

# Timothy Topics

Newsletter

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Doug Simpson

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Ken Saah Fon

**Sunday Worship Service 10am**

## Minister's Corner

### Thanks Be to God

"You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound." Psalm 4:7. We may be blessed with an abundance of things. Too often we do not see that having lots of good things will leave us unhappy if we do not know God and have a good heart.

David had been found by the living God and had been given a clean heart. Now, having found the good which he had longed for he does not in the least envy the wealth and enjoyment of others. He is altogether content with his lot. John Calvin said that "he had more satisfaction in seeing the reconciled countenance of God beaming upon him, than if he had possessed garners full of corn, and cellars full of wine." David found God's favour to be his deep happiness. This was better than life and all its comforts.

When God puts grace in our lives He puts gladness in our hearts: an inward, solid joy. Are our hearts full of joy and our mouths full of thanksgiving today? All Christians have the gladness of God in their hearts and gratitude to God on the lips. Above all, we say, "Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift." Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Rev. Floyd

## Music at St Tim's

Thanksgiving for the gladness God puts in our hearts is evident in the music at St Tim's. With songs of praise in their hearts as well as on their lips, our two choirs delight us with uplifting and stirring music. Under the direction of Louise Thompson, also our organist, our **St Timothy's Choir** leads us during Sunday worship in song and praise. They also lead our monthly hymn sings every third Sunday just prior to the worship service. Once a month, during the worship service, our **African Chorus** regales us with hymns which highlight their African culture through their native dress, dance, language and drums.

As well as the anthems from our St Tim's Choir, various soloists provide special music during our worship service. Our music director **Louise Thompson** solos on the piano and two of our youths, **David and Karen Abboud**, play the piano and violin respectively. We enjoy the lovely voices of soloists **Gertrude Porte-Sackey, Molly Olshefsky, Juliet Bosompem, Linda Major, Helen Otimbili, Bertha SaahFon, Dora Asomani and her mother Mercy, Marvel Rifaat, Greg Bedell, Ntaribo Ashu, Rev. Albert Tambwe and Jen Cranston**. And we will dearly miss **Annette McCully's** rendition of *The Old Rugged Cross* and *In the Garden*.

During a summer worship service, under the direction of **Ann Faurbo**, a "pick-up choir" from members of our congregation provided the music with **Richard Frith** accompanying on the organ. And let's not forget the wonderful Christmas Concerts organised by Louise Thompson every December that raise money for St Tim's and HEFC.

Thanks be to God for the blessings of such musical talents that reflect, and audibly rejoice of, the gladness God brings to our lives.

## E-Waste Fundraiser

That old and unused electronic gadget sitting in your basement or that old sweater you never wear hanging in your closet can make money for St Tim's. Bring them to us during our **E-Waste and Used Clothing Collection** and Ontario Electronic Stewardship will give us money for the lot. By collecting used electronics, Ontario Electronic Stewardship prevents them from being illegally exported or handled by irresponsible recyclers. Instead, they ensure that these valuable resources are put back into the manufacturing supply chain. And as for the used clothing, Ontario Electronic Stewardship passes them on in aid of Cerebral Palsy. We will be collecting these used items on **Saturday October 14th from 8:00am to 3:30pm and on Sunday, October 15 from noon to 3:30pm**. This is a great opportunity to safely dispose of computer desk tops and laptops, televisions, audio and video systems, monitors and photocopiers.

## Worship Services

World Communion Sunday Worship..... Oct 1, 10am  
Thanksgiving Sunday Worship Service &  
African Chorus..... Oct 8, 10am  
Sunday Worship Service..... Oct 15, 10am  
Sunday Worship Service..... Oct 22, 10am  
Sunday Worship Service..... Oct 29, 10am

## Up-coming Events

Prayer ..... Sundays, 8:30am  
E-waste Collection ..... Oct 14, 8am & Oct 15, noon  
Youth Mission Walkathon ..... Oct 15, 10am  
Autumn Fellowship Luncheon..... Oct 17, 11am  
Celebratory Potluck..... Oct 28, 5pm

## Church Groups

African Chorus ..... Oct 1, 11am  
Craft Group ..... Oct 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2pm  
Junior Youth Group ..... Oct 29, 11am  
Not So Young Adult Group ..... Oct 8, 11am  
Senior Youth Group..... Oct 22, 8:30am  
St Tim's Choir..... Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 9am