



# Good News

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH | APRIL 2022

## Pastor's Pen

We have moved from winter into spring and the move from Lent to Easter is upon us. It is a movement from sin and death to forgiveness and new life. It is a movement from cold to warmth and from darkness into light. It is a movement from admission of our own weakness and shortcomings to the resurrection power of God and that power at work in our lives.

We are launching a new ministry following Easter. It is called GriefShare. It too is a movement from darkness to light, and from death to life. At the end of last spring, we had a worship series called "Out of Hibernation." It was intended to speak to the movement from the social distancing of the pandemic back into the connections of family and friendships. We long for the ability to reconnect with one another especially for the sense of belonging and connection that could bring comfort and strength to heal from the struggle and pain of the last couple of years.

I see this happening but I think we all hoped it would come more quickly. In the impatience and struggle of life that the people of Israel endured during the years in the wilderness, they often longed to go back to Egypt. And even in their sin and faithlessness, God propelled them forward into the promise. It was not an easy journey, yet God proved faithful.

As we move into the season of Easter and are renewed in God's resurrection power, we too will see and can anticipate God's faithfulness. God works to reconcile. God works to bring us together as his children both for our sake and for the sake of the world. I pray that you will see His mighty hand at work in your life and relationships and at work in our congregation. I pray that you will sense God's calling to engage with your gifts and love so that the connections so deeply needed will be strengthened and new relationships will be experienced with joy and purpose.

Our journey together in worship will continue to grow out of the daily Bible reading focus: "Hearing God's Voice." During the weeks of Easter, we will look deep into the values of the God we worship and who has redeemed us in Christ Jesus. This will be a series on the Kingdom of God as preached and lived out in the life of our Savior and Lord.

It is with great joy that we anticipate the wonder of what God will do in and through us. It is wonderful to walk this journey as part of this community of God's faithful people at St. Tim's.

Together in Christ,  
Pastor Jim Cords



To add or renew a prayer request  
call 408-264-3858 or email  
[info@stlcsj.org](mailto:info@stlcsj.org).

Shirley Baring  
Betsy Beech  
Grace Fritzen  
Carol Mitri  
Gil Woodman  
Angel and Mike, friends of Bill Mowson  
John, brother of Julie Altomare  
Julie, friend of Bill Mowson  
Rick, brother of Renee Fovell  
Robin and Paul, sister and brother-in-law of Renee Fovell  
Chung Wong, father of Lori Lippi  
Mim Nellermoe  
Timothy Owen, son of Betsy Beech  
Larry Quayle, father of Barton Quayle  
Lee Ruud, brother of Marilyn Cords

# BUDGET REPORT



	General	Building
<b>OFFERINGS to date</b>	<b>\$237,072</b>	<b>\$37,301</b>
<b>SPENDING to date</b>	<b>\$317,133</b>	<b>\$24,840</b>
<b>Excess/(Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$80,061)</b>	<b>\$12,461</b>

	Capital Campaign
<b>OFFERINGS to date</b>	<b>\$73,791</b>

## WAYS TO GIVE

1. Mail your offering to church or drop it off in the locked offering box in the sanctuary. If you don't have offering envelopes, be sure to indicate in the memo line which fund(s).
2. Give online on our safe and secure website  
<https://www.stlcsj.org/giving/>

# HOLY WEEK AND EASTER



## Palm Sunday

**April 10:** 9 am (traditional) & 11 am (contemporary)



## Maundy Thursday

**April 14:** 6:30 pm in the sanctuary



## Good Friday

**April 15:** 12 noon and 6:30 pm in the sanctuary



## Easter Sunday

**April 17:** 8 am (traditional), 9:30 am (traditional) & 11 am (contemporary)

*Note: Easter worship services will be recorded and be available in the afternoon.*



**10:30 am Children's Easter Egg Hunt (right after the 9:30 service).  
Meet on the Front Lawn.**

## SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

**9 AM Traditional 11 AM Contemporary**

*Current COVID guidelines:*

Face masks are no longer required but the County strongly recommends face masks indoors.

