



Third Sunday in Advent December 22, 2019

Steve Henze, Brad Jurischk, Pastors

Cantata Order of Worship

~ 8:00 A.M. ~

Welcome

Call to Worship

"Joy To The World"

Invocation and Litany

"Away In A Manger"

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament ~ **Psalm 130:5-8**New Testament ~ **Ephesians 5:11-15**Gospel ~ **Matthew 1:18-25**

Apostles' Creed

We Bring our Tithes and Offerings

"Savior Of The Nations Come"

Children's Church

The Message

"God's Call To Joseph" Pastor Steve Henze

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

"Go Tell It On The Mountain"

~ 10:45 A.M. ~

"Little Drummer Boy"

Welcome

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

"Joy To The World"

"How Many Kings"

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament ~ **Psalm 130:5-8**New Testament ~ **Ephesians 5:11-15**Gospel ~ **Matthew 1:18-25**

Mission Moment

We Bring our Tithes and Offerings

"Joseph's Lullaby"

Children's Church

The Message

"God's Call To Joseph" Pastor Steve Henze

The Blessing and Closing Song

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"



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Welcome

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





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 21/2 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 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 service. Please sign them in and pick them up at the end of the service. Children of parents who wish to keep them at the beginning of the service are dismissed for Children's Church before the Pastor's Message.

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.

Public WIFI Password: Jesuslovesme

Hearing devices are available at the Welcome Desk





Children's Ministry



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

Do you have a child in

Kindergarten? Then you are invited to our Milestone Ministry Event:

The Great Family Devotion Challenge!

Sunday, Jan. 19th at 9:30am in the Children's Ministry Building

we will eat breakfast and get devoted RSVP to Caroline@STLHouston.org

The Blessing Shower

If you've had a baby in 2019, you and your family are invited to a lunch in your honor! Join us for the Blessing Shower **Sunday, Jan. 26**th

12-1pm in the Big Room.

RSVP to Caroline@STLHouston.org

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

Announcements

<u>The Altar Guild is in need of several women</u> to fill out teams that rotate in preparing the Sanctuary and Life Center for Sunday worship. They do this work on Saturday and/or Sunday mornings. If you are interested, contact Janis Heider (Janis53.Heider@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Leitko (Elizabeth@STLHouston.org)

Susan Kaiser lost a diamond ring last week that has great sentimental value. If you happen to find it, please turn it into the church office.



Thank you St. Timothy for sharing the love and generosity of Jesus by donating so many gifts to the children of Manantiales de Vida! Gifts will be given out today for their event.

PIT STOP re-Zooms Wednesday, January 8 — NEW SCHEDULE

Join us weekly on Wednesdays for dinner at 5:30pm, then Bible study for all ages, music practice, Jr. High confirmation & fun!

Dinner in the Life Center ~ 5:30-6:30 Children's Choir ~ 6-6:30 Zone 45 / Jr. High Confirmation ~ 6:15-7:30 Adult Bible Class ~ 6:30-7:30 St. Timothy Choir rehearsal ~ 6:45-7:45 Gospel Lights ~ 7:45-8:10

New Years' Eve Worship

with Holy Communion Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 6 PM Sanctuary

Thank You so much to the St. Timothy Festival Choir, Voices in Bronze and Nancy Hartman for all of their hard work to make last Sunday's Christmas Cantata worship such a beautiful and impactful service. We here at St. Timothy are truly blessed with so many talented musicians, willing to use their gifts to glorify and praise God!

New Bible Classes

ONE-TIME SPECIAL ADULT BIBLE CLASS NEXT SUNDAY 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 overcome being busy with the comfortable so as to avoid the faithful to make a Difference for Jesus and His Kingdom. Led by Pastor Brad and Elizabeth Leitko in the Sanctuary.

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

Go deeper in Adult Sunday School at 9:30 AM January 5-February 23

Higher, Deeper, Wider Bible Study and Message Series

The mission of St. Timothy is to Follow Jesus and Make a Difference. Following Jesus changes our perspective, it changes our relationships and it changes our actions. The love of Christ compels us to live differently. Ephesians 3 says, "And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of

Christ." We believe that as we follow Jesus, He takes our vision **Higher** as we focus on Him in our worship. He takes us **Deeper** in our relationship with him and others as we dig into the Word of God and build lifelong relationships that are rooted in Christ. He takes us **Wider** as He sends us into our community and world to share His love with other. Join us in January as we have the opportunity to look at how this plays out in our lives and in the live of our church. How we live this out individually, at church, and in our community. Led by Pastors Steve and Brad in RM 201



Uninvited (Women's Only)

In this six-session video Bible study women explore the roots of rejection; the lies we believe as a result; and the truth about who God is, who we are, and what it looks like to live loved. The enemy wants us to feel rejected . . . left out, lonely, and less than. When we allow him to speak lies through our rejection, he pickpockets our purpose. Cripples our courage. Dismantles our dreams. And blinds us to the beauty of Christ's powerful love. Led by Leslie Sjurseth in RM 104



