



St. Timothy Lutheran Church
Houston, Texas



Second Sunday in Advent

December 15, 2019

Steve Henze, Brad Jurischk, Pastors

Cantata Order of Worship

~ 8:00 A.M. ~

Welcome

Call to Worship

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Invocation and Litany

"Angels From The Realms Of Glory"

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament ~ **Jeremiah 32:17**

New Testament ~ **Hebrews 11:1-6**

Gospel ~ **Luke 1:26-28**

We Bring our Tithes and Offerings

"Christmas Medley"

Children's Church

The Message

"God's Call To Mary"

Pastor Steve Henze

"O Jesus Christ Thy Manger Is"

"A Great Light"

"In Great Meekness"

"The Word Was Made Flesh"

"How Greatly God Must Love Thee"

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

"Peace Peace"

~ 10:45 A.M. ~

Welcome

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Invocation and Litany

"Angels From The Realms Of Glory"

The Message

"God's Call To Mary"

Pastor Steve Henze

We Bring our Tithes and Offerings

"Christmas Medley"

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament ~ **Jeremiah 32:17**

New Testament ~ **Hebrews 11:1-6**

Gospel ~ **Luke 1:26-28**

"O Jesus Christ Thy Manger Is"

"A Great Light"

"In Great Meekness"

"The Word Was Made Flesh"

"How Greatly God Must Love Thee"

The Blessing and Closing Song

"Peace Peace"

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by:

St. Timothy Lutheran Church

Regular Order of Worship

~ 10:45 A.M. IN THE LIFE CENTER ~

Call To Worship

"Born Is The King (It's Christmas)"

Welcome

"Joyful (The One Who Saves)"

A Time of Confession Assurance of Forgiveness

"God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament ~ **Jeremiah 32:17**
New Testament ~ **Hebrews 11:1-6**
Gospel ~ **Luke 1:26-28**

Apostles' Creed

We Bring our Tithes and Offerings

"Mary Did You Know"

Children's Church

The Message

"God's Call To Mary"
Pastor Steve Henze

Words of Jesus Concerning Holy Communion

"Our God"
"Born In Bethlehem"
"What Child Is This"
"O Come O Come Emmanuel"

The Blessing

Welcome

Welcome in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We pray this service will be a joyful and uplifting celebration of faith for you as you are strengthened through His Holy Word and Sacraments.



OUR GUESTS:

Welcome! We are so glad you have come! Please register your visit with us on a Welcome card. To learn more about St. Timothy, visit STLHouston.org or ask about our next Discovery class!

You are always welcome here!



Hearing devices are available at the Welcome Desk



Public WIFI Password: [Jesuslovesme](#)

Advent Sundays

The CALL of CHRISTMAS

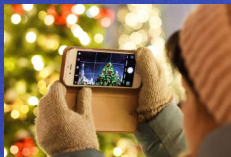
Advent is about looking back and forward. We look back to remember that Jesus came as God's gift at Christmas as our Savior. His plan involved calling real people to be part of His divine plan of salvation. This Sunday we will see God's call to Mary. God's call to her and to us today is life changing! Please join us each week as we respond together to follow Jesus until He comes again in glory!

Advent Worship

Wednesday, December 18 at 11:30 AM, 6:15 PM and 7 PM

Join us for our last Wednesday Advent Service this year as we **#PicChristmas**. This year, in addition to our traditional services at 11:30 am and 7:00 pm, we have added a Family Advent worship service from 6:15-6:45 pm. It is a quick worship service that allows families with young children to have an opportunity to worship TOGETHER (and get home early). This service will provide a meaningful worship experience for all.

Follow us on Instagram
@sttimothylcms



Family Advent Worship ~ Each week we will look at the “pictures” of Christmas we have in our mind and discuss how they relate to the reality of Christmas that the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ creates. Families will receive a special gift to take home and enjoy through the season. In addition, we will post pictures daily that tie into the theme of the week including a devotional thought that you can discuss together as a family.

Wednesday, Dec. 18
Theme: **Light**

11:30 AM
6:15 PM
7:00 PM

Mid-day Advent Service, meal served at 12:15 PM
Family Advent Service
Evening Advent Service, meal served at 5:30 PM



Sunday, Dec. 22

8 and 10:45 AM
9:30 AM

Worship
Adult Bible Classes and Children's Sunday School

Celebrate the Birth of Jesus

Christmas Worship Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

10:00 AM (Sanctuary) ~ “Classic” Christmas hymns and carols led by the St. Timothy Choir and bells

3:00 & 5:00 PM (Life Center) ~ Christmas hymns and carols led by the St. Timothy Praise Band and brass

Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion

10:00 AM (Sanctuary) ~ Christmas hymns and carols

New Years' Eve Service with Holy Communion

Tuesday, December 31 at 6:00 PM (Sanctuary)



