

Full Portfolio (last updated Sep 18, 2023)

St. Timothy's, Perrysburg, Ohio

871 E Boundary Street, Perrysburg, OH 43551, United States

Contact:

Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-	jdodson@dohio.org		
Weekly Average Sunday Attendance (ASA) 50	Number of Weekend Worship Services 2	Number of Weekday Worship Services 1	Number of Other per Month Worship Services
Current Annual Compensation \$85000	Cash Stipend	Housing / Rectory Detail	Utilities \$5130
SECA reimbursement \$6692	Compensation Available for New Position \$88000	Housing Available for	Pension Plan We're in compliance with CPF requirements.
Healthcare Options Negotiable	Dental Yes	Housing Equity Allowance in budget Negotiable	Annual Equity Amount
Vacation Weeks One month, including 5 Sundays (standard)	Vacation Weeks Details	Continuing Education Weeks 2 (standard)	Continuing Education Weeks Details
Continuing Education Funding in budget	Sabbatical Provision Yes	Travel/Auto Account Yes	Other Professional Account Yes

Housing allowance included in the Compensation

\$501-\$1000/year



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Describe a moment in your worshipping community's recent ministry which you recognize as one of success and fulfillment.

A stand out ministry at St. Tim's is our Clothesline ministry. Many people have heard of Clothesline before they have even heard of our Church. Clothesline takes clothing donations and provides a free shopping experience to anyone in need. It has been so successful that we have received a significant donation to expand our program and strengthen it so that we can continue helping in our community.

How are your preparing yourselves for the Church of the future?

St. Tim's recently completed a capital campaign, securing funding to grow our church for a new generation. The campaign will support the Church in several ways: - Improving and maintaining the grounds and structure, including renovating the nave and sanctuary to accommodate a new pipe organ, upgrading our kitchen to be a commercial-grade kitchen; converting the former rectory into a state-of-the-art facility for the Clothesline and offices for the foundation - expanding our outreach capacity; - updating our technology to improve our communication, video, sound, and streaming capabilities to foster a global community and grow our Gen Z and Gen Alpha population; and - being responsible stewards of a changing planet by adding solar panels and electric vehicle chargers. While our efforts in these areas are going well, we still have room to grow. We are working towards bringing people into the congregation to make use of these new and improved facilities and guide the abundance of ideas from the current congregation into reality.

Please provide words describing the gifts and skills essential to the future leaders of your worshipping community.

Joyful Spirit, inspiring, well organized, strong communicator, Interested in Growth and Comfortable Working Across Generations



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Describe your liturgical style and practice for all types of worship services provided by your community.

The congregation of St. Tim's appreciates the classic Episcopal liturgy and musical service, but delivered in a relaxed atmosphere; Like Goldilocks, we are not too formal, not too casual, but instead have a "just right" blend of the two. Tellingly, we refer to ourselves by our own nickname and not our formal name of St. Timothy's. Much like a family meeting at the holidays, we appreciate the traditions but also like being comfortable and having the freedom to be ourselves in our "home." There is a great desire for thoughtful and substantive homilies that send us into the new week with something to think about. And while we seem to prefer the traditional service and music, we aren't afraid of experimenting sometimes: we have pet friendly services and blessings, occasionally pull from other Anglican prayer books and music resources such as Taizé, LEVAS, and local guest musicians who perform a variety of musical styles, and have recently introduced a regular healing service.

How do you practice incorporating others in ministry?

- St. Tim's has started a 501c3 non-profit called Timothy's Perrysburg Foundation, which was created to fund & manage three outreach programs. - The Clothesline is a long-established program to provide ~2000 people clothing free of charge. It has grown dramatically over the years and would benefit from paid staff to provide professional management & physical labor. It is an all-volunteer operation. In addition to giving clothes to those in need, the program works to keep unusable clothing out of landfills by working with other programs to repurpose fabric from unusable clothing. - St. Tim's Discovers provides free concerts throughout the year. It draws families & individuals to hear a variety of styles of professional live music. Discovers is supported by a patron program & community donations, & hopes to receive area arts grant-funding. - Timothy's Perrysburg Kitchen is a new program that has two goals: reduce food insecurity & reduce food waste. It will be operated by a professionally trained chef & volunteers. Its goal will be to transform food that would be wasted into high quality, frozen meals to be distributed by community partners to people experiencing food insecurity.

As a worshipping community, how do you care for your spiritual, emotional and physical well-being?

