

St. Timothy's Lutheran Church
825 51st Ave. N.E.
Columbia Heights, MN 55421-1799
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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP!

SUNDAY WORSHIP TIME: 9:30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL held during regular service
(No Sunday School during summer).

Nursery available on Sundays.

Holy Communion celebrated every Sunday

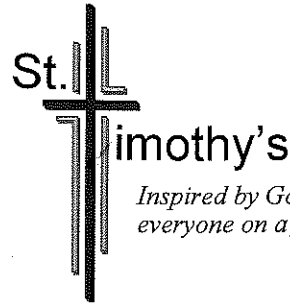
OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9am to 4pm
Friday closed in summer

STAFF:

Rev. Micheline Verlautz
Daniel Lloyd, Director of Worship & Music
Pam Gorseger, Office Administrator
Carlos Osorio, Custodian

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Tim's Tidings

August 2018

Inspired by God's love, St. Timothy's Lutheran Church welcomes everyone on a faith journey of renewal, growth, and service.

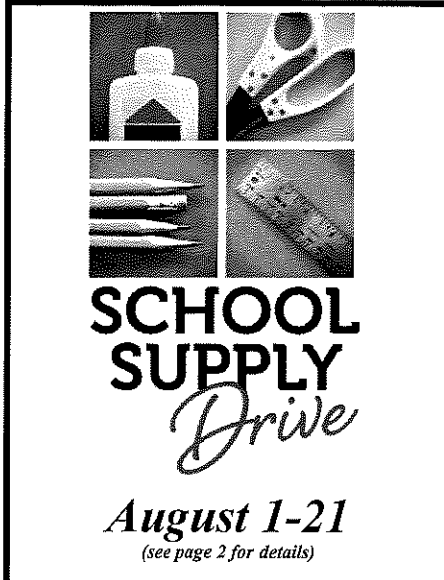


COMMUNITY DINNER
(Meatballs)

August 14th
5:30-6:30 p.m.

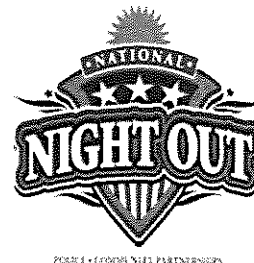
All are welcome!!

Church Office
SUMMER HOURS:
Monday—Thursday 9am - 4pm
Closed on Friday



SCHOOL SUPPLY Drive

August 1-21
(see page 2 for details)



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Rain or Shine

When: Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Time: 6:00 p.m. Gathering with
6:15 p.m. Potluck Dinner

Where: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church
Please use back parking lot—come into the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Please contribute to the 15th Annual SACA Drive and enjoy a Potluck Dinner with your neighbors. See page 8 for more details.



Today as I am writing this article, the window in my office is open, a cool breeze is blowing in heavy clouds covering the sun, and there is a September-like feel in the air. Stop! This isn't right, it is not August yet. It's way too soon for cool days; I say

bring on the heat and humidity. It is still summer and we start to look towards fall.

This school year we will again be partnering with the Sheridan Story. Did you know that more than 200,000 children in Minnesota live with food insecurity? Without reliable access to food - such as meal programs at school- the risk of hunger is real. The Sheridan Story works to combat hunger in Columbia Heights and throughout the state of MN by filling the gaps to food access that children face primarily on weekends and in the summer. Inside this newsletter you can find ways on how you can be a part of the solution to ending children's food insecurity.

I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.....Matthew 25:35

Also in August, we will be partnering with Casa de Dios in collecting school supplies for the children in Columbia Heights. Inside this newsletter you will find a list of needed supplies (list also available in the church narthex).

Stewardship for All Seasons update: At the June cohort meeting the committee was asked to take a larger view of the congregation and answer the question, "What is one or two items that would put St. Tim's into a new world of ministry?" We were encouraged to think BIG. As you read the question, how would you respond? I encourage you to pray for ideas and wisdom. No idea is too crazy or outlandish. Remember, God has three answers to prayer: Yes, No, and Not Yet. Please bring your questions and ideas to a member of the Stewardship committee (Margaret Hanna, Sandy Sherve, Laurie Totzke, Susan Wang and Kari Schlotfeldt).

