

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

# WEEKLY CONNECTION

ST. TIMOTHY'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



THOSE  
WHO DREAM *persevere*  
*Epiphany*

## THIS WEEKEND

**Sunday, January 17**

**2nd Sunday after the Epiphany**

9:45 AM Children Living the Word

10:15 AM, Live-Streamed Service ([link](#))

or <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iBYXlVe2PNO>

11 AM, Contactless Communion

11:15 AM 4th & 5th Grade Bible Class

St. Timothy's services will stream on our YouTube channel and on our Facebook page. We will also post the recording to our website worship page following our "broadcast."

Contactless communion will be available each Sunday from 11-11:30 am. Please enter the circle drive using the entrance closest to Ashworth.



As a reminder, our offices are staffed, but closed to the public until further notice.

This is a safety measure for our staff.

Visitors will be limited to essential visits by appointment only. This includes those who carry keys or key cards.

Masks are required for all visitors.

# AROUND ST. TIMOTHY'S

## 2ND OFFERING PARTNER

Our 2nd Offering partner for the remainder of January is the **Center for Social Ministry!**

CSM offers education to empower social justice. Educational series include Faith and Poverty, Faith and Race, and Engaging Spirituality. CSM also offers ReThink Poverty Simulations, and Urban Immersions. programs. Click [here](#) to donate!



To find out more about CSM, visit their website [centerforsocialministry.org/](http://centerforsocialministry.org/)

## WITH GRATITUDE

- To our liturgical ministers for last week's service: **Mark Slocum, Dan Montgomery, Neil Guy, Tammy Guy, Don Agee, Abigail Livingood, Jeanie Smith, and Mary Cole-Duval;**
- To **Cindy Seley** for taking on the Faith in Action formation session last week;
- To our Annual Gathering participants, especially **Suzy Coen, Liz Brennan & Mark Slocum;**
- To **Mark Marshall** for his plumbing expertise; and
- To **Amy Rech** for making masks for our liturgical ministers.

## GIVING @ ST. TIMOTHY'S

We continue to be grateful for the generous spirit that permeates our community. Here are ways you can continue to give:

### Online:

[www.sttimothyiowa.org/giving](http://www.sttimothyiowa.org/giving)

### By Mail:

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church  
1020 24th St., W. Des Moines IA 50266

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**For or those in service to our country:** Scott, Jack, Zach, Marshall & Reece;

**For those seeking ordination:** Abigail Livingood;

**For those who are sick or in need of healing:** Rosemary, Marty, Jovan, Kris, Troy, Lu, Ike, Dorothy, Sandy and Millie;

**For those celebrating a birthday:** Devin Bruner, Edie DePhillips, Randy DePhillips, Gloria Blondino, Gordon Flinn, Dena Losen, Jay Kramer, Nina Kramer, Joe Brennan, Lea Hollwager, and Gary Smith;

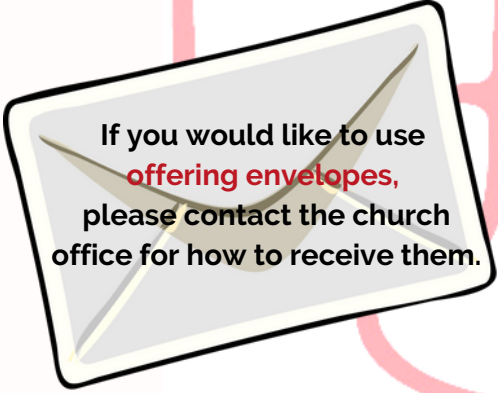
**For those awaiting the birth of a baby:** Katy & Nik Pappas, Selby & Rob Waskom, and Nasa & Uzo Okpokiri;

**For those to be married:** Sarah (Larson) & Alex, Dana & Zach (Slocum), and Molly & Joe (Brennan);

**For those celebrating an anniversary:** Lynn & Randy Pettit;

**For our 2nd Offering Partner in January:** Center for Social Ministry; **and**

**For the Episcopal Church in Sudan & South Sudan especially Archbishop Samuel and Bishop Richard and their families.**



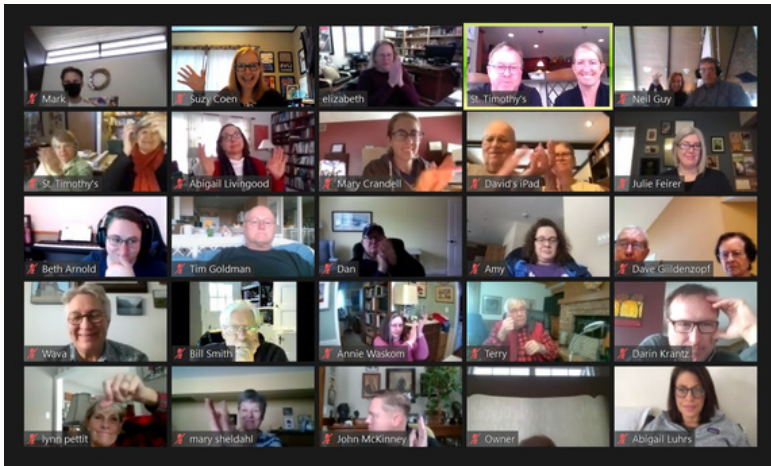
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# ADMINISTRATIVE & DIOCESAN NEWS

## ANNUAL GATHERING VIDEO!

Thanks to all who facilitated and attended our Annual Gathering. What a year 2020 was! We hope that you walked away with a good sense of our accomplishments in 2020 and the vision we have for 2021.

A video link for the gathering is [here](#) if you happened to miss it. If you have questions about what you saw, please contact the office and we'll get you to the right information or the right person to get your answer.



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## THE NEW DIRECTORY IS COMING!

Next week you can expect to see the latest version of our directory included in your e-news. Hard copies will be mailed to our "mail-only" list.

If you would like to update your information and/or picture, please contact the church office at [office@sttimothyiowa.org](mailto:office@sttimothyiowa.org) by **Tuesday, January 19th.**

## UPDATED 2021 DIOCESAN CONVENTION INFORMATION

January 12, 2021

Dear Beloved in Christ,  
Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Standing Committee, in consultation with the Nominating Committee Chairs, have asked to revise the date of the special Convention for the election of the Tenth Bishop of Iowa. Their hope is to hold the final slate's public visit to the diocese in person, and it is their understanding that the possibility of such a gathering and having candidates travel to Iowa from different parts of the country might not be likely within the original timeframe of mid-April.

Even with vaccines being rolled out, the period in which we will have to maintain mitigation practices including travel limitations appears to be with us for several more months; hence the impact on the timetable for our diocesan episcopal election process.

The decision is to push back the election three months and so, as is my canonical duty, I am calling for the Special Convention for electing the Tenth Bishop of Iowa to be held on Saturday, July 31st, moving it from May 1st. The Standing Committee will announce the location. The date of the consecration has changed accordingly from September 18th to December 18th, with the Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry as the chief consecrator.

Donna and I are grateful to the Standing Committee for their concern as to how this also affected our plans. As Donna and I have decided to spend the initial years of retirement based in Iowa, I am able to reconfigure my retirement date to December 18th.

In the peace and love of Christ,

+Alan

The Rt. Rev. Alan Scarfe, Bishop of Iowa  
- the letter from the Standing Committee can be found [here](#).