

# Connections

A monthly publication from St Timothy's in-the-Valley Episcopal Church  
April 2022 Edition



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**Mundy Thursday—7:00pm**

*Holy Eucharist & Stripping of the Altar*

**Good Friday—7:00pm**

*Good Friday Liturgy & Stations of the Cross (joint service with Cross of Grace Lutheran Congregation)*

**Holy Saturday—10:00am**

*Prepping the church for Easter  
(Volunteers Needed!)*

**Easter Sunday—10:30am**

*Morning Eucharist followed by an  
Easter Egg Hunt for the children*

**Easter Sunday—5:30am**

*Evening Eucharist*

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### **Masks No Longer Mandated!**

We received word from Bishop Klusmeyer that masks are no longer required for worship or other activities in the church. I for one am looking forward to seeing all your faces! He has encouraged us to still practice safe measures as seem appropriate and to be cognizant that there are those who remain vulnerable in our midst.

If you prefer to continue to wear a mask while at worship and meetings, please feel free to do so! Respect for the masked and unmasked will be very important as we continue to navigate this new reality.

The Bishop is also considering a return to the use of the common cup – perhaps for Easter! Be mindful – he has not made that decision yet – but is giving us hope that it is coming in due time. Please know that when that time comes, you may continue to receive in one kind as we have been doing – that is and always has been an option. I am hopeful that this change will bring some of you back to worship who have not yet returned. I am also hopeful that those of you who wish to continue to wear a mask will continue to come even though others are not wearing masks.

### **Office Closed on April 29th**

Katie will not be in the office on Friday, April 29th. You can still contact her via email if needed.

### **Easter Flowers**

Our usual source for Easter Flowers (Gritts Midway Greenhouse) is not providing that service this year. Apparently, they could not get lily or tulip bulbs this year. We are asking that everyone who is able, to bring to the church a **potted flowering plant** to decorate the church for Easter (from Lowe's, Walmart, Home Depot, a nursery, etc.) They do not need to be perennials, annuals are fine. We will have an eclectic display of flowers for the Altar Guild to use. **Please do not bring** fresh cut flowers in vases that have water. You may bring your donation Thursday and Friday of Holy Week between 10 am and 4 pm during the day or in the evening when you come for worship, and Saturday morning no later than 10 am when the Altar Guild will be working to prepare the church for our Resurrection Celebration.

Thank you in advance for contributing to the beautification of the sanctuary!

### **Wonderful Women's Wednesday Book Club**

Our Women's Wednesday Book Group meets every Wednesday from 10:45am-12:00pm so long as weather permits. Friends and neighbors are welcome to join the group! For more information or to join the group, please contact the office via phone or email, or contact Kitty Byus directly.

## Join Us For Compline!

Join us each Wednesday at 8:00 pm via Zoom for Compline with the Saints. We will all gather virtually to end our day in prayer and also learn about a Saint. The information for the Zoom Meeting will be sent out each Wednesday morning and can also be found in our weekly email blast. If you have issues connecting, please contact Andy Bird or the office.

## Sunday Servers

As we continue our in-person worship, the need for our various servers remains and scheduling is underway! If you would like to sign up for one of these positions, please let Katie know and she will get you in rotation. If you are already in the rotation or would like to be added, please send in the days that you are unable to serve in your respective positions through the month of March. We will have guide sheets available for those who want them. Remember: the more volunteers we have, the less frequent you will be asked to serve!

### Sunday Server Positions are:

Altar Server  
Acolyte/Crucifer  
Readers  
Intercessor  
Usher  
Offertory Counter

## Peterkin Summer Camps

Join the Peterkin team this summer as we welcome campers back to four camps that are designed to offer that in-person camp experience everyone has grown to love. Please note changes in camp dates and configuration. To register for camp, please visit [www.peterkin.org](http://www.peterkin.org).

### Senior Camp—June 19-25

Students entering 9th-12th grade and graduated high school seniors.

### MAD Camp—June 26-July 2

(Music/Art/Drama) Students entering 4th-12th grade in the fall.

### Junior Camp—July 3-9

Students entering 1st-8th grade in the fall.

### Family Camp—July 10-16

Open to families of all sizes and types.

All camps will follow best practices and CDC guidelines with regard to COVID.

