

# What's Happening



*at St. Timothy's*

Friday, May 9th, 2025

**SERVICE  
TIMES**

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday, May  
11th

**10:00am**  
Holy Eucharist  
*The 4th Sunday of Easter*

Monday, May  
12th to 16th

**9:30am**  
Morning Prayer

Monday, May  
12th

**11:00am**  
The Celebration of the Life  
of Ophelia Wickham

Wednesday, May  
14th

**11:30am**  
Mid-Week Eucharist

Sunday, May  
18th

**10:00am**  
Holy Eucharist  
*The 5th Sunday of Easter*



Sunday, May 11th	<b>8:30am</b> Adult Education
Tuesday, May 13th	<b>10:00 – 11:00am</b> ESL Reading & Career Mentoring Groups  <b>11:00am - 12:30pm</b> ESL Conversation Group  <b>2:00 – 3:00pm</b> Open Church Drop-In Hour
Wednesday, May 14th	<b>10:00 – 11:00am</b> Contemplative Art  <b>12:00nn</b> St. Andrew's Group Meeting ( <i>in-person &amp; online</i> )  <b>2:00 – 3:00pm</b> Open Church Drop-In Hour
Thursday, May 15th	<b>2:00 – 3:00pm</b> Open Church Drop-In Hour

## *From the Incumbent*

Our spring adult education sessions, held on Sunday mornings, will survey the **History of Christian Sacred Music**, tracing the spiritual and cultural movements that shaped the songs of our faith across the centuries. New participants are always welcome. The course will unfold across seven sessions.



1. *Early Christian and Byzantine Chant* — Hildegard, Cassiani, and the sacred monophony of the early Church
2. *Gregorian Chant to Polyphony* — Medieval developments and the rise of Western liturgical forms
3. *Renaissance Polyphony* — Sacred harmony and the height of choral counterpoint
4. *Baroque Innovations* — The world of Bach, Handel, and the oratorio tradition
5. *Hymns, Spirituals, and Gospel Roots* — American sacred song and the witness of the African-American church
6. *Romantic and Modern Choral Works* — From Brahms' *Requiem* to Benjamin Britten's *War Requiem*
7. *Contemporary Composers and Global Sacred Sounds* — New expressions of sacred music in today's world

In addition to this series, we will also host a **special weeknight event** later this month. The Rev. Micah Latimer from Grace Church on-the-Hill will be joining us to share a personal reflection on incorporating music into worship and spiritual life. A few weeks ago, I was invited to speak at Grace as part of their Lenten teaching series, and several of you graciously came along. This evening will be our opportunity to return the hospitality, as Micah visits us and Grace parishioners are invited to join in. The event will include a presentation, conversation, and a shared meal — date TBD shortly.

Meanwhile, in our art group, we will turn our attention this spring to the Japanese aesthetic philosophy of *Wabi-Sabi*, which encourages us to **appreciate the worn, weathered, and handmade** — to see new life not in perfection, but in what has been lovingly repaired or recombined. We will experiment with kintsugi, the art of mending broken pottery with gold, and with mixed media collages that

incorporate pieces of old objects into new creations. This practice reminds us that resurrection, too, often comes not as a complete erasure of the past, but as a beautiful transformation that honours what has been broken. No experience is required — these are **particularly beginner friendly** methods! — and everyone is warmly welcome.

Outdoors, other creative opportunities await, both in the raised garden beds and on the larger church grounds. Please save these two key dates:

- **Sunday, May 25** – Seedling **planting** and possibly adding perennial flowers; after the church service. We will take our coffee mugs outside, and a light lunch will be provided outdoors for those who volunteer.
- **Sunday, June 8** – **Grounds clean-up** and any follow-up tasks from May. On this day, everyone is welcome to a parish-wide, end of academic year **Indoor Picnic**, served family style after the service, before those who choose to participate in the outdoor work head out. This event will require the assistance of as **many volunteers** as possible, so please let me or Deb (one of our wardens) know if you can help.

And finally, I will be taking my post Easter break this Sunday and leave you in the very capable hands of Rev. Carol and Jonathan.

