

# Good News

ST. TIMOTHY'S NEWSLETTER | MAY 2024

## Pastor's Pen

Over the last year, St. Timothy's has done something that, as far back as I can remember, we have not done: we had a Men's and a Women's Retreat!

In September 2023, group of 25 men from St. Timothy's and 10 men from CityTeam's Recovery Program spent a weekend at Mt. Hermon, reflecting on Paul's prayer in Philippians 1:9-11, "This is my prayer: that your love would grow more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ- to the glory and praise of God."



This past weekend (April 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>), 27 of our women went on a retreat to Redwood Christian Park in the Santa Cruz Mountains for a women's retreat on the theme BLOOM, based on Ephesians 3:14-21, including verse 17-18, "I pray that you, being *rooted* and established in love may have power... to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ." Our women were blessed with a time to connect with one another and be built up in faith!

And I'm happy to share that you can consider this year's retreats as the "1<sup>st</sup> Annual," with a Men's and Women's Retreat coming for the 2024-2025 calendar as well!

Retreats are a great rhythm to build into your life! It is an opportunity to set apart a holy space in the midst of what for so many of us are busy schedules to slow down, connect with others, and connect with God! In fact, Jesus himself models this for us, when he sets apart special time for he and his disciples to connect with God and one-another (Mark 3:7; Luke 9:10).

I encourage you to consider participating in one of these retreat opportunities as they come up in the future, but to also look for other ways that you can intentionally set apart sacred space in your daily, weekly, monthly, and annual rhythms to connect in fellowship with other Christians and spend time in God's presence! Whether that's a daily time set apart for Scripture reading and prayer, weekly worship and setting apart time for fellowship after service, a monthly coffee with a brother or sister in Christ, or making space for one of these annual Men's or Women's retreats... these rhythms help us stay rooted in Christ and create space for God to work in our lives!

In Christ,  
Pastor Joe Hill





# BUDGET REPORT



## FROM OUR TREASURER, CHRIS COLLIER

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

exceeded our budget by \$10,589. 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 actual expenses in March was mainly due to timing of expenses and success of the preschool.

### Financial Performance (Year-to-date as of March 31, 2024)

|                          | YTD<br>Actual | YTD<br>Budget | Approved<br>2023 Budget |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Offerings & Other Income | \$259,652     | \$249,063     | \$1,250,000             |
| Benevolences             | -             | -             | (110,000)               |
| Admin & Operations       | (337,518)     | (368,469)     | (1,369,912)             |
| Preschool                | 27,041        | 3,727         | 7,635                   |
| Excess/(shortfall)       | (\$50,825)    | (\$115,679)   | (\$222,277)             |

### 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

9 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/worship](https://stlcsj.org/worship)

## Office Hours

MONDAY-THURSDAY

8:30 AM TO 4 PM

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

# St. Timothy's Lunch Bunch



**Thursday, May 23, 2024**

**12:00 noon**

**Fellowship Hall**

Potluck for Lunch Bunch season finale. Everyone please bring a dish or entree or dessert of your choice to share. Lunch Bunch Board will supply beverages.

Program this month is provided by Retired Pastor Judy Bangsund and fellow member Linda Suda. They will share their experiences with the CIC (Corrections Institutions Chaplaincy). This jail ministry program receives a yearly benevolence contribution from St. Tim's as well as visitations.

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

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 always welcome new attendees.

## NALC DISASTER RELIEF MISSION TRIP

**July 21-27, 2024**

**\$300**

**OPEN TO ADULTS AND YOUTH  
WHO ARE IN 8TH GRADE & UP**

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](mailto:scott.campbell@stlcsj.org)**



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

Areas we are looking to add people to:

- COFFEE HOSTS
- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP MUSICIAN
- COMMUNION ASSISTANT
- COMMUNION PREP
- POWERPOINT TECH
- SOUND or AV 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 a lot of "someones" for a great worship experience for everyone. That communion you took on Sunday? Someone had to prepare it, then someone had to serve it, and then someone had to clean-up.

**Training is provided. If you would like  
more information or are ready to sign-up  
for a spot, email [info@stlcsj.org](mailto:info@stlcsj.org)**



# \$1000 SCHOLARSHIP

DEADLINE TO APPLY JULY 12

We are pleased to announce that St. Timothy's Lutheran Church is again offering scholarships to recent high school graduates. Scholarship recipients will receive \$1000 toward college tuition and fees, with payment made directly to the student.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The following criteria must be met to qualify for scholarship award under the program:

1. The applicant must be affiliated with an NALC congregation within the Central Pacific Mission District or an LCMC congregation in Northern California.
2. The applicant must have graduated from high school within the past two years and be planning to start his or her post-secondary education during 2024.
3. The applicant may not have previously received a scholarship under the program.
4. The applicant must return an application package (application form, an attached essay, a copy of the acceptance letter or proof of admittance from the school, and a letter of reference).

