

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 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 27, 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.

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God from Larry and Donna Jablecki in celebration of their anniversary.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Processional Hymn (all sing) Put Forth, O God, Thy Spirit's Might Hymn 521

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.**



The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

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.*

The First Lesson: Exodus 1:8-2:10 (sit)

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live."

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

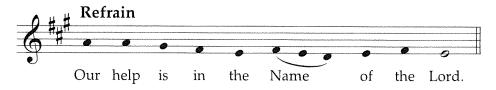
The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124 (sung by the cantor)



- 1 If the LORD had not been on our side, * let Israel now say;
- 2 If the LORD had not been on our side, * when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive * in their fierce anger toward us;

Refrain

- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us * and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters * have gone right over us.

Refrain

- 6 Blessed be the LORD! *
 he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; * the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, * the maker of heaven and earth.

Refrain

The Epistle: Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

After the reading

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

The Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel passage is read.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon (sit)

The Reverend Susanne Hebert

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 for the Church which Christ has built and for the world which he has saved. Preserve your Church in strength and stability, by your promise that no evil shall prevail against it.

People Make its members zealous in their callings, to work in all things according to your will.

Intercessor Give to all people the desire to work together for good.

People As they recognize their calling, may each come to know Christ as the Son of God.

Intercessor Bless us in our daily work and bless those who work with us. Use in your service the abilities of all who live and work in this community.

People Grant wisdom and discernment to those who are called to special responsibility.

Intercessor Strengthen with hope those who think themselves of no worth.

People Give them light to understand their part in your purpose and grace to fulfill it.

Intercessor We commend those who have died in the faith of Christ, true to the Church which he built.

People Keep us constant in the same faith now and at the last.

Intercessor Confessing Christ as the Son of God, we pray in his name.

Silence

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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: Lorna, John and Gayle, David and Pastor Robin, Mili and LaWane, Pamela, Jim, Norma, Lauren, Jeff and Davis, 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: Earlene, Liam and family, James, Cody, Holly, Crystal and Billie, Signe, Jane, Kim, Andrea, Nancy and Bill, Carmen, Kristi, Terri, Marie, Jaycob and Stephanie, Lane, Jaycie, Cody and April, Charlie, Casey, Leisa, Mita, Jay, Alexander, 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 give thanks for all who have answered God's call to leadership in the church. May you watch over them and guide them in their studies, discernment, and process. We especially lift up to you Stephanie Townes as she attends Virginia Seminary.

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

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: St. Cornelius Church Plant in Belton, St. Francis' in Temple, St. John's in Marlin, St. Joseph's in Salado, 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

I Sought My God

William Bradley Roberts

Chancel Choir

I sought my God, and my God I could not find. I sought my soul, and my soul eluded me. I sought to serve my neighbor sore in need, and I found all three: my God, my soul, and thee.

(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)

Eucharistic Prayer A

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

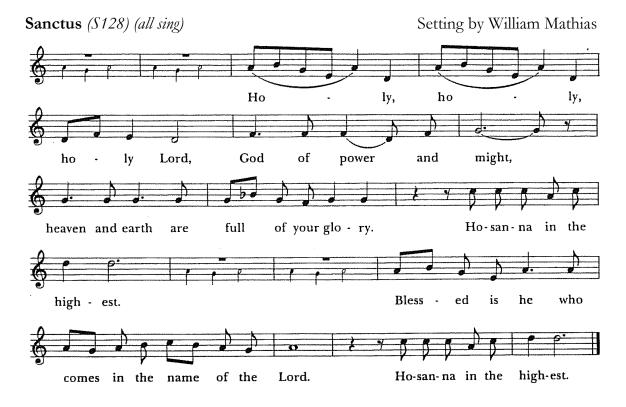
People We lift them to the Lord.

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:



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

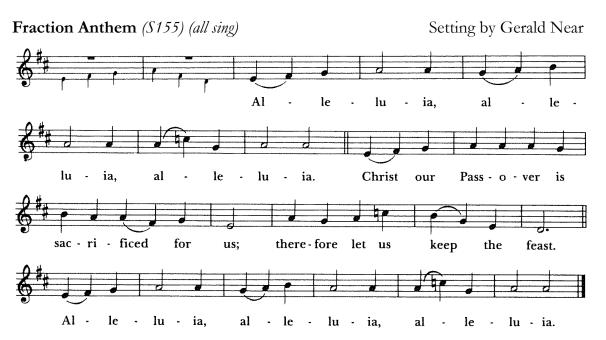
Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.



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 581 (all sing)

Where Charity And Love Prevail

- Hymn 315 (all sing)

Thou, Who At Thy First Eucharist Didst Pray

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 (all sing)

Praise The Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

Hymn 334

The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

This Week at St. Timothy's

Sunday, August 27, 2023 (Guest Priest: The Reverend Susanne Hebert)

7:30 a.m. - Brotherhood of St. Andrew Study and Breakfast, Parish Hall

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

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - African Craft Sale, Parish Hall

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

Monday, August 28, 2023

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

Tuesday, August 29, 2023

6:30 p.m. - Vestry Meeting, Blue Room

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

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

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

7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

8:00 p.m. – Compline (Facebook Live)

Thursday, August 31, 2023

Friday, September 1, 2023

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – River of Hope Garage Sale, Parish Hall

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

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

Saturday, September 2, 2023

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – River of Hope Garage Sale, Parish Hall

2:00 p.m. – Tabitha's Sewing Group, Room 250

Sunday, September 3, 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

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Altar Party

Acolytes:

Chalicer/Intercessor: Charles Collins

Lector: Denis James

Ushers: Sondra Griner and Mel McKey

Healing Prayer: Benjamin Dodson and Judi James

Guest Priest: The Reverend Susanne Hebert

Rector: The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Director of Music: Andrea Hutchison

Organist: Bonnie McDaniel

St. Timothy's Vestry

Gary Jones – Sr. Warden

Mark Lehnhoff – Jr. Warden

Kerry Cormier

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