



***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.*

**MORNING PRAYER – RITE II  
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 23, 2020 – 10:30 a.m.**

The Reverend Samuel Craven, *Officiant*

*Welcome to St. Timothy's! We invite you to actively join in with us as we pray, sing and worship God together. 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.*

**The Liturgy of the Word**

**Welcome**

**Prayer Before Worship**

[BCP 833]

O Almighty God, who pourest out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to thee, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Opening Sentence**

[BCP 78]

*Officiant:* Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill  
and to your dwelling. *Psalm 43:3*

*Unison or harmony*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
 4 bet - ter known: we see and praise him here.  
 5 in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

**Confession of Sin**

[BCP 79]

*Officiant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

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 Officiant alone 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.**

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

[BCP 80]

*All stand*

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

**People** And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People*

**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.

**Venite** *Psalm 95:1-7 (said in unison)*

[BCP 82]

**Come, let us sing to the Lord;**  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**Psalm 138** *(said in unison)*

[BCP 793]

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple  
and praise your Name,  
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name  
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me;  
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD,  
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- 7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly;  
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me;  
O LORD, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

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 First Lesson: Isaiah 51:1-6 (*sit*)

*After the reading*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Canticle 17: The Song of Simeon (*said in unison*)

[BCP 93]

Lord, you now have set your servant free  
to go in peace as you have promised;  
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:  
A Light to enlighten the nations,  
and the glory of your people Israel.

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 12:1-8

*After the reading*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Canticle 18: A Song to the Lamb (*said in unison*)

[BCP 93]

Splendor and honor and kingly power  
are yours by right, O Lord our God,  
For you created everything that is,  
and by your will they were created and have their being;  
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,  
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,  
From every family, language, people, and nation,  
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.

And so, to him who sits upon the throne,  
and to Christ the Lamb,  
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor,  
for ever and for evermore.

The Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

*The Gospel passage is read.*

*Officiant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily (*sit*)

*The Reverend Chris Weis*

## The Apostles' Creed

[BCP 96]

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## The Prayers

[BCP 97]

*The people stand or kneel*

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant 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.**

## Suffrages B:

[BCP 98]

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

**R. We praise your Name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**R. For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**

*The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects*

**Collect of the Day**

[BCP 232-233]

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**A Collect for Mission**

[BCP 100]

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**Prayer for the Parish**

[BCP 817]

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Intercessions**

*Officiant: We pray for the special needs, concerns, and thanksgivings of this congregation. (please pray out loud or silently)*

- For protection in our parish and community from the Coronavirus.
- For all first responders.
- For medical professionals, healthcare workers, all essential workers on the front lines, and for those who are ill.
- For the Food Basket and all non-profits tending to the poor and vulnerable.
- For the lonely and for those who have lost work.
- For all who are in need of an extra measure of grace in their relationships.
- For expectant parents and grandparents, we pray for safe deliveries and health for all.
- For those living and working in assisted-living and nursing homes, and for their families.
- For all educators, students, and parents as the school year begins.
- For the Re-Gather Task Force and Rector Search.

**We pray especially for:** Kristen, Jacob, Irene, Jonathan, Robin, Gayle, Sharon and Dave, Roy and Kay, Karen, Glenda, Alexander, Martha, Debbie, Susan, Stuart, Sandy, Harriet, Larry, Mark, Kelly, Kyle, Linda, Amber, Sherry and Ed, Alex, Janet, Margo, Sharon, Cynthia, Buell, Lenny, Will, Griffin, Grayson, DeLayne, Patty, Sophia, Donnie, Carolyn, Helen, Jan, Claire, Jennifer, Cheryl, Sam, Levi, David, Bonnie, Ann and for our men and women serving in the Armed Forces at home and abroad, Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Brian, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Brian, Sean, Brett and Thia.

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

**For the diocesan cycle of prayer:** Christ the King (Atascocita) in Humble, Good Shepherd in Kingwood and Good Shepherd in Tomball.

## The General Thanksgiving

[BCP 101]

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## The Dismissal

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**  
*2 Corinthians 13:14*

## Postlude

## St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

### Vestry

*Susan Laver – Sr. Warden*

*Mark Lebnhoff – Jr. Warden*

*Jane Power – Clerk*

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