**APPLICATION**

[STLCSJ.ORG/SCHOLARSHIP](http://STLCSJ.ORG/SCHOLARSHIP)



Children's HopeChest says, "Our goal is to sow the fertile ground that sustains the growth of vulnerable communities around the world, ensuring their flourishing extends far beyond our partnership. It's a journey toward realizing unlimited potential through Christ." Thank you St. Timothy's for empowering the Chapa CarePoint in Ethiopia to flourish through a dairy farm project!

**Donate at:**

[HopeChest.org/fundraise/chapa-dairy-farm](http://HopeChest.org/fundraise/chapa-dairy-farm)



## WORSHIP NIGHT

MAY 5

7:00-8:30 PM

Come join us in the Carter Building for a night of worship music in a relaxed atmosphere.



### 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 prayerfully consider this wonderful ministry!

Contact Michael Stamos

[michaelstamospersonal@gmail.com](mailto:michaelstamospersonal@gmail.com)

 South Valley FISH Food Pantry

May  
Food Item of  
the Month



CANNED  
FRUIT

Please donate only the requested item for that month. For the health and dignity of our clients, no expired food items.



GOLF  
TOURNAMENT  
2024

SAVE THE DATE!

SEPTEMBER 14  
9:00 AM

LOS LAGOS  
\$90



# - ST. TIM'S - YOUTH

MIDDLE SCHOOL &  
HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Anna-Marie Valles  
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or 408-264-3858, ext. 122  
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or 408-264-3858, ext. 120

Check us out on Instagram



@sttims\_youth



## 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.



**WEDNESDAY JUNE 5 FROM 6-8PM**

Welcome incoming 6th graders to Youth Group.

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 26 FROM 6-8PM**

Pool Party



**CAMP  
PONDO**

JUNE 9-14  
COST- \$500

**6TH-12TH GRADE**

FOR QUESTIONS OR  
INFORMATION CONTACT  
[ANNAMARIE.VALLES@STLCSJ.ORG](mailto:ANNAMARIE.VALLES@STLCSJ.ORG)



## SERVICE PROJECT



**SATURDAY, MAY 4**  
**TIME: 3-5 PM**

Join us to serve meals  
at the Tully Library.  
Meet at the Youth  
House at 2:30 pm.

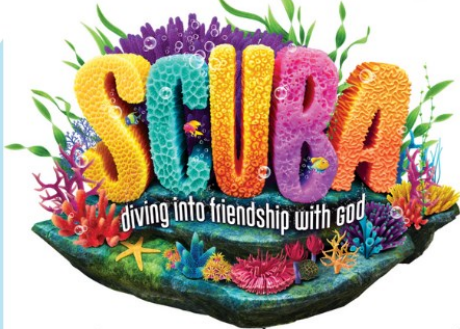




# MAY 2024 BUZZ

## 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/](http://www.stlcsj.org/vbs/)  
Any questions or Scholarship request,  
contact Shelley at [cm@stlcsj.org](mailto:cm@stlcsj.org)

May 1-17  
\$100  
per camper

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

FUN

FREE



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May 11, Sat, 4-6 PM

Celebration Crafts Games Food  
The parable of the Talents

[www.STLCSJ.ORG/MESSY/](http://www.STLCSJ.ORG/MESSY/)  
St. Timothy's Lutheran Church  
5100 Camden Ave San Jose 95124. 408-264-3858  
Please RSVP [CM@STLCSJ.ORG](mailto:CM@STLCSJ.ORG)  
[www.meetup/messy-church-san-jose/events/300518594](http://www.meetup/messy-church-san-jose/events/300518594)



## SUMMER BIBLE CAMP 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/](http://STLCSJ.ORG/VBS/)  
Adult Volunteer: email [CM@STLCSJ.ORG](mailto:CM@STLCSJ.ORG)

## PLAYTIME



Hey Kids! Bring your parents.  
May 5, Sunday 10 - 11 am  
St. Tim's Playground  
5100 Camden Ave

- Play Together
- Free Brunch
- Free Coffee Bar
- Meet New Friends

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





# May Newsletter

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him,  
so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

ROMANS 15: 13

This year has flown by and we have just a few short weeks of school left! The end of the school year usually means lots more excitement, more time outside and enjoying all that God has given us.

We are excited to be celebrating our mommies, grandmas and aunties this month. Please make sure to RSVP if you haven't done so already!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

|               |                                 |
|---------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>MAY 10</b> | Mother's Day Tea                |
| <b>MAY 11</b> | Messy Church                    |
| <b>MAY 22</b> | ABC Parties                     |
| <b>MAY 24</b> | No School -<br>Staff In-Service |
| <b>MAY 27</b> | No School -<br>Memorial Day     |
| <b>MAY 31</b> | Donut's with<br>Dad's           |

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!



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!