As you go about your summer activities, remember to hold St. Tim's Community in your prayers.

~ Pastor Michelene



MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Feed My Starving Children

Feed My Starving Children exists to reach children around the world by providing nutritious MannaPack meals that are packed daily by volunteers and funded generously by donors like you.

Our next packing event at *Feed My Starving Children* is Monday, August 13 from 9:30-11:30am. Please sign up at the church bulletin board, or contact Laura Fix (gltfix@comcast.net or 763-502-0487, or talk to her at church on Sundays). We welcome your family and friends to join us. Thanks for considering joining us!

~ Laura Fix



Last fall, the Area Ministry team identified elementary school supplies and backpack donations as a very worthwhile project for us to continue to support. This year we are going to partner with Casa de Dios for our collection. We have supported the school supply program for the past four years. The supplies are much needed and appreciated as many of the school families need help to ensure their students have all the necessary supplies to be successful in the classroom.

Beginning August 1 through August 21 we will be collecting backpacks and school supplies at St. Tim's. Watch a display in the narthex for suggested needed items and grab a copy of a list of general supplies that the school teachers have identified as being needed. A box will be labeled by the display in which to place the donated items.

Thank You for supporting this project

St. Tim's Area Ministries Team

Joan Anderson, Laura and George Fix, Jo Haugen, Pastor Michelene, Judy Schelde, Bruce and Sandy Sherve, Betty Thomas, and Susan Wang



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

July 17, 2018

- ◆ Beginning 8/1/18, the back entrance doors will be locked at all times with a doorbell system. The door will be unlocked when needed by our members.
- ◆ Building & Maintenance will be meeting with MN Roadways to confirm repairing of the parking lot which is scheduled for August 22-25, weather-dependent.
- ◆ Website is producing some traffic resulting in an increase of visitors to our Sunday services.
- ◆ Recommend that the board room's carpet be replaced with carpet squares.
- ◆ Stewardship Committee has started working and attending their classes for *Stewardship for All Seasons*.
- ◆ National Night Out will be hosted at St. Timothy's.

The complete minutes are posted on the Narthex bulletin board. Next meeting is Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 7:00pm.

~ Pat Goetz, Secretary

2018 Council Members

Bruce Sherve, President
Dustin Wahl, Vice President
Pat Goetz, Secretary
Chris Hay, Treasurer

Kaye Bergstrom, Rita Daniels, Sharon Hamen, Margaret Hanna,
Kay Hay, Laurie Totzke, Susan Wang

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS for AUGUST 2018

Greeters: (Gavic Households of Faith)

8/5 Barb Gavic, Jean Wellman
8/12 Crystal Edstrom
8/19 Dustin & Meghann Wahl
8/26 Al Turnquist

Lectors:

8/5 Pat Goetz
8/12 Sandie Beltran
8/19 Bob Fedje
8/26 Laura Fix

Communion Assistants:

8/5 Thespo Hams
8/12 Pat Goetz
8/19
8/26 Laura Fix

Ushers/Acolytes:

Jerry Machlitt, Capt.; Tom Fedje, Tony Fedje, AJ Edstrom

Altar Guild:

Sheryl Miller, Capt.; Carol Miller

Money Counters:

8/5 Laura Fedje, Betty Thomas
8/12 Kay Hay, Meghann Wahl
8/19 Pat Goetz, Laura Fix
8/26 Barb Gavic, Jean Wellman

Fellowship Coffee Hour:

8/5
8/12 Quilters
8/19 Crystal Edstrom
8/26 George & Laura Fix (FMSC)

Community Dinner



There's a Place for You!

Please come join us and help spread the word about our FREE monthly dinners; invite your friends and neighbors.

These dinners are for everyone.

