

# St. Timothy Newsletter

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Lent 2019
- Upcoming Events
- Women's Ministry
- Men's Ministry
- Music Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Birthdays/  
Anniversaries
- And more!



**Wed., March 6**      **11:30am & 7:00pm**      Ash Wednesday Worship with Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes (No Meal)

**Wednesdays, March 13 - April 10**      **11:30am & 7:00pm**      Lenten Worship Services



### We continue to serve home-cooked meals on Wednesdays during Lent

11:30am Service - meal is served at 12:15pm in the Life Center

7:00pm Service - meal is served at 6:00pm in the Life Center

**Sunday, April 14**      **8:00 & 10:45am**      Palm Sunday Cantata

**Thursday, April 18**      **11:30am & 7:00pm**      Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion

**Friday, April 19**      **11:30am & 7:00pm**      Good Friday - Service of Darkness

**Sunday, April 21**      **8:00 & 10:45am**      Celebration of the Resurrection  
No Adult Bible Classes

## New Lenten Message Series

Even the greatest players and teams need Spring Training. It is deliberate time for each player to concentrate, focus and improve the fundamentals they are practicing to be more effective. As Jesus teaches what powerful Kingdom praying looks like each Sunday, we also learn from His Word what spiritual disciplines we should practice to help us grow and develop as followers of Jesus Christ.



For the Wednesdays in Lent we will be covering the following topics:

### March 6 - Ash Wednesday

Fasting

### March 13<sup>th</sup>

Study

### March 20<sup>th</sup>

Meditation

### March 27<sup>th</sup>

Stewardship

### April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Rest

### April 10<sup>th</sup>

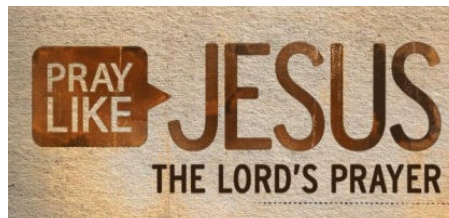
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### April 18 - Maundy Thursday

Prayer

### April 19 - Good Friday

Tenebrae service



For the Sundays in Lent, we will be covering the Lord's Prayer. Those weeks will be broken down as follows:

### March 10<sup>th</sup>

Our Father who Art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name

### March 17<sup>th</sup>

Thy Kingdom Come

### March 24<sup>th</sup>

Thy Will Be Done on Earth as it is in Heaven

### March 31<sup>st</sup>

Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

### April 7<sup>th</sup>

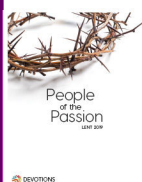
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us

### April 14<sup>th</sup>

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

### April 21<sup>st</sup> Easter

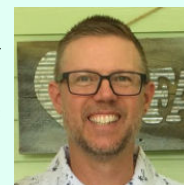
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.



## Lenten Devotional

Lutheran Hour Ministries Lenten Series Devotionals are now available for pick-up at the Welcome Desk or can be downloaded at [www.lhm.org/lent](http://www.lhm.org/lent). This year's devotional is titled "People Of The Passion".

Gloria Ruppel will retire on Sunday, June 2. Gloria has served faithfully at STLC for 15 years, and will remain here as a member, but she is looking forward to a new season of her life with her husband Bill. The staff and leadership has asked Pastor Steve Wiechman to begin working part time with us in March on the transition from Gloria's retirement (June 1, 2019) until the end of 2019. Steve Wiechman is an ordained LCMS pastor who served in two larger churches. He is highly skilled and experienced in developing systems to help us transition as we have grown from a small church to a much larger church. He will work with the staff and the Board of Elders' in the first few months to better reach, disciple, and give pastoral care. He will preach occasionally, and help our overall discipleship and spiritual growth process. Pastor Wiechman, and his wife, Jamie, are the founders of Breathe Life ministry that helps clergy and lay leaders who need spiritual renewal.







## JOY GROUP INVITES

Everyone 50 Years and Better to visit the

### George Bush Presidential Library & Museum

**Thursday, March 14th - \$6 + lunch at Rudy's BBQ**

The bus will leave St. Timothy promptly at 9:30 am and return about 4:30 pm. Places will be reserved on a first come, first served basis. Registration form are available at the Welcome desk. RSVP by March 10th.

