

Pastor's Pen

It is an exciting season at St. Timothy's! On April 23rd, we launched our new global missions partnership with **Children's HopeChest**! With Children's HopeChest, St. Timothy's is partnering to sponsor a target of 79 children and teens in the Chapa region of Ethiopia. This ministry will support and empower the thriving of the local community as the team working at the Chapa CarePoint equips the local population to be sustainable and thriving by the year 2030.

Along with that, we have the launch of a new local missions partnership with a local ministry called DREAM House. DREAM House is a Christ-centered residential training program that includes emergency shelter and transitional housing for single women and their children as they get back on the path towards independent living. Please join us on May 21st for our DREAM House partnership launch day. We will hear a testimony from a recent graduate of the DREAM House, be kicking off a Children's Book Drive for new and like-new books for newborns-teens, a women's mentorship program to pair women from St. Tim's with DREAM House women mentoring in relationships, and more!

All of these new ministry partnerships seem particularly fitting at this time where we are approaching the celebration of the day of Pentecost. We remember on Pentecost how the Holy Spirit came and filled the believers, and the promise of God is that His Spirit is in and working in all who believe.

In Acts 1: 8, Jesus says, "you will receive *power* when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my *witnesses* in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Now when he spoke these words, he and his disciples were in staying in Jerusalem and were with Jesus at the Mount of Olives, which was about half a mile outside Jerusalem.

He is saying that the Holy Spirit will and *does* empowers God's people- and yes, that means US- to be witnesses and representative of the Gospel of Jesus Christ both locally ("Jerusalem") and globally ("to the ends of the earth").

It is an exciting season here at St. Timothy's because I can see firsthand how God has been and is currently at work. And His promise is that, through the Spirit in us, he will continue to work in power to draw people to a healing and saving relationship with Jesus Christ!

In Christ, Pastor Joe Hill



To add or renew a prayer request call 408-264-3858 or email info@stlcsi.org.

Bill & Diane, brother & SIL of Betsy Beech Eva Jean, niece of Del Crawford Tim and Barbie, brother and SIL of Bette Jorgensen Shirley Hill, mother of Steve Hill Anthony Frank, son of Virginia Frank Leon Ochoa, newborn great grandson of Marsha Wells Janice Pannkuk, longtime friend of the Sampsons the family of Linda, cousin of Marsha Wells the family of Joyce Browne, mother of Katy Stamos

St. Timothy's Lunch Bunch

Thursday, May 25, 2023 12:00 noon **Fellowship Hall**

Potluck for Lunch Bunch season finale. Everyone please bring a salad of your choice to share. Lunch Bunch Board will supply rolls, desserts and drinks. Desserts to be ice cream floats. Good news is that there is no charge.

Program for this month is provided by Colleen Cassin. She will share passages from her Great-Grandmother's 1810 journal of rail journey from Indiana to Reno. The journal is titled "At the Foot of the Sierras."

Lunch Bunch does need to know how many are coming, 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, nice lunch and then an interesting program. This May gathering is our Grand Finale before Summer vacation. We welcome new attendees.



As of March 30 2023	Actual	Budget
General Fund Offerings	\$242,919	\$190,266
Building Fund Offerings	\$30,647	\$36,036
General Fund Spending	(\$302,253)	(\$305,980)
General Fund Spending	(\$26,389)	(\$30,902)
Excess/(Shortfall)	(\$55,076)	(\$110,580)

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/

SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

8:45 AM Traditional **11 AM Contemporary**

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 8:30 AM TO 4 PM FRIDAY 8:30 AM TO 3 PM

MONDAY-THURSDAY

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

NEW STAFF A BIG WELCOME TO NEW CHURCH STAFF!



Meet Carolyn Amey, Hospitality Coordinator

I am honored and blessed to continue Elizabeth's good work and serve God as St. Tim's new Hospitality Coordinator. Many friends have jokingly said they're not sure to congratulate or pray for me. My response: do both. But why would they not think this is a blessed opportunity? If my new position just boils down to coffee and cookies on Sunday, then I guess I see their point. But hospitality is so much more than that.

As Pastor Jim is apt to remind us, God blesses us so we can be a blessing to others. For many, the challenge is how to put that into action – exactly how can we bless others. Paul said "Always be eager to practice hospitality" (Romans 12:13, NLT). So hospitality provides us with such an opportunity to be a blessing to others. My prayer is that in my

new role, I can provide many opportunities for you, my family in Christ, to eagerly practice hospitality. If you are interested in learning how you can here at St. Tim's, let's talk.

A little about me. I was born and raised in New York, came out west to earn an engineering degree at Berkeley, fell in love with an Australian, and made California my home. Craig and I married in 2001 (precisely one month after 9/11). Along with our boys, Michael, Andrew, and Chris, we have three dogs and a cat (who, of course, rules over the dogs). My family has been a part of St Tim's family in Christ since 2005. When I have time, I love to knit, read, work in my garden, and, of course, have a cup of coffee while chatting with friends.



Meet Mason Romero, Contemporary Worship Intern

Mason was born in San Jose, and has been a lifelong member of St. Timothy's. He attended St. Timothy's school from preschool to 1st grade. After 1st grade, he went to public schools graduating from Gunderson High School in 2021 during peak Covid era.

While attending Youth Group, Mason learned to play guitar from Pastor Joe (then Youth Director) and started developing his skills as a musician. At his middle school, he joined a band club that played Rock n' Roll and gave way to his love for the Punk, Rock, Metal and Progressive side of the music world. In high school, he excelled in his band class learning multiple instruments and was quickly looked upon as a leader by his peers. He joined the contemporary worship team at St. Tim's and progressed even further. Mason

started leading at the beginning of 2022 and has been leading consistently since that Summer.

