

ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Crosslight

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:
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Happy Easter

Our traditional Easter Worship, Brunch & Egg Hunt was held on Easter Sunday, April 1st. A special "Thanks!" to Beth Neer for coordinating the brunch, Juli Owen for organizing the egg hunt and decorations, and Marie Henkel for ordering and arranging the lilies.

Finally, thank you so much Clara Byom, our wonderful music director, and all of the gifted musicians who helped the community of St. Tim's sing praises to the Lord! Thanks be to God! We are blessed to have you in our community.

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[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/STTIMSCHURCH](https://www.facebook.com/StTimsChurch)



Dates to Remember

Theology on Tap:

April 11th, 6:00 p.m. in the Maya Restaurant next to Monk's Corner, 3rd & Silver



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.

The Gospel of John Bible Study:

Mondays 10:00 a.m., Thursdays 6:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Worship & Brunch:

April 1st - 9:30 a.m. Worship, 11:00 a.m. Brunch & Egg Hunt

St. Tim's Sewing Group:

April 4th, 10:00 a.m.

Welcome New Members / Affirmation of Baptism:

April 8th, 9:30 a.m. Worship

Women's Ministry Bible Study & Lunch:

April 19th, 11:30 a.m. @ St. Tim's

St. Tim's Directory Photos:

April 26th – 28th. See save the date for more info.

Church Events

April 2018

April – Silent Meditation (ongoing Mondays)
 April – The Gospel of John - Bible Study (ongoing Mondays and Thursdays)
 April 1 – Easter Sunday Worship & Brunch
 April 4 – St. Tim's Sewing Group
 April 5 – The Gospel of John Thursday Evening Bible Study Returns
 April 6 – Church Women United @ Christ United Methodist Church
 April 8 – Come and See (Welcome New Members)
 April 8 – Family Promise of ABQ – 12th Annual Concert
 April 8 – Stewardship Meeting
 April 8 – Advocacy Meeting
 April 11 – Theology on Tap
 April 14 – NM Conference of Churches @ Sandia Presbyterian Church
 April 15 – Bread of the World Blessing of Letters
 April 16 – Council Meeting
 April 19 – Women's Ministry Bible Study & Lunch
 April 22 – Liturgical Dance
 April 26-28 - St. Tim's Directory Photos

Worship Assistants

Task	April 1 st	April 8 th	April 15 th	April 22 nd	April 29 th
Asst. Minister	Becky Lee	Debby Morrell	Mona Sherrell	Sam Brandt	Beth Neer
Children's Time	Joshua Hochstetler	<i>Other Event</i>	Pastor Rachael	<i>Other Event</i>	Neal Mather
Prayer Leader	Marcie Wilson	Wayne Aspholm	Grace Bousek	Linda Walton	Michele Benton
Lector	Becky Lee	Matt Yde	<i>To be announced</i>	<i>To be announced</i>	<i>To be announced</i>
Comm. Assistants	Ron Henkel Terri Christiansen	Dan Rader Mona Sherrell	Sam Brandt Larry Morrell	Beth Neer Michele Benton	Monica Coburn Darra Kingsley
Altar Guild	Audrey Jahn Rob Evers Michele Benton	Audrey Jahn Rob Evers Michele Benton	Audrey Jahn Rob Evers Michele Benton	Audrey Jahn Rob Evers Michele Benton	Audrey Jahn Rob Evers Michele Benton
Comm. Bread	Betsy Van Dyke	Betsy Van Dyke	Betsy Van Dyke	Betsy Van Dyke	Betsy Van Dyke
Ushers	Dan Rader Rob Evers Lee & Marcie Wilson	Gary Miller Roger Radloff Wilbur Jahn	Bert Blackwell Jackie Love Bob Jacobson	Donna Lisotto Gene Lisotto Larry Morrell	Dan Rader Rob Evers Lee & Marcie Wilson
Greeter	Audrey Jahn	Audrey Jahn	Audrey Jahn	Audrey Jahn	Audrey Jahn
Pew Angel	Wilbur Jahn	Wilbur Jahn	Wilbur Jahn	Wilbur Jahn	Wilbur Jahn
Tellers	Rob Evers Faye Tucker	Robin Harmon Mona Sherrell	Terri Christiansen Scott Hardy	Michele Benton Richard Cicerello	Rob Evers Richard Cicerello

Come and See...

Pastor Rachael

Welcome, New Members!