Please remember that St. Timothy's has **Peterkin Scholarships** available for those who want to go but may not be able to for cost-related reasons. If you would like more information about the scholarships, please contact the office.

### **Upcoming Boy Scouts Fundraisers**

Our resident Boy Scouts Troop will be having their Pancake Fundraiser following church on **May 1st**. That following Saturday, **May 7th**, they will be having their annual Yard Sale and Hotdog Sale. The scouts have had limited opportunities to have fund raisers since the beginning of the pandemic, so if you are able to come out and support them, please do!

### **Bishop Coadjutor Cowden Visit**

Bishop Coadjutor Cowden will have an informal visit to St. Timothy's on April 24th following the 5:30pm service. Attendance will be mandatory for those partaking in our confirmation classes. Bishop Cowden will talk to the classes about the role of the Bishop in the Episcopal Church. We will be meeting outside and we will have hot dogs and s'mores. This is not an official visit, just a casual one.

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held after worship Sunday, April 17. Children in fifth grade and younger will hunt eggs outside, weather permitting. If the weather is nasty, we will hunt eggs inside. Youth and adult volunteers are needed at 9:45 am to help hide the eggs. Please let Laura Leslie know if you will help.

### **ERD Relief for Ukraine**

As we pray for an end to violence and for those fleeing Ukraine, please also pray for Episcopal Relief & Development and other ecumenical agencies working to respond to the current crisis. Please consider partnering with Episcopal Relief & Development who is providing cash, blankets, hygiene supplies and other needed items. As a reminder, in-kind donations and traveling to the affected areas to help are discouraged by Episcopal Relief & Development & other international organizations responding at this time. Visit [episcopalrelief.org](http://episcopalrelief.org) for more information. Support Episcopal Relief & Development in providing humanitarian aid in response to the crisis in Ukraine. By donating to the Ukraine Crisis Response Fund, you will help meet critical needs for people fleeing the violence including food, cash, blankets and hygiene supplies. Visit [episcopalrelief.org/ukraine-crisis](http://episcopalrelief.org/ukraine-crisis)

### **Rector's Discretionary Fund**

Donations are always welcome and appreciated for the Rector's Discretionary Fund. The fund is used to help people in our community with various termination notices for utilities and other similar expenses, and we've seen an influx of people needing help in the past few months. If you plan to write a check, please be sure to list Rector's Discretionary Fund (or just RDF) in the memo line.

## Woman's Dinner and a Book Group

Break out the spoons and forks, we're having Dinner again! As COVID numbers have fallen and masks are being put away Women's Dinner and a Book Group has decided that we can once again dine together! On **Thursday April 21st at 6:30 pm in the Garrett Fellowship Hall.**

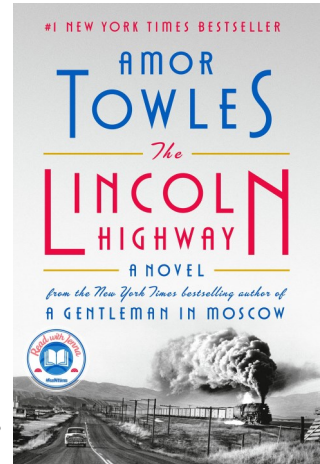
The book for April is "The Lincoln Highway, a novel" by Amor Towles which was an Amazon Best Book of October 2021, a Today Show Read with Jenna pick, and a New York Times best seller.

The Lincoln Highway might just be one of the best novels of this decade, which is a feat considering *A Gentleman in Moscow*, also holds that distinction (in this reviewer's mind, anyway). Set in the 1950s, *The Lincoln Highway* is filled with nostalgia as well as the gentle naïveté and hijinks of those who are young, optimistic, and on a mission. The story follows four boys who set out to travel the country in search of a fresh start: Emmett and Billy want to find their mother who left them when they were young, and Duchess and Woolly are on the hunt for a stashed wad of cash. Sometimes their dreams are aligned but often they are not. In other words, adventure ensues: There's train hopping and car stealing, and with that comes the inevitability of trouble sparked from both good and bad intentions. Each of these young men is chasing his dreams, but their pasts—whether violent or sad—are never far behind. A remarkable work of storytelling that is a 2021 favorite.