**QUESTIONS?** Please call Janet (281-923-3897), Georgia (281-397-6545), or Larry (713-594-7778)

## NEW CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL SERIES IN MARCH:

**BIBLE LESSONS BASED ON GOD'S WORD AND KIDS' FAVORITE CEREALS! COMMERCIALS ALWAYS TELL US THAT CEREAL IS "PART OF A COMPLETE BREAKFAST." THIS SERIES WILL SHOW KIDS THAT JESUS IS WHO WE NEED TO HAVE A COMPLETE AND JOY-FILLED LIFE! KIDS AGES 2 YEARS THROUGH 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ARE INVITED TO JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY IN MARCH IN THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BUILDING FROM 9:30AM-10:30AM.**



**On March 24<sup>th</sup> is Kid Sunday!** The kids in our church will have a chance to serve as Ushers, Greeters, Readers, and in various other ways during both of our worship services. We will need kids to help during both the 8:00 and 10:45 services so please talk with your children to see how they would like to serve. Look for an electronic sign-up email for all the positions we need filled. For any questions email [Caroline@STLHouston.org](mailto:Caroline@STLHouston.org)

## Multi-Sport Camp: June 17-21 9am-Noon



Mark your calendars for this summer's Sports Camp featuring Basketball, Soccer, Cup Stacking, Cheer and Gross Motor Skills for kids ages 4-10 years.



Email Caroline for more info!  
[Carline@STLHouston.org](mailto:Carline@STLHouston.org)



## Soccer Camp: July 15-18 6-8pm

Soccer camp is for kids ages 5-12 yrs

Free trial session:  
check out Soccer Camp for free!



**SOCCER CAMP  
PREVIEW**

**MARCH 30 10AM - NOON**

Registration opens Monday, April 22 at [www.STLHouston.org](http://www.STLHouston.org)

Save the date:  
*Women's Retreat in Camp Allen*

Women's Only Bible Studies  
[www.STLHouston.org/Adult-Bible-Classes](http://www.STLHouston.org/Adult-Bible-Classes)

**Our Book of the Month Club**

is meeting at 2:00 PM, March 20th, in the adult education building coffee area. This month's book selection is *The Masterpiece* by Francine Rivers.



**Women's Bunco Party -- Thursday, March 28th at 7-9pm**

Come join other women from St. Timothy for a game of bunco! It's easy to learn, come meet new friends! RSVP for Childcare to [Gloria@STLHouston.org](mailto:Gloria@STLHouston.org) In RM 102/103 Sign-up at the Welcome Desk. \$5 to play



On the **second Tuesday of each month**, a group of men gather at Willie's Icehouse on 249 at Cypresswood to plan events, visit, and enjoy food and beverage together **at 6:45pm**. If you are interested in joining this group, just stop on by or contact Mike Steele with any questions. Next gathering is **March 12th**.

Men's Bible Study meets on Saturday mornings at 7am. The study is on *Willing To Believe* by R.C. Sproul, led by Mike Steele. Meets in church office conference room.

The Men of St. Timothy are sponsoring the annual St. Timothy **Golf Tournament** on **Saturday, May 18th** at **Cypress Lakes Country Club**. Shotgun tee time is **1:30pm**. A sign-up sheet will be made available as we get closer to the date or you can email Doug Neal at [Doug@NealFinancial.com](mailto:Doug@NealFinancial.com). More info to come! **For women too!**



If you would like to be included in an email with updates from Men's Ministry on their planned events, please contact Mike Steele at [mes@reagan.com](mailto:mes@reagan.com)

**Blood Drive**  
**Sunday, March 10th**  
**8:30am-1pm RM 102/103**

St. Timothy Music Lessons

If you are interested in private piano, organ, voice, trumpet, beginning guitar, and beginning violin lessons. We offer lessons on a weekly basis in 30 minute blocks. All lessons are taught at St. Timothy Lutheran Church. More information, as well as, paperwork is available at: [www.STLHouston.org/music-ministry](http://www.STLHouston.org/music-ministry).

