



*St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
Lake Jackson, Texas*

Our Vision

As a family of God, we are called to invite and welcome all people to connect with Christ and grow in his love while serving and sharing with our community.

**MORNING PRAYER – RITE II
The Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2020 – 10:30 a.m.**

Welcome to St. Timothy's! We invite you to actively join in with us as we pray, sing and worship God together. This bulletin contains all the prayers and responses said by the People. If you wish to use the Book of Common Prayer [BCP] and the Bible, the page numbers are given in brackets.

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Welcome

The Opening Sentence

[BCP 77]

Officiant: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
1 Corinthians 15:57

Hymn #492

Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing With Gladness



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him-self to
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house re - sound a - gain; him let all your
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led,
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

The Invitatory and Psalter

[BCP 80]

All stand

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover *Pascha nostrum (said in unison)*

[BCP 83]

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;
but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

Psalm 23 *(said in unison)*

[BCP 612-613]

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: Acts 2:42-47 (*sit*)

The newly formed community of Christian disciples is solid in its commitment to the apostolic faith and to each other, living joyfully in the abundance of charity.

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Glory to God

Setting by William Mathias



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
 God the Fa-ther. A-men.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 2:19-25

As an encouragement to persevere against unjust suffering, Peter recounts the story of Jesus' death with words that echo the prophet Isaiah's image of the Suffering Servant.

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 16: The Song of Zechariah *(said in unison)*

[BCP 92-93]

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;

he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior,

born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,

that he would save us from our enemies,

from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers

and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham,

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear,

holy and righteous in his sight

all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation

by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Gospel: John 10:1-10

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel passage is read.

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily (*sit*)

The Reverend Genevieve Razim

Anthem: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My Shepherd will supply my need;
Jehovah is his Name;
In pastures fresh he makes me feed
Beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back
When I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercy's sake,
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death,
Thy presence is my stay;
One word of thy supporting breath
Drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows;
Thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days;
Oh, may thy house be mine abode
And all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest,
While others go and come;
No more a stranger or a guest,
But like a child at home.

The Apostles' Creed

[BCP 96]

Officiant and People together, all standing

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers

[BCP 97]

The people stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Suffrages A:

[BCP 97]

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects

Collect of the Day

[BCP 225]

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

[BCP 100]

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Officiant: We pray for the special needs, concerns, and thanksgivings of this congregation. (please pray out loud or silently)

- For our Search Committee, and specifically, for an Organist
- For protection in our parish and community from the Coronavirus.
- For medical professionals, healthcare workers and all essential workers on the front lines.
- For the Food Basket and all non-profits tending to the poor and vulnerable.
- For the lonely and for those who have lost work.
- For all administrators, teachers, support staff members, and students during this unusual time. Especially, our seniors.

We pray especially for: Lisa and her family, Janet, Margo and Bob, Ethan, Will, Griffin, Grayson, Patty, Sophia, Donnie, Doris, Kathy, Sam, Thomas, Ron and Judy, Carolyn, Helen, Jan, Claire, Cheryl, David and for our men and women serving in the Armed Forces at home and abroad, Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Brian, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Brian, Sean, Brett and Thia.

For all of our local churches and today we pray for First United Methodist Church in Freeport.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

[BCP 101]

Officiant and People:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,

that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

[BCP 102]

Officiant and People:

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn #708

Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us

1 Sa - vior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need thy
 2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
 learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
 with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
 Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

The Dismissal

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

Postlude

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