



**ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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# The Crosslight

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:  
NOVEMBER 2017**

## Now's the time... *Marie Henkel*

### Advent Adventure!

#### **Midweek Advent Worship – Isaiah and the Peaceable Kingdom**

**Advent Midweek Worship beginning Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.** Advent here at St. Tim's is a time to wait for the fulfillment of Christ's kingdom in peace, justice, and love. As the followers of Jesus, our waiting is not sedentary. It is not without hope!

#### **On three Thursday evenings:**

**December 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup>**

**We will gather at 6:00 p.m.** for a time of worship and prayer that reminds us we may await the Advent of our Lord with purpose, faith, and hope. Following worship, all are welcome to a simple supper of food, companionship, and support!



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# Dates to Remember

**Theology on Tap:**  
**November 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. @**  
**Monk's Corner,**  
**205 Silver Avenue SW**



TOT is a gathering of people who like to eat and discuss spirituality in our lives. Order your food and drink and prepare to talk! Come join us! Check out our Facebook page the Monday prior to the event for a teaser concerning the discussion topic. See Anthony Harkness if you have any questions.

**Lutherhaven Annual Meeting:**  
**November 4<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., @ Lutherhaven.**

To RSVP contact [lutherhavenm@gmail.com](mailto:lutherhavenm@gmail.com), 505-275-2436.

**All Saints Remembrance & Celebration:**  
**November 5<sup>th</sup>, @ St. Tim's**

**Family Promise @ St. Tim's:**  
**November 5 – 12<sup>th</sup>, sign up sheets in the community room.**

For more info contact [familypromiseabq.org](http://familypromiseabq.org), or Marie, [mlhenkel@gmail.com](mailto:mlhenkel@gmail.com).

**Stewardship Meeting:**  
**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m. @ St. Tim's**

**Congregation Meeting:**  
**November 19<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m. @ St. Tim's**

## Church Events

### November

- Sept. 19 - Nov. 14 – The Life Program
- Oct. 30 & Nov. 1 – All ELCA Prayer Group @ St. Tim's
- Oct. 31 - Nov. 2 – LFS Immigration Day
- November – Silent Meditation (ongoing Mondays)
- November – Revelation Study (ongoing Mondays & Thursdays)
- November 1 – St. Tim's Sewing Group
- November 3 – Family Promise - Benefit Event
- November 4 – Lutherhaven Annual Meeting
- November 5 – All Saints Remembrance & Celebration
- November 5 - 12 – Family Promise @ St. Tim's
- November 12 – Stewardship Meeting
- November 12 – Senate Council Meeting
- November 16 – Women's Ministries Study & Lunch
- November 19 – Congregational Meeting
- November 23 – Thanksgiving Day

## Worship Assistants

Task	November 5th	November 12th	November 19th	November 26th
Asst. Minister	Mona Sherrell	Dennis Roberts	Ron Henkel	Debby Morrell
Children's Time	<i>Other Event (All Saints')</i>	Judy Jacobson	<i>Mission Moment, Anthony Harkness</i>	Marcie Wilson
Prayer Leader	Scott Hardy	Carmen Miranda	Wayne Aspholm	Judy Jacobson
Lector	To be announced	To be announced	To be announced	To be announced
Comm. Assistants	Sam Brandt Larry Morrell	Beth Neer Michele Benton	Ruth Archambeau Monica Coburn	Darra Kingsley Dan Rader
Altar Guild	Nancy Brown Robin Harmon	Nancy Brown Robin Harmon	Nancy Brown Robin Harmon	Nancy Brown Robin Harmon
Comm. Bread	Robin Harmon	Robin Harmon	Robin Harmon	Robin Harmon
Ushers	Dan Rader Rob Evers Lee & Marcie Wilson	Gary Miller Roger Radloff Wilbur Jahn	Jackie Love Terri Christiansen Bob Jacobson	Donna Lisotto Gene Lisotto Larry Morrell
Greeter	Larry Morrell	Larry Morrell	Larry Morrell	Larry Morrell
Pew Angel	Wilbur Jahn	Wilbur Jahn	Wilbur Jahn	Wilbur Jahn
Tellers	Rob Evers Sharon Kalita	Mona Sherrell Robin Harmon	Terri Christiansen Scott Hardy	Michele Benton Richard Cicerello

# All ELCA Prayer Group!



**ALL ARE WELCOME for the first all-ELCA ABQ prayer event!**

**St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 211 Jefferson St NE 87108**, will serve as the host location for this first experience and we will meet at different churches each month. Come to either or both times of Bible reflection and prayer:

**Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 p.m.**

**Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m.**

**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!** What might the Spirit make possible when we pray together?

## Lutheran Family Services

### **LFS's Immigration Service Day - @ St. Tim's**

Through Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> – Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lutheran Family Services, LFS will provide legal and immigration services to refugees, helping them prepare for their immigration day. Welcome to St. Tim's! We wish them the best in becoming self-sufficient and integrating into their new communities.