Please join us for our next Community Dinner on

Tuesday, August 14 from 5:30-6:30pm

The main entrée will include meatballs, potatoes, corn and more. We would appreciate donations of canned whole kernel corn, Golden Mushroom soup, Cream of Celery soup, Cream of Chicken soup and Hungry Jack Mashed Potatoes. We are also in need of decaf coffee and gallon-size Ziploc bags. As always, monetary donations are appreciated. Please come for the food AND fellowship. Thank you for your continued support of this outreach service.
~ Joan Anderson, Ron and Sharon Hamen

SACA Collection Drive

We've been contacted by Dave Rudolph, the manager at SACA, that they are in great need of many items at this time. While non-parishable food is always in demand and needed, they also need non-food essential items such as personal care and hygiene products (see suggestions below). We'll be collecting these items at St. Tim's and delivering them to SACA. They also welcome monetary donations.

Diapers - for babies, toddlers AND adults

Any personal care and hygiene products such as: Deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, soap, body wash, facial cleanser, lotion, disposal shavers, shaving cream, mouth wash, tooth brush, tooth paste, floss, aspirin, Tylenol and other items you feel might be needed. Travel- or hotel-size amenity bottles accepted.

ReNu ST. TIM'S FUND

Fund Balance as of 7/25/18: \$2,886

Received YTD through 7/25/18: \$2,336

This fund was established by the Finance Committee in 2013 to assist in paying for unanticipated low cost repairs to St. Tim's. As our facility ages and our needs change, we need to do more and more to keep it in top condition. However, our budget cannot cover all these expenses. *In 2018, thus far, we've paid to have two narthex heaters repaired, labor to install tile in Pastor's restroom, a new Sanctuary thermostat installed, elevator repairs.* Thank you for your consideration and contributions to the ReNu fund.

GENERAL FUND REPORT AS OF 6/30/18

| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Income | \$ 92,605 | \$ 75,829 |
| Expense | \$ 105,733 | \$ 75,435 |
| Income Less Expense | \$ (12,378) | \$ 2,793 |
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| Endowment-Fidelity | \$ 363,042 | |
| Dedicated Investment | \$ 15,871 | |

Special CIF Pledge Cards

If you wish to pledge toward the Capital Improvements Fund (CIF), please complete a special pledge card available in the narthex. If you'd like to utilize our Automatic Contribution program for this pledge, the form is available on the back side of the pledge card. Submit form directly to the office.

Sheridan Story Project

As we head into August and parents and children begin to get ready for the 2018-19 school year, the Area Ministry team has again chosen to continue our support of *The Sheridan Story Project* as one of our outreach projects.

For the 2018-19 school year, *The Sheridan Story Project* is going to be using the actual dollar amount to show the actual cost to provide a student with weekend food. (In the past they showed 60% of the dollar figure with the balance coming from anonymous donations.) The actual cost is \$215 per student for the school year or approximately \$6.14 per week. With this new model, *The Sheridan Story Project* ensures that regardless of the amount we are able to contribute, the program will be open to the entire school as we will be partnered not only with Community Methodist, but also with some of the anonymous donators.

Please consider donating to this program to help keep kids in our neighborhood schools from going hungry on the weekends. There are far too many children who do not have adequate food over the weekend. You can donate through your giving at St. Tim's by writing 'Sheridan Story' on your check and contribution envelope, or you can donate through our St. Tim's Auto Contribution program (forms in narthex). We will also have a donation pledge sheet for you to fill out and will be asking you, if you are able volunteer to help with packing food into the student backpacks during the year. For more information on *The Sheridan Story Project* please visit their website at:

www.thesheridanstory.com

*Thank You from the St. Tim's Area Ministries Team
Joan Anderson, Laura and George Fix, Jo Haagen, Pastor Michelene
Judy Schelde, Bruce and Sandy Scherve, Betty Thomas, and Susan Wang*

8' Banquet Tables for Sale

Due to the purchase of new round tables, the church is selling several of the 8' long banquet-style folding tables (30"W x 95"L) previously used in Fellowship Hall. They are being sold for \$25 each, as is, delivery not included. You will need to make your own arrangements for transporting any tables purchased. If you would like to purchase one or more tables, contact Pam in the church office.



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**Time: 6:00 p.m. Gathering with
6:15 p.m. Potluck Dinner**

**Where: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church
825 51st Ave. NE
Columbia Heights**

Take time to meet and get to know your neighbors.
Make new friends!

Be present when the Columbia Heights Police, Fire Department and/or other guests come to visit. Please contribute to the 15th Annual SACA Drive and enjoy a Potluck Dinner with your neighbors.

