

# ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE TIDINGS

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

### RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS

"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

The above sentence is a key message of our Ash Wednesday liturgy. It serves as a reminder of our mortality, or as we may have heard, "I haven't met one of us who isn't going to die." An awareness of our mortality can give us a healthy perspective — that we don't have all the time in the world; that what we do and don't do really matters; that it is important to be connected to people and institutions beyond ourselves; that we shouldn't take ourselves so seriously.

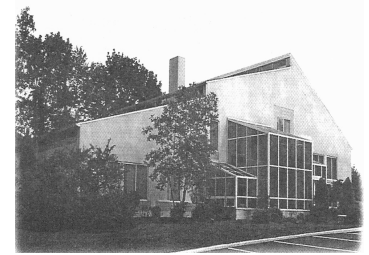
The Book of Common Prayer, page 445, reminds us to make a will, to provide for the well-being of our families, and if we are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses. Let me note that in the past year, we have been notified that three people have left bequests to St. Timothy's, and one person has purchased a gift annuity and listed us as beneficiary. We thank all of them for their generosity, trust, and encouragement.

Pre-arranging one's funeral can also come from a "healthy awareness" of our mortality. Lent is a dramatic season. It begins with a mark of ashes on our foreheads. Lent ends in the empty tomb with a voice proclaiming, "He is risen." In the beginning of Lent, we are reminded of our need of God. In the end, we find that God's promises more than meet our need. May we have a meaningful Lent. We will have many activities and opportunities for fellowship and growth: ECW Brunch and Annual Meeting, Soup Sunday, Bishop Hollingsworth's visit, Wednesday Potluck, Quiet Day, and Sunday worship.

**Albert**

### FROM THE VESTRY

1. We voted to transfer some endowment funds to the Joint Investment Fund of the Diocese of Ohio. This should provide both income and long term growth to the funds.
2. We heard that a number of our committees are meeting in order to plan activities that will keep us lively and faithful.
3. We heard that our Sunday Schoolers are already planning for their Spring Plant sale by planting seeds. Get ready for those vegetables!
4. We heard that we are making progress in collecting money for the purchase of the defibrillator.
5. We heard that the new place settings (plates, cups, etc.) will be here soon.
6. We heard that the Next Steps Committee will soon be recommending that we hire an architect.



MARCH, 2010

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

1. February 27, Saturday, 9:30 am ECW Brunch and Annual Meeting.
2. February 28, Sunday: Soup Sunday. Soup served after the 10:30 am service.
3. March 13, Saturday, 11:00 am, Memorial Service for Mrs. Betty Palmer.
4. March 14, Sunday, Bishop Hollingsworth visits here for 10:30 am service, followed by Potluck Luncheon.
5. March 20, Saturday, 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, Quiet Day.
6. **Holy Week Schedule:**
  - March 28, Palm Sunday, 8:30 & 10:30 am services
  - April 1, Thursday: 6:00 pm Lamb Dinner, 7:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service
  - April 2, Friday: 7:30 pm, Good Friday Service
  - April 3, Saturday: 7:30 pm, Easter Vigil
  - April 4, Easter Sunday, 8:30 am & 10 :30 am services.
7. April 18, Sunday, 9:30 am, Church Breakfast
8. April 18-May 2, African Team Ministry jewelry and craft sale.



### Memorial Service

On Saturday, March 13 at 11:00 am, we will have a Memorial Service for Betty Palmer, (Bill's mother), here at St. Timothy's. She was a generous and thoughtful friend and member of St. Timothy's. She was both creative and practical. Her abiding faith was a source of strength and guidance for her. She faced sadness and challenge with dignity and grace. She lived a long and full life; she died at the age of 96. I encourage you to attend this upcoming service, in which we will thank God for her life.

### Public Service Announcements

Do you have high speed internet? Can we email your *Tidings* to you? There is a sign up sheet on the entry table or just email your preferred email address to [stimec@windstream.net](mailto:stimec@windstream.net) and you will help us save time, save money and save a tree or two.



Do you have your official St. Timothy's name tag? Sign up and get yours attached to our custom made St. Timothy Lanyard or on a clip. Be sure to state your preference on the sign up sheet.

## CHURCH HAPPENINGS

### Haven of Rest Ministries and Hope Totes

Please join in helping Haven of Rest's outreach ministry to needy and homeless men, women, and children in our communities. This has been an ongoing Lenten project for many years, sponsored by St. Timothy's ECW. We are asking for donation of new, regular size items to be dropped in the Hope Totes container in the Atrium. Items will be accepted until **March 21**. Please keep the list below to assist you in your generous purchases.

