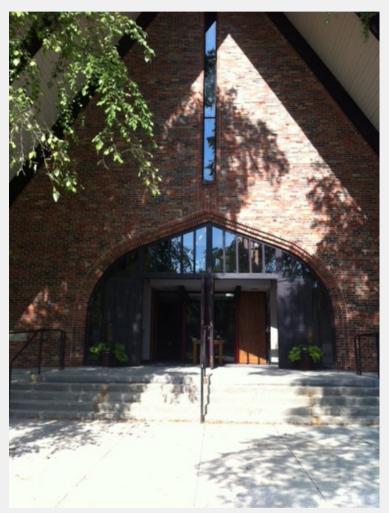


# WEEKLY CONNECTION

ST. TIMOTHY'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



### THIS WEEKEND

Sunday, May 16

7th Sunday of Easter

9:45 am Children Living the Word on FB 10:15 AM Service of Holy Eucharist on YouTube (link) or https://bit.ly/3uUfnoo

## MAKE SURE TO CLICK ON THE SUBSCRIBE BUTTON!

Drive-up Contactless Communion follows our service. 11:15 am 4th & 5th Grade Bible Class

Our service will be accessible through YouTube, our Facebook page and our website.

Contactless communion will be available immediately following our service until 11:45 am. Please enter the circle drive using the entrance closest to Ashworth.

We are excited to now offer in-person worship registration! We hope you can join us soon. See <u>link</u> for registration



### 2nd OFFERING PARTNER for May

### The FreeStore

Come here about our history with the Freestore this weekend and all throughout May!

Please consider supporting our 2nd offering partner financially - it's easy to do online at: <a href="https://sttimothysiowa.org/giving/">https://sttimothysiowa.org/giving/</a>

# **CONGRATULATIONS!**



#### **LEXI BRENNAN**



Lexi Brennan, daughter of Liz & Scott, will be graduating from the University of Iowa Law School and working at the Bradshaw Law Firm in Des Moines.

#### **MARA FEIRER**



Mara Feirer, daughter of Julie & Alan, is graduating from Winterset High and will attend Grinnell College in the fall. She plans to study political science and English literature.

#### JIMMY HALL



Jimmy Hall, son of Jim & Lisa, will be graduating from Valley High School. He will attend Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terra Haute, Indiana this fall to study mechanical engineering and engineering management and playing soccer for the fighting engineers.

#### VINCENT HODGES



Vincent Hodges, son of Marlene & Brett, is graduating from Waukee High School. He earned the distinction of National Merit Scholarship Finalist and will be attending the University of Iowa. Vincent was accepted into the Honors Program and will be majoring in Chemical and Biomedical Engineering.

#### **LOGAN KRANTZ**



Logan Krantz, son of Colleen and Darin, is graduating from ADM High School. He plans to attend Iowa State University this fall and major in Mechanical Engineering.

#### **NOLAN LARSON**



Nolan Larson, son of Kathy & Mark, is graduating from Gustavus Adolphus College with his Bachelors Degree in Political Science and minor in Sociology/Anthropology. Nolan is currently actively interviewing for job opportunities.

### **EMMA MADDEN**



Emma Madden, daughter of Michelle & Greg, graduated Magna Cum Laude with honors from ISU with 2 bachelors degrees - one in psychology and one in art & design.

She will attend U of I this fall for her graduate work, in the licensed mental health counseling program.

### **OMAR PEREZ**



Omar Perez, nephew of Sindy Sanchez, will graduate from New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math & Science. He plans to take a gap year and work during the time

### **KATIE RECH**



Katie Rech, daughter of Amy & Jon, will graduate from UNI with a double major in Graphic Technologies and Interactive Digital Studies and a minor in Marketing.

She plans to work at a print shop after graduation. She currently works at Wolverton's in Cedar Falls as an intern learning the ins and outs of project management/printing/binding/packaging of a variety of projects.