## ONLINE WORSHIP

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



Grieving... but not alone.

This has been a rough 2 years. Covid has not only taken many loved ones from us, it has restricted our movements and reduced our contacts with one another. For those grieving the loss of a family member or friend, Covid has compounded their losses.

So, it is time for St Timothy's to begin a Grief Support Group. We are reaching out in a more focused way to those who are grieving – in particular, those grieving a person lost to death – not just from Covid, but from all causes. This may be a loss that has occurred anytime over the past 2 years or even 20 years. If you are still grieving, you are welcome.

Our Support Group will be using a program called GriefShare, which combines 3 components: a video, small group conversation, and a private journal (called a workbook). It comes highly recommended, and we are pleased to be part of it. It's a 13-week course, in person, beginning April 21 (just after Easter). An evening course is being planned for the fall.

Members and non-members alike are welcome. Tell your friends! We want to do as God has called us to do: to care for one another, bearing one another's burdens.

You do not have to walk this journey alone. You have friends who will walk with you. More importantly, God walks with you. "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me." (Psalm 23)

The Grief Support Team: Pastor Judy, Michelle Regoli, Alan Pintacura, Betsy Beech, Sharon Zuberbier.

**Thursday mornings, 10 am – 12 noon, beginning April 21, 2022**

**At church, room B1 (the old Music Room)**

**Suggested donation for workbook: \$20**

**Sign up after church or by phone: Pastor Judy, (408) 723-2433; or Michelle Regoli, (408) 398-0085**

## **SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

**APRIL 24 @ 12:15 pm**

The meeting will start right after the 11 am worship in the sanctuary. The sole purpose of this meeting is to elect a Call Team to search for our next associate pastor. We will have a list of 10 to 12 people on the ballot. The top 7 people will serve on the committee.

**We need to have a quorum of 50 members to conduct the meeting.**

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## **INFORMATION MEETING**

**APRIL 23 @ 1:00 pm**

This meeting will be led by Central Pacific District Dean, Taylor Stempniak. She will go through the call process and what to expect. You will be able to have any questions you may have answered at the meeting.



## **St. Timothy's Lunch Bunch**

**Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 12:00 Noon**

**Effie's Restaurant**

**331 W Hacienda Ave, Just off Winchester**

**A Wonderful Lunch Out**

Each attendee will pay their own meal check, so NO upfront charge for this annual "eat-out" event.

Menu for Effie's Restaurant features extensive choices of "Breakfast" dishes at \$15-\$20. Some at a bit less.

Eggs, Skillets, Omelets, Pancakes, Cereal and Breads, Belgian Waffles, French Toast ..... all are available.

Reservations are required, so please call Betsy Grande at (408) 629-6093 or Betty Rhodes at (408) 628-4799.

Monthly Lunch Bunch is a fellowship group open to ALL. Always a social time with visitors and members of St. Tim's.



## Daily Bible Reading with S.O.A.P.

S.O.A.P. is an acronym for  
**S**cripture-**O**bservation-**A**pplication-**P**rayer.  
 All that is needed is a Bible, writing instrument,  
 and paper.

