



Pastor's Pen

As we move into the Advent season we continue the joy of Thanksgiving for our pastoral leadership. It is a great joy to have Pastor Joe on board and stepping right up to his new role. And it has been a deep and rich blessing to have Pastors Jim and Judy giving such deep wisdom and compassion to and through St. Timothy's for many years. They will conclude their ministry as visitation pastors on our staff December 15. As they step back into retirement we wish them the very very best, giving God thanks for the many ways they have blessed us here at St. Tim's. We praise God for their presence in our faith community.

Advent brings a time of both penitence and hope as we remember Christ's first coming and the promise that he will come again. We live with gratitude that through Christ, by grace through faith, we are made right with God. While we continue to contemplate where and how our lives might more fully reflect the goodness of God and repent of those things we have done or left undone, we do so in the hope and promise of the one who makes us right.

Advent is also known as a time of waiting. But it is not the kind of impatient waiting we might experience when we are in a long line that does not seem to move. Advent is a time of waiting that is anticipatory and filled with the hope that the promises of God are coming to fulfillment. Advent is a time when we experience the hand of God leading us through the present trials that our circumstances often bring and into the hope and joy that is experienced when we are used as instruments of God to share his love. And this is only the foretaste of the feast to come.

During this journey of Advent and into Christmas, let us keep our hearts and eyes open to those around us who might need a listening ear and a word of encouragement and maybe even a hug to remind each other that we are together in this journey and not alone.

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." 2 Corinthians 13:14 NIV

Pastor Jim Cords





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.

Jan Duvall

Eleanor Eiserling, mother of Dawn Schattke

Adam Tucker, son of BJ Tucker

Kitty

the family of Grandma Moore.

She is the grandmother of Marsha Wells' son

BUDGET REPORT

	General	Building
OFFERINGS to date	\$942,317	\$103,815
SPENDING to date	\$1,027,275	\$73,020
Excess/(Shortfall)	(\$84,958)	\$30,795

	Capital Campaign
OFFERINGS to date	\$159,726

Offering Envelopes for 2023

are available for pick-up in the church entryway through December 18. Stop by and grab yours to help save on postage for the church.

Contact Beth if you need envelopes issued to you, can't find yours, or you no longer need envelopes.

Email: info@stlcsj.org

Phone: 408-264-3858

Pastor Jim and Marilyn
 Invite you to
**A Very Merry Christmas
 Open House**

You are invited to our home:
Saturday, December 17 from 1pm to 4 pm
17065 St. Brendan Loop, Morgan Hill

We would love to visit with you and welcome you to our home. We feel incredibly blessed to be here and a part of the St. Timothy's family!

We are setting it up as a "yummy exchange." Please bring a dozen of your favorite savory or sweet Christmas treats and take 6 others home! This way we'll enjoy a lovely variety, have fun sharing and enjoy more later!

We'll have coffee, tea, hot chocolate and cider. The children will be able to make s'mores.

We hope to see you on the 17th and please call/text Marilyn at 520-490-0505 if you have questions.

WELCOME!



Come celebrate the
birth of our Savior



Christmas Eve

3pm 5pm 7pm 9pm

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

All are traditional style with carols and candle lighting.



December Worship Schedule

- December 4-** 8:45 am Traditional
11 am Contemporary
- December 11-** 8:45 am Traditional
11 am Contemporary
4:00 pm Messy Church
- December 18-** 9 am & 11 am Cantata
- December 24-** 3, 5, 7, 9 pm Candlelight Worship
- December 25-** 10 am (one service only)
- January 1-** 10 am (one service only)

*No Middle Hour Classes Dec 18, Dec 25 & Jan 1.
Regular schedule resumes January 8.*

St. Timothy's Lunch Bunch

Thursday, December 8 at 12:00 noon
in Fellowship Hall
\$25 per person

Catered Tri-Tip Steak & Salmon,
Veggies, Salad, and Rolls
All by our Super-Chef Greg
Drinks and Dessert too!

The singing group "Zingers" will provide a selection of Christmas songs.

Reservations are required for this special event, so please call Betsy Grandey at (408) 629-6093 or Betty Rhodes at (408) 628-4799. Each lunch attendee must pay by Sunday, December 4. Checks are payable to St. Timothy's Lutheran Church and can be given to Alan or Betsy at church (or mailed).