### **ELIZABETH SAUNDERS**



Elizabeth Saunders, daughter of Kay-Kay and Kevin, is graduating from Roosevelt High School and plans to attend University of Southern California and was accepted to the Marshall College of Business.

### **RE-OPENING REMINDERS**

We know "doing church" is going to look different as we re-enter our worship space - for most of us - in over a year. The goal is to welcome everyone back in the safest ways, while respecting our desire to be with each other in community life.

Here's what you'll need to know:

- Please arrive no later than 10:00 am.
- Only the parking lot entrance will be open (9:30 am) with access to both the elevator and stairs.
- An usher will greet you at the parking lot entrance for sign-in, to answer any questions, and distribute bulletins and wafers.
- Masks are required, and physical distancing maintained. Hand sanitizer stations will be in key areas of the church for your use.
- The **upstairs restroom** will be open for use if needed.
- An usher will greet at the hallway doors of the sanctuary and direct you to your pew.
- Communion will be individually bagged within your bulletin. Offering plates will be located at the back of the church and will not be passed during the service.
- The passing of peace will be done from your seat with waving and verbal communication only.
- NO congregational singing. Singing is limited to a reduced choir wearing singers' masks and will be in the balcony.
- There will be no greeting line after the service. Ushers will release you from your pew.
- Exit through sanctuary hallway doors to parking lot.
- Drive through communion remains available immediately following worship in the circle drive.



We are excited to continue offering our livestream option for attending church, but are even more so to be able to offer **online registration** to those who would like to attend in-person.

Please remember our capacity is limited for now, but our hope is that we will continue to grow our capacity as we move through the coming year.

### WITH GRATITUDE AND IN OUR PRAYERS

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- To our liturgical ministers for last week's services: Presider Rev. Mary Cole Duvall, Preacher Abigail Livingood, Deacon Rev. Jeanie Smith, MC Abigail Livingood, Candlebearer Luke Luft, Lector/Litanist McB McManus, VROW Dave Leigh, Usher Amy Rech, Keyboard Don Agee, Vocalists Jana & Dan Montgomery, Altar Guild Sharelle Moranville & Abigail Livingood, Service Chat MC- Darin Krantz, 2nd Offering Speaker Larry Anderson, and Livestream Coordinator Colleen Krantz; and
- To those who have completed our Search Survey!

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

As we re-enter our worship space, we would also like to offer the opportunity for you to help fund altar flowers as we've done in the past.

As of today, we have these dates available:

June 13, 20, 27



The suggested donation for each weekend is \$50, and you can either send a check or use the **PayPal** option on our website. Just make sure to include the names of those you'd like to memorialize or honor.

We will contact Hy-Vee to prepare the arrangements for delivery to the church.

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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

For those seeking ordination: Abigail Livingood;

For the Search Committee & the community of St. Timothy's as we begin our search for our next rector;

For those who are sick or in need of healing: George, Tom, Bill, Stephen, Sue, Wava, Mel, and Neil;

For those celebrating a birthday: Martin Okpokiri, Rosemary McKinney, Caitlin McManus, Priscilla Sayeed, Milton Cole Duvall, Calvin Wilson, and Jennie McKinney;

For those awaiting the birth of a baby: Selby & Rob Waskom, and Nasa & Uzo Okpokiri, Becca (Ellerbroek) & Evan Luthye;

For Katy, Nik and Shep Pappas: who welcomed baby William to their family;

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

For those celebrating an anniversary:

Annie & Bill Waskom, Jacque & Mel
Rambo, and Barbara & Gordon Segelke;

For those participating in our Discovery Course: Mel, Alan, Julie, Mara, Marcy, Sarah, Harry;

For our 2nd Offering Partner in May: the FreeStore: and

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

### AROUND ST. TIMOTHY'S

### **SEARCH SURVEY UPDATE**

A big thank you to everyone who completed the parish survey to guide the Search Committee in our search for our next rector.

