



***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 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
Jazz Sunday**

**July 9, 2023 – 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 on the rack in front of you.*

***We are delighted to praise God this morning led by Richard Birk's Jazz Mass, played and sung by the band Jazz Sunday as well as the whole congregation. Our thanks go to Jazz Sunday for coming and for leading us in worship – Richard Birk on trombone, Chris Cermak on trumpet, DJ Eisenhart on saxophone, Tom Borling on piano, Brian Casey on bass, Ben Atkinson on drums, and Ellen Rogers, vocalist.***

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God from Benjamin and Margaret Dodson in celebration of their anniversary.

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

## **When the Saints Go Marching In** (*Congregation sings*)

1. Oh when the saints, go marching in,  
Oh when the saints, go marching in,  
Oh I want to be in that number,  
When the saints go marching in.
2. Oh when the sun, begins to shine,  
Oh when the sun, begins to shine,  
Oh I want to be in that number,  
When the sun, begins to shine.
3. Oh when the trumpet sounds its call,  
Oh when the trumpet sounds its call,  
Oh I want to be in that number,  
When the trumpet sounds its call.
4. Oh when we raise, our voice in song,  
Oh when we raise, our voice in song,  
Oh I want to be in that number,  
When we raise, our voice in song.

### **Repeat Verse 1**

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

### **Opening Acclamation**

[BCP 355]

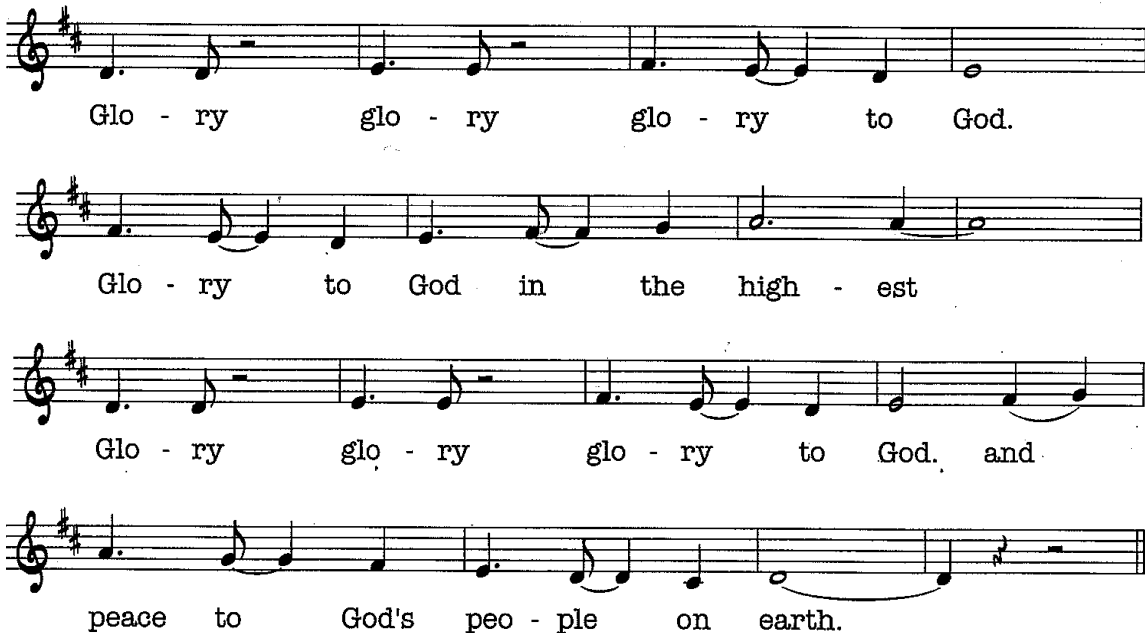
*Priest* Blessed be God: Father Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Collect for Purity**

*Priest* 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** (*Congregation sings refrain, soloist sings verses*)

**Refrain**



Glo - ry glo - ry glo - ry to God.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est

Glo - ry glo - ry glo - ry to God. and

peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

1. Lord God, Heav'nly King,  
Almighty God and Father,  
We worship you,  
We give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.

**Refrain**

2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world:  
Have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
Receive our prayer.

**Refrain**

3. For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
In the Glory of God the Father.

### **Refrain**

### **The Collect of the Day**

[BCP 230]

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

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

*Priest* Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67** (*sit*)

The servant said to Laban, “I am Abraham’s servant. The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master’s wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, ‘You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father’s house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.’”