Water, coffee, plates, silverware and napkins will be provided. Bring a dish to share and, if you can, donations for SACA in the form of non-perishable food items, personal care products or school supplies or by tax deductible check to SACA (Southern Anoka Community Assistance).

Please use back parking lot—come into the Fellowship Hall of the church.

***** SPECIAL DRAWING *****
for a handmade quilt donated by Rose Howell

If you have any questions, please call
Pastor Michelene-612-810-5923
St. Timothy's Office—763-571-9721

Reflection Garden - Memorial Plaques

Memorial plaques can be ordered anytime for the Memorial Wall in our St. Tim's Reflection Garden (located in north yard of the church). To order a 4"x6" granite plaque look for the order forms in the narthex, through our website, or contact the church office to have one emailed to you. The cost is \$250 per plaque for the first two ordered and \$200 for any additional. Submit orders to the church office. Questions can be directed to Sharon Hamen or the church admin.

GriefShare

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. www.griefshare.org

Check Out our Website!

www.sttimothys-elca.org

Take a peek at our website which was redesigned by NOMAD Marketing last winter. Let us know what you think.

Inclement Weather Policy

St. Tim's worship services will not be cancelled due to inclement weather. It is left to the discretion of individuals to attend during those circumstances.

Weekly Chair and Mat Yoga Prayer Classes

Please note that Mat Yoga is now 6:30-7:30pm on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays. Bring your mat. Chair yoga is from 10-11am on Thursdays. Wear comfortable clothing and bring your water bottle with you. If you've any questions, contact Pastor Michelene. All are welcome and it's free!

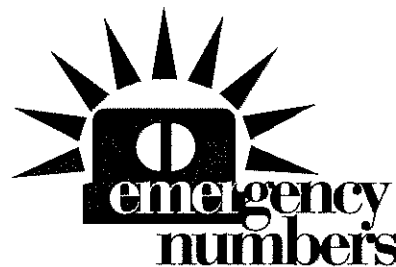
MAKE CONTRIBUTING TO ST. TIM'S EASY WITH OUR AUTOMATIC CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN

Never write another check to St. Tim's!

Save time and money by signing up for our Automatic Contribution Plan. It's the safe, easy way to make your donations and keep your pledge up-to-date, yet avoid both the hassle of writing a check and the cost of postage. And, best of all, it's free!

Did you know that you can also set up auto contributions for your Capital Improvements Fund pledge?

Forms are available in the narthex. Submit your completed form to the church office.



For any emergencies or pastoral needs when the church office is closed, please contact Pastor Michelene Verlautz directly at 612-810-5923 (cell). For maintenance needs, contact Carlos Osorio at 763-210-8321 (cell).



Book Club

The club is on summer hiatus. Their next meeting will be on September 24 to discuss a book yet to be determined.

Want to join the book club? Simply attend the meeting. If you need more information, contact Kari Schlotfeldt. Invite your neighbors and friends to join us. All are welcome.



JOLLY LUNCH BUNCH

**Wednesday, August 15
1:00pm**

**Denny's
by Northtown)**

**8850 University Drive
Blaine**

Contact Bev Knapp if you need a ride or have questions.

All are welcome!



A FLOWER CHART is hanging in the Sanctuary Hallway. Please sign up to bring flowers for the altar! There is a flower order form next to the chart to provide the office with needed details.



CHOIR DIRECTOR'S CORNER



Daniel Lloyd, Director of Worship & Music
Kay Hay, Youth Choir Leader

While the Chancel and Youth choirs are off for the summer you can still plan on enjoying the musical talent of Daniel Lloyd.



“Thank you for the lovely prayer shawl that was given to me when I was in the hospital recently and also for the prayers, cards and calls. It is so special to be remembered.” ~ Judy Lennox

Jane Johnson wishes to thank everyone for their prayers. She is now cancer-free.

“Casa de Dios wishes to thank St. Tim’s pastor and congregation for their support of their Family Festival Carnival.” ~Pastor Alfonso.