Mason is also an avid member of the College and Young Adults group as well as leading worship for the Middle and High School Youth Group here at St. Timothy's. He loves volunteering with activities around the church such as reaching out to the homeless, VBS and other projects on the campus.



Meet Summer Kane, Nursery Care Staff

She was born and raised in Santa Clara with three siblings. She loves spending time with her family and her three dogs. She is a huge Disney fan and likes to go as often as possible to Disneyland. She enjoys working with children and she is blessed with the opportunity to serve in St. Tim's KIDS.



WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE RESURRECTION POWER SERMON SERIES

WEEK 3 (May 1-7)

MONDAY & THURSDAY Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

TUESDAY & FRIDAY Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18 SUNDAY

WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY Acts 9:36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30

Philippians 3:10-11

WEEK 4 (Mav 8-14)

MONDAY & THURSDAY Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14

TUESDAY & FRIDAY Acts 8:26-40 Psalm 22:25-31 1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8

TUESDAY & FRIDAY Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 148 Revelation 21:1-6 John 13:31-35

SUNDAY Philippians 3:10-11

WEEK 5 (May 15-21)

MONDAY & THURSDAY Acts 17:16-31 Psalm 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21

TUESDAY & FRIDAY Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17

WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21:10-22:5 John 15:1-9

SUNDAY Philippians 3:10-11

WEEK 6 (May 22-28)

MONDAY & THURSDAY Acts 1:12-26 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 John 17:1-11

WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53

TUESDAY & FRIDAY Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19

SUNDAY Philippians 3:10-11



You don't have to have musical talent, bake goodies, or be a seamstress to help out at St. Timothy's. We have many opportunities for everyone to serve. Indeed, we need everyone to ensure the smooth running of Sundays. What's your gift?

We have openings in many areas that we need to fill. Areas we are looking to add people to:

- COFFEE HOST
- COMMUNION ASSISTANT
- COMMUNION PREP
- POWERPOINT TECH
- SOUND TECH .
- USHER .

Commitment of time: Ideally, we would like to have enough people so most of these positions you would only have to serve once a month. Some positions, are even longer (once every 2-3 months). The more people we get to help, the longer between serving times.

Who can serve: Youth to adults can serve!

Why serve: It takes all of us doing our part. That communion you took on Sunday? Someone had to prepare it, then someone had to serve it, and then someone had to clean-up. That coffee you drank? Someone had to purchase it, then someone had to prepare it, and then someone had to clean-up. It takes a lot of "someones" for a great worship experience for everyone.

Training is provided. If you would like more information or are ready to sign-up for a spot, email info@stlcsj.org



Let's celebrate our new friendship together! Find out who chose YOU!

Also, there will be a Partner Visit information meeting on Sunday, April 30 following both services. Come if you're curious!

South Valley FISH Food Pantry MAY Food Item of the Month CEREAL / OATMEAL



Bring that requested item to the collection bin in the church entryway or church office. Please donate only the requested item for that month. For the health and dignity of our clients, no expired food items.





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Check us out on Instagram







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.









May 2023 Focus

Elementary Kids will learn the connection between confidence and God's character, as shown through God's big story. Confidence is living like you believe God is with you. When we trust Jesus with our life, the Holy Spirit is there to help us face whatever comes our way. We can respond to God's love and care with confidence.

Preschool Kids will learn that God made them to help! After all, God is the ultimate helper, and we are all made in God's image.



Ages: 3 yrs (potty trained) - entering 5th

Deadline to register is May 21



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sign up online at www.stlcsj.org/vbs/ Any questions or Scholarship request, contact Shelley at cm@stlcsj.org

ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

408-264-3858 X109 www.stlcsj.org

\$75

Per child



Reasons to Volunteer at VBS

Shine Jesus' Light Time to Worship Eternal Investment Loving on Kids Lots of Fun Awesome Fellowship Rewarding Opportunities

To volunteer, email





GOD'S PROMISES CELEBRATION CRAFTS FOOD May 13, Saturday, 4-6 PM

www.STLCSJ.ORG/MESSY/ ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH 5100 Camden Ave San Jose, 95124 408-264-3858

Please let us know that you are coming. CM@STLCSJ.ORG

www.meetup.com/messy-church-san-jose/events/292771893/



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FUN





"Where flowers bloom, so does hope." ~ Lady Bird Johnson

I love this time of year, especially after all the rain we've had! Flowers are blooming and a new hope arises from the winter storms. This time last year we were in a drought and now we have been refreshed. This reminds us that God sees our every need and provides. Let us not lose our hope in Him.

> "For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience." ~ Romans 8:24-25

Meet our new Preschool Director Lori Thompson



Lori has two boys, Walter (22) and Ethan (17). She's been working with children her entire life. Lori has worked as a Junior Kinder Teacher for the past 10 years and loves having the opportunity to be the Director at St. Tims. She absolutely loves cows, adventuring outdoors, collecting shells, exploring nature, watching Top Chef, wine tasting and reading devotions daily, spending time in God's word.

STCP Summer Camp

Have you signed up your Preschooler for Summer Camp yet? If not, there's still time.... Check out all the fun weeks we have planned on our website.

Accepting children 2 years - entering Kindergarten in the fall Full & Half-Days Available



Easter Egg-Stravaganza Event

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