



# Good News

ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

JANUARY 2023

## Pastor's Pen

For many people, the turn of the year provides a unique space for reflection. We look back on the year that has passed and then look forward to what the future could potentially hold. Sometimes it is in celebration of a good year, and sometimes it is with a good riddance that people enter into a new calendar year.

If you had told me on December 16<sup>th</sup>, of 2021 that one year from today I would be sitting in my office at St. Timothy's writing January's *Pastor's Pen*, what I would have told you is, "God must have done a whole lot in that 12 months to get me from here to there." And He has. More than I could have imagined. Which makes me look to the future with increasing anticipation! What might God have in store for me, or my family, or our church in the year to come?

There are countless times in the Scriptures where this same pattern happens (Psalm 105 & 136 are great examples of this!). God's people look back on where they have been, how God has led them, provided for them, comforted them, and as a result they can look forward with confidence... a confidence not founded on optimism that good *might* happen, but with a firm and secure hope that God is faithful and He will continue to be active and at work!

As you look back on the past year, look for God's fingerprints. Look for how he has been active in your life. Maybe this year has been one where you have seen God's faithfulness first-hand. Or perhaps it's been a year where God has carried you through some of the hardest experiences you have had in your life. Ask God to show you how he has been with you, cared for you, and worked through you in the past year. And as you do, know that He is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8), so you can look to the future in hope and confidence.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, let's enter into 2023 with the eager expectation that God will continue to be faithful to His people, leading us and working through us to bring glory to His name and draw people to Christ.

Ephesians 3:20-21 *"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."*

In Christ,  
Pastor Joe



# PRAYER REQUEST

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](mailto:info@stlcsj.org).

Grant Beech  
Bill and Mary Briggs  
Angel & Mike, friends of Bill Mowson  
Charlie, cousin of Betsy Beech  
Deanne, daughter of Bob Paradiso  
Don Cords, father of Jim Cords  
Jack Cords, brother of Jim Cords  
Eleanor Eiserling, mother of Dawn Schattke  
Joey Sorrenti, nephew of Karla Peterson  
Anne Talley, daughter of Besty Beech  
the family of Louis Sorrenti, brother of Karla Peterson

# BUDGET REPORT

as of November 30, 2022	General	Building
<b>OFFERINGS to date</b>	<b>\$949,491</b>	<b>\$104,862</b>
<b>SPENDING to date</b>	<b>\$1,115,936</b>	<b>\$73,020</b>
<b>Excess/(Shortfall)</b>	<b>(\$166,445)</b>	<b>\$31,842</b>

	Capital Campaign
<b>OFFERINGS to date</b>	<b>\$160,893</b>

*Final 2022 Financial Report will be in the Annual Report available by January 23, 2022.*

## 2 WAYS TO GIVE

1. Mail your offering to church or drop off in the offering box on Sundays. 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/>

# Annual Congregational Meeting

*Sunday, January 29 @ 12:30 pm  
Fellowship Hall*

**Annual Reports will be available by January 22, 2023.**

This will be an in-person meeting with lunch served at 12:00 pm. If you are not eating lunch, plan to come a few minutes ahead of the 12:30 start time to grab a seat so we can get started on time.



# Grow Groups

## Winter 2023



**Grow Groups** are small community groups that gather together weekly to build friendships, open the Bible together, and encourage and challenge one another as we grow closer to Jesus.

There are many different groups that meet during the week, including the *perfect group for you!*

Find the right group for you at: [stlcsj.org/grow-groups](http://stlcsj.org/grow-groups)

## Matthew Sermon Series

A 7-week series through the Gospel of Matthew, tracing the story of God's great love from the Old Testament, through Jesus, to us today. The series begins January 8th. Bookmarks with the readings are available in the church entryway. The first month's readings:

### WEEK 1 (January 8-14)

Day 1: Matthew 1, Genesis 12  
Day 2: Isaiah 50  
Day 3: Matthew 2  
Day 4: Micah 5  
Day 5: Isaiah 7  
Day 6: Matthew 3  
Day 7: Exodus 12-13:16

### WEEK 2 (January 15-21)

Day 1: Exodus 13:17-14  
Day 2: Matthew 4, Isaiah 9:1-7  
Day 3: Exodus 19  
Day 4: Exodus 20  
Day 5: Matthew 5  
Day 6: Matthew 6  
Day 7: Matthew 7

### WEEK 3 (January 22-28)

Day 1: Matthew 8  
Day 2: Psalm 89  
Day 3: Hosea 1  
Day 4: Hosea 2-3  
Day 5: Matthew 9  
Day 6: Hosea 6-7  
Day 7: Matthew 10

### WEEK 4 (January 29-February 4)

Day 1: 1 Kings 17-19  
Day 2: 2 Kings 1-2  
Day 3: Matthew 11, 1 Samuel 21, Leviticus 24:5-9  
Day 4: Matthew 12  
Day 5: Isaiah 42  
Day 6: Jonah 1-4  
Day 7: Matthew 13  
Day 7: Deuteronomy 30-31:6