On Sunday April 8th we will have a wonderful celebration of the gift of Holy Baptism, thanks be to God! On that day, through the waters of Holy Baptism (either by affirmation or for the first time), we will welcome into membership here at St. Tim's:

Renso Guillen Hidalgo, Judy, Gregory, Phillip (PJ) and Alicia Noth, Ansu Kuruvilla, Doreen and Ed Schissel, Christy Sobolik and Joshua Hochstetler, Cassidy Ward, Julie Stringer, Carie and Ray Truckey, Roberto Alessio Rispoli, and Melissa, Jeremy and Janet Bendt

Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this important day! Thanks be to God for the Spirit's movement in our midst and God's call to live into new relationships in the name of Jesus Christ!



Repairs & Power Outage in April

We are excited to announce this month we will be repairing a portion of the roof, which will be addressing the many leaks we currently have. This requires us to turn off the power to the south area of the Church (*areas effected listed below*). Throughout the month of April lighting in rooms and hallways, heat / air systems, and Kitchen use will not be available. (*See Facility Report for more details.*)

We realize how this may affect groups using the spaces so we ask that you plan accordingly. Spaces can be used during the day, but we will hold off on planning additional groups or events in the evenings. Thank you for your support!

Areas not affected:

Outside Lights, Alarm System, Restrooms, Timothy Room, Library and the Adult Ed Classroom

Areas effected (without power):

Office & workroom (we will be running on extensions cords)

Community Room

Kitchen

Sanctuary

Narthex (area outside of the Sanctuary)

Family Promise

Family Promise of Abq - On Sunday, April 8th @ 7 p.m. we have our 12th Annual Sweet Jazz Concert. This concert is going to be held at Sandia Presbyterian Church, 10704 Paseo Del Norte NE, Abq NM 87106. Tickets and posters available at Sandia Presbyterian Church office and online. They are having a special this year - purchase 3 tickets and get one free, as well as having a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle. For more info call 505-268-0331 or visit WWW.FAMILYPROMISEABQ.ORG.



SID FENDLEY AND FRIENDS PRESENT

12th Annual Sweet Jazz Benefit Concert For



Family Promise[®]
of Albuquerque

FOR MORE INFO CALL 505-268-0331 OR
VISIT WWW.FAMILYPROMISEABQ.ORG

**\$20 each,
buy 3
get 1 free!**

SID FENDLEY: KEYBOARDS	DIANNA HUGHES : VOCALS
MICHAEL ANTHONY: GUITAR	KARI SIMMONS: VOCALS
JOHN BARTLIT: PERCUSSION	PATTY STEPHENS: VOCALS
MAUD BEENHOUWER: BASS	TRACEY WHITNEY; VOCALS
RODOLFO GONZALES: FLUTE	LINDA MYERS: VOCALS AND PIANO

SANDIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	SUNDAY
10704 PASEO DEL NORTE NE	APRIL 8TH, 2018.
ALBUQUERQUE NM. 87106	7 PM

Events & Classes – 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.

Women's Ministry – of the ELCA

- **St. Tim's Sewing Group will meet Wednesday, April 4th at 10 a.m.**
The Quilting Group will be blessing quilts May 6th; and will have them available for sale before Mother's Day. Please see Donna Lisotto if interested. Thanks for your continued support.
- **Women's Ministry will meet on Thursday April 19 at 11:30 for light lunch and tea with Bible study.** Our lesson is from the April issue of Gather magazine page 20 titled "Multiple Meanings: Learning from other interpretations based on the story of the prodigal son in Luke 15:11-32. All are welcome!

Liturgical Dance

- **There are many ways to worship our Lord: through prayer, through song, through music, and now through dance. We will be offering our Dance of Praise on Sunday, April 22nd.** All are welcome to attend. Any questions contact Marcie Wilson, 505-286-2518.

St. Tim's Book Club

- Our next book is "Evicted" by Matthew Desmond, winner of the 2017 Pulitzer Prize for General Nonfiction. *In Evicted, Princeton sociologist and MacArthur "Genius" Matthew Desmond follows eight families in Milwaukee as they struggle to keep a roof over their heads. Hailed as "wrenching and revelatory" (The Nation), "vivid and unsettling" (New York Review of Books), Evicted transforms our understanding of poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving one of 21st-century America's most devastating problems. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible. Mona Sherrell, who suggested this book, says it "was an eye opener for me. Given the support we at St. Tim's try to provide to families who are homeless, I think it could be helpful to better understand the many systemic issues that affect the ability of families to find housing."*

We'll meet to discuss Evicted on Friday, June 1 @ 6 pm. Location to be announced.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO VOTE! Twelve people have voted so far, and Evicted was on the list for 2/3 of them, so I have scheduled it as our first book of the next round. But I would like to hear from more people before I finalize the list, so please vote if you haven't already. A list of the suggested books along with paper ballots is posted on the bulletin board in the Community Room. Alternatively, you can send me an email (blee71willmar@gmail.com) and I will reply with an electronic file of the suggested books for you to vote on.