Thank you from Mary Rallya and the ECW.

#### Hope Tote Request List: Full size items, Drop off by March 21

toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shaving cream, disposable razors, socks, shoelaces, shampoo, conditioner, lip balm, deodorant, brush & comb, hand & body lotion, facial tissues

### United Thank Offering

It's only February, but remember your Prayer of Thanks and Coin for your Blue Box for the Spring Ingathering on May 2. It does so much good for others and self.



Haven't tried it - pick up Blue Box on entry table, and try the practice described above. What do they say? "Try it, you'll like it!" And remember every cent goes to serve others, no overhead!

Questions? Call or see Mary Ann Perry 467-6431

### Can Pull Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Need an extra effort on your part. Just received report on last year from them. Recycle value is down or canned beverage consumption is, because they only received \$6000 (versus \$11,000 in '08) for special services for those staying at the House while children are in treatment at area hospitals.

Please save those tabs and bring them to church. Encourage others to do the same.

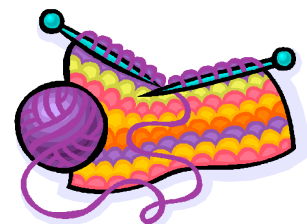
The families, the House, and I thank you, Mary Ann Perry (Another coin to my UTO box!)

### Needles & Hooks

Congratulations to Frances Granger, the big winner of the beautiful afghan raffled off at the pancake supper. The afghan was knitted by our own Jean Bellamy and brought in \$97 benefitting Needles & Hooks continuing projects. Many Thanks to all those who purchased tickets for this worthy event.

Another project to raise funds includes "wristers". Wristers are fingerless hand warmers that are used by computer users, crafters, book readers, texters, and anyone else who needs a finger-free hand warmer. Wristers are made to order and anyone interested can contact me.

Mary Ann Richmond



## CHURCH HAPPENINGS CONTINUED

### Shrove Tuesday– Yum!

We had another successful Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on February 16. The event was well organized by Bill Palmer and a great number of people who set up, cooked, (5 kinds of pancakes) and cleaned up. Over fifty people attended the dinner. The wonderful smell of pancakes lingered in the air the day after, as well.



### Potluck Program

The Potluck Program meets on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. We begin with a dinner and the program runs from 6:45 pm to 7:30 pm. For the Wednesday evenings in Lent, (February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31) we will be exploring different forms of worship: i.e. Celtic, Taize, alternative services, etc. I am looking forward to this and hope you will attend.



### African Team Ministry

From April 18 until May 2, we will have crafts and jewelry on sale; all of the proceeds will benefit African Team Ministry. The ministry benefits three Anglican Dioceses in east Africa. African Team Ministry provides: food, blankets, shelter, and education to thousands of people affected by political unrest and diseases like AIDS.



### Akron Aeros Games

Yes, Spring and Summer will arrive in due time. We are planning two outings to Canal Park to see Akron Aeros games. Game dates are May 14 & July 16. The sign up sheet is on the entry table.



## FUND RAISING

For any of you interested in our committee, we will have a short meeting during "Soup Sunday" on Feb. 28th. Remember that the Spaghetti Dinner is scheduled for Friday, April 30th...we will discuss donations during the meeting. Please look for either Judy or Jean that Sunday.

Jean Bellamy and Judy Horvath, Co-Chairs

## MONEY MATTERS

Here are the financial results for January 2010 compared to the budget:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<b>Favorable / (Unfavorable) Difference</b>
Year-to-date Operating Revenue:	\$24,402.54	\$10,100.00	\$14,302.54
Year-to-date Operating Expenses:	<u>10,276.02</u>	<u>9,992.00</u>	<u>(284.02)</u>
Year-to-date Operating Surplus(Deficit):	14,126.52	108.00	14,018.52

Church Equity: \$23,817.54

Because we received over \$10,000 in full year pledges entirely paid in January and over \$4,000 in non-pledge receipts, revenues exceeded the budget significantly. Receiving full year pledges, however, means that monthly pledge receipts throughout the rest of the year will be reduced by almost \$1,000. Equity jumped to over \$20,000, but that will be reduced throughout the year with the reduced pledge receipts. Currently, expenses are being paid when they are due. Our financial health is excellent. Pledge donations in January were 116.1% over budget (budgeted at \$9,028.00, received \$9,512.50). Expenses were 2.8% over budget, primarily due to slightly higher utilities and church maintenance for the month.