For more information, contact  
Craig Harmann at [Craig@STLHouston.org](mailto:Craig@STLHouston.org)

**For art enthusiasts...**

Would you like a place where you can create works of art, or learn techniques if you are an aspiring artist? Each month during the school year, beginning Tuesday and Wednesday, April 16 and 17, St. Timothy will be open 9:30-3:30 to our friends and neighbors to paint and dabble to their heart's delight. Cost is \$10 per day to help support one of St. Timothy's missions, and each day begins with a short devotion. Contact Karen Blake for more information: [karenblake.art@gmail.com](mailto:karenblake.art@gmail.com).

## Adult Sunday Bible Classes at 9:30AM -- March 10 – April 14

**Discovery** - If you have been worshipping at St. Timothy and are interested in making this your church home, you are invited to take part in this class which explores the values and beliefs of St. Timothy, as well as shares how you can partner with us using your specific gifts and interests to tell the good news of Jesus with others in our community. At the conclusion of the class, you can decide if you wish to become a member. *Led by Gloria Ruppel in Room 104.*

Gloria serves on staff at St. Timothy as Director of Mission and Ministry. She oversees adult Bible classes, local and overseas missions, and adult ministries at St. Timothy. She finds great joy in getting to know people and introducing them to the caring atmosphere we have at St. Timothy.



**Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis** - Have you struggled with understanding the account of creation in the book of Genesis, thinking that "actual" history begins later in the Bible? Genesis, which means "beginnings," holds important life truths, including God's design and purposes for creation. Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis reveals empirical scientific evidence that undergirds and confirms Scripture. Through the use of high-quality DVD episodes, discussion and Scripture, this study affirms a Biblical worldview and provides defensible answers to some of the most provocative and controversial questions of faith and science. Information on additional resources will also be provided in the study. *Led by Noel Atzmler in 102/103.*

Noel takes the study of the Bible very seriously, even though each one of his classes begin with his famous "top ten bad jokes." Noel has led Bible studies for many years and provides historical and archeological insights into each lesson.



**The Path to the Cross** – As we enter the Lenten season, obedience and sacrifice are often key factors in our preparation to remember Jesus' death and resurrection. Using the video teaching of Ray Vander Laan, this class shows various people from the Bible who lived lives fully committed to Jesus, challenging each of us to live as they did - by every word that comes from the mouth of God. *Led by Pastor Steve and Pastor Brad in 201.*

Pastor Steve and Pastor Brad are dedicated shepherds of the flock at St. Timothy. They work together to teach truth from scripture, leading others to know God's heart for His people.



### **How to Read and Understand the New Testament**

Grow in your appreciation of the accounts of Jesus' ministry and the growth of the early church by learning about the land, cities, and times of the New Testament. *Led by Paula Cline in 203.*

Paula grew up on the mission field in Mexico and returned to the U.S. to attend college. She has worked in public education in schools with high percentages of economically disadvantaged students. Paula and her husband Jordan enjoy working in the mission field, sharing the love of God with people in countries throughout the Americas.



**Connect (for women only)** – Grow in your ability to connect with God, yourself, and others. This class will offer Biblical principles, practical ideas, and opportunity to practice these concepts of connecting. At the end of this class, we hope you will feel a greater sense of closeness to God and the people around you. *Led by Jamie Wiechman in 101.*

Jamie is the mother of four tween and teenaged children. She has been an educator and a pastor's wife, and she currently leads Breathe Life Ministries with her husband, Steve. What she hopes will define her most, though, is her passion for the God who reveals greater and greater depths of His love for her and all those He has created.



"God has given each of us a limited time to be on this earth, a purpose for that time, and people to share that time with. Don't wait for a near-death experience to teach you the lesson of appreciating to the fullest what God has given you. Life is too short." *Diane E. Schroeder, former president of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

## Life Quotes

## Youth Ministry



**Sr. High  
Movie Night**  
Sun, March 10<sup>th</sup>  
6-8 PM  
Youth room



**Jr. High** students go to  
**Six Flags Over Texas**  
Wednesday, March 13th

We will meet at church at 6:00am and travel in a group to Dallas. We will return around 8pm that evening.  
Cost is \$30 + food. Sign-up by Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>

**JR. HIGH LINC MISSION TRIP:**

June 23-27 - Houston  
Cost is \$100  
*deposit payable now*

LOVE. GO. SERVE.

