



*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 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

April 7, 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)* *Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing With Gladness* **Hymn 492**

Opening Acclamation [BCP 355]

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

Glory to God

Setting by 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 224]

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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: Acts 4:32-35 *(sit)*

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

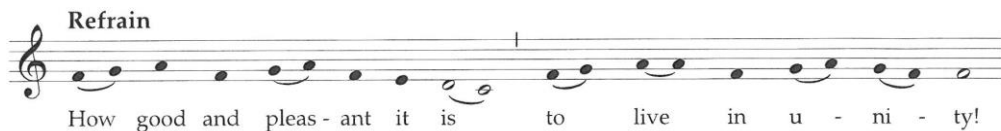
After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133 *(sung by the cantor)*

Refrain

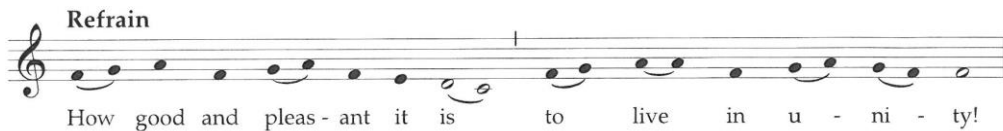


How good and pleas - ant it is to live in u - ni - ty!

2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,

3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.

Refrain



4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.

5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

Refrain

The Epistle: 1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn (*all sing*)

We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight

Hymn 209

The Gospel: John 20:19-31

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

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

The Gospel passage is read.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that

Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon (*sit*)

The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

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 in faith to the Father who raised his Son from the dead. Increase the faith of the Church, dispersing doubts and fears that hold us back from complete trust in you.

People **Heal divisions among Christians, making all of one heart and soul in faith to proclaim the power of the Resurrection.**

Intercessor Break through the closed doors of human hearts with the joy of the Risen Christ. Make the desire for sharing and cooperation prevail over selfishness and greed.

People **Bring peace to the troubled places of the world.**

Intercessor May the spirit of love dwell among our families, friends, and neighbors.

People **Admitting where we have offended, let us live in harmony with all.**

Intercessor Have mercy on those whose faith is clouded by doubt and who walk in darkness.

People **Restore them to the full joy of your salvation and give them peace.**

Intercessor Raise up with the breath of your power those who have died to this world.

People **Grant them the full vision of the risen Christ in whom they have eternal life.**

Intercessor Confident in the power of Christ in whom we have eternal life, we pray in his name.

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

- Thank you God for the prayers you have answered and those you will answer on behalf of our members, our families and friends and those serving our country. Glory to God!
- For healing and peace among the nations of the world, especially Ukraine, Russia, Pakistan, Israel, Gaza, Syria, and Iran. (*The congregation is encouraged to add Nations God has put on your heart.*)
- For the grace and strength to live into our mission at St. Timothy's: Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we experience the love of Jesus Christ and share it with others.

- May the Holy Spirit be the architect of all we do bringing laborers and raising up leaders in areas where they will thrive.

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Silence

We pray especially for members: Jacob, the Obasi family, Richard, the Hutchison family, the Kautz family, Kay, Lauren, Char, Matthew, Tony, Jim and James, John and Gayle, Mary, James, Jake, Denis and Judi, Kurt, Steve, Michael, Robert, Kay and Roy, Donna and Larry, and Linda.

Thank you for the privilege to pray on behalf of friends and families: Doris, the Udemezue family, Kaytlynn, Mary, the Murrell family, Gabriel, Bruce, Sheral, Megan, Catherine, Clara, Roland, Dorothy, Cody, Kathryn, Bill, Greta, Warren and Danee, Riley and Betty, Rose, Melissa, 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, 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 Fannie Mae Gilbert, that they may have a place in your eternal Kingdom.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: Lord of the Streets in Houston, Northside in Houston, Palmer Memorial in Houston, Redeemer in Houston, 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)*

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.

- Godly Play returns to the 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: I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1*

The Offertory

Now the Green Blade Riset

arr. Simon Lindley

(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 369]

Eucharistic Prayer C

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

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus (S129)

Setting by Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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._____

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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.**

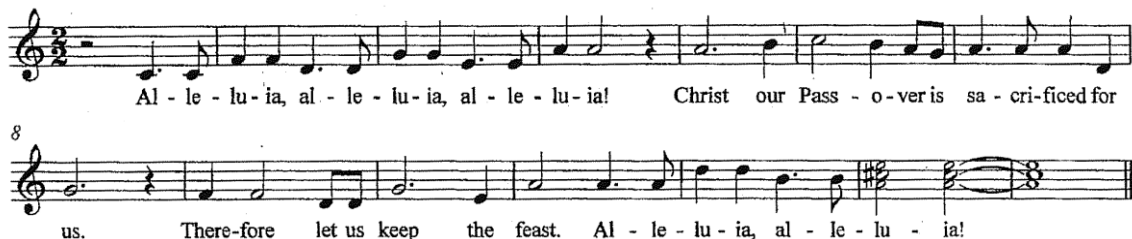
The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Setting by Rutter



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o - ver is sa - cri - ficed for

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us. There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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.

At Communion:

- Hymn 490 (*sung by the choir*)

I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light

- Hymn 212 (*all sing*)

Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

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. *Amen.*

When a Eucharistic Visitor is sent out:

<i>Priest</i>	N., in the name of Jesus Christ and of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts,
<i>People</i>	that those to whom you go may share in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.
<i>All</i>	<i>We who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.</i>

The Blessing

Recessional *(all sing)*

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Hymn 494

The Dismissal

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

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

Postlude

Notes:

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Altar Party

Acolytes:

Ushers:

Chalicer/Intercessor: Angela McCabe

Lector: Dave Mayberry

Cantor: Andrea Hutchison

Healing Prayer: Bunny Schockmel and Benjamin Dodson

Rector: The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Director of Music: Andrea Hutchison

Organist: Bonnie McDaniel

St. Timothy's Vestry

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<i>Jon Cox</i>	<i>Chris Hutchison</i>
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