

11/21/21 Parish Announcements

The Prayers of the People

We pray for the special needs, concerns, and thanksgivings of this congregation. *(please pray out loud or silently)*

- In thanksgiving for the many blessings of this life, including: health, joy, the kindness of strangers and the love of those who are dear to us.
- For all affected by coronavirus here and around the world.
- For those who are ill, anxious, lonely, and all who are brought low.
- For those who care for the sick, the hungry, and the destitute.
- For all in schools and places of learning.
- For The Food Basket, our parish church St. Timothy's and for our Rector Search.

We pray especially for Jeff, Irenna, Maria, Lou, John, Becky and family, Kay, Roy, Emily, Wendy and family, Dale, Tony, Carol, Judy, Rebecca, Jim, Kellye, Liz, Michael, Don, Jackie, Beth, James, Carolyn, Brittany, Susan, Loorie, Sherry, Ed, Derek, Mary, Eric, Linda, Gayle, Judy, Rita, Vickie, Kelly, Jocelyn, Sam, and Claire.

For our men and women serving in the Armed Forces: Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Brett, and Thia.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal Kingdom.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: Ascension in Houston, Christ the King (Alief) in Houston, Emmanuel in Houston, and Epiphany in Houston.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Birthdays: Adalyn Thomas, Nancy Carter, Abi Mahurin, Osborne McKinney, and Kim Lehnhoff.

Thanksgiving Prayer – The of Morning Prayer with Thanksgiving hymns will be held at 9:30 AM on Thanksgiving Day. Paul Butt will provide the musical accompaniment.

Sugar Cookie Christmas Food Drive - St. Timothy's will be contributing 144 packages of sugar cookie mix for the Food Basket's Christmas food boxes.

Please contribute your 17.5oz mixes, any brand. We need this size mix so they are the right size for the recipe booklet that also goes to Food Basket clients.

We need your contributions by Sunday, November 28.

IMPORTANT CLARIFICATION! We are looking for dry cookie mixes from the bakery aisle of the store. Please do not put refrigerated cookie dough in the red buckets.

Advent Event: Preparing for the Season of Hope and Joy, November 28th, 9:00-10:15 in the Parish Hall - Join the gathering in our Parish Hall, Sunday November 28 for light snacks as we welcome our season of Advent. Our advent event gives us the opportunity to pick up our Devotional reading offerings:

- [Christianity Today's Advent 2021: The Gospel of Advent](#)
- [Living Compass: Living Well Through Advent~Practicing Patience With All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind.](#)

Also we will have materials to create countdowns for Advent to Christmas, prayer offerings for Advent, a little different way of colorfully creating Advent wreaths, and the opportunity to pray together this first Sunday of Advent.

Come join us as we pray this Advent of 2021~

*God of hope, who brought love into this world,
be the love that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought peace into this world,
be the peace that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought joy into this world,
be the joy that dwells between us.
God of hope, the rock we stand upon,
be the center, the focus of our lives
always, and particularly this Advent time.
Amen*

St. Timothy's Angel Tree Program - The Angel Tree program is a national organization that allows parents in prison to strengthen their connection with their children by providing gifts with a personal message from the parent. Each child receives a toy gift, a clothing gift, and an age appropriate religious book. No gift should exceed \$20.00.

Each October the church receives a list of children who live in the Clute-Lake Jackson area codes. The caregivers are contacted for sizes and gift suggestions. These gift ideas are written on the paper angels placed on the Angel Tree. The "tree" will be in the narthex starting Sunday, November 27. A donor selects an angel, purchases the gift, wraps it, attaches the top part of the angel to the package, and brings it to the church. The gifts are delivered the week before Christmas.

This year has been especially difficult for these families since visits have been prohibited due to COVID-19. Your participation is needed and we will be happy to deliver "Angels" to you and pick up gifts if you are unable to get to the church. Call or text Nancy Carter at 979-285-4831.

The wrapped gifts should be returned no later than December 19. Donations of money for books can be put in the stocking on the tree or given to Nancy Carter. Checks should be written to St. Timothy's with a notation of "for Angel Tree".