## April Readings

F 1- Judges 11,12; Psalm 50; 2 Corinthians 1  
 Sa 2- Judges 13–16; 2 Corinthians 2  
 Su 3- Judges 17,18; Psalm 89; 2 Corinthians 3  
 M 4- Judges 19–21; 2 Corinthians 4  
 Tu 5- Ruth 1,2; Psalms 53,61; 2 Corinthians 5  
 W 6- Ruth 3,4; Psalms 64,65; 2 Corinthians 6  
 Th 7- 1 Samuel 1,2; Psalm 66; 2 Corinthians 7  
 F 8- 1 Samuel 3–5; Psalm 77; 2 Corinthians 8  
 Sa 9- 1 Samuel 6,7; Psalm 72; 2 Corinthians 9  
 Su 10- 1 Samuel 8–10; 2 Corinthians 10  
 M 11- 1 Samuel 11,12; 1 Chronicles 1; 2 Corinthians 11  
 Tu 12- 1 Samuel 13; 1 Chronicles 2,3; 2 Corinthians 12  
 W 13- 1 Samuel 14; 1 Chronicles 4; 2 Corinthians 13  
 Th 14- 1 Samuel 15,16; 1 Chronicles 5; Matthew 1  
 F 15- 1 Samuel 17; Psalm 9; Matthew 2  
 Sa 16- 1 Samuel 18; 1 Chronicles 6; Ps. 11; Matthew 3  
 Su 17- 1 Samuel 19; 1 Chronicles 7; Ps. 59; Matthew 4  
 M 18- 1 Samuel 20,21; Psalm 34; Matthew 5  
 Tu 19- 1 Samuel 22; Psalms 17,35; Matthew 6  
 W 20- 1 Samuel 23; Psalms 31,54; Matthew 7  
 Th 21- 1 Samuel 24; 1 Chronicles 8; Ps. 57,58; Matt. 8  
 F 22- 1 Samuel 25,26; Psalm 63; Matthew 9  
 Sa 23- 1 Samuel 27; 1 Chronicles 9; Psalm 141; Matt. 10  
 Su 24- 1 Samuel 28,29; Psalm 109; Matthew 11  
 M 25- 1 Samuel 30,31; 1 Chronicles 10; Matthew 12  
 Tu 26- 2 Samuel 1; Psalm 140; Matthew 13  
 W 27- 2 Samuel 2; 1 Chronicles 11; Psalm 142; Matt. 14  
 Th 28- 2 Samuel 3; 1 Chronicles 12; Matthew 15  
 F 29- 2 Samuel 4,5; Psalm 139; Matthew 16  
 Sa 30- 2 Samuel 6; 1 Chronicles 13; Psalm 68; Matt. 17

The care of God's people comes in a variety of forms. Here is an easy way to be involved.

## MEAL MINISTRY

One of the effective avenues St. Timothy's has established to care for one another is its Meals Ministry. Through the simple act of delivering a meal to an individual or family in need, the love of Christ is spread in a tangible and practical way. While this is not an exhaustive list, we provide meals for St. Timothy's members who are experiencing the following:

- Birth of a child
- Serious illness or surgery
- During times of crisis such as a death in the family

Volunteers provide a complete meal and deliver it to the recipient. The meal can be store bought, homemade, frozen or just about anything! The meal does not have to be fancy or gourmet. We attempt to accommodate allergies and food preferences. We strive to work out a schedule that benefits the recipient while working with the schedule of the volunteers.

## WHAT IS MY COMMITMENT?

It can be years before a request comes in, or we could get three in one month. The only commitment you are making is to receive an email when a request comes in. It will then be up to you to decide if you will be able to help at that time.

## SOUNDS GREAT! SIGN ME UP!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH MEAL MINISTRY,  
 EMAIL [BETH.TKACHEFF@STLCSJ.ORG](mailto:BETH.TKACHEFF@STLCSJ.ORG)

## HOW TO ASK FOR HELP

Any group at St. Timothy's can coordinate their own meals or other help within their own group. If there isn't any group who can provide meals or other help, then contact the church office. If you are asking for help or meals on behalf of a church member, please get their permission first before you contact the church office.

408-264-3858 or [info@stlcsj.org](mailto:info@stlcsj.org)



## Ministry Partner Update

Each month, we will highlight updates from our domestic or 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. Thank you for your continued support of the ministry in and through St. Timothy's!



Today, you'll likely use water countless times – to drink, cook, shower, brush your teeth, and more – without worrying whether the water is safe. But more than 2.2 billion people around the world lack access to clean, safe water. Every day, millions of women and children walk more than three miles to collect water that is often contaminated and makes their families sick.