—Al Woodworth, Amazon Editor

Personally, I found this book extremely hard to put down! Several people have taken this book very seriously and written reader's guides to follow the book in depth chapter by chapter. There are also many books about the actual history of this seminal highway. So, make sure you get the real deal! The Putnam County Library system has sixteen copies of the book available and one copy of the audio version! You can check out Amazon and your local bookstores as well.

Now about the dinner! Each month we pick a hostess who brings the main entrée while other folks bring the side dishes, salad, bread, drinks, or dessert. Laura Leslie has agreed to be our hostess for April so you can call her at (304) 881-8213 to get an idea of what to bring. Depending on the number of ladies attending not everyone has to bring something. Everyone is welcome even if you haven't read the book of the month, just come and plan to enjoy some excellent food and a good chat about books!



## Vestry Meeting Breakdown

At our Vestry meeting in March, we had a discussion on several topics:

- Cheryl discussed the events of Bishop Cowden's consecration and the group talk that Presiding Bishop Curry had.
- How to encourage our online viewers to return to fellowship and more in-person events as they are able.
- Facilities Committee was discussed
- Music Task Force has been established and has meetings planned.
- A streaming license was purchased, allowing us to stream our music
- We had a wonderful Ash Wednesday Service with Cross of Grace and will continue to look for opportunities in which we can come together for worship.
- Talks are underway with families of our graduating students to organize a Senior Sunday.
- Bishop Coadjutor Cowden has been invited to join us for an evening of fellowship in late April.
- Discussed possible fellowship opportunities for the summer.
- The vestry meeting for April has been moved to the fourth Sunday in April as to not overlap with Easter Sunday.

## Gabriel Project Volunteers

Our Gabriel Project is in need of volunteers! Volunteers would need to be available at least one Monday a month during the hours of 12pm-2pm. There will be a short training. If you're interested, please contact the office or Carol McDonough.

## A Year of Prayers to End Racism

### April—For the Heroes and Heroines of the Struggle for Civil Rights

O bountiful and merciful God: you have blessed your people with great prophets and leaders to advance the cause of equality under law in this nation and in the world. By their teaching and preaching; by their action and example; by their marching, demonstrating, and sitting in; by their organizing, praying and singing, they have made themselves and the dream of non-discrimination impossible for opponents to ignore and possible for those marginalized to dream. Give us such leaders always, Lord. Let the cry for justice always be heard in our land until, by your gracious will, your children live together in freedom, justice, and equality. Amen.





# APRIL 2022

	April 3 Lent 5	April 10 Palm Sunday	April 14 Maundy Thurs	April 15 Good Friday	April 17 Easter Sunday	April 24 Easter 2	May 1 Easter 3
Altar Servers	Aaron Carr Andy Bird	Aaron Carr Andy Bird	Aaron Carr Andy Bird	Aaron Carr Andy Bird	Aaron Carr Andy Bird	Aaron Carr Andy Bird	Aaron Carr Andy Bird
OT & Psalm Reader	Trish Fisher	Kelley Goes	Trish Fisher	Laura Boggess	Kathryn Ellis	Jack Stevens	Janessa Noel
NT Reader	Karen White	Hannah Goes	Karen White	Janessa Noel	Jack Stevens	Sarah Castle	Laura Boggess
Prayers of the People	Laura Boggess	Erik Goes	Karen White	Kitty Byus	Laura Boggess	Janessa Noel	Kitty Byus
Acolytes	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Cooper Ellis	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Ushers	Greg Childress	Greg Childress	Randy Thompson	Greg Childress	Joe & Lynda Rumbaugh	CK Dolan	Randy Thompson
Vestry Greeter	Nathan Arnett	Brian Noel	Karen White	Michelle Terry	Kathryn Ellis	Carolyn James	Greg Childress
Counters	Karen White Katie Conley	Allison Hughart Tom Midkiff	Katie Conley	Katie Conley	Katie Conley Karen White	CK Dolan Sarah Castle	Annette Montoya Bobby Norman
Altar Guild	Chuck Montgomery	Tish Fisher	All	All	All	TBD	TBD

# APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
3	4	5	6
Lent 5			
10:30am—Morning Eucharist (S & FB) 11:45am—Kid's Lenten Program (GFH) 5:30pm—Evening Eucharist (S)	12:00pm-2:00pm—Gabriel Project (GP) 5:30pm—Neighbors Dinner (WC) 6:30pm—Boy Scouts (AC)	6:30pm—Youth Group (AC) 7:00pm—Narcotics Anonymous (MR)	10:45am—WWWBC (S) 12:00pm—Stations of the Cross (S) 7:00pm—Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) 8:00pm—Compline with Music (S)
10	11	12	13
Palm Sunday			
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17	18	19	20
Easter Sunday			
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24	25	26	27
Easter 1			
10:30am—Morning Eucharist (S & FB) 12:00pm—Vestry Meeting (RO) 5:30pm—Evening Eucharist (S) 6:30pm—Bishop Cowden Visit	12:00pm-2:00pm—Gabriel Project (GP) 5:30pm—Neighbors Dinner (WC) 6:30pm—Boy Scouts (AC)	6:30pm—Youth Group (AC) 7:00pm—Narcotics Anonymous (MR)	10:45am—WWWBC (S) 12:00pm—Stations of the Cross (S) 7:00pm—Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) 8:00pm—Compline with Music (S)



# 2022

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2
3	7	8	9
(S) of the Cross (S) Anonymous (MR) with the Saints (Z)		2:00pm—Red Cross Blood Drive (GFH) 6:00pm—Girl Scouts (AC)	10:00am—Consecration Livestream (FB)
3	14	15	16
	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Holy Saturday
(S) of the Cross (S) Anonymous (MR) with the Saints (Z)	7:00pm—Holy Eucharist & Stripping of the Altar	7:00pm—Good Friday Liturgy & Stations of the Cross (joint service with Cross of Grace)	10:00am—Preparing the Church for Easter (volunteers needed!)
0	21	22	23
(S) Anonymous (MR) with the Saints (Z)	7:00pm—WDABG (S)		2:00pm—Hurricane Community Band Concert 4:00pm—Shawn Castle Dolan Memorial Service
7	28	29	30
(S) Anonymous (MR) with the Saints (Z)			

## April Birthdays

- 2 Cathy Slempt Branam
- 2 Chris Branam
- 4 Joseph Rumbaugh
- 5 Hailey Hassan
- 6 Lindsay Garrison
- 8 Doug Holliday
- 10 Jaden Bowen
- 12 Carolyn James
- 12 Hannah Goes
- 12 Jacob Chard
- 17 Cole Hassan
- 17 Jenn Price
- 17 Kimberly Carr
- 18 Paula McCoy
- 18 Chuck Montgomery
- 18 Jennifer Tully
- 22 Sharon Maynard
- 23 Debbie Elkins
- 28 Robbie Terry
- 29 Linda Hull
- 29 Sarah Castle

## April Anniversaries

- 20 Jim & Ditty Reed
- 22 Tim & Karen Huff
- 25 Jeff & Stacy Barna
- 29 Katie Conley & Tommy Williams

### Neighbors Feeding Neighbors Menu

April 4

RETURN TO IN PERSON!  
Burgers, Baked Beans, & Pasta Salad

April 11

Chicken Alfredo with Salad

April 18

Chicken Pot Pie with Corn

April 25

Soup & Sandwiches! Potato Soup with  
Turkey and Cheddar Sandwiches

*We have returned to in-person dining, but  
will still have to-go meals available for  
pick up in our Welcome Center.*

***Seating is limited to 50 at a time in order to  
maintain social distancing.***

*If you feel sick, please **DO NOT** attend  
in-person dining. Please continue to social  
distance and wash hands to help  
stop the spread.*

*All meals are served with a prepackaged  
desert of your choice! If you would like a  
meal/meals delivered to you, please contact  
the office by 12:00pm (noon) on the day  
you want to receive your delivery and we  
will make the necessary arrangements.*

### **St. Timothy's Youth Group**

St. Timothy's Youth Group was established in 2021. Our teens have worked on a few projects as a group, from decorating the Garrett Fellowship Hall for Christmas, to volunteering at Putnam County's Animal Shelter. When they get together, these kids have fun!

Our Youth Group invites middle schoolers and high schoolers (6th-12th grade) to join us in the Activities Center each Tuesday evening from 6:30pm-8:00pm. During youth group there will be games, activities, and time for teens to learn and grow spiritually. For questions, please contact Whitney Naylor-Smith (304-710-0415) or Kathryn Ellis (304-539-3026).

