



ST. TIM'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Newsletter
March 15, 2018

From the Rector

In this Sunday's gospel reading, we see a group of outsiders come to the disciples saying: We want to see Jesus. Nowadays it is a popular thing for churches to have mission statements. We even have one here at St. Tim's: "We strive to embrace all people with the love of Jesus." But, more and more, I hear from people outside the church who don't really care what a church's mission statement is as a community. Rather, they care about the church's lived mission. Truth is, I think that's what most of us care about. One of the most unexpected mission statements I ever heard came from the heart of our tradition: Canterbury Cathedral in England. They say their mission is: To show people Jesus. I love it precisely because the response is, "How do you do that?" It speaks to living the faith daily by using our bodies, our words, our lives and proclaiming the good news we know as a gift for all people. In the gospel this Sunday, people come looking for Jesus. They've heard of his love, his mighty works, maybe even how he's reaching out to people just like them. They don't ask for someone to tell them about Jesus, they don't ask people to tell them about what he has done or might do or even who they believe him to be. No, they want the real deal: We want to see Jesus. People all over the world still hunger for this; we hunger to see Jesus. And the truth for us today is that the world will see Jesus through us. Christ has no body now, but yours, says Teresa of Avila. Every time people walk through our doors, see us serving out in the community, or know you are trying to follow Jesus, they will wonder in some way: is this really Jesus? Let's live in such a way that they have no doubt.

See you Sunday,

This Week at St. Tim's

Friday, March 16

Centering Prayer Group, 9:30am
Stations of the Cross, 7pm

Saturday, March 17

Daughters of the King, 9am

Sunday, March 18

Worship Services, 7:45 and 10am

Monday, March 19

Boy Scouts, 7pm

Tuesday, March 20

AA Meeting, 7:30pm

Wednesday, March 21

Morning Prayer, 7am

Lenten Soup Supper, 5:30pm

Thursday, March 22

Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm

AA Meeting, 7:30pm

Holy Week Services & Events

March 29 - Maundy Thursday

Service at 7pm

Overnight Prayer Vigil at 9pm (until 9am Friday)

March 30 - Good Friday

Services at 12noon and 7pm

March 31 - Easter Vigil

Service at 8pm (incense will be present)

April 1- Easter Sunday

Services at 7:45am and 10am

Egg Hunt at 11:30am

Other News & Events

Church Directory

Please take a moment on Sunday to verify your contact information for us. There are several draft copies of the Church Directory in the lobby (these are office copies—please don't take them). If your information is incorrect, complete a Contact Information Form and leave it in the basket. If your information is correct, put your initials beside your name in any one of the draft copies. Corrections will be made so that we can then distribute the updated 2018 Church Directory as soon as possible. If you have any questions, contact Lori Sill at lori@sttims.net.

Grocery Cards will be available following both services on Sunday, March 18.

Pastoral Note

Our sister in Christ, Flo Davis, died Monday, March 12. We give thanks to God for the gift of knowing and sharing our lives with Flo. Please keep Flo's family and friends in your prayers. Details regarding a funeral service will be announced when they are arranged.

March for Our Lives: Episcopal Gathering

On Saturday, March 24th, join *The Episcopal Church in Colorado* as we gather to support our young people in demanding sensible gun control and an end to gun violence. We will gather at St. John's Cathedral for an informal lunch at 12:00 pm followed by a prayer service on the lawn with Bishop O'Neill. We will depart the Cathedral at 1:30 to attend

Maundy Thursday Prayer Watch

"Watch and pray, that you may not enter into temptation." After the Maundy Thursday service on March 29, there will be an overnight prayer vigil at the church beginning at 9pm and continuing until 9am on Friday morning. If you would like to participate, sign up in the lobby.

Good Book Club Readings This Week

Sunday, March 18	Luke 18:18-43
Monday, March 19	Luke 19:1-27
Tuesday, March 20	Luke 19:28-48
Wed., March 21	Luke 20:1-47
Thurs., March 22	Luke 21:1-38
Friday, March 23	Luke 22:1-23
Sat., March 24	Luke 22:24-46

Easter Flowers

Donations for Easter flower dedications are welcome. Suggested donation is \$35. Sign up in the lobby and make checks payable to St. Tim's and designate Easter flowers in the memo line, or you can contribute online at www.sttims.net/giving/ and select the Altar Flowers fund.

Voices West will perform Handel's oratorio, *Messiah*, on March 24 at 2pm at Littleton United Methodist Church (5894 S. Datura St.). Although often associated with Christmas and the holiday season, the *Messiah* was not intended to be Christmas music but was premiered during the season of Lent in 1742. This performance by Voices West appropriately coincides with Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Tickets are available at www.voiceswest.org, or contact Floyd or Patty Lewis (pandflew@aol.com) for more information.

Family Promise

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me". Matthew 25:35

Volunteer Training is coming! Caring people are needed to help with Family

the march and rally at Civic Center Park/State Capitol. Members of the Episcopal Church in Colorado will be gathering at St. John's Cathedral in Denver prior to the start of the March for Our Lives. This march is part of a nationwide network of marches (one in every state of the union) to protest inaction on gun violence and gun control in the wake of the mass shootings that have plagued our country. Since the 1990's, the General Convention of the Episcopal Church has adopted resolutions opposing concealed carry, assault weapons, and mass production of firearms with no meaningful safeguards to their distribution and regulation. Now is the time to take a stand to protect our children. Please RSVP by emailing the Office of Advocacy and Social Justice at advocacy@episcopalcolorado.org. If you would like to receive lunch, please fill out the request form [by clicking here](#).

Journeying Through the Lectionary

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus predicts his followers will suffer their own crucifixions. Is this the life which we promise to those seeking baptism? How do you understand the suffering in your life? Reflect with us by [clicking here](#) (for the [mobile version click here](#)).

The **Study Bunch** will not be meeting during Lent. Details will follow regarding our upcoming study.

Adult Forum

With the start of Lent and the beginning of the Bible Study Small Groups, the Sunday 9am Adult Forum is taking a break. Don Marxhausen will be facilitating a Bible study in the library at 9am and would be pleased to welcome you to that. This group will be looking at and discussing the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles.

Contemplative Prayer Group meets on Friday mornings at 9:30 in the D'Zone. The group responds to St. Paul's admonition to "pray always." Beginners are always welcome. For more

Promise Ministry. Our first dates to serve will be April 22nd and 24th. Before working with the families, some training is required. Training will be held at St. Tim's on Sunday, April 8th, after the 10am service (about 11:30am). It will last about two hours and lunch will be provided. If you are interested in getting involved in any capacity in this rewarding ministry, please sign up with Casey Clark (landcreations@gmail.com) and let him know if you can attend the training on April 8.

information, contact Nancy at NancyBattilega@gmail.com.

Did you miss the sermon last Sunday?

You can [listen to an audio recording by clicking here](#).

Do you have something you'd like to include in the weekly announcements or newsletter?

Send the information to the Office Administrator, Lori Sill at lori@sttims.net by close of business on Tuesday so that it can be included in the following weekend publications.

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