Blessings,

*Irina+*

Incumbent

## Wardens' Corner

A Special Vestry meeting was held on Sunday, May 4, 2025 and the following Motion was unanimously passed –

'I move to approve the expenditure of up to \$80,000 from the Peggy Sisley bequest for a new audio-visual system in the church'. The motion was moved by Michael Clarke and seconded by Alan Flint.

The next step will be to review the multiple quotes we have from potential suppliers and finetune our requirements in order to make a final decision on a provider.

*Michael, Mary, Bruce and Deb*

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## FaithWorks 2025



I WAS NAKED  
AND YOU GAVE  
ME CLOTHING,  
I WAS SICK  
AND YOU TOOK  
CARE OF ME,  
I WAS IN  
PRISON AND  
YOU VISITED ME.

MAT. 25:35



This is the time of year when we launch FaithWorks, the annual appeal of our Diocese. You will have received your information by email or regular mail. You can donate by cheque made payable to Church of St. Timothy or by e-transfer to [office@sttimothy.ca](mailto:office@sttimothy.ca) Please note FaithWorks in the reference.

On Sunday, May 25th, we will welcome Maria Reolin, Executive Director of Flemingdon Park Ministry, a FaithWorks Ministry Partner.

Thank you for supporting FaithWorks and our goal of \$12,000.

*Faith*  
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Works of faith  
for over 25 years



# *Celebrating Mothering!*

**You have been a beautiful example of God's love.**

She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.  
She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

PROVERBS 31

*Happy Mother's Day to all those who  
"mother" us.*

*We are blessed to have you in our lives.  
Thank you for all you do.*

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## **No Access to Parking Lot on Friday, May 16th**

Due to the rain, the work that was planned for May 5<sup>th</sup> had to be postponed. It has now been rescheduled for Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. A neighbour is having a crane positioned in the parking lot in order to remove two large trees from their backyard. The crane will be on site from 8:00am onwards for most of the day. Please avoid the parking lot and if you need to visit the church, please use the Ridley entrance.

## Thank You from St. Andrew's Group



The Ladies of the St. Andrew's Group would like to thank everyone for supporting our Spring Sale last Sunday afternoon. With your kindness we have raised enough money to donate:

- 7 *Baby sweaters*
- 2 *Baby hats*
- 6 *Baby blankets*
- 15 *Baby onesies*

These items will be taken to Rosalie Hall for distribution amongst their new parent clients.

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## St. Timothy's Community Garden Update – Calling All Volunteers

The weather has warmed up and the neighbourhoods are abuzz with gardening - the cleaning up of fall debris, pruning trees and bushes, and planting vegetables and flowers. Melanie Billark, artist and gardener, has acquired free seedlings for St. Timothy's from The Stop <https://www.thestop.org/>, which will be picked up on May 12. We will receive both vegetable and flower seedlings, but we don't know what varieties until the pick-up! Naturally, we will then determine with our St. Timothy's gardeners which other plants we want to introduce to our garden and our overall garden plan.

As a reminder, our key dates are:

**May 25** – Our initial planting of the raised beds and the clean up of the flower bed surrounding the Church sign, if time permits. Melanie and Deb will ensure soil, mulch, gardening gloves and extra tools are available. However, volunteers are asked to bring gardening tools where they can. A light lunch will be provided for those who participate in this first gardening effort. June 01 will be our alternate date, if it rains. A sign-up list is on the Church bulletin board, but you can also approach Deb directly or send an e-mail to the Church office.

**June 01** – We will complete additional plantings, including introducing new plants in the bed under the Church sign. This will also be our opportunity to stake our growing seedlings. Deb will provide perennials, and any contributions of plants are welcome. A sign-up list is on the Church bulletin board, but you can also approach Deb directly or send an e-mail to the Church office.



**June 08** – In keeping with last year's event, this will be our general clean-up of the church grounds and possibly some additional planting, as time permits. Melanie will take the lead that day and will, again, provide guidance on how we prune and trim existing plants and bushes. Volunteers will take on the sizable task of cleaning all the beds. Melanie would also like to identify two or three leads, who can help co-ordinate the clean-up, giving our volunteers direction and assistance. A sign-up list is on the Church bulletin board, but you can also approach Deb directly or send an e-mail to the Church office.