Water Mission has had the honor to partner with St. Timothy's Lutheran Church since 2014. Members of St. Timothy's have prayed actively, given generously, and walked for water! Due to this effort, thousands of people in developing countries have experienced safe water for the first time. Lives have been transformed in stunning ways.

Most recently, St. Timothy's has partnered with Water Mission Peru based in Iquitos. The Amazon River provides 20% of the world's fresh water, but 90% of its inhabitants lack access to safe water. The community of San Roque is incredibly isolated. Depending on the time of year and speed of the river, it takes 10-12 hours by boat to get there from the largest city. The approximately 1,600 people that call San Roque home have never had sustainable access to safe drinking water.

With the help of our friends at St. Timothy's, Water Mission is implementing a solar-powered water system that will treat the water from the source and make it safe to drink. Water Mission's Peruvian staff are spending thousands of hours in the community partnering with the locals so that this community will have a sustainable solution.

Thank you for all that you've done to support this work. St. Timothy's is a church that's making a transformational difference in lives throughout California, Peru, and all over the world. Because of partners like you, in 2021, more than 1 million people have access to safe water. In addition, 30,000 people received sanitation solutions, such as latrines at home, in their medical facilities, or at school. More than 90,000 people are benefitting from the health and protection that comes from hygiene solutions like handwashing stations and community training. With your help, we've also served more than 265,000 survivors of 10 disasters around the world.

We love our friends at St. Timothy's and look forward to what God has in store for the future!

Photos from San Roque

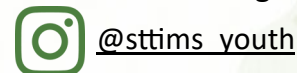


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MIDDLE SCHOOL &  
HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

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## 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.

## SCAVENGER HUNT MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL



**FRIDAY, APRIL 29  
7:00-9:00 PM  
@THE YOUTH HOUSE**



## CAMP PONDO

**JUNE 13-17**

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER

\$350



6TH-12TH GRADE

## DEEPER

**APRIL 3 & 24  
4:00-5:30 PM  
YOUTH HOUSE**

JOIN US AS WE DIG DEEPER INTO  
SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER.

## Mission Trip July 17-23

Open to those graduating 8th grade and up.

Cost \$250. Contact Scott for application (due June 1).

This summer we will be partnering with our denomination the NALC and assisting in disaster relief by going to Lake Oroville to clean up debris left by the fires.





## April 2022 Sunday School

### THE CONNECTION BETWEEN **HOPE** AND GOD'S CHARACTER, AS SHOWN THROUGH GOD'S BIG STORY

Life can sometimes feel like a giant puzzle. All we can see is the piece we're experiencing right now, and we're not sure where it fits into the greater picture that is forming. We can't always understand why some things happen to us or those we love. Yet, despite our confusion, we can have **hope**. God has kept promises throughout history. We can believe that God will continue to be with us through what we face now. Even in the toughest times, we can have **hope** because we know God is always working and can make something good out of something bad.



# VBS

## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

BIBLE LESSONS, MUSIC, GAMES, CRAFTS,  
CHECK IN, BOUNCER & MORE

Let's do it

Yes, I'm in

[CM@STLCSJ.ORG](mailto:CM@STLCSJ.ORG)



# VBS

## The best week of the summer!

JUNE 20 - 24, 2022 (9AM-12PM)



Ages: 3 yrs (potty trained) - entering 5th  
(entering 6th can choose to be an assistant crew leader or a participant)

Deadline to register is May 31



\$75

Per child

sign up online at [www.stlcsj.org/vbs/](http://www.stlcsj.org/vbs/)

Any questions or Scholarship request.

contact Shelley Ahn-Wong at [shelley.ahnwong@stlcsj.org](mailto:shelley.ahnwong@stlcsj.org)

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## STCPS April Newsletter

Happy Easter St. Timothy's from the Preschool!  
Thank you to all who participated in our MOD Pizza community event on March 17th! Here are some fun pics of our families enjoying some pizza time together!



He is not here; He has risen, just as He said.  
Come, see the place where He lay.

Matthew 28:6

