



THURSDAY, JULY 29

# WEEKLY CONNECTION

ST. TIMOTHY'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## CURRENT WORSHIP SERVICE GUIDELINES

Below are our current protocols for worship. Should circumstances change, these guidelines may be updated to match the wisdom of the current time:

- **No reservations** are necessary to attend weekend worship services.
- **Physically distant seating** will be practiced, but there will be no assigned seating.
- **Masks. UPDATED CDC guidelines** Even if you are fully vaccinated, you should wear a mask for indoor gatherings. **SEE PAGE 2 for details**
- **Singing softly** is now permitted.
- **Please remain physically distanced** during the passing of the peace.
- **Communion** continues to be bread only.
- **Service Specifics:**
  - **5 pm Saturday** – Worship takes place in the parish hall. Please park in the circle drive or on 24th Street and enter through the patio door closest to the kitchen.
  - **10:15 am Sunday** – Please park in the lower level parking lot. The doors will be open from 9 am - 11:45 am. Following the service, there will be hospitality offered in the parish hall and drive-up communion offered in the circle drive until 11:30 am. Drive-up communion will be offered until August 29.

Thank you for your continued support of our efforts!  
~Pre-Opening Task Team

## THIS WEEKEND

The 10th Sunday after Pentecost

### Saturday, July 31

5 pm Holy Eucharist in the Parish Hall

### Sunday, August 1

9:45 am Children Living the Word on FB

10:15 am Holy Eucharist in-person and live on

YouTube at [\(link\)](#) or <https://bit.ly/3zlpgEF>

## MAKE SURE TO CLICK ON THE SUBSCRIBE BUTTON!

Hospitality in the Parish Hall follows our service and Contactless Communion is available in the Circle Drive until 11:30 am.

You can find our 10:15 AM service via our YouTube Channel, Facebook page, and website Worship page.



Chris Bice and a couple of new friends on RAGBRAI

# AROUND ST. TIMOTHY'S

## CDC GUIDELINE UPDATE

**CDC Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People**  
Updated July 28, 2021

### Guiding Principles for Fully Vaccinated People

- Outdoor activities pose minimal risk to fully vaccinated people.
- Most indoor activities pose low risk to fully vaccinated people, especially in areas with low or moderate transmission.
- Infections happen in only a small proportion of people who are fully vaccinated, even with the Delta variant.
- Fully vaccinated people who become infected with the Delta variant can transmit it to others.

**To reduce their risk of becoming infected with the Delta variant and potentially spreading it to others, CDC recommends that fully vaccinated people:**

- Wear a mask in public indoor settings if they are in an area of substantial or high transmission. (Polk County is at MODERATE transmission but is surrounded by counties that are SUBSTANTIAL AND HIGH.) Fully vaccinated people might choose to mask regardless of the level of transmission, particularly if they or someone in their household is immunocompromised or at increased risk for severe disease, or if someone in their household is unvaccinated.
- Get tested if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.
- Isolate if they have tested positive for COVID-19 in the prior 10 days or are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.
- Get tested 3-5 days after exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 and wear a mask in public indoor settings for 14 days after exposure or until they receive a negative test result.
- Continue to follow any applicable federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations.

## 2nd OFFERING PARTNER for AUGUST

### Youth Justice Initiative

The West Des Moines Youth Justice Initiative is a community - based participatory restorative justice process.

YJI engages crime victims and community members in the justice process, holding young offenders directly accountable to the people and community they have harmed, restoring as far as possible the losses of victims and providing a range of opportunities for dialoging and problem solving whenever possible, which can lead to a greater sense of community safety, social harmony and peace for all.

If you are interested in finding out more or how you can get involved, please contact Rev. Mary.

Please also consider supporting our 2nd offering partner financially - it's easy to do online at: <https://sttimothyiowa.org/giving/>



Michelle Madden and her chicken bestie on RAGBRAI!





# MORE AROUND ST. TIMOTHY'S

## CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE



A Celebration of Life service for George Eldridge is scheduled for Friday, July 30th:  
3 pm Visitation  
4 pm Funeral

Notes of care can be sent to Karen Peters at: 901 52nd Street, WDM 50265

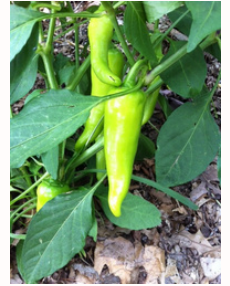


A Celebration of Life service for Regina (Jeanne) Samuelson (Beth Bice's mother) is scheduled for Saturday, August 7th at Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Church in Ankeny  
1 pm to 4 pm Visitation  
5 pm Mass

## GARDEN HELP

Many hands make light(er) work!

We are currently in **HIGH HARVEST MODE** in the garden and could use your hands and feet. Watering and harvesting are the main foci, so if you have time, we'd love to see you!



Scheduled work times can be found at our SignUpGenius page. For times to garden by appointment, please contact Mark Marshall by text at 515-988-5381

Sign-up to work here: <https://bit.ly/3xVFe9n>

Here are harvest and donation results through July 19:

<u>What we grew</u>	<u>Pounds</u>
Cabbage	1,485
Cucumbers	281
Eggplant	56
Garlic/garlic scapes	36
Kale	344
Lettuce	88
Onions	120
Peas	80
Peppers	70
Tomatoes	84
Zucchini	365
<b>Total Harvested</b>	<b>3,009</b>

### Donation Sites:

Trinity Methodist	1,307
Johnston Food Pantry	15
Central IA Shelter & Svcs	58
DMARC	945
WDM Human Services	684
<b>Total Donated</b>	<b>3,009</b>

## Name that Vegetable Contest....

30+ pounds and it's not a pumpkin!

