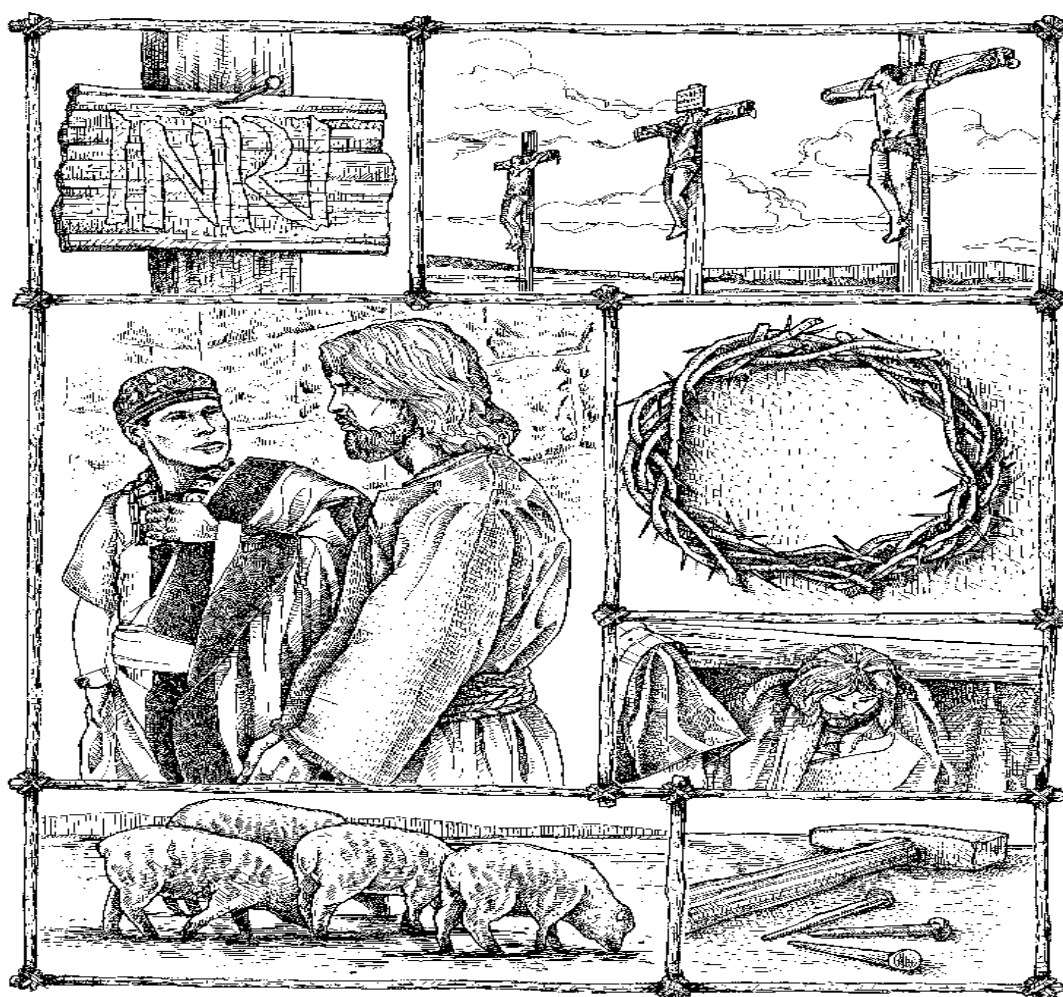


Good News!

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OFFICE NOTICE

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, APRIL 23rd. THE OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 9 am UNTIL NOON ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 21 and APRIL 22nd.

Thank you!

From the Rector

*If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
everything old has passed away; see,
everything has become new!"*
2 Corinthians 5:17

In just a few days time we will be joyfully celebrating our new life in Christ, as we join with all the hosts of heaven in singing God's praise on Easter morning! How blessed we are to share, once again, in the amazing event that marks Christ's resurrection from the dead and the start of our new life as part of God's new creation.

In the meantime, this newsletter hopefully finds us all participating as much as possible in the prayers and services of Holy Week. As noted in the following pages, each day has its own time of worship, and each one is special in its own way. Particularly important is the observance of the "Triduum," or the three days of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Saturday. With their re-remembering of the last days of Jesus' life, they allow us to walk with him in "real time" through these important events. Through our participation in these special services we are led to a deeper appreciation of the true joy of Easter.