If you prefer your own food for lunch, that is OK and there is no charge. Please RSVP so the appropriate amount of tables and chairs are set-up!

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

Cantata

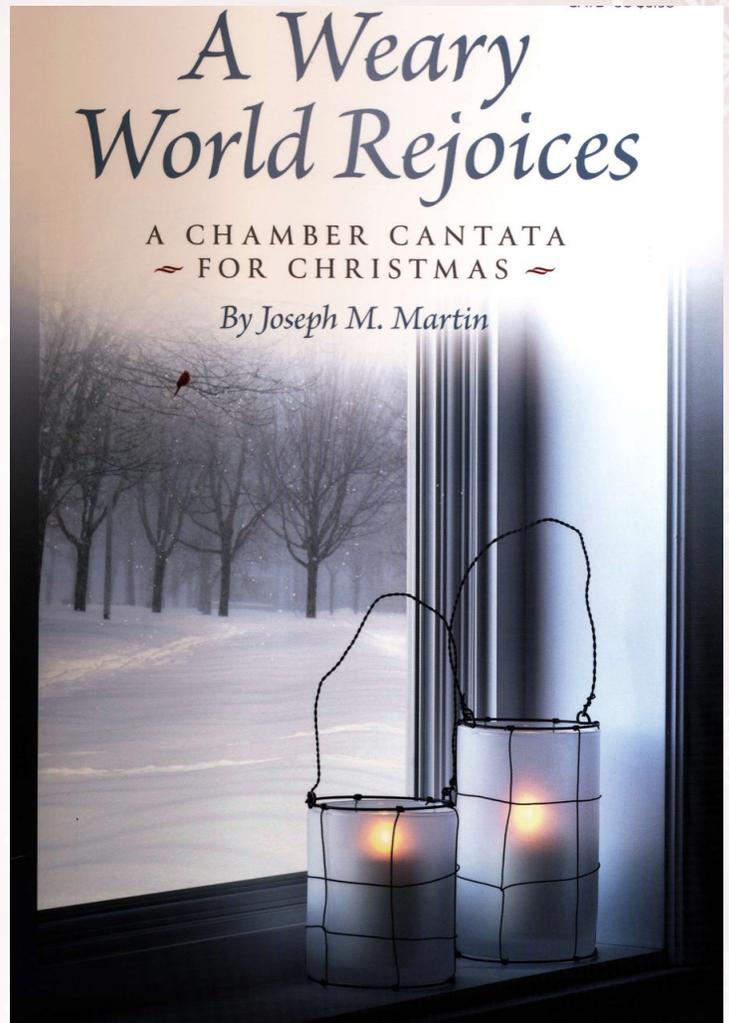
**Sunday, December 18
9:00 am and 11:00 am**

Performed by the Choir and an Orchestra

For such a time as this comes a work that will bring hope and light to our community of faith. Decorated with beloved carols and engaging original anthems, this “chamber cantata” is brimming with the joy of Christmas.

The scripture based narration will affirm the Christmas message.

**Invite your friends,
neighbors, and family!**



Adult Ed Class December 4 & 11 9:55 am Fellowship Hall

During Advent, we will have a 2-week Pastor-led Adult Ed class going in-depth into the Biblical themes of the Advent Season: Hope, Love, Joy & Peace.



On 12/4, Pastor Jim will cover Hope & Peace.

On 12/11, Pastor Joe will cover Love & Joy.



I want to thank everyone for a great year of Operation Christmas Child!! **Our church packed 375 shoeboxes which was well above our goal of 300 shoeboxes!** So far, some of the boxes we know have

been sent to Madagascar and the Philippines! As a drop off center, we collected nearly 2000 shoeboxes from local churches, families, and other organizations. Thank you to all the people who volunteered to help sort the donations, pack shoeboxes, collect shoeboxes at the drop off center, and transport the cartons to the semi-trucks. You are truly the hands and feet of God.

If you are interested in helping to collect items throughout the year for Operation Christmas Child, please send me an email at debbie@bspan.com.





Hearing God's Voice

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

S.O.A.P. is an acronym for Scripture-Observation-Application-Prayer.

All that is needed is a Bible, writing instrument, and paper.

