



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.

HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE II
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 14, 2021

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.

Thank you for protecting yourself and others: masks covering both mouth and nose are required to be worn for the entirety of the service. Should you feel the need to remove your mask and you are in the outdoor service, please step away from the congregation before removing your mask. If you are in the indoor service, please step outdoors before removing your mask.

Prelude, Offertory, and Postlude music are noted for the 10:30 service.

A Penitential Order: Rite II

Prelude

Bonnie McDaniel

Opening Acclamation

[BCP 351]

Priest Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

All kneeling, as able.

The Decalogue

[BCP 350]

Hear the commandments of God to his people:
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.
You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all

your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.” *Mark 12:29-31*

The Celebrant then says

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.

The Priest stands and says

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.**

Sung by cantor

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

[BCP 219]

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Numbers 21:4-9

After the reading

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (*sung by cantor at 10:30*)

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands;
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
- 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways;
they were afflicted because of their sins.
- 18 They abhorred all manner of food
and drew near to death's door.
- 19 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them
and saved them from the grave.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

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 3:14-21

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

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

The Gospel passage is read.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily (*sit*)

The Reverend Genevieve Razim

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.*

Prayers of the People

[BCP 388-389]

The Leader and People pray responsively

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Reader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Reader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Silence

We pray especially for Mary Jane, Susan, Janet, Lori, Bitsy, Jonathan, Lorie, Sherry, Bill, Robin, Brittany, Jocelynn, Linda, Eric, Oliver, Gayle, Kelly, Billy H., and Claire.

For our men and women serving in the Armed Forces: Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Brian, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Sean, Brett and Thia.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: Epiphany in Calvert, Holy Innocents in Madisonville, St. Andrew's in Bryan, and St. Bartholomew's in Hempstead.

The People may add their own petitions

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

All 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, remaining in place by bowing or waving.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

- Be Thou My Vision

Andrea Hutchison

Eucharistic Prayer A

[BCP 361]

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.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

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:

Celebrant and People

[BCP 362]

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration

The people stand or kneel. The priest continues the prayer...eventually saying,

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Priest continues...until concluding with the words,

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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

[BCP 364]

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Ministration of Communion

The Celebrant will invite individuals or households forward one by one to receive the bread. Once you have received the bread, please return to your seat, briefly lifting your mask to consume the bread. As with all communion services, should you wish to receive a blessing and not the bread, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Should you wish to not come forward, remain in your seat and cross your arms over your chest so that the next person or household will be invited.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant 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. Amen.

Celebrant Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Bonnie McDaniel

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