Additionally, we received a bequest in January that the vestry has designated towards our New Construction sub-fund. Finally, I found out from the attorney from the Peterson estate that our bequest from the Peterson estate will be over \$125,000 that can be used effectively to implement our next steps, which will probably include new construction. I have not yet received the timing of when our bequest will be received.

Overall, January was a positive month financially. Indeed, God has worked in wondrous ways for St. Tim's.

Jim Dudziak



Do you have an announcement, a notice, or a schedule of events that the church members need access to?

The *Tidings* is online now, and your news can reach more people. Submit your items on or before the third Monday of the month for publication in the next *Tidings*. All material is subject to upper management approval.

*Tidings*

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR MARCH, 2010**

	Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21	Mar 28	
		Visit by Bishop Hollingsworth and Confirmation			Acolytes for Holy Week
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	NADIN Prince	HORVATH Neilsen	PTAK Morgan	RALLYA Letsky	4/1, Maundy Thur M.Horvath
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	R.DeMattia	M.Horvath D.Neilsen	N.Krueger	K.Rockwell Lauren S.	4/2, Good Friday D.Neilsen
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	M.McDougle J.Spearing	Parish Potluck	J.Horvath M.Horvath	M.DeMattia R.DeMattia	4/3, Easter Vigil N.Krueger
<b>GREETERS</b>	M.Morgan M.Rallya	J.Papciak L.Smith	M.Prince	N.Nadin	4/4, Easter Day E.DeMattia Lily S.
<b>USHERS</b>	M.Risley P.Williams	M.McDonald C.Perry	M.Risley P.Williams	M.McDonald C.Perry	
<b>COUNTERS</b>	M.Risley N.Wargo	S.Dudziak M.McDonald	J.Dudziak L.Owen	M.Risley B.Palmer	
<b>SEASON</b>	3rd Sunday in Lent, <i>purple</i>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent, <i>white</i>	5th Sunday in Lent, <i>purple</i>	Palm Sunday, <i>red</i>	
	Rite I	Rite II	Rite I	Rite I	
<b>CHALICE BEARER</b>	J.Dudziak	N.Wargo	M.Petrochuk	MA.Perry	
<b>1<sup>ST</sup> LESSON</b>	S.Palmer	K.Krueger	L.Yax	N.Krueger	
<b>2<sup>ND</sup> LESSON</b>	B.Smith	P.Dale	P.Sadataki	J.Spearing	
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	J.Dudziak	N.Wargo	M.Petrochuk	K.Rockwell	
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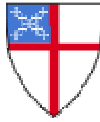
If you are unable to serve, please call someone on the list to change and notify the appropriate leader.



# March 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7:00 pm Finance Mtg	2 10:00 am Book Study 12:00 pm AA Mtg 7:00 pm Mission Area Council @ St. Paul's, Akron 8:00 pm AA Mtg	3 6:00 pm Potluck Program 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	4	5	6 8:00 pm AA Mtg
7 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist 11:45 am Outreach Committee Mtg	8 7:00 pm Needles & Hooks	9 10:00 am Book Study 12:00 pm AA Mtg 8:00 pm AA Mtg	10 6:00 pm Potluck Program 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 8:00 pm Education Mtg	11	12	13 11:00 am Memorial Service 8:00 pm AA Mtg
14 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Bishop Hollingsworth visits	15 7:00 pm Vestry Mtg	16 10:00 am Book Study 12:00 pm AA Mtg 8:00 pm AA Mtg	17 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b> 6:00 pm Potluck Program 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	18	19	20 9:00 am – 12:30 pm Quiet Day 2:00 pm Shower 8:00 pm AA Mtg
21 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	22 7:00 pm Needles & Hooks	23 10:00 am Book Study 12:00 pm AA Mtg 8:00 pm AA Mtg	24 6:00 pm Potluck Program 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	25	26	27 10:00 am Altar Guild making Palm crosses 8:00 pm AA Mtg
<b>Palm Sunday</b> 28 8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	29	30 10:00 am Book Study 12:00 pm AA Mtg 8:00 pm AA Mtg	31 6:00 pm Potluck Program 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal			



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Building & Grounds: Mike Horvath

Communication/Promotions: Kim Krueger

Education: Sandy Dudziak

Finance: Jim Dudziak

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