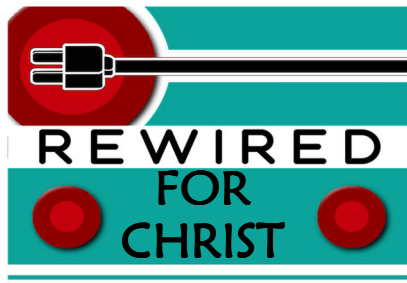
**SR. HIGH MISSION TRIP:**

July 19-28 - Savannah, GA  
Cost is \$700  
*deposit payable now*

\*\*\*Costs listed for mission trips is before fundraising. **If your child participated in a fundraiser this past year, your cost is reduced to \$100 for Jr. High trip and \$400 for Sr. High trip.** If your child was not able to participate in the fundraisers, please speak to Dan Parker for information on your cost.

For more information on Student Ministry events contact Dan Parker at [Dan@STLHouston.org](mailto:Dan@STLHouston.org)

## Senior Ministry

**Bible Study for Seniors Rewired For Christ**

(RFC) meets **March 20th at 10am**

**Focus: Naaman**

We will finish in time to attend the 11:30 Lenten service with lunch afterwards.



You are invited to support our St. Timothy  
**Coreluv Mission Team Fundraiser**  
By Ordering Dee-licious and Dee-lightful  
**SMOKED CHICKENS**

This summer, July 14-20, we are very excited to focus on education for both teachers and children at the Coreluv Children's Village in Myan, Haiti. Taking a larger team that includes several teachers from Trinity Lutheran School, we will split into two groups. Our teacher team will again present a 3-day Seminar for Haitian educators. As the teachers focus on using effective behavior strategies in the classroom, our science team will host a camp for the children. The kids will participate in fun, hands-on science experiences that we hope will spur interest/excitement about God's amazing creation!

Please help support our trip! Here are the details...

**We will be taking orders: Sundays, March 17, 24, 31**  
**Smoked Chicken distribution/pick up: SUNDAY, APRIL 7**

Suggested minimum donation: \$15/chicken  
Additional donations are welcomed!





# March Birthdays & Anniversaries

## 1st

Christa and Terry Hatcher\*  
Paige Stafford

## 2nd

Carol and Rodney Baker\*  
Lea Brinkley  
Phil Cordes  
Jim Holton  
William Wells  
Ruth White



## 3rd

Krista Aschenbeck  
Stephanie Bounds  
John Rohan  
Leah and David Smith\*

## 4th

Rebecca Leslie  
Pauline McKinley

## 5th

Jules and Gerry Harvey\*  
Dianne Kingsley  
Beau Leitko

## 6th

Jim Feagans  
Sharon Simcak  
Glyn Willborg

## 7th

Jo Ann and Jimmy Eubanks\*  
Audrey Henze (Grandma)  
Bailey Skinner

## 8th

Alan Aschenbeck  
Cameron Aschenbeck  
Max Hengst  
Caden Mansell  
Dave Moeller  
Larry Olejnik  
Robyn Rawlings  
Tim Schneck

## 9th

Scott Friedrichs  
Ryan Knebel  
John Szalkowski

## 10th

Oliver Blake  
Ross Friedrichs  
Jane Ullrich

## 11th

Teresa Lawder  
Elaine Schmeling  
Sandra and Mike Steele\*

## 13th

Jett Coleman  
Jennifer and Jim Wilson\*

## 14th

Anson Pelton  
Janet and Robert Rucker\*

## 15th

Kevin Arnold  
Kevin and Christine Winoske\*

## 16th

Mike Bachmann  
Sarah Blake

## 17th

Ann and Alex Dulevitz\*

## 18th

Irene Drews  
Paul Ellington  
Jerry Eubanks

## 19th

Matthew Gallard  
Justin Morris  
Bobbie Shelby  
Karla Smith

## 20th

Vickie Gallard  
Alyssa Honeycutt  
Michelle Mansell  
Patricia Tardiff

## 21st

Pat Durham  
Kimberly Morris  
Liz and Robert Walker\*

## 22nd

Rodney Baker  
Kenneth Bounds  
Ruth Friedrichs  
Karl Miller  
Pat and Doug Neal\*  
Elizabeth Nisayas  
Emily Pattison