Craft & Chat Sewing Event, December 1, Parish Hall - St. Timothy's is planning to host a community "Craft & Chat" on Wednesday, December 1, from 10:30 – noon in the Parish Hall. We will invite clients of the Food Basket to join us for a fun event to sew some simple Christmas decorations. It's time to start planning, and **we need to hear from you.**

[Read More](#)

Brotherhood Tamale Fundraiser - The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is having a tamale fundraiser to support our various outreach ministries. The cost will be \$12.00/dozen with pick-up starting at 8:30 am in the Parish Hall on Sunday December 12th. Order forms will be available in the Church office and in the Welcome Center, or may be ordered on-line. All orders must be in by no later than Sunday, December 5th. Please complete the forms and turn them in the designated baskets in either the Church office or the Welcome Center.

[Order online](#)

Ushers are back at 10:30 - In December, we will have one usher per service. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact the church office so we can put you on the schedule.

This Sunday

This Sunday's Schedule:

- 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- **On-Line Worship** – Available starting at 10:30. YouTube. Details are on our website at:
<http://www.stimothy.org/web-based-worship.html>.

Looking Ahead:

Nov. 25, 26: Office Closed

Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Morning Prayers

Nov. 28: Advent Event

Dec. 1: Craft & Chat

Dec. 5: Tamale order deadline

Dec. 11: Living Nativity

Dec. 12: Living Nativity

Dec. 12: Tamales available for pick-up

Dec. 22: Hanging of the Greens

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Worship 5:30 and 10:00 PM

Dec. 25: Christmas Day

Dec. 26: Lessons and Carols

This Week's Supply Priest – Rev. Andrea Polvino: Andrea, a Northeasterner originally from Buffalo, NY, (who once was told she would make a horrible Southerner), left a successful 26 year law practice after yielding to the call to ordained priesthood. She started seminary part-time at Bexley Hall in Rochester, NY and then transferred to The University of the South School of Theology (Sewanee) in 2006, as much to form her own understanding of theology as how to live in community with those whose theology greatly differed from hers. After graduation and ordination in 2008, Andrea accepted a 2-year curacy in Waco, TX, and then relocated to Houston to spend a year as a Chaplain at St. Luke's. Since 2011, Andrea has served in a non-parochial ministry, offering words given by the Holy Spirit spoken in a different voice for a single Sunday, supply during sabbaticals, or for a more extended period of supply during a congregation's search process.

Music Notes:

Wednesday Choir Rehearsals:

- 6:00 PM – Joifyul Noyse (In the Loft)
- 7:00 PM – Senior Choir (In the Nave)

Sunday Rehearsals:

Following the late service – Handbells (In the Choir Room)

Interested in participating in the music ministry? Contact Ben May, Music Director at benjamin.p.may@gmail.com or (423) 470-1862.

The Week Ahead:



Breathe & Be Better via Zoom - Please join us each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in-person in the Parish Hall or via Zoom for Breathe & Be Better. Cheryl will be teaching deep breathing, relaxed stretching, slow flowing movements and meditation. The class is open to everyone of all ages, at any fitness level and can be done standing or sitting down.

This class will be in the Parish Hall, or you can join using Zoom as in the past.

Meeting ID: 875 4418 1609

Password: 577182

Silent Prayer in the Church - All are welcome to kneel and silently pray in the church on Wednesdays. The doors will be open at 11:00 am and the last entry is at 12:00 pm. Social distancing and mask wearing are in place to protect your health. This service ends with noonday prayer, which is available via Facebook Live.

Weekday Prayer - Compline prayer is now Wednesday at 8:00pm. Consider making Wednesday night Compline a small part of your Advent devotionals.

Sewing Saturdays, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. - All skill levels are welcome. The sewing room has all of the supplies needed, but feel free to bring your own if you prefer.

We are currently working on preparing for the Craft & Chat, and are learning how to make stockings and Christmas Trees.

Thank you for your gift! We accept gifts in a variety of ways including SimpleGive.

Go to <https://my.simplegive.com/App/Giving/sttims>

[Current Master Schedule](#)

[St. Timothy's Calendar](#)

[EYC-Youth Calendar](#) (on hold due to coronavirus)

[Our Church Directory App](#)

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