“I came today to the spring, and said, ‘O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, “Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,” and who will say to me, “Drink, and I will draw for your camels also” —let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master’s son.’”

“Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, ‘Please let me drink.’ She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, ‘Drink, and I will also water your camels.’ So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, ‘Whose daughter are you?’ She said, ‘The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to him.’ So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master’s kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.”

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, “Will you go with this man?” She said, “I will.” So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham’s servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, “May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes.” Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, “Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?” The servant said, “It is my master.” So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah’s tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

*After the reading*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 45: 11-18** (*read responsively by whole verse*)

11 "Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; \*  
forget your people and your father's house.

**12 The king will have pleasure in your beauty; \*  
he is your master; therefore do him honor.**

13 The people of Tyre are here with a gift; \*  
the rich among the people seek your favor."

**14 All glorious is the princess as she enters; \*  
her gown is cloth-of-gold.**

15 In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; \*  
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

**16 With joy and gladness they are brought, \*  
and enter into the palace of the king.**

17 "In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; \*  
you shall make them princes over all the earth.

**18 I will make your name to be remembered  
from one generation to another; \*  
therefore nations will praise you for ever and 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 Epistle: Romans 7:15-25a**

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

*After the reading*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn: O God Our Help In Ages Past *(Congregation sings)*

- 1 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home:
- 2 Under the shadow of thy throne  
thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defense is sure.
- 3 Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.
- 4 A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.
- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
they fly, forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the opening day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guide while life shall last,  
and our eternal home.

## **The Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

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

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

*The Gospel passage is read.*

Jesus said to the crowd, “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,  
‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

*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 worshiped 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 through the Son to the Father, Lord of heaven and earth. Keep the Church strong in the law of Christ, resisting the temptation to accept false values.

*People* **May your people in their generation be truly the children of wisdom.**

*Intercessor* Have pity on a world full of discontent, restless and finding no lasting satisfaction.

*People* **Guide into the right way all who desire the good but give way to evil.**

*Intercessor* Help us to discern and follow the right way in all our relationships. May the knowledge of your truth be known to this community.

*People* **Give wisdom to those who hold responsibility in it and make them agents of your law of love.**

*Intercessor* Have mercy on those whose lives are weary and whose burdens are heavy.

*People* **May they come to know the freedom of trust in Jesus Christ.**

*Intercessor* We pray for those who have been delivered from their mortal bodies.

*People* **Now that the struggle with sin is over, receive them into your presence.**

*Intercessor* Secure in the rest that Christ has given, 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*

We pray especially for members: John and Gayle, David and Pastor Robin, Mili and LaWane, Pamela, Jim, Norma, Lori and Jared, James, Jake, Denis and Judi, Ben, Chi and Amaka, Bill, the Friehauf family, Ed, Dave and Kay, Carolyn, Kurt, Jessey, David, Steve, Jay and Cathy, Michael, Robert, Kay, Roy, Dale, Donna, Larry, Linda, Susan and Keith.

For friends and families: Liam and family, Jane, Kim, Andrea, Nancy and Bill, Carmen, Kristi, Terri, Carol and Bruce, Lucille, Marie, Gerald, Jaycob and Stephanie, Lane, Jaycie, Cody and April, Charlie, Casey, Leisa, Mita, Jay, Robert, Colleen, Alexander, Lindsay, Dustin, Kristi, Hannah, John, Margaret, Sue and Kenneth, Grace, Tate, Douglas, Steve, Jean, Rebecca, Kellye, Liz, Loorie, Derek, Mary, Eric, Judy, Kelly, Jocelyn, Cheryl, Terry, Matt, Sam, Kevin, Claire, Mary, and Amy.

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

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

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: Christ Church in Tyler, St. Clare's in Tyler, St. Cyprian's in Lufkin, and the Diocese of Peshawar.