## 23rd

Lisa and Mark Fleischhauer\*  
J. Grooms  
Pam Rasmussen  
Terri Szalkowski

## 24th

Tyler Bounds  
Kennedy Higginbotham  
Levi Jurischk  
Sarah Payne

## 25th

Olivia Barckholtz  
Calvin Iselt  
Sarah Marquardt

## 26th

Wil Bryan  
Pat McReynolds  
Bobby Pope  
Mikayla Requenez  
Eden Rohan  
Peggy Wickman

## 27th

Margaret and Kenneth Bounds\*  
Diane and Jack Coursey\*

## 28th

Susan Benton  
Amber Gonzales  
Bob Hartman  
Adam Iselt  
Steven Rohan  
Suzanne and Kevin Thoele\*

## 29th

Merry Lynn and Lance Guy\*  
Larry Hooker  
Wayne Huebner  
Anne Kettelcamp

## 30th

Courtney Keller  
Crystal and David Nahirny\*  
Willow Schmeling

## 31st

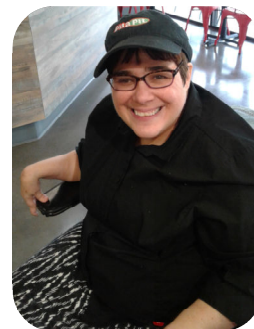
Grant Baker  
Darlene Caldwell  
Terry Hanel  
Kären McRoberts

Happy  
Anniversary

# REACH Unlimited's Spring Tropical Walk-a-Thon - Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 9am-1pm

## Schedule of Events:

- 10:00 - Check in
- 10:30 - Walk-a-Thon
- 11:00 - Art auction, entertainment, games
- 12:00 - Lunch
- 12:30 - Auction closes



Come Make Waves with Reach! Each Spring, Reach celebrates with their clients, friends, and volunteers by having a great time at Springfest. This annual fundraiser starts with a walk then it's time for entertainment, interactive booths, viewing their client's artwork, and a delicious lunch provided by Texas Roadhouse. **Support our member of over 15 years, Kelly Barnes, who attends REACH during the week.** Volunteer to walk and help make this a special day for Kelly and her fellow REACH friends. For more info, call Kelly at 346-412-5025, email [Dan@STLHouston.org](mailto:Dan@STLHouston.org) or visit [www.reachunlimited.org/support/fundraising-events](http://www.reachunlimited.org/support/fundraising-events).

## I SCREAM, YOU SCREAM, WE ALL SCREAM FOR THE SPRING CARNIVAL!

GET READY FOR 3 SCOOPS OF FUN AT ST. TIMOTHY'S SPRING CARNIVAL ON  
APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> FROM 4PM-6PM.

WE WILL WHIP UP SOME EXCITING GAMES, SPRINKLE IN SOME CRAFTS;  
WE WILL GO HEAVY ON THE EGG HUNTS ~TODDLERS-10 YEARS OLD!~,  
AND THE CHERRY ON TOP WILL BE THE SWEET LOVE OF JESUS EVERYONE  
WILL EXPERIENCE WHEN THEY WALK ON OUR CAMPUS.

GRAB YOUR SPOONS – OR BASKETS – AND YOUR FRIENDS AND JOIN US FOR ONE AMAZING SUNDAE!

LOOK FOR SIGN-UP SHEETS AND CANDY DONATION BINS IN THE GATHERING AREA.

## Financial Report

	January			Year-To-Date		
	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Over/(Under)</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Over/(Under)</u>
Church	\$116,973	\$130,545	(\$13,572)	\$116,973	\$130,545	(\$13,572)
Bright Beginners	\$93,979	\$84,141	\$9,838	\$93,979	\$84,141	\$9,838
Total	\$210,952	\$214,686	(\$3,734)	\$210,952	\$214,686	(\$3,734)



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