Announcements

RESULTS FROM ANNUAL VOTERS' ASSEMBLY LAST SUNDAY

The Voters' elected Jeff Sjurseth as Chairman, Mike Lawder as Treasurer and Mark Fleischhauer and Brent Neal as At-Large Members of the 2020-2021 Board of Directors. The Voters' also voted 126 to 32 (80%) to move forward with the Capital Campaign to raise the funds necessary to expand, connect, and remodel the campus to meet our growth needs for many years. This is a big step of faith! With a project this big, we need to be united in prayer for God to lead us to provide the funds to build the whole project. Upon completion of the campaign, the Board will evaluate the commitments versus the estimated project costs, and bring a recommendation that is fiscally prudent to the congregation for consideration and approval.

SPECIAL ADULT BIBLE CLASS Dec. 29th at 9:30 AM

"Don't Waste Your Life"

Joby Martin, of The Church of Eleven22 out of Jacksonville, FL, shares in this Right Now Media session about the "Parable of the Talent" and how we get busy with the comfortable so as to avoid the faithful.

Current Sunday and weekday Bible studies are at
www.STLHouston.org/adult-bible-classes

Youth **TAMALE** Delivery Today in the Gathering Area

USHERS NEEDED FOR OUR 8 AM SERVICE.

Contact Steve Bachmeier for more info.

steve.bachmeier@foxconn.com

"Dinner On Us" (formally Mercy Meals) is a way members of St. Timothy can be the hands and feet of Jesus right in our own congregation. It is a way to share a meal with families of our church body who are going through circumstances that could make getting a meal on the table difficult. If you would like to receive meals or give meals, please contact the church office at contactus@stlhouston.org.



Toys for Joy Drive - Wrapped toys are due by 4 pm today!

St. Timothy is collecting gifts for Manantiales and the churches of LINC. Your gifts will be distributed as a way to help these church communities tell of God's extravagant grace and love for us. **You may pick out gift tags today from the tree in the Gathering Area. Gifts are due today!**

Donation Guidelines:

- donate toys that are new and cost \$15-\$20
- wrap toy
- label toy with **gender** and **age range** age groupings: infant - 1, 2-4, 5-7, 8-10, 11-12, 13+ (gift cards preferred)
- tape a sticky note on the back of the package with info about the toy
- no bows (please)
- pray for the recipient of the toy...that they may know JESUS, the greatest gift!

Cash, checks, gift cards and online donations accepted and appreciated.

Donate here: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/toysforjoyhouston>

Feel free to contact Dorinda Werner at dorinda@linchouston.org with any questions!



Children's Ministry



**Children's Sunday School is at
9:30 AM in the Children's Ministry Building**



Follow us on Instagram
@sttimothylcms for daily updates
about our **Family Advent Services**
#PicChristmas

Nursery: Nursery Care is available directly across from the Sanctuary for infants and toddlers up to 3 yrs old any time before or during the services. There is a special time of play and learning for children 2½ through Pre-K in Kid's Spot or Children's Ministry Building during our church services where you may bring your child instead of the nursery.

Children's Church 8:00am Service:

Children 2 ½ yrs old - 1 grade participate in learning just for them during the Message, and return after the Message.

Children's Church 10:45am Service:

Children 2½ - 4 yrs old are invited to Room 7 in the Children's Ministry Building anytime during the Message. Please bring them in and pick them up at the end of the service.

Children in Pre-K - 1st grade attend Children's Church in the Children's Ministry "Big Room" during the 10:45am service and will return after the Message.

For more information on Children's Ministry events contact Caroline Gray at Caroline@STLHouston.org

Student Ministry

Sr. High Christmas Party Tonight 5:30-8pm

- Meet in the High School Youth Room
- White Elephant Gift exchange (\$10 max)
- Friends welcome!

For more information on Student Ministry events
contact Dan Parker at Dan@STLHouston.org

2020 Sr. High Mission Trip REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Sr. High youth will go to **Hutchinson, Kansas** to help restore and remodel homes for the elderly, disabled, and those in need. This is a week long summer trip from **July 10-18th**. The cost is \$700 before fundraising with a \$50 deposit (payable now) and the spots will be filled on a first come basis. Email Dan Parker for more info.