### **Concluding Prayer**

[BCP 834]

*Priest* Almighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ear to us who have now made our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

***Amen.***

## Confession and Absolution

[BCP 360]

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

*Those who are able are invited to kneel. 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*)

*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.*

*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**

Jazz Sunday

*(The gifts are brought forward by members)*

*The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

**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 A*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

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

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

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

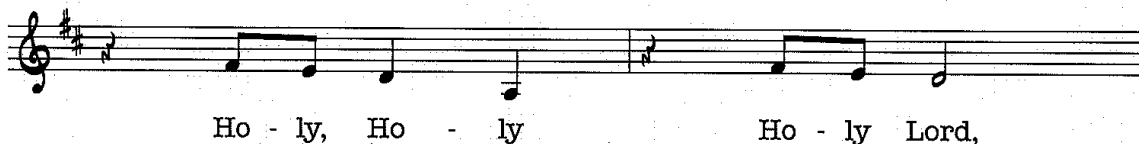
*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

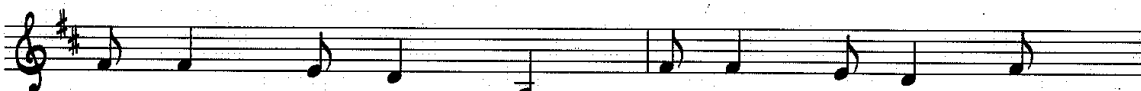
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our 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** (*Congregation sings*)





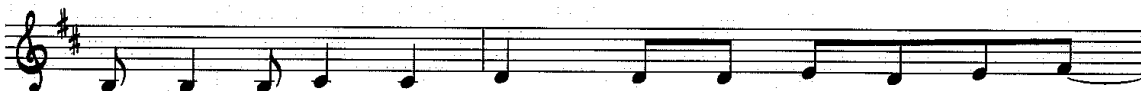
God of pow - er and might.



Heav-en 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 people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*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 handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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**

*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* 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.*

### **At Communion:**

- Music performed by Jazz Sunday

### **Post Communion Prayer** *(stand or kneel)*

**[BCP 366]**

*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:*

*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: Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us** *(Congregation sings)*

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;  
much we need thy tender care;  
in thy pleasant pastures feed us;  
for our use thy folds prepare.  
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus!  
Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

2 Early let us seek thy favor,  
early let us learn thy will;  
do thou, Lord, our only Savior,  
with thy love our bosoms fill.  
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus!  
Thou hast loved us: love us still.



## **The Dismissal**

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

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

*Please join us for light refreshments in the Welcome Center.*

*Notes:*

## *This Week at St. Timothy's*

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### **Sunday, July 9, 2023**

7:30 a.m. Brotherhood of St. Andrew Study and Breakfast (Parish Hall)

**8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer, Rite I**

9:30 a.m. – Coffee Hour, Parish Hall

**10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II** with Richard Birk's Jazz Sunday

11:45 a.m. – Light refreshments in the Welcome Center

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### **Monday, July 10, 2023**

7:00-8:30 p.m. – Round Dance Lessons (Waltz), Parish Hall

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### **Tuesday, July 11, 2023**

1:00 p.m. – Tuesday Bible Study, Blue Room

6:30 p.m. – Finance Committee Meeting, Blue Room

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### **Wednesday, July 12, 2023**

8:30 a.m. – Army of Retired Men (ARM), All are welcome!

11:00 a.m. – Silent Prayer in the Chapel

8:00 p.m. – Compline (Facebook Live)

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### **Thursday, July 13, 2023**

6:00-8:30 p.m. – Watercolor Paint-n-Sip, Youth Hall

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### **Friday, July 14, 2023**

10:00 a.m. - Healing Prayer Group, Welcome Center

6:00-10:00 p.m. - Gulf Coast Duplicate Bridge Group, Blue Room

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### **Saturday, July 15, 2023**

3:00 p.m. – Tabitha's Sewing Group, Room 250

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### **Sunday, July 16, 2023**

**8:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite I**

9:30 a.m. – Coffee Hour, Parish Hall

**10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

11:45 a.m. – Fellowship in the Welcome Center

3:30 p.m. - St. Timothy's Beach Day, Quintana Beach Pavilion

## St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

### Altar Party

#### Acolytes:

**Chalicer/Intercessor:** Tony Janeshek

**Lector:** Gigi Janeshek

**Ushers:** Angela McCabe and Denis James

**Healing Prayer:** Judi James and Suzy Wilson

**Rector:** The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

**Director of Music:** Andrea Hutchison

**Organist:** Bonnie McDaniel

#### St. Timothy's Vestry

*Gary Jones – Sr. Warden*

*Fran Hammond*

*Mark Lebnhoff – Jr. Warden*

*Dave Mayberry*

*Kerry Cormier*

*Angela McCabe*

*Margaret Dodson*

*Ron Weeks*

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