

ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE TIDINGS

St. Timothy's Mission: To celebrate Christ's healing love through worship, fellowship, and outreach.



FEBRUARY, 2011

RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS

Decades ago and in another parish, I watched several new church members taking their first turns at providing for coffee hour. The food was good, as was the coffee. I thanked them for their work. The next month, I noticed they had scratched their names off the Hospitality Schedule. When I asked them about this, they told me that they would never "do that again" because of the way someone had criticized their placement of the sugar bowl next to the coffee pot.

We are in a congregation where we have some new people getting more deeply involved in our life and programs. Encourage their involvement. If they need help, provide it in a way that builds them up! As you read this, I will be preparing to fly to Jerusalem, Israel, to attend a two week course at St. George's College. The course, entitled "Palestine of Jesus", will consist of both classroom education and travel to many of the Biblical sites found in Israel. I will see many places, including the Jordan River, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, West/Wailing Wall, and Masada. I will give you a full report when I return. Neighboring clergy will cover emergencies, as needed. Thank you for your help in fulfilling this dream.

Albert

FROM THE VESTRY

1. Suzanne P was elected Sr. Warden.
2. Marjorie M was elected Jr. Warden.
3. Karen R was elected Clerk/Secretary.
4. Jim D and Sandy D will continue as Treasurer & Assistant Treasurer.

IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Births: Max Jennings, Grandson of Mike & Mary Ann R

Deaths: Laura Elaine Kliskey, sister of Joan P

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The deadline for March *Tidings* is Tuesday, Feb 22, 9 am.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 26, Saturday, ECW Annual Brunch & Meeting
- March 6, Sunday, Hope Totes Project begins
- March 8, Tuesday, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner
- March 20, Sunday, Church Breakfast
- In March *Tidings* we will inaugurate a Recipe Corner, so submit your best recipes to share with all.



CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Annual Meeting

On Sunday, January 16, we held our Annual Meeting. We heard from our Treasurer Jim D that 2010 had been a very good year for the church; 2011 looks more challenging. We heard that Anne Pillot is planning, with the Bishop's permission, to stay with us through this spring. We were encouraged to get involved on committees. We held elections. Marjorie M, Suzanne P, and Karen R were elected to Vestry. Marjorie was elected Diocesan Convention Delegate; Jim D was elected Alternate. Karen R was elected as a Representative to Mission Area Council. Afterward, we had a great potluck lunch.

This spring on May 14, Trinity Cathedral will host a Diocesan Confirmation Service. If you are interested in being confirmed, received or publically reaffirming your faith, please let me know. I will be scheduling classes for these purposes. The classes will not only be for those who wish to participate in the Diocesan Service, but also for those who wish to deepen their knowledge of the Episcopal Church and our Christian faith. Let me know if you are interested.



Albert



ECW Annual Brunch & Meeting

St. Tim's Annual ECW breakfast and meeting will be held Saturday, February 26, 2011. Every woman in the parish is a member of the Episcopal Church Women or ECW. All the women of St. Tim's will be mailed a formal invitation to this annual affair. Look for the sign-up sheet on the tables at the back of the church. If you have any questions, please call Mary R, 216.798.8439.



CHURCH HAPPENINGS

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE - Collect those Tabs

It's never a good time to be away from home with a sick child, but gray winters in Cleveland don't help. The money raised from the Pull Tabs (all types, sizes, colors) can add a little something special to a family's stay.

Remember them in your prayers and by saving and collecting those tabs (from friends, relatives, work place too). Drop them into the big container on entry table.

Check your annual report for more info on RMcD House or see me.

Mary Ann P

U nited T hank O ffering the box if you can

Eight participants in the Fall Ingathering provided \$261.18 toward future grants. Another late contribution will go toward our Spring Ingathering. "Changing the world through our thanks". Be a part of it. Your thanksgiving and a coin each day. Pick up your Blue Box now.



Mary Ann P.



For job seekers: Edgepark Surgical of Twinsburg has 24 separate types of positions in Twinsburg to be filled at this moment. Go to edgepark.com for more info.

Needles and Hooks Search

We are in full swing with the construction of fleece blankets and will then tackle pillow case dresses for Haiti, Appalachia, and wherever else they can be used. Here's a way many of you can help out. We are looking for donated items of course, actually for more than one project so if you are cleaning out or come across any of these items--too good to throw out--please send them our way. Put donations in a bag with my name on it and it should get to me without any difficulty.

Bias fold tape in any color, odd spools of thread, any kind of decorative materials that could be attached to a child's dress, bits and pieces of ribbon-satin type preferred. The very narrow satin ribbon would not be useful at this time. Pieces of new leftover fabric from a project, polyester/cotton combination, at least 5/8 yard, and pieces of fleece. Ribbon pieces can be less than 12 inches long along with many of the other items except the fabric.



We can always use yarn and hope you are able to see your donations in some of the projects we have been putting together. Your donations may not be used immediately but are never just thrown out.



Many thanks to all who have passed on leftovers, and sometimes new items. I'll try to have some picture available soon of the most recent projects, and with a bit of luck some projects may be on display at the pancake supper.