December Readings

Th 1- Romans 5–8
F 2- Romans 9–12
Sa 3- Romans 13–16
Su 4- Ephesians 1–4
M 5- Psalm 119:1–80; Ephesians 5,6
Tu 6- Philippians 1–4
W 7- Colossians 1–4
Th 8- 1 Timothy 1–4
F 9- 1 Timothy 5,6; Titus 1–3
Sa 10- 2 Timothy 1–4
Su 11- Philemon; Hebrews 1–4
M 12- Hebrews 5–8
Tu 13- Hebrews 9–11
W 14- Hebrews 12,13; Jude
Th 15- James 1–5
F 16- 1 Peter 1–5
Sa 17- 2 Peter 1–3; John 1
Su 18- John 2–4
M 19- John 5,6
Tu 20- John 7,8
W 21- John 9–11
Th 22- John 12–14
F 23- John 15–18
Sa 24- John 19–21
Su 25- 1 John 1–5
M 26- Psalms 117,119:81–176; 2 John; 3 John
Tu 27- Revelation 1–4
W 28- Revelation 5–9
Th 29- Revelation 10–14
F 30- Revelation 15–18
Sa 31- Revelation 19–22

NURSERY CAREGIVER NEEDED

This is a 4-hour paid position on Sunday mornings working with infants through 5 years old while parents attend worship.

If interested contact Shelley 408-264-3858 ext. 119 or shelley.ahn-wong@stlcsj.org



A new Grief Support Group will begin on January 12, 2023. This is a 13-week course that will support anyone who is grieving a loved one, regardless of how recent (or not) this loss may be. *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).

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: Judy Bangsund, Michelle Regoli, Alan Pintacura, Betsy Beech, Mickey Miller, Valerie Ross, Bob Paradiso, Zena Hoffman Stormo, Leslie and Tony Mazzucco and Arlene Fowler.

**Thursday, 10 am – 12 pm,
beginning January 12, 2023**

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**



CELEBRATION

ALL ARE INVITED

CRAFTS

GAMES

MESSY Church

Free Entry

Christmas

Dec 11, 2022, 4-6 pm

WWW.STLCSJ.ORG/MESSY/

FOOD ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
5100 Camden Ave San Jose, CA 95124
408-264-3858

Please rsvp to cmestlcsj.org

www.meetup.com/messy-church-san-jose/events/289613199/

FUN

CHRISTMAS

Celebrating Jesus,
God's greatest gift.



"TODAY in the town of David
a Savior has been born to you;
he is the Messiah, the **LORD.**"

LUKE 2:11, NIV

- S T . T I M ' S -
YOUTH
- M I D D L E S C H O O L & -
- H I G H S C H O O L M I N I S T R Y -

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or 408-264-3858, ext. 122
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Check us out on Instagram



**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.

No Cornerstone December 21 & 28

**Christmas Party
December 14**
6:00-8:00 pm
at Anna-Marie's House!

Bring a \$10 wrapped gift for the gift exchange (a gift you would like to get)

**6TH - 12TH GRADE STUDENTS
DEVOTIONS
&
DONUTS**

Sundays @ 9:55 am
Youth House

No class on December 18, 25 & January 1.

6-12th Grade **HUME
WINTER CAMP**
March 3-5, 2023

Snow. Boxsled Blitz. Monster Tube Run.
Broom Hockey. Snowboard Mountain.
Friendships that last a lifetime.
Truth that lasts forever!

**Cost is \$250. A \$50 deposit is
required at sign-up.**

CLICK [HERE](#) TO SIGN-UP



St. Timothy's Christian Preschool

sttimothyschristianpreschool.org



We ended November with a Thanksgiving Feast for the entire preschool and family members. The children performed a few songs and we all enjoyed the food. It was the highlight of the month!

As we move into the close of 2022, we are still looking to fill openings on our staff for teachers and aides as well as Preschool Director. If you or anyone you know are interested, please contact jim.cords@stlcsj.org

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of the preschool. We wish you and yours a Merry Christmas!



OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2023-24 COMING IN JANUARY

Preschool 2's to Kindergarten Readiness

sttimothyschristianpreschool.org

At St. Timothy's Christian Preschool, we believe that children grow and learn best in a developmental, hands-on environment. We are committed to providing a balance between academics, social and play activities to ensure a love of learning and a well-rounded young child. It is our hope that all children will learn to love God, to treat others with kindness, to live their faith, and to celebrate and embrace what they have learned. We have flexible program options 1/2 or full day and 2, 3, or 5 days a week.

If you have questions or to set-up a tour:

Call 408-265-0244 or email school@stlcsj.org