2020 Mission Trip Opportunities

Kenya Vision Clinic

May 25-June 5
[www.salem4u.com/
missions](http://www.salem4u.com/missions)

Anchorage, Alaska:

Dates
coming
soon

Living Water to El Salvador

July 5-11 &
Sept. 26-Oct. 3
www.water.cc

Coreluv Orphanage, in Haiti

July 20-26
coreluv.org

For more information on Mission Trips contact Elizabeth Leitko at Elizabeth@STLHouston.org

Weekly Calendar of Events

Today, Dec. 15 <i>LINC Toys due</i> <i>Tamale Delivery</i>	8:00 AM	Cantata Presentation in the Sanctuary
	9:30-10:30 AM	Children's Sunday School / Adult Bible Classes
	10:45 AM	Cantata Presentation in the Sanctuary
	10:45 AM	Worship with Holy Communion in the Life Center
	1:00 PM	Manantiales de Vida Worship Service
	5:30-8:00 PM	Sr. High Christmas Party
Mon, Dec. 16	9:30 AM	Mom's Bible Study in RM 104
	12:30 PM	Women's Bible Study in RM 101
	6:30 PM	Cub and Boy Scouts Meeting in Adult Ed
Tues, Dec. 17	8:00 AM	Prayer Team Meeting in the Sanctuary
	9:00 AM	Quilters for Christ in the Annex
	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study in RM 101
	7:00 PM	Voices In Bronze rehearsal in RM 202
	7:00 PM	Adult Bible Study in Church Office Conference Room
Wed, Dec. 18 <i>LIGHT</i>	11:30 AM	Advent Worship in the Sanctuary (lunch after)
	5:30 PM	Advent Dinner in the Life Center
	6:15 PM	Family Advent Worship in the Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Advent Worship in the Sanctuary
	7:45 PM	St. Timothy Festival Choir Rehearsal in RM 201
	8:30 PM	Manantiales de Vida Adult Bible Study
Thurs, Dec. 19	7:30 PM	Men's Pick-Up Basketball game in the Life Center
Fri, Dec. 20	7:00 PM	Manantiales de Vida Youth Worship
Sat, Dec. 21	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study in the Church office conference room
Sun, Dec. 22	8:00 AM	Worship in the Sanctuary
	9:30-10:30 AM	Children's Sunday School / Adult Bible Classes
	10:45 AM	Worship in the Sanctuary
	1:00 PM	Manantiales de Vida Worship Service
	6:00-8:00 PM	Sr. High FUEL

Save the Date for these Upcoming Events:

December 23-25 - Bright Beginners' Closed

December 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Services at 10 AM, 3 and 5 PM

December 25 - Christmas Day Worship with Holy Communion at 10 AM

December 26 - Church Offices Closed

December 31 - New Year's Eve Worship with Holy Communion (6 PM)

January 1 - Church Offices Closed

Contact Us

To reach any of the staff members, please call the church office at 281-469-2457.
Staff email addresses are available on our website at STLHouston.org/staff

Our Mission: *Follow Jesus.* [Make a Difference.](#)

Those Who Serve

Today, December 15, 2019

	8:00 AM	10:45 AM
Acolytes	n/a	Alex Phillips / Sofia Medrano
Elders/Deacons	Ted Fisher / Jim Holton / John Rohan / Dave	McRoberts / Don Longwell
Prayer Partner	John and Nancy Rohan / Nancy Hartman	Kathy Kolkhorst / Patty Sanderson
Ushers	Ross Friedrichs / Roger Rucker / Fred Gallard / Robert Rucker / Stan Fritsche	Sanctuary: Clint Noack / Gary Kolkhorst / Keith Casey / Robert Walker / Bob Sawicki / Roger Gautt / Clay Currin / Larry Olejnik / Cheyanne Hildebrandt Life Center: Gary Naylor / Marcos Candanedo / Dave Baden / Marshall Preslar / Tim Schneck / Chad Scott / Steve Ilten
Desk Host	Patti Schatte	Brenda McKeegan
Tech Team	Clint Noack / Marcelle Martin	Patrick Blake

Next Sunday, December 22, 2019

	8:00 AM	10:45 AM
Acolytes	Danielle Falkenberg	n/a
Elders/Deacons	Ted Fisher / John Rohan / Jim Holton / Dave	McRoberts / Don Longwell
Reader	Travis Albers	Kevin Arnold
Prayer Partner	John and Nancy Rohan	Darlene Caldwell and Chrisanne McAuliffe
Ushers	David Smith / Marty Zanotti / Doug Stewart / John Pemberton / Herb Newhouse / Ron Dogotch / Dave McRoberts	Randy Knebel / Ted Fisher / Rick Gravesmill / Rob Gravesmill / Sonya LaVay / Larry Bathe / John Perry / Myron Menk
Desk Host	Bev Londergan	Art Sukman
Tech Team	Roger Gautt / Clay Currin	Patrick Blake



14225 Hargrave Road
Houston, TX 77070
Office: 281-469-2457
fax: 281-469-2921
Website: STLHouston.org

Bright Beginners Preschool and Infant Care:
Office: 281-469-2913
E-mail: ContactUs@STLHouston.org