This will also be the date of our **Indoor Picnic!** Volunteers are requested to assist in setting up the luncheon. Contributions of salads and desserts are welcome. A sign-up list is posted on the Church bulletin board for picnic volunteers, including two to four individuals to take the lead in making these arrangements, and another for those wishing to contribute to the menu! Again, please feel free to speak to Deb directly.

Deb will be available this Sunday, **May 11** during coffee hour to discuss our gardening and picnic plans. Longer term, Deb will be establishing a roster of volunteers to weed and water our gardens.

We are all looking forward to a highly successful gardening season and a fun-filled indoor picnic!



During April and May, the Old Orchard Blossoms is once again selling gift certificates for a “Classic Afternoon Tea for One” at t-buds tea shop, located at 3343 Yonge Street (north of Lawrence). Gift certificates are \$45 each (including tax).

Each tea service includes:

- 5 tea sandwiches
- a Mediterranean-inspired chickpea salad
- a savoury mushroom pastry
- 2 freshly-baked scones served with jam and crème mascarpone
- a macaron and petit four (mini-desserts)
- loose leaf tea of your choice (or in tea bag form for take out)

Options are eat-in at the restaurant (reservation required) or take-out (boxed). Gift certificates are good for 13 months, April 1, 2025 through April 30, **2026** (excluding May 10 & 11, 2025, Mother’s Day).

Get a head start on gift giving for the next year and support the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmothers Campaign and support a local business. These will make a great birthday gift, teacher gift, Christmas / Hanukkah gift, mother-daughter/son outing or a date with your bestie.

t-buds is generously donating a portion of each tea gift certificate to the Stephen Lewis Foundation’s Grandmothers Campaign. We thank them for their generous support. To order, please send an email to: [OldOrchardBlossoms@gmail.com](mailto:OldOrchardBlossoms@gmail.com). Order deadline is May 31, 2025.

Once you have a certificate, contact t-buds to make a reservation or request a boxed afternoon-tea-to-go. Please mention that you have a gift certificate.

Thank you for your support!

CHURCH OF ST. TIMOTHY

# MOORELANDS SUMMER CAMP WORK WEEKEND



SAVE THE DATE



SEPTEMBER 12-14  
2025

MORE INFO  
TO COME



2023

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# ReconciliAction Symposium

In the ten years since the release of the  
**Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada  
94 Calls to Action**

little progress has been made.

What is the wider commitment to change across Canada?

Where do we go from here?

Join in an afternoon of engaging presentations and discussion  
with three prominent leaders from the First Nations' community.

**Saturday May 24 • 12 PM**

Church of the  
Redeemer



## **Douglas Sanderson**

of the Opaskwayak Cree Nation is a UofT law professor  
and visiting Indigenous Scholar at the Church of the Redeemer

## **Douglas Sinclair**

of the Peguis First Nation of Manitoba  
and the publisher of the Indigenous Watchdog

## **The Venerable Rosalyn Kantlaht'ant Elm**

Chaplain from Six Nations and Director of Indigenous Ministries,  
Anglican Church of Canada

For more information and registration

Church of the Redeemer  
162 Bloor Street West, Toronto ON  
[www.theredeemer.ca](http://www.theredeemer.ca)



# Donating to the Church

We encourage all of you to continue to give generously in support of the work that continues at St. Tim's. The needs are great.

- Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) – If you are already on pre-authorized giving you do not need to do anything and we are very grateful for your continued support.

If you would like to shift to pre-authorized giving, even if only in the short term, please contact Jane Hutchinson, at [envelopesecretary@sttimothy.ca](mailto:envelopesecretary@sttimothy.ca)

- Envelopes & Cheques – If you use envelopes, we encourage you to mail those envelopes in, addressed to The Envelope Secretary.  
100 Old Orchard Grove, Toronto, ON, M5M 2E2  
Cheques should be made payable to **Church of St. Timothy.**

- Online Donations – We are able to receive electronic transfers. To donate, **add** Church of St. Timothy to your payee list and e-transfer your donation to [office@sttimothy.ca](mailto:office@sttimothy.ca)



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