## ADULT ED CLASS

BEGINS JANUARY 8 @ 9:55 AM  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

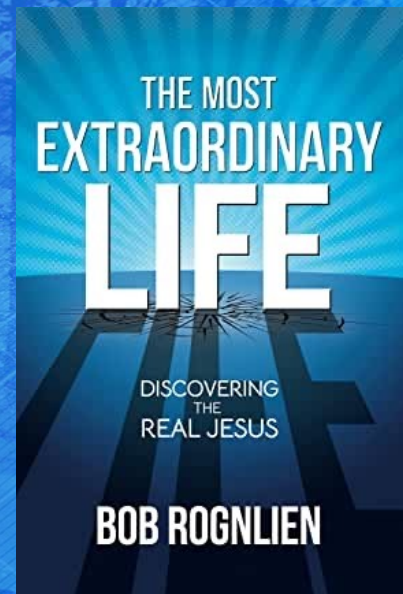
Who is Jesus of Nazareth?

Teacher? Prophet? Pretender? Messiah?

There are so many ideas floating around about the identity and significance of this Jewish builder-turned-rabbi who has changed the world and billions of lives. How can we know who he really is? How can we learn to trust and follow him more closely?

Drawing on ancient history, Middle Eastern culture, and the latest archaeological discoveries, veteran guide Bob Rognlien takes us on an incredible journey from Jesus' baptism to his resurrection, where we can discover the real Jesus. Each chapter begins with a dramatized event from his life, then fleshes out that aspect of this most extraordinary man and the implications for our lives today.

Book will be available first day of class.







# thank you

Dear St. Timothy's,

On behalf of our families and ourselves, Pastor Joe, Pastor Judy, Pastor Jim, and I thank you for your generous Christmas gift. Your support, kindness, and generosity are deeply appreciated. It is an honor and privilege to serve with you. We are excited about what the new year holds as we look forward to what God is doing in and through us. We prayerfully look forward to seeing how God's gifts in us as a congregation find new expressions of service in the opportunities unfolding before us. Be sure to look into these new opportunities as they develop to experience the unequalled blessings that come from serving our Lord Jesus.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Pastors Jim Cords, Joe Hill, Judy & Jim Bangsund



## ST. TIMOTHY'S

## CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

PRESCHOOL 2s – Kindergarten Readiness

Small Classes | Loving Teachers and Staff

### Open Enrollment for 2023-2024 starts February 8!

Come to our open house on February 4 from 10 am to 1 pm  
to see what makes our school special!

[sttimothyschristianpreschool.org](http://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 with 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](mailto:school@stlcsj.org)



# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

## SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

8:45 AM Traditional

11 AM Contemporary

## ONLINE WORSHIP

Recordings are available in the afternoon on our website:  
[stlcsj.org/watch](http://stlcsj.org/watch)



**MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:30 AM TO 4 PM**

**FRIDAY 8:30 TO 3 PM**

*Office closed January 2 and January 16*

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](http://stlcsj.org/staff)

## St. Timothy's Lunch Bunch Program

**Thursday, January 26**

**at 12:00 noon**

**in Fellowship Hall**

Tony Mazzucco (retired from Lockheed after 35 years) will share his experience working on projects involving the camera instruments on board the James Webb telescope. He will also share amazing photos of the universe sent from the telescope. Don't miss this program.

Lunch will be several different soups along with salad and rolls. Drinks and dessert always included. Cost is bargain \$10. 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 space experience from St Tim's member Tony.



A new Grief Support Group will begin in January. 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)

**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**





# BUZZ

## January 2023 Focus

We may never know all there is to know about God, but there are lots of ways we can get to know God. We can know God best through Jesus, who showed us how much God loves us. When we know more about God, we can live for God.

## Nursery Helpers Needed

We want our nursery staff to worship.

### Will you...?

- help once a month
- serve young kids
- one hour
- no prep required



More information :  
[cm@stlcsj.org](mailto:cm@stlcsj.org)

## 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.ahnwongestlcsj.org](mailto:shelley.ahnwongestlcsj.org)

**ALL ARE INVITED** **CRAFTS**

**CELEBRATION**

**Messy CHURCH**

**GAMES**

**Free Entry**

**SaN jOsE**

**CREATION** **FUN**

**Jan 14, Sat, 4-6 pm**

**FOOD**

[WWW.STLCSJ.ORG/MESSY/](http://WWW.STLCSJ.ORG/MESSY/)

**ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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408-264-3858

Please rsvp to [cm@stlcsj.org](mailto:cm@stlcsj.org)

[www.meetup.com/messy-church-san-jose/events/290063301/](http://www.meetup.com/messy-church-san-jose/events/290063301/)

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# 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.

Cornerstone returns January 4.

## SCAVENGER HUNT

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL



**FRIDAY, JANUARY 20**  
**7:00-9:00 PM**  
**@THE YOUTH HOUSE**

**HIGH SCHOOL: After the Scavenger Hunt**  
**there is a movie night in the Garage!**

6<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS

## DEVOTIONS & DONUTS

Sundays @ 9:55 am  
Youth House

No class 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

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