Elijah

Elijah was called by God to speak truth to a culture that had wandered far from God. His challenges included unfaithful leaders, severe drought, and an apathetic people ignorant of the Lord. We study Elijah to learn how we can face similar challenges with courage and humility, leaning on our faithful God for strength and guidance. *Led by Gloria Ruppel in RM 203*



5 Love Languages

Author Gary Chapman helps you identify your personal love language. He also helps you understand the love language of your spouse. Then he provides practical suggestions for enriching your marriage by practicing the other love languages. *Led by Sean and Staci McMahon in RM 101*



Announcements

LIFE GROUPS - Interested in connecting with a small group and build relationships? Contact Elizabeth Leitko in church office 281-469-2457 ext. 245 or email Elizabeth@STLHouston.org

You can deduct contributions in the year you make them. Gifts by cash or check must be received in the church office by December 31st, 2019.



Mailed contributions postmarked by Dec. 31st will count for 2019. Credit card contributions with a transaction date on or before Dec. 31st are counted as 2019 contributions. This is true even if the credit card bill is not paid until 2020.

Ushers needed for 8 AM service.

Contact Steve Bachmeier for more information. Bachmeier.Steve@yahoo.com

"Dinner On Us" (formally Mercy Meals) is a way members 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.

2020 Sr. High Mission Trip **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**

We will be going 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. Interested in going? Contact Dan Parker at Dan@stlhouston.org

Summer Camp for kids ages 8-18 in LaGrange, TX - June 7-12, 2020

Join us for a week of outdoor adventures at Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Texas's Camp Lone Star in LaGrange, TX. St. Timothy will take a group of kids, age 8 to 18, as a "pioneer" group to experience God's creation while making new friends, experiencing the great outdoors, hiking, archery, swimming, Bible studies and so much more! The cost for camp is \$350 for St. Timothy members with a \$100 deposit required to hold your spot. If you would like more information or would like to reserve a spot for your child, speak to Laura Shivok (Laura@stlhouston.org) or Caroline Gray (Caroline@stlhouston.org.)

2020 Missions Trip Opportunities

Vision For Africa Anchorage, Alaska:

Dates May 25-June 5

www.salem4u.com/ coming missions soon

Living Water to El Salvador

July 5-11 &

Sept. 26-Oct. 3

Coreluv Orphanage, in Haiti

> July 20-26 coreluv.org

www.water.cc

Email Elizabeth@STLHouston.org for more information about Mission Trips

Weekly Calendar of Events

Today, 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 Life Center

1:00 PM Manantiales de Vida Worship Service

6:00-8:00 PM Sr. High FUEL

Mon, Dec. 23 Bright Beginners' closed

Tues, Dec. 24 10:00 AM Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship in the Sanctuary

3:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship in the Life Center

SERVICE

5:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship in the Life Center

Wed, Dec. 25 10:00 AM Christmas Day Worship with Holy Communion in the Sanctuary

Thurs, Dec. 26 7:30 PM Church Offices closed

Fri, Dec. 27 7:00 PM Manantiales de Vida Youth Worship

Please note, the church office will be minimally staffed on Friday, December 27.

Sat, Dec. 28 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study in the Church office conference room

Sun, Dec. 29 8:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary

9:30-10:30 AM Children's Sunday School / Special Bible Class in the Sanctuary

10:45 AM Worship in the Sanctuary

1:00 PM Manantiales de Vida Worship Service

No Sr. High FUEL

Save the Date for these Upcoming Events:

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

January 1 - Church Offices Closed

January 5 - Higher Wider, Deeper Message Series begins / New Adult Bible Classes begin

January 8 - Pit Stop reZooms

January 9 - Service of Prayer and Healing

January 11 - Jr. High Ice Cream and Movie night

January 12 - Sr. High Bowling

January 19 - Great Family Devotion Challenge

January 26 - The Blessing Shower

February 19 - Thrivent Workshop

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 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 / Randy Knebel / Ted Fisher / Rick Gravesmill / John Pemberton / Herb Newhouse / Ron Rob Gravesmill / Sonya LaVay / Larry Bathe /

Dogotch / Dave McRoberts

John Perry / Myron Menk

Desk HostBev LonderganArt Sukman

Tech Team Roger Gautt / Clay Currin Patrick Blake

Next Sunday, December 29, 2019

8:00 AM 10:45 AM

Acolytes Noah Scott n/a

Elders/Deacons Duane Meyer / John Ullrich / Rob Ellington / Scott Barton / Gary Naylor

Reader Pat Durham Ann Lee Mosely

Prayer Partner TBD TBD

Ushers Neil Bamsch / Richard Drews / Steve Bachmeier / Butch Bradt / John Ullrich /

David Nahirny / Wayne Huebner / Marshall Wickman / David McManners / Patrick Matthews / Don Sanderson / Eddie Payne

Blake Schmeling / Daniel Waggoner
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