Mary Ann R

MONEY MATTERS

Here are the financial results for Calendar Year 2010 compared to the budget:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Favorable / (Unfavorable) Difference</u>
Year-to-date Operating Revenue:	150,000.00	126,000.00	24,000.00
Year-to-date Operating Expenses:	125,400.00	126,000.00	600.00
Year-to-date Operating Surplus (Deficit):	24,600.00	0.00	24,600.00

Church Operating Equity: \$34,500.00

Annual receipts were over \$24,500 over budget primarily due to \$13,000 in transfers to the operating account from Memorial Funds and non-pledge donations \$11,000 in excess of budget. Year-to-date pledge donations are 1.9% under budget, but this shortfall is offset by increased receipts from fund raising, soda sales and rummage sale receipts in excess of budget.

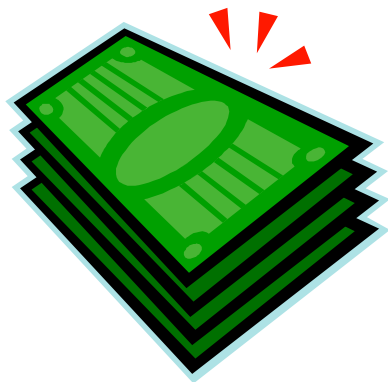
Equity increased by almost \$25,000 for the year because of the increased receipts and our ability to keep expenses throughout the year under budget (a pretty amazing feat!!). .

Money from the Building & Grounds Fund – New Construction Account is being used to research new expansion for the Church and to provide initial funds for that expansion. Contributions from memorials continue to be transferred to the fund and the money is invested in a combination of bank accounts, money market accounts and stocks. The balance in the New Construction account is \$171,000 (up over \$4,000 from November), with approximately 27% of the funds invested in the stock market. As we approach the time when we will use this fund, I will on the balance and expenditures in the New Construction Account. 2011 will be the year when money will probably start to be used more substantially from this fund.

The budget for 2011 was approved by the vestry. Because pledge amounts for 2011 are 10% less than 2010 and the number of pledges is down 24% from last year, we have to rely more heavily on non-pledge income to meet the operating expenses of the parish. Because of this, we have reduced budgeted expenses 0.5% from

2010 and we must rely on non-pledge sources to provide our revenues for the operating accounts. This year, 23% of the budgeted spending must come from non-pledge sources. Last year, 15% of the budgeted spending was anticipated from non-pledge sources. This makes our budget much more faith-based.

Overall, 2010 was an excellent year for St. Tim's financially; 2011 requires faith, hope and prayer at this time. Thank God for our built-up equity. St. Tim's continues to be blessed.



Jim D

***Tidings* WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR February, 2011**

	Feb 6	Feb 13	Feb 20	Feb 27
ALTAR GUILD	MARILYN P Marianne M	MARY R Maureen L	SANDY R Marjorie M	JUDY H Pauline N
ACOLYTES	Karen R Tommy K	Ellie D Ethan D	Lily S Simon D	Lauren S Tommy K
HOSPITALITY	Nancy-Anne Lois O	Marjorie Judy S	Allen W Bill P	Mara D Rick D
GREETERS	Mary R	Mary P Hilary	Joan P Kathi	Marianne M
USHERS	Mavis R Phil W	Mike M Cliff P	Mavis Mike M	Cliff P Phil W
COUNTERS	Mavis R Nancy-Anne	Sandy D Mike M	Jim D Lois O	Mavis Bill P
SEASON	5th Sunday after Epiphany <i>green,</i> <i>The Rev Gay Jennings</i>	6th Sunday after Epiphany <i>green</i>	7th Sunday after Epiphany <i>green</i>	8th Sunday after Epiphany <i>green</i>
	Rite II	Rite II	Rite II	Rite II
CHALICE BEARER	Mary Ann P	Karen R	Jim D	Marjorie M
1ST LESSON	Gayle L	Lois O Deuteronomy	Cheryl M	Barb S
2ND LESSON	Suzanne	Mara	Sandy R	Maureen L
INTERCESSOR	Mary Ann P	Bill P	Karen R	Marjorie
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If you are unable to serve, please call someone on the list to change and notify the appropriate leader.



February 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		 <p>1</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Groundhog Day</p> <p>6:00 p Potluck Program 7:30 p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:00 p AA Meeting</p>
<p>6</p> <p>8:30 a Holy Eucharist 10:30 a Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:00 a Book Study Noon AA Meeting</p> <p>8:00 p AA Meeting</p>	<p>9</p> <p>6:00 p Potluck Program 7:30 p Choir Rehearsal 8:00 p Education Mtg</p>	<p>10</p> <p>1:00 p Needles & Hooks</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Diocesan Winter</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Lincoln's Birthday</p> <p>Convocation</p> <p>8:00 p AA Meeting</p>
<p>13</p> <p>8:30 a Holy Eucharist 10:30 a Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Valentine's Day</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>10:00 a Book Study Noon AA Meeting</p> <p>8:00 p AA Meeting</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:00 p Potluck Program 7:30 p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8:00 p AA Meeting</p>
<p>20</p> <p>8:30 a Holy Eucharist 2 Cents a Meal 10:30 a Holy Eucharist 2:00 p Nursing Home service</p>	<p>21</p> <p>President's Day</p> <p>7:00 p Vestry Meeting</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Washington's Birthday</p> <p>9:00 a Tidings deadline 10:00 a Book Study Noon AA Meeting</p> <p>8:00 p AA Meeting</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:00 p Potluck Program 7:30 p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>24</p> <p>1:00 p Needles & Hooks</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>ECW Breakfast/Annual Meeting</p> <p>8:00 p AA Meeting</p>
<p>27</p> <p>8:30 a Holy Eucharist 10:30 a Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>28</p>					