“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday on Sept. 9

“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. The date for the 2018 dedicated day of service is Sunday, September 9. On that date, St. Timothy’s activities will include cleaning Sullivan Park and our Fellowship hour will be held in the park instead of the narthex. More details to come as the date draws near. Mark your calendar to save the date—September 9th!

“God’s work. Our hands.”



St. Tim’s Benevolence

Following are the YTD dollars received through July 25 for the various benevolence and dedicated funds that our congregation contributes to each month. This information is shared with you as a regular part of **Tim’s Tidings** so that you can see the wonderful benevolence of our congregation as we progress through the year. Your generosity is literally reaching and helping hundreds of people. Thank you.

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| \$332 | SACA |
| \$145 | World Hunger |
| \$50 | Global Missions |
| \$74 | Meals on Wheels |
| \$735 | Feed My Starving Children |
| \$118 | 10% Synod Benevolence (from Sunday coffee) |
| \$230 | Sheridan Story Project |

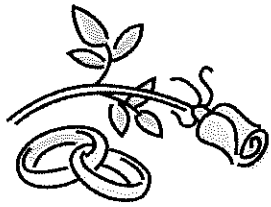
Also:

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| \$518 | St. Tim’s Community Dinner fund |
| \$895 | Thrivent Choice Dollars |
| \$2,835 | Memorials |
| \$162 | Kitchen Remodel Fund - loan balance pd. 3/12/18 |
| \$7,099 | Capital Improvements Fund (includes 4/21 fundraiser proceeds \$2,174)(payments to LOC loan on 4/24: \$2,715 & 5/17:\$3,200 ; loan balance \$1,085) |

Thank you for your benevolence.

DON’T FORGET.....

- SACA Sunday is 8/5
- Global Missions Sunday is 8/19
- Hunger Sunday on 8/26



May God continue to bless
the marriages of:

- 8/9 Barry & Leslie Sandford
(38 years)
- 8/15 George & Jessica Flanders
(3 year)
- 8/17 Fritz & Alyssa Taylor
(5 years)
- 8/23 Norm & Joyce Petersen
(66 years)
- 8/27 Dirk & Lisa Norgaard
(35 years)

Birthdays of the Month

- 8/1 Sheryl Miller
- 8/7 Brandon Hanna
- 8/8 Tony Fedje
Gus Hay
- 8/13 Elvira Landgraff
- 8/14 Jo Haugan
- 8/16 Justin Money
- 8/18 Muggs Tilly
- 8/19 Mary Bjorgan
- 8/20 Michael Hanna
- 8/21 Shirley Hartley
- 8/22 Dean Corbin
Stan Tilly
- 8/24 Bill Goetz
- 8/26 Pat Goetz
Gayle Peterson
- 8/29 Stephanie Hoff
Bev Knapp
Pr. Michelene Verlautz
Richard Zieska



We are praying for.....

Members:

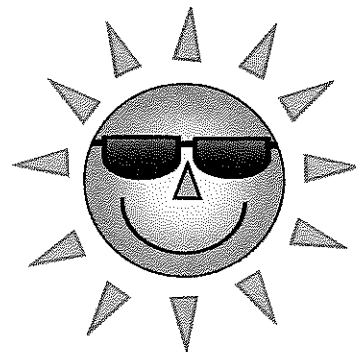
- Shelby & Paris Ahola
- Dean Corbin
- Delores Douglas
- Laura Fedje
- Will Henjum
- Gil Holter
- Dave Kerkow
- Virgil Landgraff
- Judy Lennox
- Georgia May
- Arlene Patten
- Betty Thomas
- Don Zbikowski

Family & Friends:

- Samantha Brewer
- Doris Byron
- Travis Falcon
- Cathy Farley
- Barbara Haas
- Grace Haas
- Julie Olson
- Alice Schlotfeldt
- Gerry Schultz
- Skegstad family



Keep those who have lost someone,
in your thoughts and prayers.



Please notify the church office or
Pastor Michelene if someone
needs to be added to our prayers.

*Friends & Family prayers requests will
remain on the list for one month. You
may renew your request as many times as
you desire. Prayers of thanksgiving and
bereavements will remain on the list for
two weeks. Members will remain on the
list until we are notified to remove their
name. Thank you.*