And after Easter—what fun! Our worship is infused with joy as we celebrate the Great Fifty Days, and we are renewed in faith, hope and love as we recognize the amazing gift of Christ's resurrection.

Blessings,
Mimi+

HOLY WEEK: UNIQUE AND MEMORABLE

The days leading up to Easter, known as Holy Week, are a spiritually and liturgically intense time in the church. The last week of Jesus' life is remembered through particular readings, actions and hymns, and as we journey through each day we come to more fully understand the foundation of our faith and the profound love that God has for us. It is a unique and spiritually enriching experience. Everyone is encouraged to make the effort to attend these services and participate fully in the events that form the core of our faith.

RECONCILIATION OF A PENITENT

Part of the work we do during Lent is our own self-examination and reflection on our need for repentance. The Sacrament of Penance (*Private Confession*) is available at all times, but is particularly appropriate during the season of Lent. It can be very liberating to confess our sins and receive absolution in a private, one-on-one setting. The rite of Reconciliation is found in the Book of Common Prayer, and appointments can be made by contacting Mother Lacy by phone or email. In the Episcopal Church, the guiding words for this sacrament are "*All may, some should, none must.*"

From the Organist/Choir Director

In celebration of Easter, I share with you a poem by Christina Rossetti, one of my favorite poets.



Spring bursts today, for Christ is risen and all the earth's at play.
Flash forth, thou sun, the rain is over and gone, its work is done.
Winter is past, sweet spring is come at last, is come at last.
Bud, fig and vine, bud, olive, fat with fruit and oil, and wine.
Break forth this morn in roses, thou but yesterday a thorn.
Uplift thy head, o pure white lily through the winter dead.
Beside your dams leap and rejoice, you merry-making lambs.
All herds and flocks rejoice, all beasts of thickets and of rocks.
Sing, creatures, sing, angels and men and birds and everything...

Faithfully,
Connie

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**Babysitting is available Wednesday through Saturday evening.*

Monday, March 29:	Evening Prayer	7:00pm	Chapel
Tuesday, March 30:	Evening Prayer	7:00pm	Chapel
Wednesday, March 31:	Holy Eucharist Litany for Healing	7:00pm	Chapel
Thursday, April 1:	Holy Eucharist Keeping Watch	7:00pm 8:00-midnight	Church Chapel
Friday, April 2:	Stations of the Cross	12 noon	Chapel
	Liturgy for Good Friday Veneration of the Cross	7:00pm	Church
Saturday, April 3:	The Great Vigil of Easter	8:00pm	Church

LITURGICAL NOTES

Easter Sunday will begin the “Great Fifty Days of Easter,” a celebration that will take us to the day of Pentecost. In order to reflect the joy of this season our liturgy will change dramatically—so please note the following:

- The opening acclamation will change from the Lenten form to the joyful opening of Easter.
- The word “alleluia” will return to the service—be sure to note the banner hanging in the narthex!
- Flowers, silver, banners and torches will all return to their familiar places.
- We will once again sing the service music at the 10:15 service.
- The liturgical color will change from purple to white.
- We will stand for all the prayers, reflecting our joy and confidence in the risen Christ. (*In 325 the Council of Nicea actually made it a rule that people would stand instead of kneel during the prayers of the liturgy and at communion.*)
- Both services will be Rite II and use Eucharistic Prayer B.
- We will go back to the post-communion prayer from *Enriching our Worship*.
- A reading from the book of Acts will take the place of the Old Testament reading.
- We will omit the confession and absolution during the Great Fifty Days.
- The Paschal Candle will be present during all liturgies.
- We will use the three-fold Easter Blessing from the Book of Occasional Services.
- At the Easter Vigil and Easter morning services champagne will take the place of the usual wine.

As always, if you have any questions concerning these liturgical changes, please let me know! *Mimí+*

STEWARDSHIP

DID YOU KNOW?

That St. Timothy's still owes approximately \$415,000 on the mortgage for the church building?