## Lutherhaven

### **Lutherhaven Open House / Annual Meeting**

**Sponsored by New Mexico Lutheran Association (NMLA)  
Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Come see the lodge and tent / RV sites. We'll be serving lunch and showing off the site. Contact our staff at [lutherhavennm@gmail.com](mailto:lutherhavennm@gmail.com) or dial 505-275-2436 to RSVP, let them know if you need a ride and we'll try to set that up too.

# Family Promise

Marie Henkel



## Family Promise of ABQ!

You can make a difference in the life of a child who has no home!

Our next week to host up to four families here at St. Tim's will be November 5 – 12, 2017.

At the end of October, I'll be posting the signup sheets in the community room to help with a meal, spend the night on a comfy folding bed in the Sunday school room, or bring supplies. This program supports families with children while they work with professional staff to overcome barriers and find sustainable housing. We participate along with 16 other faith congregations in Albuquerque to provide shelter, food and hospitality to these families.

For more information about this program, check out the Family Promise website, [familypromiseabq.org](http://familypromiseabq.org), or contact Marie, [mlhenkel@gmail.com](mailto:mlhenkel@gmail.com).

*Upcoming Family Promise Event:*

**An Evening of Promise** - benefit event on November 3rd, 7:00 p.m. @ Prestige Event Center, 2019 5th St. 87102. Join us for an evening of dinner, dancing and a silent auction featuring live music by The Kipsies. For tickets and more information, visit [www.FamilyPromiseABQ.org](http://www.FamilyPromiseABQ.org).



# Church Choir

Zack Kear

## Musicians and Singers!

Do you play a musical instrument? Would you like to share your talents by playing a solo, duet, or something else at St. Tim's? Share your ideas with Zack if you are interested, [zack.kear@gmail.com](mailto:zack.kear@gmail.com)

Do you like to sing? All voice types are welcome to sing in the adult choir.  
**Rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 7:15 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.**



# Classes @ St. Tim's – Stay Tuned!

## ➤ Silent Meditation

**Silent Meditation is weekly from 6 - 7 p.m. on Mondays @ St. Tim's.** Enter and exit the Sanctuary through the east gate in silence. Please power off cell phones.



## ➤ LIFE Program Continues...

**On September 19<sup>th</sup>, the congregation of St. Timothy's in partnership with St. Paul Lutheran Church and the Rio Grande Credit Union, welcomed our first cohort to the Liberty In Financial Education (LIFE) Program, THANKS BE TO GOD!**

The cohort consists of six households, all referred to the program through Family Promise or Habitat for Humanity of Albuquerque. Thank you so much to the LIFE Task Force: Rob Evers, Lee Wilson, Ron Solimon, Wayne Aspholm, and Rich Ciccerello for your creativity, persistence, and prayer! And thanks be to God for the opportunity to be a part of God's work in our city!

**This nine week program continues through November 14<sup>th</sup>!**

## ➤ St. Tim's Book Study: Stay Tuned

**It's not too late, join us on a journey though the book of Revelation!** Lutheran scholar and Professor Craig Koester's book, "Revelation and the End of All Things" will be our guide. Books are \$15.50 (scholarships available!). All are welcome.

*Every Monday @ 10:00 a.m. and Thursday @ 6:00 p.m.*

## ➤ St. Tim's Book Club

Everyone is invited to be part of St. Tim's Book Club! We are currently reading Thirst by Mary Oliver. Vivian Bowman suggested this book and contributed the following as incentive for us to select it to read: "Oliver is a winner of the both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award. She has published more than 15 books of poetry and 5 books of prose. Natural surroundings are a frequent topic for her. The Boston Globe says ... 'Mary Oliver teaches us the profound act of paying attention-a living wonder that makes it possible to appreciate all the others.' This book of Oliver's poems is short, and is my favorite."

We've been reading prose for a while – it's time for some poetry! Consider reading Thirst and joining us at our next meeting.

**Friday, December 1 @ 6 pm  
Light supper followed by discussion  
Marie and Ron Henkel's  
912 Sierra Drive SE**



# God's Work. Our Hands.

Anthony Harkness

## Stewardship Update

Thus far **ELCA Good Gifts** has raised \$500.00 for the Fourth Quarter, and we are well on our way to our goal of providing a well to those who are, well, in need of water. The average woman or child in Africa and Asia walks approximately 3.6 miles carrying about 20 liters of water, approximately 70 lbs. Your donation can help install a well in a village somewhere in the World and reduce that burden.



## **Clothing Drive!**

### Women's Ministry

Now collecting hats, gloves, and socks to distribute to our homeless neighbors that visit St. Tim's this winter. The donations will be collected and kept in the Church office so Barbara can distribute them during the week.

