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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 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY January 28, 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) God The Omnipotent! King Who Ordainest Hymn 569

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)



The Collect

Priest The Lord be with you.*People* And also with you.*Priest* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (sit)

Moses said: The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 111 (sung by the cantor) Refrain The fear of the Lord is the be-gin - ning of wisdom.

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! * they are studied by all who delight in them.

Refrain

- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

Refrain

- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; * he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.

Refrain

- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.

Refrain

9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; * holy and awesome is his Name. 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

Refrain

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords— yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

After the reading

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

The Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

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

The Gospel passage is read.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

The Sermon (sit)

The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

The Nicene Creed (stand)

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

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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, our only defense and refuge against evil. Grant to the Church the voice of prophecy, to proclaim your word and lead the world into the way of truth.	
People	Give power to those who preach, that they may be confident in the name of Christ by whose authority they speak.	
Intercessor	Let your call come to the rulers of nations and leaders of peoples throughout the world, so that they may know that true power is from you alone.	
People	Bless those who work to make your word known in all lands.	
Intercessor	Grant that we may have wisdom and opportunity to speak of our faith to others. Make us instruments of your peace to our families and friends, our neighbors and those with whom we work.	
People	Give new light to those who do not know you.	
Intercessor	Have mercy on those who are in the power of evil. Heal and restore all whose minds have been disturbed through occult practices.	
People	Draw back into the way of truth those who are slipping into dangerous paths.	
Intercessor	We pray for any who have died tormented in mind and spirit.	

People	Grant them in death the peace and purity that they lost in this world and make them wholly yours for ever.
Intercessor	That we may be cleansed from our sins and freed from all harm, we pray through Christ our Lord.

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: The Hutchison family, Char, Matthew, Tony, Jim and James, John and Gayle, Mary, James, Jake, Denis and Judi, 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: Kathryn, 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, Loorie, 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, especially Bill Hutchison, that they may have a place in your eternal Kingdom.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: St. Alban's (Manchaca) in Austin, St. Christopher's in Austin, St. David's 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

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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.

- 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

There Is A Balm In Gilead Chancel Choir

(The gifts are brought forward by members)

Doxology (*The people stand*) (all sing)

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)

Eucharistic Prayer B

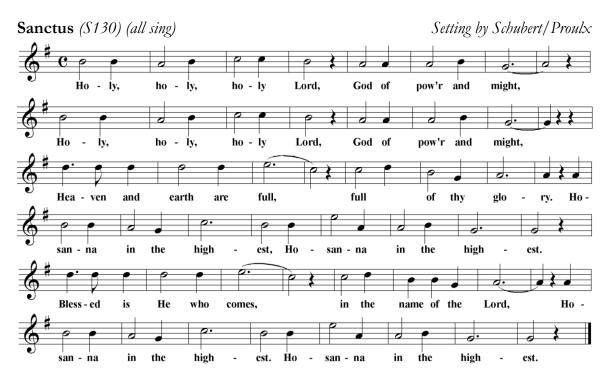
Priest The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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:

Hymn 380, vs. 3

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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 593 (all sing)	Lord, Make Us Servants Of Your Peace
-	Hymn 577 (all sing)	God Is Love, and Where True Love Is

Post Communion Prayer (stand or kneel)

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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) Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word Hymn 530

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.*People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Notes:

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Altar Party

Acolytes

Chalicer/Intercessor Charles Collins

Charles Collins

Lector

Gigi Janeshek

Cantor

Irenna Garapetian

Ushers

Jon Cox and Mel McKey

Healing Prayer

Cathy Richardson and Bunny Schockmel

Celebrant

The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Director of Music

Andrea Hutchison

Organist

Bonnie McDaniel

St. Timothy's Vestry

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