Pledge/Plate total as of February 28				
	MTD Actual	Monthly Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Pledge	25,457	25,416	51,527	50,833
Plate	3,321	2,916	5,127	5,833

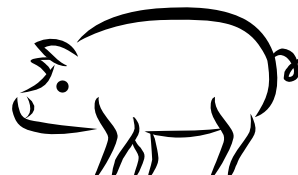
A THOUGHT ON STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is not the Episcopal word for fund raising. A steward is someone who is called on to manage something that belongs to someone else. We are God's stewards, and we are called on to be stewards of each other. We each have a role to play in our family in Christ. Stewardship is a faith response.

PIG PICKIN'!

APRIL 18th: 5pm until it's gone!

Join us at 5pm (or a bit later) in the Parish Hall for some good eatin'! The Brotherhood will be cookin' a pig with 50% or more of your donations going to benefit the EYC Mission Trip.



Extras include the **Lobster Fair FRENCH FRIES** and coleslaw. Provided drinks include tea, barbeque tea, soft drinks and water.

You are welcome to bring a dessert to share. Plus, there will be hot dogs for kids or those not wanting barbeque.

So please join us for a good time and great food!

EPISCOPAL FARMWORKERS MINISTRY

Thanks to the generosity of St. Timothy's parishioners, sixty bags of toiletries were prepared for the benefit of immigrant workers in North Carolina. Wonderful! A big thank-you to all who participated as well as the organizing and sewing efforts of the Women's Spirituality Group.



COMMUNITY GARDEN

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted. Ecclesiastes 3: 1-2

Spring and Easter are a great time to think about beginning anew. Just as we have come out of the reflective time of Lent, the garden comes out of the winter season ready to start greening with new life. Let us use this time to begin fresh in God's service with a commitment to each other and to appreciate the environment in which we are well blessed. We are reminded in Ecclesiastes that there are seasons and an appropriate time for every matter under heaven. We have planted various fruit trees as a part of the garden. Fruit trees provide some of the most beautiful flowers of spring while bringing treasures to our kitchens in the summer and fall. They also have a period to be born, grow, bear fruit and die. We all share this great creation called Earth! All are invited to enroll and participate in the community garden. The garden newsgroup link is available on the St. Timothy's website. Our next general work day is planned for Saturday, April 17 and will include planting and other activities to make the Garden area a beautiful and productive place this year and for years to come. Thanks be to God!

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Women's Spirituality Group will meet Tuesday, April 6 from 7:00-8:30 in the Meeting Room of the church. We'll be discussing Chapter 5: Delilah, Bad to the bone from the book *Bad Girls of the Bible* by Liz Curtis Higgs. Unlike the last three women we've studied, Delilah has a name.

On Tuesday, April 20 we will meet in the Parish Hall from 7:00-8:30. Alyssa Sugar will be leading us in a Yoga session so wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or large towel and be ready for some meditative time with us.



ECW NEWS

Anyone with a child away for undergraduate school who would like a care package should email the office at office@st-tim.org with the name and address. Please be sure to email as we are not going to attempt to guess! Thank you!
ECW Meeting April 13th at 7pm in the Parish Hall: A TBA Guest Speaker! Join us!

ATTENTION ALL ACOLYTES!

Acolytes Festival and Bishop's Beach Ball is **April 17th, 2010!** The acolyte festival, hosted by St. Andrew's by the Sea, is a celebration of the ministry of acolytes. It allows time to enhance acolyte skills, build community and to have fun. There will be a special service to bless the ministry of acolytes, workshops based on age group and an Acolyte Olympics.

Registration forms are in the office. Please contact Megan at 355-2125 to get your copy. **OR, DOWNLOAD THEM!** <http://www.saintandrewsobx.com>. Please register early to guarantee your t-shirt and to avoid a \$5 late fee. Registration **ENDS March 26**. Late registration is from the 27th through the day of the event.

Fees vary based on your preferences

- Parent and guest lunch only: \$5.
- Parents and guest lunch, dinner and ball: \$15
- Acolyte fee for festival, t-shirt and lunch: \$15
- Full festival fee: t-shirt, lunch, dinner and ball: \$25



There are hotel specials if you wish to spend the night.

Any and all questions should be directed to St. Andrews at communications@saintandrewsobx.com or by calling (252) 441-5382.

SHOP FOR THE FOOD PANTRY!