Everyone is welcome to be part of the Book Club! Please join us!

Music Ministry

Clara Byom

Let us sing praise to him with endless joy!

Christ has arisen, alleluia!

Rejoice and praise him, alleluia!

For our redeemer burst from the tomb, even from death, dispelling its gloom.

Many, many thanks to the musicians who worked diligently and played / sang beautifully throughout Lent and Easter! We are all so grateful for your contribution to worship during this busy time of year.

The celebration of Jesus' death and resurrection continues in the month of April and we have more wonderful music planned! As always, any interested members of the congregation are welcome to join us for choir rehearsal on Thursday nights at 7:15pm! (No rehearsal on April 12th though!)

We are very excited to be collaborating with Marcie and the dance group for a special moment of worship on April 22nd. We will also be welcoming a guest vocalist, Jonathan, to this worship service! It's going to be an exciting worship with some incredible gospel music!

Let us sing praise to him with endless joy!

Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.

Our sin forgiving, alleluia!

Jesus is living, alleluia!

-Text by Bernard Kyamanywa, tr. Howard S. Olson

Peace, love, joy, and many merry tunes!

Clara Byom

Music Director/Pianist

sttimsmusicdirector@gmail.com



Stewardship / Outreach Update

Second Quarter 2018 Appeal:

- The Store House Temple Talk Scheduled for 04/22/18
- Monetary donations to assist in a grant to expand services to the greater Albuquerque area to include East Central Ministries.
- Continued donations of diapers and baby food.
- Field Trip scheduled for April 27th - See sign-up sheets in St. Tim's Community Room
- Volunteer opportunities - See next page or talk to Anthony.

During the first Quarter of 2018 our congregation raised \$1,840.00 in extra giving, plus donated 70 pairs of new or gently used shoes to support the work of St. Martin's Hopeworks mission to the homeless in our community.

All Albuquerque ELCA Congregations have been invited to join us in the Second Quarter Appeal.

Storehouse New Mexico ("The Storehouse") is a nonprofit, community-based organization 501C3 organization founded in 1976 by Titus and Charlotte Scholl, a local pastor and his wife that had roots at St. Timothy's Church early in his career. Rev. Scholl was saddened by the growing number of people in Albuquerque who were going hungry every day, and took it upon themselves to help. What started as a small collection of food, distributed from the trunk of their car and garage, has now grown and become the state's largest food pantry. Each year, approximately 50,000 people come to the Storehouse for food. Set up like a grocery store, the Storehouse allows its clients to choose which food items they need in order to nourish and feed their families. Storehouse also relies on the incredible support of over 1,400 volunteers who donate over 30,500 hours of their own personal time to the pantry.

Storehouse serves the community's most vulnerable:

- *A third are children*
- *Majority are families (the "working poor")*
- *Over half are minorities*
- *About 20% are seniors (60 and older)*

East Central Ministries & St. Tim's Involvement:

The Storehouse Neighborhood Food Pantry, a division of Storehouse, was interested in bringing food to pockets of our community where food insecurity rates are high. We made contact with Pastor John Bulten from East Central Ministries some weeks ago to see how our two organizations might help serve the community. The cost of a 12-month food pantry is approximately \$12,000 per year and includes 700 pounds of food every month that serves approximately 120 individuals/family members. Pastor Bulten's ministry is able to contribute a portion of the funds, and we are working to raise money from a matching grant to help cover the balance. The work of raising money for the matching grant rests with the Storehouse staff. A gift from St. Timothy's Lutheran Church would help us meet our matching grant goal for next quarter, so we can cover all the expenses associated with providing a Mobile Food Pantry in the International District where the need is so great.

On-going Donation of Diapers (size 4 and Pull Ups) and baby food are still welcomed. Donation box located in St. Tim's Narthex area.

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Volunteer / Donation Opportunities

➤ **God's Work / Our Hands Volunteer & Donation Opportunities:**

Pride Parade June 9th - We will be in the parade and will have a table; if you have questions feel free to ask Juli or Anthony. Water donations for Pride will start in May so you can bring in a case or two of water or make a donation to Pride water. More information will be coming in May!