### **Hurricane Community Band**

The Hurricane Community Band will be having their Spring Concert on Saturday, April 23rd at 2:00pm in our Sanctuary! All are invited to come and enjoy an afternoon of beautiful music!

### **Our Chapel is Open!**

In these uncertain times, we have our chapel available for use for anyone who wishes to come by and have a moment of prayer.

### **Spades**

A member of our congregation has expressed interest in starting a Spades club! Details such as meeting location(s) and meeting times will be set up once there are enough people who are willing to play. The game requires 4 players but we can always have multiple groups as well as revolving players so you get to play with more people! If you're interested in joining this club, please contact the office and Katie pass your information along.

### **Scrip Cards**

Just a reminder that we have Scrip Gift Cards available for purchase! We've got restaurants, entertainment venues, gas, and shopping cards available. The Scrip Program is a small source of income for St. Timothy's so every purchase helps! For questions on what we have in stock or orders you would like to place, please contact Jennifer Midkiff or just stop by the Scrip table after worship on most Sundays.

### **Shawn Castle Dolan Memorial Service**

There will be a memorial service held on April 23rd at 4:00pm for Shawn Dolan, the daughter of Sarah Castle and CK Dolan and the mother of Trevor and Chase. The congregation is invited to attend and offer support to this family as they say goodbye.



JOIN US FOR

# Holy Week

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

Holy Eucharist & Stripping of the Altar  
7:00pm

## GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday Liturgy & Stations of the Cross  
(joint service with Cross of Grace Lutheran Congregation)  
7:00pm

## HOLY SATURDAY

Preparing the Church for Easter  
(volunteers needed!)  
10:00am

## EASTER SUNDAY

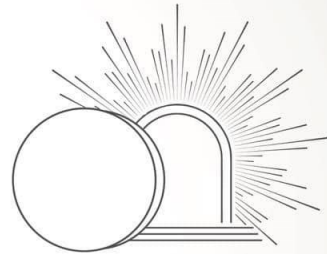
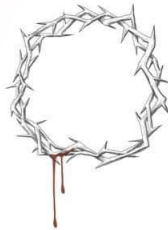
Morning Eucharist  
followed by an Easter Egg Hunt for the Children  
10:30am

Evening Eucharist  
5:30pm



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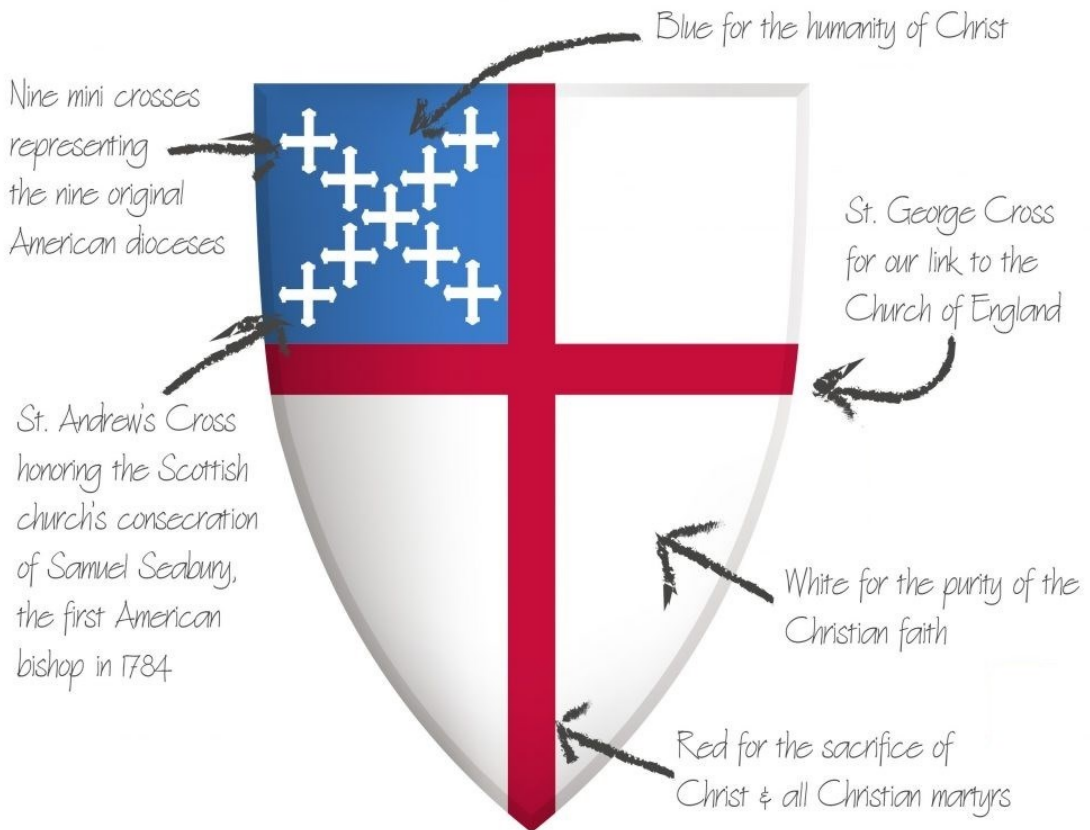


