for your prayers, cards and concern. Del is doing fine after his surgery for adhesions.

St. Tim's Lunch Bunch Returns!

**Thursday, September 23
at 12:00 noon
in Fellowship Hall**

Sandwiches, beverages with dessert for only \$10. An interesting program is being planned. Please call Betsy Grandey at (408) 439-4587 or Betty Rhodes at (408) 628-4799 for info and to check in.

If you prefer your own food for lunch, that is OK and there is no charge. Just come!

Monthly Lunch Bunch is a fellowship group open to ALL. New attendees always welcome.



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St. Timothy's 24th Annual Golf Tournament

**Saturday, October 9 @ 10:00 am
\$80 per person
Los Lagos Golf Course**

BYOL (bring your own lunch) or order yours at the turn.

4 member Scramble Format. Only 28 spots so sign up early! Sign-up as a group or as an individual on Sunday after worship services.



- ST. TIM'S -

YOUTH

- MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY -

CORNER STONE

MIDDLE AND
HIGH SCHOOL

WEDNESDAYS
6-8 PM
YOUTH HOUSE

We start together with dinner and worship then break off into our respective small groups. We end the night with a game. The Youth House will be open every week after Cornerstone until 8:30 pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS-SAVE THE DATE!

September 22 Lisa's Baby Shower

6-8 pm in Carter Building.

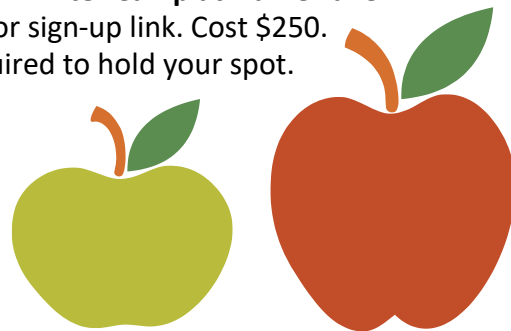
Come celebrate adult volunteer, Lisa, with games and dinner including stroller races! Bring your favorite children's storybook to help build a library for baby boy Neuhaus. She is registered on babylist. See email from Anna-Marie for details.

October 29: Halloween Party

More details coming by email and the October newsletter.

March 4-6, 2022: Winter Camp at Hume Lake

See your email for sign-up link. Cost \$250.
\$25 deposit required to hold your spot.



Contact Anna-Marie if you have any
questions about Youth Ministry!

Anna-Marie Valles
annamarie.valles@stlcsj.org

Check us out on Instagram



[@sttims_youth](https://www.instagram.com/sttims_youth)



We are very excited to announce that we will be starting up our St. Tim's Kids Sunday School classes again for Pre-K through 5th graders beginning September 19 in the Bldg D classrooms! We will be holding the classes with a team of both new and returning teachers who are eager to share God's Love and His Word with your children. Please be

assured that we will be following all Safe Church and School Child Safety Guidelines as well as the COVID protocols. There will be an Open House on Sunday, September 12, between services from 10 am to 11 am, for you and your children to meet their classmates and teachers.

Beginning September 19, St. Tim's Kids classes will occur at the same time as the first service, starting at 9:00 am. The children will be checked-in in front of the sanctuary as they arrive for worship, and initially join their parents for the first 10-15 minutes of worship. Following the children's message, they will then be released to their teachers who will take them to their classrooms for their lesson. Children will be picked up at 10:10 am by their parents after the first service completes. For parents who attend the second service, their children may be signed in and dropped off at 9:10 am in the front of the sanctuary, where they will join their class as they exit from the church.

This year, we will be teaching from the "What's in the Bible - Wonder-Blimp of Knowledge" curriculum, created by Phil Vischer (of Veggie Tales). This wonderful curriculum teaches valuable lessons straight from the Bible through the use of fun videos, games and activities for children of all ages (adults too!) An email has been sent with more information to St. Tim's families with school-age children.

We are thankful to God for giving us this opportunity to share this ministry with your children! We hope you will join us! All are welcome! Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Blessings to you and your families,
Tony & Leslie Mazzucco
and the entire St. Tim's Kids Ministry Team
email: TLCA@sbcglobal.net





St. Timothy's Christian Preschool

Thank You St. Timothy's!!

For all who came out and helped on our school work day...moving tanbark, disposing of junk, digging dirt, and cleaning, cleaning and MORE cleaning! You helped us prepare the campus for all the smiles you see below plus many more. We thank God for YOU!