### 116 persons completed the survey, a very high return rate!

The Search Committee and vestry will hear the results of the survey at a joint meeting on May 19th. Following this, The Search Committee will complete our parish profile and forward it to the diocese. The diocese then will publicize the information about St. Timothy's and we should receive the name of candidates by the end of the summer. Any questions can be directed to Dan Montgomery, daniel.montgomery@mchsi.com, 515-201-8021.

Your Search Committee-Dan Montgomery, Chair, Alexandra Bylund, Marjorie Joelson, Dave Giildenzopf, John McKinney, Maggie McGill, Joska Jacob, and Rick Ballinger (Vestry Representative)

### **EfM - EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY**

Education for Ministry (EfM) invites participants into small, mentored groups that provide the framework for understanding life and shaping actions as Christian faith is deepened. EfM seminar groups meet in local settings and online, and provide a four-year curriculum that develops a theologically informed, reflective, and articulate lay people.

If you are interested in hearing more about the program and digging deeply into your own faith, please contact the church office for more information.

### THE COMING WEEK

### Tuesday, May 18

6:30 pm Faith & Racial Justice: Changing Systems and Structures

### Thursday, May 20

4:30 pm Faith in ActionVirtual Formation6:30 pm Discovery Course7 pm Service of Remembrance & Hope

### Friday, May 21

10 am Virtual Books, Brew & Banter

### Sunday, May 23 PENTECOST

9:45 am Children Living the
Word Bible Stories
10:15 am Holy Eucharist
11 am Contactless Communion
11:15 am 4th & 5th Grade Virtual Bible Class

### PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration is open for our 2021-2022 school year!

To find our more about our school, register, and more, here's the **link!** 



Feel free to share the link with friends or family who are looking for a great preschool experience!

### MORE AROUND ST. TIMOTHY'S

### **COLUMBARIUM DEDICATION**

Please consider joining us after services on **Pentecost, Mary 23rd,** when we will dedicate the new columbarium wall.

Renovation of the columbarium and memory garden was made possible by a generous bequest from the estate of Dottie Carpenter, after consultation with her husband Tom, who continues to be our "principal weeder"!

Watch for a marketing campaign for subscriptions to the new columbarium wall coming this summer!

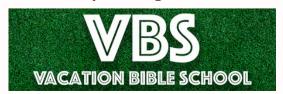


### CHILDREN/YOUTH FORMATION

Please be on the lookout for *VBS* registration coming in the next few weeks. This year due to COVID it will be a 1-day VBS on a Saturday in family units. We can't wait to get together! If you would like to help, please contact Heather Preston at formation@sttimothysiowa.org.

We will be continuing **CLW** through the summer virtually. In the fall we will begin to have in person Christian formation with a few changes on how it will run. As we get closer to the fall we will release all details about the classes.

If you would like to help teach or plan for the year, please contact Heather Preston at formation@sttimothysiowa.org



### **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE + HOPE**

### Thursday, May 20, 7 pm

As we move through another phase of the pandemic, we offer a Service of Remembrance + Hope as a sacred pause to reflect on the events, emotions, and experiences of the past year. This contemplative service is designed to lift up, in personal and communal prayer, our fears, losses, and anxieties along with naming the odd and obvious blessings that have touched our lives; to share in each other's experiences; to lament and to give thanks to our God.

Registration is required for this limited inperson service. Link:

### https://rsvp.church/r/ePGX2oHy

Masks required. Social distancing will be practiced.

### **BISHOP'S VISIT - JUNE 6**

Please plan to join us for confirmations/ receptions/ re-affirmations and Bishop Scarfe's final visit to St. Timothy's as Bishop of lowa. We hope you can join us.

Our hope is to celebrate outside with our confirmands.

Please sign up for any of our services using the link on pages 1 & 2 of your e-news.

We continue to be grateful for the generous spirit that permeates our community.

Here are ways you can continue to give:

#### Online:

www.sttimothysiowa.org/giving

#### By Mail:

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