



THE CHIMES

JULY / AUGUST 2023



JULY 4TH @ ST. TIMOTHY'S

Join us at 8:30 am at the front porch of St. Timothy's where we will gather for Roxborough's annual parade. We will walk over to the Lyceum Avenue parade route. If you prefer to meet us at the parade route, meet us at Lyceum and Manayunk Avenues, just before 9:00 am. Wear your St. Timothy's shirt if you have one, or your favorite red, white and blue outfit.

Given that we are in a rain pattern, if the parade is cancelled, we will put an update on St. Timothy's Facebook page around 8 am.

Regardless of the weather, we will celebrate the day with a picnic at St. Timothy's - inside or out! Starting at 11:00 am, we'll be serving hamburgers and hot dogs as well as ice tea and soda's, and a limited edition of newly brewed "Church Basement Beer". Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share with our church family. Feel free to bring a friend!

"Building relationships with God, community and one another through faith and fellowship."



ST. TIMOTHY'S PRAYER TEAM

- Ethel Wesley

As St. Timothy's parish enters a time of transition, the bishop's office is asking that a Prayer Team be formed to help the vestry in their work. We are lucky to have eight parishioners that said yes to coming together to hold this parish in prayer and in God's love. Through the summer, we will meet after Coffee Hour to begin our work. Alex Ames, Jackie Shockey, Rich Krueger, Donna Backus, Jeanne Maria Todd, Zack White, Sylvia Eve, and Ethel Wesley will offer up in prayer the members of the vestry. We began at our June 25th meeting. Readings from Psalms and Proverbs as well as readings from the gospel are included. Time will be set aside for individual prayer, meditation, and corporate prayer.

This Prayer Team is open to all. Our next prayer meetings are scheduled for July 16th and August 13th. Your daily prayers are important as the vestry begins to call a Discernment Committee and welcomes interim priests to our parish each Sunday.

Sunday Worship

Our Guest Celebrants for the summer are as follows:

Sunday Services for the month of July - Fr. H. Greg Smith

Sunday, August 6th - Morning Prayer lead by Emily Given, our Seminarian

Sunday Services for August 13, 20, 27 - Rev. Phyllis Taylor

MEDICAL MISSION

Ginny Kaufman has safely returned from her Medical Mission Trip to Peru. If you are interested in knowing more about her trip, call the parish office at 215-483-1529 or send an email request to sttimothyrox@gmail.com. Ginny is making her journal available to those who are interested.





Sunday

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II



Followed by

Coffee on the Lawn

(Weather permitting)

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

PARISH LIFE FALL PREVIEW

Looking ahead to the fall, Parish Life is currently planning a September "Homecoming" event. This will be a time for the parish to gather together once again, after the summer months. Please include in your prayers that St. Timothy's will be ready to welcome an Interim Priest, as we navigate the search process.



MUSIC

- Luke Staisiunas, Organist & Choir Director

Happy Summer!

Now that choir is on their summer break, it has been nice to hear your singing from the pews! Enthusiastic engagement with the music during our services. Engaging with the text and music in the hymns and psalms helps enhance one's own worship, both in physically expressing what the words and music mean, but also in the communal act of offering up music together. I do use many planning resources for choosing the music (usually done one season at a time), it still takes a lot of time and effort to read through the readings for a week and hymns which fit them well. Sometimes the suggestions fit well, other times additional work is needed to look at multiple options. When looking from week to week, I will often compare hymns for styles, tunes, authors, etc. to see if some will work better for one Sunday over another. Many times, I can select hymns with different texts to the same tune to make a connection, such as 'Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus' in Lent to lead towards Palm Sunday, and 'See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph' for Ascension. While the connections aren't always that obvious, I do hope that trying to tie the music and readings together with a common thread helps you engage with what is happening in church.

As for the choir—I have started looking ahead towards the fall to map out the first half of the upcoming season, planning for section leaders, and thinking about what we can do to keep growing the program, and our singers. This summer, we will have a few Sundays with the choir singing, stay tuned for more details about that!

As always, don't hesitate to reach out with any questions you might have about the music, why it was chosen, how it functions, etc.!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

- Ethel Wesley

The summer months are upon us and the usual way of having Vacation Bible School changes from year-to-year. As plans are being made for a theme and various projects for this year, the following dates have been selected. Vacation Bible School will be held on Wednesday, August 9th and Wednesday, August 23rd. The time will be from 9:30 to noon. Our theme will be "Exploring the Sacraments". Again, we will have a Bible theme, arts and crafts, continue our Saint study (using the church's stained glass windows), and enjoy games and snacks. More information will be available in the weeks ahead.



FAREWELL

On June 4th, we celebrated The Very Rev. Dr. Bonnie McCrickard, and her time at St. Timothy's. We wish Mother Bonnie and Matthew well in Granbury, TX.



St. Timothy's Birthdays & Anniversaries



Birthdays

July

07/02 Janet Szeliga
 07/03 Mary Wood
 07/07 Sonia Blake
 07/11 Molly Bevenour
 07/17 Paul LaFollette
 07/20 Linda Vitale
 07/24 Judy Van Buskirk
 07/25 William Moore

August

08/02 Pat Killen
 08/08 Barb Texter
 08/09 Nancy Little
 08/10 Jessica Lowe
 08/13 Ken Burgess
 08/15 Ageline Mpofo
 08/17 Alex Ames
 08/20 Carl Knapp



Anniversaries

July

7/11 Carl & Joanne Knapp
 7/26 Catherine & Kate Evans

August

08/07 Bob Tate & Ann Greene
 08/18 Ralph & Claire Morgan

Everyone is welcome at St. Timothy's

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

OUR ONLINE WORSHIP - Livestream is available on Facebook on Sunday morning at 9:30 am, with recordings available anytime on Facebook.

MID-WEEK MORNING PRAYER - Morning Prayer is held every Wednesdays @ 8:30 a.m.

St. Timothy's Staff & Vestry Members

Parish Staff

Emily Given, Seminarian; Luke Stasiunas, Organist & Choir Director
 Janice Fetscher, Parish Administrator; Mark Sullivan, Sexton

2023 Vestry

Donna Backus; Ken Burgess; Bob Campbell, Rector's Warden & Property Chair;
 John Kracker; Paul LaFollette, Treasurer; Lynn Nedzwecky;
 Ralph Morgan, Assistant Treasurer; Michael Shockey, Secretary;
 Lynn Tomko, Accounting Warden.

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