MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH | APRIL 2024

Pastor's Pen

Happy Easter! As I reflected on the season of Easter, the six weeks between Easter (3/31/24) and Pentecost (5/19/24), I realized that we often experience significant transitions in our lives in this season that is also Spring. I already see buds on the trees in our backyard. This year the hills are covered in beautiful green grass. Like many others, Marilyn and I will be celebrating our wedding anniversary (38 years for us on May 10), during these weeks. Most of us have also celebrated numerous graduations during this season as school years draw to a close. New beginnings, new life, many opportunities to celebrate the goodness and power of God faithfully at work in our lives.

The season of Easter is a time when we are reminded of this amazing prayer of St. Paul in Ephesians 1: *"I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength* ²⁰ *he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come."* Indeed the same power that raised Jesus from the dead is at work in our lives. It gives us hope and confidence to move forward both in celebration of the accomplishments and anniversaries of our lives, but also to move into the days to come knowing that God is at work in us to bear fruit to His glory in our lives and in our faith community.

St. Timothy's is moving forward. There are opportunities in the works to strengthen our vision:

- ⇒ for greater hospitality, connecting us more deeply to one another, and welcoming new friends into our faith family;
- ⇒ for greater discipleship as we continue to connect, study, and serve in our Grow Groups and Bible Studies as well as invite others to join us in these gatherings;
- ⇒ for greater mission as we continue to steward the gifts of God to strengthen the work honoring his name and serving others both locally and globally.

Pray with deep listening as you discern where the Holy Spirit is prompting you to move, grow, and serve. Live with an anticipation of the power of God moving in your life and in our community of faith. Celebrate and honor one another with love and joy. Then encourage and support one another as we move forward in the power of the Resurrection.

Happy Easter, Pastor Jim



FROM OUR TREASURER, CHRIS COLLIER

St. Timothy's continues to be off to a great start in 2024 with our offerings and other

income exceeding our expenses by \$6,138. This was due to the continued generosity of our congregation and other income we generated from our investments, which are not budgeted.

We continue to operate prudently and with sound oversight of our spending. The favorable budget to actuals in February was mainly due to timing of expenses.

Financial Performance (Year-to-date as of February 29, 2024)			
	YTD	YTD	Approved
	Actual	Budget	2023 Budget
Offerings & Other Income	\$170,968	\$164,155	\$1,250,000
Benevolences	-	-	(110,000)
Admin & Operations	(197,054)	(215,340)	(1,369,912)
Preschool	19,948	5,533	7,635
Excess/(shortfall)	(\$6,138)	(\$45,652)	(\$222,277)

WAYS TO GIVE

- 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).
- Give online on our safe and secure website <u>https://www.stlcsj.org/</u> giving/

SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

9:00 AM Traditional 11:00 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/worship

Office M Hours [®]

MONDAY-THUR<mark>SDAY</mark> 8:30 AM TO 4 P<mark>M</mark>

FRIDAY 8:30 AM TO 3 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

NALC DISASTER RELIEF MISSION TRIP

July 21-27, 2024 \$300

NOT JUST FOR YOUTH... ADULTS WE NEED YOU TOO!

This summer, St. Timothy's will be participating in the NALC Disaster Relief Mission Trip in Paradise, CA. It is a week-long trip and will focus on repairing and rebuilding structures damaged in the wildfires of recent year.

More Information scott.campbell@stlcsj.org

CITY TEAM

SPIRITUAL MENTORING

Join us as we mentor the men and women in CityTeam's recovery programs! These men and women are earnestly seeking the Lord in recovering from their addiction, and you can help introduce them to Jesus and his life transforming Spirit. No experience with addiction/recovery required. All you need is a heart for others and a willingness to share the love of Christ. The demand for spiritual mentors always outweighs the supply, so please prayerfully consider this wonderful ministry! **Contact Michael Stamos**

michaelstamospersonal@gmail.com



RISEN JESUS, as spring blossoms around me, MAY YOUR LOVE BLOSSOM IN ME, that I might share its fragrance and brilliance WITH OTHERS.