Fixed Pantry:

Operation Hours* Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 9 am to 12 pm (Saturdays are definitely an option!) Thursdays our location and operating hours vary because we are usually running a Storehouse Mobile Neighborhood Pantry at a school or a community center. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday we are closed. **Hours can vary so be sure to check the schedule posted on our website:*

<https://www.theStorehouseABQ.org>

Storehouse: Volunteers help the Storehouse in many ways. You can help families select food, re-pack bulk items into smaller portions for us to give away, or sort donations, for example. If you have a particular skill you'd like to share, be sure to let us know. We love to have ongoing, regular volunteers we can count on, but we understand that sometimes busy folks can only come once or twice. We welcome everyone we can.

Field Trip to Storehouse on Friday April 27th, 10 - 11 and 11 - 12. Location at [106 Broadway Blvd SE.](#)

There will be two opportunities set up to visit, limited to two groups of 10. Sign-up sheets are in the Community Room. For more information on visiting or volunteering please contact Swarupa sdwatlington@thestorehouseabq.org

- **Lutheran Family Services is looking for volunteers - One of LFS's clients has qualified for a home through the Habitat for Humanity program!** Part of the requirement is helping to build it. They are hoping to recruit some volunteers to help, starting in March, every Wednesday and Saturday on the site. It will be totally hands on, so any retired carpenters out there? If interested or for more information contact Sandi Bertholomey - sandi.bertholomey@lfsrm.org.

Lutheran Family Services is placing new refugee families into Albuquerque communities. In our standard apartment set ups, we are currently in need of new pillows, lamps, mixing bowls and serving utensils. New or gently used only. Please contact Donations Coordinator Sandi Bertholomey 505 933 7014 or sandi.bertholomey@lfsrm.org to schedule delivery times, pick-ups or questions. Lutheran Family Services: 4105 Silver Ave SE, Abq NM 87108

- **The Lutheran Board is interested in anyone who would be willing to go up to our LH Lodge during the week for 1-2 days for free to do laundry and overall cleaning of the lodge.** This would be during the renting season and after someone rented the place out. Please contact Norman Pricer @ nandspricer@msn.com or 505-899-4401. Thank you!

Facility Report - Update

Michele Benton

Electricity will be removed and gas lines raised and removed starting April 2. Roofing work will begin April 9. We expect the work to take 2-3 weeks. We should be done by the end of April!

These are other projects we have been working on:

1. Don Tidwell has generously offered to use his skills as a retired electrician to help us re-route power during the roofing project. We hope to have power to the alarm system, outside lighting, restrooms and the sound system in the sanctuary. Renso Hidalgo, Chris Rowland, Bert Blackwell, Don Tidwell and Michele Benton started hanging hooks to get the temporary electrical line in place.
2. Ken Sherrell and Michele Benton painted fresh stripes in the North Parking lot.
3. Thanks to Barbara Parissi, Marie Henkel and Rob Evers and their diligence getting our internet service working consistently! With continued calls and persistence working with a Century Link supervisor our internet service in the office is stable now. Century Link finally repaired and replaced some parts resulting in better service.
4. Marie Henkel created a new In / Out board near the alarm system at the Copper entrance.

We appreciate any feedback and welcome all questions regarding facility upkeep. We appreciate all the donations we received! To date we have \$25,264 in our roofing fund and \$17,269 in our facility fund with a total of \$42,533 available for facility projects. We thank you for your continued prayers and monetary support for our facility fund! We also appreciate all the work our volunteers are doing to keep the building in good shape!

Save the Date!

- ❖ **Mark your calendar – St. Tim’s is updating its member directory and having a photo shoot! Lifetouch will be taking photos on April 26th & 27th from 2 p.m. – 9 p.m., and on Saturday April 28th.** Sign-up sheets are posted in the Community Room board. See Juli Owen or Pastor Rachael for more details. All are welcomed to participate.
- ❖ **Bread for the World Campaign** - In 2018, we are raising our collective voice to ask Congress to invest in and protect key programs that help improve the lives of people facing hunger and poverty in the United States and the world. See worship bulletin insert or Terri Christiansen on writing your stories. You can also visit <http://bread.org/get-2018-offering-letters-toolkit> for more information. The letters will be blessed on April 15th and then they will be delivered shortly after that. Watch for further details from your Advocacy team. Thank you for participating.



**Reconciling in Christ
Congregation of the ELCA**

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