April showers bring May flowers—but what do April shoppers bring? Food for the Food Pantry, that's what! At the grocery store be sure to pick up just one extra item per week, and drop it off in the basket in the narthex of the Church. Someone in Greenville will be thankful that you did! *For April, please consider canned fruits and fruity treats!*

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

On April 18th we will honor the members of the Altar Guild. Week after week this dedicated group prepares the sanctuary for our worship services. They work especially hard during Holy Week, putting in many hours to set up for all of our special services. *Be sure to thank them for their dedication!*

ADULT FORMATION

Easter and Spring bring to mind a time for renewal and new beginnings. Adult Formation will offer an opportunity to do both, through a DVD accompanied study on moving out of your comfort zones. The center of this journey will be based on the acclaimed book by John Ortberg, **If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get out Of The Boat**. From the cover leaf of the book, Walking on water means facing your fears and choosing not to let fear have the last word. Walking on water means discovering and embracing the unique calling of God on your life. Walking on water means experiencing the power of God in your life to do something you would not be capable of doing on your own. Do you want to know Jesus more deeply and in a different way? Then join us as we discover our comfort zones, how they and our fears hold us back from experiencing a life in the peace and joy of Jesus Christ. Who knows, you might just find God here.

EPISCOPAL CAMPUS MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

St. Timothy's is again working with St. Paul's to provide meals for the Episcopal Campus Ministry group. ECM meets at St. Paul's, every Thursday night during the semester, beginning at 6:00 with Evening Prayer followed by dinner at 6:45. Please contact Susan Holmes (susanholmes@suddenlink.net; 756-8860) or Matt Scully (ecm@stpaulsepiscopal.com; 814-5769) if you can prepare a meal or have further questions.

Dates: April 1 (Maundy Thursday, serve at 6:00), April 8.

UTO

ARE YOU READY? On Sunday, **May 2nd**, there will be a Spring Ingathering of the money from your United Thank Offering blue boxes at both the 8:00 and 10:15 am services. If you need a new blue box, please ask Megan. They will remain in the office until after Easter when they will be placed on one of the tables in the narthex of the church. The Episcopal Church Women thank you for your continued support and participation in this project. These UTO funds make possible the awarding of statewide, nationwide and worldwide grants which aid in the relief of suffering in the less fortunate, especially in women and children. The week before the ingathering is a good time to count the money in your box and **write a check** for that amount to St. Timothy's Episcopal Church (NO CHANGE PLEASE). Look for more news concerning UTO in your upcoming weekly refrigerator pages!



CHRISTIAN FORMATION FOR CHILDREN

Vacation Bible School 2010
Monday June 14 – Friday June 18
9 AM – 12 PM @ St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Mark your calendars for these dates! As is our tradition, we will be sharing VBS with St. Timothy's. This year St. Paul's will be hosting this event. More information will follow for sign-up and other details.

If you are interested in helping with snacks, crafts, storytelling and games, please contact

Samantha Laughinghouse @ 252-717-8778 or samanthal@embarqmail.com

—Jamie Kirby

HABIT FOR HUMANITY OPPORTUNITY

St. Timothy's Habitat for Humanity workdays will be here before you know it! There is now a limit of 10 volunteers per day, so we have two opportunities available working on the same house. We're scheduled for **Thursday, May 13th** and **Saturday, May 15th**. This is a great example of *many hands make light work*. It's amazing how much can be accomplished in just a few hours and we'd love to have full teams on both days. Please mark the dates on your calendar and watch for the sign-up sheets coming soon.

PASTORAL CARE

A visit from the clergy is always available! If you or a loved one will be entering the hospital, or if you have any other sort of pastoral need, please contact the Church Office or Mother Lacy by phone or email. *Please do not assume we will simply "hear" about it--give us a quick call!*

YOUTH NEWS

April

- 4th: Happy Easter! No EYC
- 11th: Team Building Meeting
- 18th: Learning about St Timothy's Garden
- 25th: Student Led Discussion

As you can see, we're working on "team building" and preparing for our mission trips. Thank you all for the support of our service through the stock sale, rent-a-youth, donations, and prayers!

Questions, comments, suggestions? Contact Michelle at (252) 341-5214 or sttimseyc@gmail.com

RENT-A-YOUTH

ST. TIMOTHYS EYC IS READY TO SERVE !