A LOT CAN HAPPEN IN SEVEN DAYS

## A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for the peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

-Archbishop Justin Welby & Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



## Directory Maintenance

To view the directory online, go to members.InstantChurchDirectory.com and follow the prompts under “Sign In” to “Create a login now.” Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.

There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for “Instant Church Directory” to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.

Already in the directory? Please make sure we have your information correct and up-to-date! If you would like to update your photo, please email the photo you would like to use to office@sttimothyswv.org with the Subject Line: Directory Photo



## Notary Public

Just a reminder that Katie our Parish Administrator is a Notary Public! If you find yourself in need of a Notary, Katie's services are free of charge! Stop by during office hours or shoot her an email and she can get you taken care of!

## Accessing the Live Stream without Facebook

- If you DO NOT have a Facebook Account:

1. Enter the following into your URL bar:  
<https://www.facebook.com/sttimothysinthevalley>
2. Scroll down just a little until you see a section titled "Posts"
3. When we are live, there will be a video with a red box in the upper left corner that says "LIVE". If you do not see this video, we are not live yet. We are going to start the live stream roughly 5 minutes before service begins. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know!



### **Kroger Plus Renewal**

If you have linked your Kroger Plus Card to St. Timothy's, it is time to re-enroll!

To re-enroll (or start your enrollment!), follow these steps:

1. Go to [www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com). Login to your existing account, or create a new one if you don't have a Kroger Card
2. Go to your "Account" tab, and scroll down to "Community Rewards"
3. Enter St. Timothy's code in the search bar. St. Timothy's code is **82515**. Click "Enroll"

And then you're done! We receive 3%-5% of everything you spend at Kroger (excluding all alcohol, tobacco, and fuel). St. Timothy's really depends on this income.

Thank you for supporting us through the community!

### **Follow Along with Worship!**

We are working to be able to make our Sunday bulletins available in a digital format, but in the meantime we are listing out the readings and hymns there so you are able to follow along even just a little bit. We hope to have our bulletins ready for download very soon.

### **Online Giving Reminder**

Thank you for continuing to make your financial contributions to St. Timothy's during this pandemic. Some people have reached out asking for directions on how to give to St Timothy's online. Please note that you can only submit general offerings using the steps below. There is not an option to specify your offering to a certain designation.

To give online, please visit the Diocesan website. Navigate to the "Giving" menu. Under the "Contribute to a Specific Church" section, please select "Hurricane - St. Timothy's in-the-Valley". From there you will be prompted to enter an amount. If you have any difficulties, please contact the office.

### **Got a Submission for the Newsletter?**

If you've got any special event or announcement that you want published in our newsletter, please get your information to Katie by **April 25th**.

### **Check Back Next Month**

We've got so much planned for next month and even more things throughout the year! We are planning on getting back to as close to normal as we can. Check next month's newsletter for information on Summer activities at St. Timothy's!





**St. Timothy's in-the-Valley  
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PLACE  
STAMP  
HERE

## *Worship with us!*

Sundays at 10:30am in person or live on Facebook

Sundays at 5:30pm in person

Wednesdays at 8:00pm for Compline with the Saints via Zoom

