



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
Lake Jackson, Texas

Our Vision

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we experience the love of Jesus Christ
and share it with others.*

HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE II
THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
January 21, 2024– 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to St. Timothy's! You are invited to participate fully in today's worship service. This bulletin contains all the prayers and responses said by the People. If you wish to use the Book of Common Prayer [BCP], the page numbers are given in brackets. Music not printed here may be found in the blue Hymnal 1982 or the red Celebrate! Songbook, all of which are located in the pew rack in front of you.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Processional Hymn *(all sing)*

Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word

Hymn 440

Opening Acclamation

[BCP 355]

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Priest and People **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria (all sing)

Setting by John Rutter

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 Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo-ple on
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 earth. Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - might - ty God and Fa - ther,
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 we wor - ship you we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
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 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
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 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are
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 seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a -
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 lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a -
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 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
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 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

The Collect

[BCP 215]

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Jonah 3:1-5, 10*(sit)*

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 62:6-14 (*sung by the cantor*)



6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; *
truly, my hope is in him.

7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

Refrain

8 In God is my safety and my honor; *
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

Refrain

9 Put your trust in him always, O people, *
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, *
all of them together.

Refrain

12 Put no trust in extortion;
in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, *
that power belongs to God.

14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

Refrain

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn (*all sing*)

The People Who In Darkness Walked

Hymn 126

The Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel passage is read.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Nicene Creed (*stand*)

[BCP 358]

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor Let us pray to God, whose love to all that he has made is beyond measure. Make your Church always worthy of her calling as the Bride of Christ.

People **Give to all Christian people the virtues of faith and purity that shall show your glory before the world.**

Intercessor Bless the love which brings men and women together into a new unity.

People **Bear near to those soon to be married or recently married, and give them grace to continue in love and loyalty to the end of their lives.**

Intercessor Come with your generous care into our homes and into all the homes of this community.

People **Bless the mothers who are careful for so many needs, and refresh them when they are weary.**

Intercessor Look with mercy on those homes where love is threatened by poverty.

People **Support and strengthen the parents who struggle to provide for their children.**

Intercessor We rejoice with those who take their part in the great supper of Christ, the Lamb of God.

People **May the good wine of our communion here be a seal of our eternal life together.**

Intercessor Called to the feast of our Lord, we pray to be worthy of our calling.

Silence

We pray for the special needs, concerns, and thanksgivings of this congregation and community. (*Intercessor waits a minute or two so people can add prayers aloud or silently.*)

Silence

We pray especially for members: Char, Matthew, Tony, Jim and James, John and Gayle, Mary, James, Jake, Denis and Judi, Bill, Kurt, Jessey, David, Steve, Michael, Robert, Kay and Roy, Donna and Larry, and Linda.

Thank you for the privilege to pray on behalf of friends and families: Mary Nell and Jim, Bill, Greta, Warren and Danee, Riley and Betty, Kaley, Rose, Norman and family, Helen, Marcus, Melissa, Weldon and Doris, Earlene, Brennan, Pam, Annette, Liam and family, Holly, Jane, Carmen, Kristi, Mita, Alexander, Dustin, Kristi, Hannah, Margaret, Grace, Douglas, Jean, Rebecca, Kellye, Liz, Lorie, Derek, Mary, Eric, Judy, Kelly, Jocelyn, Cheryl, Terry, Matt, Kevin, and Claire.

For our men and women serving in the Armed Forces: Jordan, Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Brett, Thea, Jaycob, and Joshua.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal Kingdom.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: Jubilee Church in Austin, Resurrection in Austin, San Francisco De Asis in Austin, SoCo in Austin, and the Diocese of Peshawar.

Concluding Prayer

Priest O Lord, without whom our labor is lost: We beseech you to prosper all works in your Church undertaken according to your holy will. Grant to your workers a pure intention, a patient faith, sufficient success on earth, and the blessedness of serving you in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

[BCP 360]

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Priest and People **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace (*stand*)

The Celebrant says to the people

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Give Thanks and Blessings for Outgoing Vestry

- Gary Jones, Mark Lehnhoff, Dave Mayberry, Ron Weeks, and Ed White.

The Commissioning of New Vestry Members and Affirm Continuing Vesty

- Charles Collins, Jon Cox, Chris Hutchison, Rebecca Klimek, and John Pitts.

Rector Sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus: we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose now is to commission these persons in the Name of God to the special ministry to which they are called.

Retiring Senior Warden I present Charles Collins, Jon Cox, Chris Hutchison, Rebecca Klimek, and John Pitts to be admitted to the ministry of the vestry; and Kerry Cormier, Margaret Dodson, Colinda Frieauf, Fran Hammond, and Angela McCabe to continue as vestry members for 2024.

Rector My friends, do you believe that the Holy Scriptures contain all doctrine necessary for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ; and do you accede to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Episcopal Church?

Candidates I do.

Rector You have been called to a vital ministry in this congregation. Will you, for as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with diligence and to the honor of God?

Candidates I will with God's help.

Rector Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, the foundation of all wisdom and the source of all courage: Enlighten with your grace the Wardens and Vestry of our parish, and so rule their minds and guide their counsels, that in all things they may seek your glory and promote the mission of your church, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Rector In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission and affirm you as Vestry members of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church and wish you the fruits of God's peace.

People **Amen!**

- *Godly Play returns to sanctuary.*

Members of St. Timothy's healing prayer team are available in the side chapel to pray with anyone who desires healing for themselves or others. Simply go to the side chapel after taking communion.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence: But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

Note: As Episcopalians, we believe in some mysterious way the whole Host of Heaven is present with us at communion. This can be a comfort to those whose loved ones have already died.

The Offertory *Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake* Richard Farrant
Chancel Choir

(The gifts are brought forward by members)

Doxology *(The people stand) (all sing)* Hymn 380, vs. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Priest: All things come from thee, O Lord.

People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving *(stand)* [BCP 367]

Eucharistic Prayer B

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (S130) (*all sing*)

Setting by Schubert/Proulx

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, Hea - ven and earth are full, full of thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who comes, in the name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made

us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Facing the people, the Priest says the following invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Ministration of Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to come to the Lord's Table and receive the bread and wine of communion. Others are invited to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please tell the Priest just before you receive communion.

Communion Hymns

- **Hymn 321** (*all sing*) *My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread*
- **Hymn 470** (*all sing*) *There's A Wideness In God's Mercy*

Post Communion Prayer (*stand or kneel*)

[BCP 366]

Priest Let us pray.

Priest and People **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior**

Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.

When a Eucharistic Visitor is sent out:

Priest N., in the name of Jesus Christ and of this congregation,
I send you forth bearing these holy gifts,

People that those to whom you go may share in the Communion
of Christ's Body and Blood.

All *We who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.*

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn *(all sing)*

Christ For The World We Sing!

Hymn 537

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Notes:

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Altar Party

Acolytes

Chalicer/Intercessor

Angela McCabe

Lector

Benjamin Dodson

Cantor

Mary Young

Ushers

Denis James and Sondra Griner

Healing Prayer

Judi James and Bunny Schockmel

Celebrant

The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Director of Music

Andrea Hutchison

Organist

Bonnie McDaniel

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