We all need help getting things done in our busy lives. Let St. Tim's EYC youth assist YOU! Hire us out either by pairs or as a group in exchange for a monetary donation to help us go on the mission trip next summer! Help us serve CHRIST by serving YOU!

Ideas:

Outside: planting, watering, raking, mulching, debris removal, car washing/cleaning, garage cleaning, washing dog, taking dog for walk, Jog/exercise with you, etc.

Inside: Organizing (tools, crafts, clothes, kitchen, garage, closets, toy rooms, files, furniture, offices, etc.), Assisting you with (quilting, sewing, decorating, shopping, writing Christmas cards/letters, holiday cooking, baking, wrapping, decorating, crafting, packing, etc.

TO HIRE: Please email Suzanne Shelton at: oceanwav4@hotmail.com or call her at: 752-8805 and leave a message as to the nature of the job, how many youth you need, and at least 2 tentative dates for service! Please reply ASAP as the dates and jobs get filled up very quickly!

About Us...

McKenzie Laurel Shelton won the Colonial-NC Branch Contest for the Nationwide English-Speaking Union National Shakespeare Competition held Saturday, Feb. 28th at the New Bern-Craven County Public Library. McKenzie performed a monologue of the character Helena from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." A number of Eastern North Carolina high schools held Shakespeare monologue competitions beforehand, and winners from those competitions then competed in this regional event. McKenzie is a freshman at North Pitt High School in Bethel (near Greenville, NC). She was awarded a beautiful Complete Works of Shakespeare book and receives an all-expense paid trip to New York City for the National Competition on April 26th, where for four days she will compete again, take a tour of NYC, participate in an acting class, and attend a gala celebration event. The winner of the National competition will receive a summer scholarship to study in England.

Martha George is pleased to announce the birth of her granddaughter Rachel Margaret on March 5th. She is the daughter of Catherine and Charles George of Raleigh.

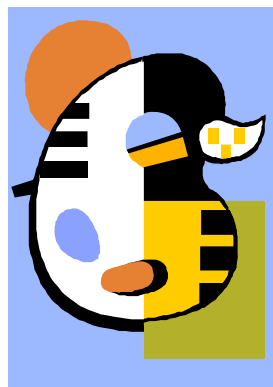
Lane Hartley welcomed her granddaughter, Harper Pauline Matilda Kaley into the world on March 8th. She weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces and was 18 inches long. Congratulations, Grandma!

Directory Changes

Mike and Sally Bramley
1661 Round Hill Circle
Kernersville, NC 27284



Moved? Changed your telephone number? Let Megan know so we can all make the correct changes in our directories!



You are invited to the Greenville Museum of Art for **Paul Hartley-The Man and His Legacy**. The show is open now until April 25th.

From the Parish Records

We extend our prayers to: Helen, JoAnne, Art, Daniel, Scott, Riley Philpot, Arwen Jackson, Robert Anderson, Anna Kathryn Edmonson, Jane Thomas, Peter VanVeld and Paul Chatham

April Birthdays



- 7 Hannah Hutchens
- 8 Dani Redd
- 10 Carl Rees
Gloria Rose
- 11 Olivia Harrison
Susan Allen
- 12 Joy Cullen
- 13 James Mallette
- 14 Paula Bowen
- 15 Jack Cullen
- 16 Whit Blanchard
- 17 Donna Askew
Jenna Rupp
- 23 Delores Pittman
- 25 Tom Harwell
- 26 David Mehlhop
- 29 Graham Gizinski
Juanita Chapman
- 30 Michael Bramley



April Anniversaries

- 1 Tom and Mattie Collie-Swindell
Martin and Grace Rudolph
- 7 Art and Barbara Clark



HISTORY QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Where are these St. Timothy parishioners and what event are they attending?

Answer: This is a picture of St. Timothy's parishioners at last year's Mission trip in Tennessee. St. Timothy parishioners and youth group members are going to participate in two mission trips this coming summer.



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St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is a faith community called together by God. We invite and welcome all persons to worship, explore, and celebrate with us. We are committed to nurture and strengthen personal faith, to respect human diversity, to live in thanksgiving for God's gifts, and to serve those in need. We strive to grow as we live the mission of Christ's Church.