St. Tim's offers many opportunities for spiritual growth and social-emotional support. We have had regular women's and men's groups that have been running for years. We also hold special services, such as our pet friendly services and our new Wednesday night soup suppers and healing services. St. Tim's is a social church and we spend a lot of effort building community, as evidenced by our "Dinners For 8" program and planned parish events. These strong intra-community ties weave emotional support into the fabric of our church. We are looking to grow in supporting the physical well-being of our parish through diocesan opportunities like the Bishop's Bike Ride, as well as utilizing Perrysburg's natural beauty and resources by organizing activities within the abundance of local parks. Furthermore, NW Ohio boasts a strong local health and medical system with whom we can start to build relationships.





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How do you engage in pastoral care for those beyond your worshipping community?

While St. Tim's has a tradition of strong pastoral care, we recognize that the COVID era has weakened this aspect of our community. Some historical events we've conducted include a tea service for the local elderly population and other elderly outreaches. Contemporary opportunities include pet services and making connections with regular visitors of the Clothesline and our Wednesday soup suppers. We have a desire to grow and strengthen these programs in the hopes that no one in our local community who is in need falls through the cracks.

Describe your worshipping community's involvement in either the wider Church or geographical region.

St. Tim's historically participates in the wider Church community of Northwest Ohio. Consecrated host and wine are sent from our 8:00 service to a local Episcopal church, All Saints Episcopal Church, that is currently without a priest so that we may share communion by extension. We have often sent delegates to the diocesan convention, have had congregants serve as members on diocesan committees, and were supportive in the founding of Bellwether Farm in a previous capital campaign. We are also a part of a local interdenominational ministry that provides food and crisis assistance to those in need, host a local support group for people with cognitive impairments called Guiding Pathways, and run a mission called Mitten Mission that recycles wool sweaters into lined mittens. We have also had an Ashes to Go ministry and would love to revive the practice.

Tell about a ministry that your worshipping community has initiated in the past five years. Who can be contacted about this?

While most of our ministries are long established, in the last five years St. Tim's has begun a regular collection in support of The Cocoon, which provides shelter and services for survivors of sexual and domestic abuse. They post a weekly needs list to which our parishioners will contribute needed goods. Susan Winters, a current board member of The Cocoon and a St. Tim's parishioner, can be contacted about this. We have also had three other parishioners serve on their board in years past.





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What is your practice of stewardship and how does it shape the life of your worshipping community?

Over many years at St. Tim's, the vestry and stewardship committees have used many ways of reaching out for stewardship participation. Personal contact, gentle, faith-based requests have worked best. We are currently in the midst of a capital campaign within the parish. The "ask" portion of the campaign has finished. In 2023, we are in the second year of the five-year fulfillment portion, with 51% of parishioners pledging more than \$3,706,569. Our annual giving for 2023 had 70% of parishioners contributing. This capital campaign is funding the previously-mentioned facility and ministry upgrades (i.e., the nave and organ refurbishment, the new commercial kitchen, etc.) that will allow us to expand into new ministries, become more effective in existing ones, and enhance our worship's musical and digital experience.

What is your worshipping community's experience of conflict? And how have you addressed it?

We are eager to improve our communities' response to conflict. Historically we have seen periods of effective conflict resolution as well as valleys of less effective outcomes. As we reflect on this pattern, we recognize that we are currently in a valley and are looking into both diocesan and local support networks. We are specifically looking to improve our communication as a parish and welcome someone with that skill set.

What is your experience leading/addressing change in the church? When has it gone well? When has it gone poorly? And what did you learn?

This is an area where St. Tim's has room to grow. Our commitment to accessibility via streaming/online platforms have allowed us to pivot quickly in the last few years. There is, however, still plenty of room to improve. As the pandemic wears on, change fatigue has started to take its toll and some changes made have not always made it through the entire pipeline in an effort to expedite the changes. This sustained period of rapid and broad change has weakened our communication and organization. We are committed to improving these aspects of our parish communication to strengthen our ability to move forward into the future as a cohesive unit.



Larry Minter

Ministry Portfolio

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Interim

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2013-07

Prior Incumbents			
Name Sarah Shofstall	Position Title Interim	Date Begun 2022-02	Date Ended
Name	Position Title	Date Begun	Date Ended
Jeffrey Bunk	Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-Charge	2013-09	2021-12
Name	Position Title	Date Begun	Date Ended

2013-02

Church School	Number of Teachers/Leaders for Children School	Number of Students for Children School
	5	8

Number of Teachers/Leaders	Number of Students for	Number of Teachers/Leaders	Number of Students for
for Teen/Young Adults School	Teen/Young Adults School	for Adults School	Adults School
	3		

Day School	Number of Students for Day	Number of Teachers for Day	Number of Total Staff for
	School	School	Day School





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Worshipping Community Web site: https://saint-timothy.net/

Media Links: Online References:

> https://www.facebook.com/sainttimothy.net

Languages Significantly Represented: Provide Worship or Classes in:

English English

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