Every summer we grow a 'mystery vegetable' with a prize going to the first reader that correctly identifies it. So what kind of squash is it?

Hint, it can grow to over 60 pounds.

Send your guesses to Tim Goldman at [timothyjgoldman@gmail.com](mailto:timothyjgoldman@gmail.com)

See the answer here next week!



# WITH GRATITUDE AND IN OUR PRAYERS

## WITH GRATITUDE

- To our liturgical ministers for last week's services: Presider - **Rev. Pat Genereux and Rev. Mary Cole-Duvall**, Preacher/MC - **Abigail Livingood**, Deacon - **Rev. Jeanie Smith**, Crucifer - **Lillie McManus**, Lector/Litanist - **Susan Leonard & McB McManus**, Music - **Don Agee**, VROW - **Dave Leigh**, 2nd Offering Speaker - **Sally Wood**, Altar Guild - **Jan Tuel & Annie Waskom**, Ushers - **Dave Leigh** and Livestream Coordinator - **Neil Guy**.
- To all who have generously contributed to Joppa in July with their hands, feet, voices, and dollars.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- For those in service to our country:** Scott, Jack, Zach, Marshall & Reece;
- For those seeking ordination:** Abigail Livingood;
- For those seeking the office of Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa:** Betsey, Jennifer, and Elizabeth;
- For St. Timothy's Search Committee and our St. Timothy's community as we move through the search for a new rector;**
- For those who suffer in body, mind or spirit:** Tom, Danny, Bob, and Bill;
- For those who have died:** Jane Gilbert - grandmother of Maggie McGill;
- For those celebrating a birthday:** Hildy Smith, Sharelle Moranville, Alex Volker, and John Wheeler;
- For those awaiting the birth of a baby:** Carly & Mike, and Lizzie & Keshawn;
- For those who are to be married:** Sarah & Alex and Vanessa & David;
- For those celebrating an anniversary:** Elizabeth & Mark Slocum, Liz & Scott Brennan, Katy & Nik Pappas, Mindy & Jacob Bylund, Pam & Frank Harrison, Marty & Marcy Luft, and Lisa & Jim Hall;
- For those participating in the election of the 10th Bishop of Iowa;**
- For Bishop Scarfe and his wife Donna as they move through this time of transition and into retirement;**
- For our 2nd Offering partner in July:** Joppa; and
- For the Episcopal Church in Sudan & South Sudan especially Archbishop Samuel and Bishop Richard and their families.**



Multiple Mables and friends  
on RAGBRAI!



# SEARCH UPDATES

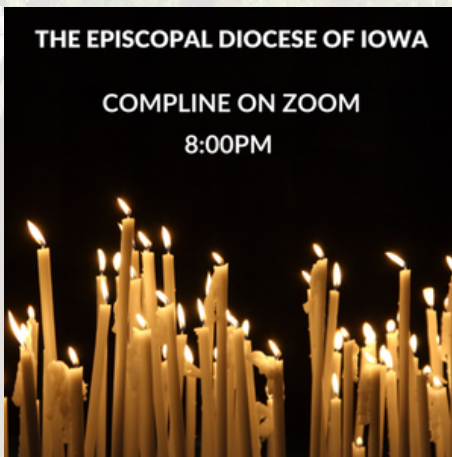
## ELECTION OF A BISHOP



This weekend members of our diocese will go about the business of electing the 10th Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa. It's an exciting time to both appreciate the service of Bishop Scarfe to our diocese and invite a new bishop to partner with us in our future .

For those of us who are not directly involved in conducting that business, we still have opportunities to be a part of this process.

- Registration [link](#) to Compline Services leading up to the Election
- [Link](#) to the Special Convention Livestream



## RECTOR SEARCH TEAM UPDATE

### What the Parish Survey tells us about ourselves:

An overwhelming 86% of us believe we are willing to adapt our worship to the needs the circumstances of the people we want to reach in our local community.

Correspondingly, a similar percentage believes we change our programs from time to time to meet the changing needs of our members. The pandemic has demonstrated our flexibility as we moved to recorded services and then to live streaming weekly worship.

While we are primarily a Rite II parish, we enjoy borrowing from other denominations from time to time. The survey tells us we definitely don't prefer to do things "because we've always done them this way!" This flexibility will allow our next rector to continue our exploration of forms of worship that will enhance our understanding and collective spirituality.

If there are questions regarding the search, please contact Dan Montgomery, 515-201-8021, [daniel.montgomery@mchsi.com](mailto:daniel.montgomery@mchsi.com).

### Meet Your Search Committee Members



Rick Ballinger is the vestry's liaison to the search committee. He is a "cradle" Episcopalian and joined St. Tim's in 2016, formerly being a member of St. Dunstan's in Seattle. He has been a member of the vestry since 2019.

Rick has been a shepherd for the youth pilgrimage to Washington DC in 2019 and joined other St. Timotheans in the pilgrimage to Israel in 2020. His daughter Neva Jane was recently confirmed.

Rick serves as a non-voting member of the search committee but his knowledge of the process and our candidates will be of great assistance to the vestry as they call our next rector.