We held our Annual Meeting on February 4, 2024 and elected new members to our Leadership Team. 5 people were elected to new terms, 2 people were re-elected, and 4 people continue in their current terms for a total of 11 elected persons on the Leadership Team. They are:

Carol Murray (President) Wayne Peterson (Vice President) Bob Mitri (Secretary)

Carolyn Amey Todd Christian Elizabeth De Filippis David Hashiguchi Lori Lippi Paul Mitchell Marley Romero Kyra Thompson

Non-voting members of the Leadership Team: Pastor Jim Cords Pastor Joe Hill Chris Collier (Treasurer) Jeanette Stahlke (Financial Admin) Lori Thompson (Preschool Director)





You're Invited...Please come help us celebrate the One Year Anniversary of our friendship with the Chapa CarePoint Community on Sunday, April 14 in the Fellowship Hall- following both the 9am and the 11am services.

Pastor Jim will be presenting. Come hear about:

- * Pastor Jim and Marilyn's inspiring visit to Chapa in 2023.
- Exciting updates regarding ongoing projects.
- * Learn ways you can continue to support this beautiful ministry.

We'll be enjoying:

- * Ethiopian Coffee
- * Carolyn's World Famous Difo Dabo Egg Casserole
- * Anniversary Cake...and more.

It truly has been an exciting year full of transformation. God is moving! Thank you for allowing Him to work through YOU. See you on April 14!



St. Timothy's Lunch Bunch

Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 12:00 Noon Giorgio's Italian Food & Pizzeria 1445 Foxworthy Ave., between Meridian and Almaden Expy Lunch on the Patio

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

Menu for Giorgio's features lunch specials of salads, pasta, and sandwiches at \$10-\$15.Giorgio's pizza choices are many with prices staring at \$20. They state: ".... accommodate any dietary or vegan requests." There are many other choices on the extensive menu.

But, Lunch Bunch does need to know how many are coming, so please call Betsy Grandey at (408) 629-6093.

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

We welcome new attendees. Join us, we will like you.







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.



6TH - 12TH GRADE STUDENTS NU Sundays @ 10 am Youth House



INFORMATION CONTACT A N N A M A R I E . V A L L E S @ S T L C S J . O R G



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Open to adults and youth who are currently in 8th grade and up. This summer, St. Timothy's will be participating in an NALC Disaster Relief Mission Trip in Paradise, CA. It is a week-long trip and will focus on repairing and rebuilding structures damaged in the wildfires of recent year.

> Want to sign-up? Have questions? Email scott.campbell@stlcsj.org



Summer Bible Camp (VBS)

The best week of the summer! June 17 - 21, 2024 (9 am - Noon)





Ages: 3 yrs (potty trained) - entering 5th Early Register by April 30th for \$75 Deadline to register is May 17th

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

May I -17 \$100 per camper

St. Timothy's Lutheran Church 5100 Camden Ave San Jose, CA 95124 408-264-3858 x109



St Tim's Playaround

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Ages 6th grade to adults!

JUNE 17-21, 2024

8:00 - 12:00

Volunteer Opportunities

Check In Crew Station Leaders Outdoor Games Crew Leaders Kitchen Prep Crew



Youth Volunteer Registration : STLCSJ.ORG/VBS/ Adult Volunteer: email CM@STLCSJ.ORG

FUN April 13, Sat, 4-6 PM Celebration Crafts Games Fo

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www. STLCSJ.ORG/MESSY/ St. Timothy's Lutheran Church 5100 Camden Ave San Jose 95124. 408-264-3858 Please RSVP CM@STLCSJ.ORG www. meetup/messy-church-san jose/events/299775384



SONG OF SOLOMON 2:11-12 11 FOR BEHOLD, THE WINTER IS PAST; THE RAIN IS OVER AND GONE. 12 THE FLOWERS APPEAR ON THE EARTH,THE TIME OF SINGING HAS COME, AND THE VOICE OF THE TURTLEDOVE IS HEARD IN OUR LAND.

March was an exciting month for our littles as we celebrated St. Patrick's Day, Jesus and the meaning of Easter! The 3's class had a fun visit from Happy Hollow while the KR class got to go on a field trip to YSI and explore the outdoors! April is sure to bring more smiles and laughter to their faces as our children grow, learn and play each day.

Apply for the 2024-25 School Year by scanning the QR Code below. Spaces are filling up fast. Be sure to secure your child's spot!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

APRIL 1-5 SPRING BREAK -NO SCHOOL

APRIL 26 Parent Cafe 8:45am-9:45am Meet in Room B1 Summer Camp is a great way for your child to stay connected with others! Scan the QR Code below to see all the fun weeks we have planned and to secure your child's spot!