### Storehouse

Diapers Galore, that is about all I have to say. Tomato products are still welcome but there have been mountains of diapers donated; I may be slightly exaggerating.

Thank you for your wonderful generosity!

***Next Stewardship Meeting: Nov 12th @ 11 a.m. in the Narthex!***

- We will be discussing the quarterly appeals for next year and changes to the pledge card to include a specific on-going contribution to a facilities' fund.  
If you have questions about Stewardship chat with Anthony Harkness or attend the next meeting.



# Women's Ministries News

Michele Benton

- **St. Tim's Women's Ministry Luncheon & Bible Study** – Next meeting on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- **St. Tim's Sewing Group** – first Wednesdays of the month. Next gathering December 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **Church Women United, an ecumenical Christian women's group, will be holding its World Community Day celebration on Friday, November 3rd at 9:30 a.m. @ St. Luke Lutheran Church, 9100 Menaul Blvd. NE.** The theme for the service is "Kindling New Fires for Peace". It is a move from an ecumenical to a multi-faith orientation so all are welcome. Peace banners made by New Mexico women in 1986 will be on display. For more information, contact Shirley Nilsson 884-2467.

## WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

2018

Save the Date!



SATURDAY

JANUARY

20<sup>th</sup> 2018

**9am - 2pm**  
**In Albuquerque**  
**@ St Tim**  
**Lutheran Church**

Back-up Snow Date: Feb 3rd.

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Presenter:

Pastor Rachael Powell, St. Tim's  
Call or text Hazel Mella from Messiah  
ABQ 505 507-0667, hrmella@yahoo.com  
if you need more info.

Plan Ahead! Registration forms coming in December.  
Scholarships for the \$20 registration fee are available. Childcare  
offered. You can arrange transportation and car pools to the  
event!!

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

# Facility Report

*Michele Benton*



## Facility Management

### Update:

We currently have contractors preparing bids for roofing improvements. We are seeking bids to replace the roof on two areas; Timothy / Joy / Library and Martha with the North hallways. We now have a signed contract with All American to insulate and seal the North Sanctuary beam. They will start by power washing the area soon!

### *These are other projects we are working on:*

1. Volunteers are removing the swamp cooler and associated ducting from the Narthex.
2. Remove corrugated Transite (asbestos cement) panels and install a new awning for better rain deflection from the stairwell and window wells on the west edge of the building.
3. Marie and Michele met with Melanie from LFS to review needed updates to make our building compliant for commercial kitchen use. LFS is paying for a commercial refrigerator along with a few other improvements. Look for changes to occur soon! Another inspection will occur before Christmas. LFS will begin developing a culinary program at St Tim's in 2018.
4. Thanks to Ron Henkel for shutting down swamp coolers. We have 7 coolers!

We appreciate any feedback and welcome all questions regarding these projects. We appreciate all the donations we received! **To date, we received \$2,000 prior to our current stewardship campaign, "Raise the Roof," and as of 11/29/2017 we have received \$19,709 specifically for the roof! We also received a \$ 5,033 check from LFS for building updates to meet requirements for a commercial kitchen!**



## Welcome back to Council Corner!

This month your Council met on October 15<sup>th</sup> and after lunch, fellowship, and prayer – we began the work you gracefully empower us to do every month.

### Consent Agenda Items Included –

- Review of Council minutes from September
- Pastor Report
- Invitation to Social Media Review Meeting 10/22 11AM
- Visit of Rocky Mountain Synod Council to St. Tim's on 11/02

**Report of Executive Committee Action on LFS Commercial Kitchen & Food Service Training Program – by Michele Benton and Pr. Rachael.**

### Committee Sign Up & Review – New Process by Vice President beginning at Nov. Congregation Meeting.

Vice President, Sara, will contact all committees around first week of November to go over the new process.

*Your Council was updated on other issues such as:*

- 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Financial Reports
- Sabbatical Grant Proposal – Pr. Rachael
- Albuquerque Area Ministry Strategy information for Council + Bible Study and Prayer

*Your Council voted on:*

- A new Council Secretary for remaining year only – Rich Ciccarello
- To approve recommendation from Personnel Team for St. Tim's to sponsor the Powell Family on the Portico Platinum Health Insurance Plan for the next year.

It is our pleasure to serve you – please find minutes and supporting documents from any Council meeting in the Narthex – and please consider joining us in November 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 p.m. in the Community Room.





**Reconciling in  
Christ Congregation of  
the ELCA**

If you prefer to receive your Crosslight via email,  
please contact Barbara Parissi: [office@sttimschurch.net](mailto:office@sttimschurch.net)

## Save the Date!

**Joint worship with the Good News Ministry Sunday, December 3rd!** Come and worship God in English and Swahili! All are welcome.

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