



*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 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 10, 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.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Processional Hymn *(all sing)*

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn 376

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 *(all sing)*

John Rutter

4
 Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo-ple on

11
 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.

28
 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

39
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

50
 seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a -

61
 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,

78
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

The Collect of the Day

[BCP 233]

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Timothy's Troop – Children aged Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to follow the children's crucifer out of the sanctuary for our children's formation time.

The First Lesson: Exodus 12:1-14 (*sit*)

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

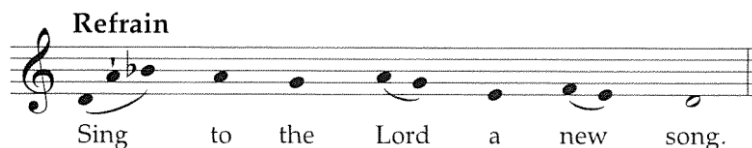
This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 149 (*sung by the cantor*)



1 Hallelujah!

Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Refrain

2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *

let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

Refrain

4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *

and adorns the poor with victory.

5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *

let them be joyful on their beds.

Refrain

6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *

and a two-edged sword in their hand;

7 To wreak vengeance on the nations *

and punishment on the peoples;

Refrain

8 To bind their kings in chains *

and their nobles with links of iron;

9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

Refrain

The Epistle: Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

After the reading

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

Sequence Hymn (*all sing*)

Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve

Hymn 546

The Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

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, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth

will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

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

Intervessor Let us pray in love to God who loves all that he has made. Let the whole Church be filled with the divine grace which comes where two or three are gathered together in your name.

People **Bless your Christian people with unity to empower their prayers.**

Intervessor Rouse the world from the sloth of selfish and material concerns.

People **Heal with the spirit of love the disputes that divide people and nations.**

Intervessor Bless our families, friends, and neighbors with the spirit of reconciliation.

People **Let your law be fulfilled among us in words of love.**

Intercessor Come and relieve those who are caught in bitter litigation.

People **Help the victims of injustice who suffer under loveless power.**

Intercessor We pray for those who have tried to follow the way of love and are now at rest.

People **In the fullness of your love, give them perfect freedom.**

Intercessor Gathered together in the name of Christ, we make our prayers through him.

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, Donna, Larry, Linda, Susan and Keith.

For friends and families: Kathleen, Mike, Nolan, Earlene, Brennan, Pam, Annette, Nina, 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, Kevin, Claire, Mary, and Amy.

For our men and women serving in the Armed Forces: Jordan, 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 and Will Parker. We pray for our college students: Hannah Poore, Carter Hutchison, Sarah Laurel, and Oren Murillo.

We pray for all who have died, especially Sam Arant (Gayle Pitts brother-in-law), 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, Good Shepherd in Tomball, Holy Comforter in Spring, Santo Nino Filipino Episcopal Church in Pearland, 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.

- *Timothy's Troop 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

O For a Closer Walk
Chancel Choir

C.V. Stanford

(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.**

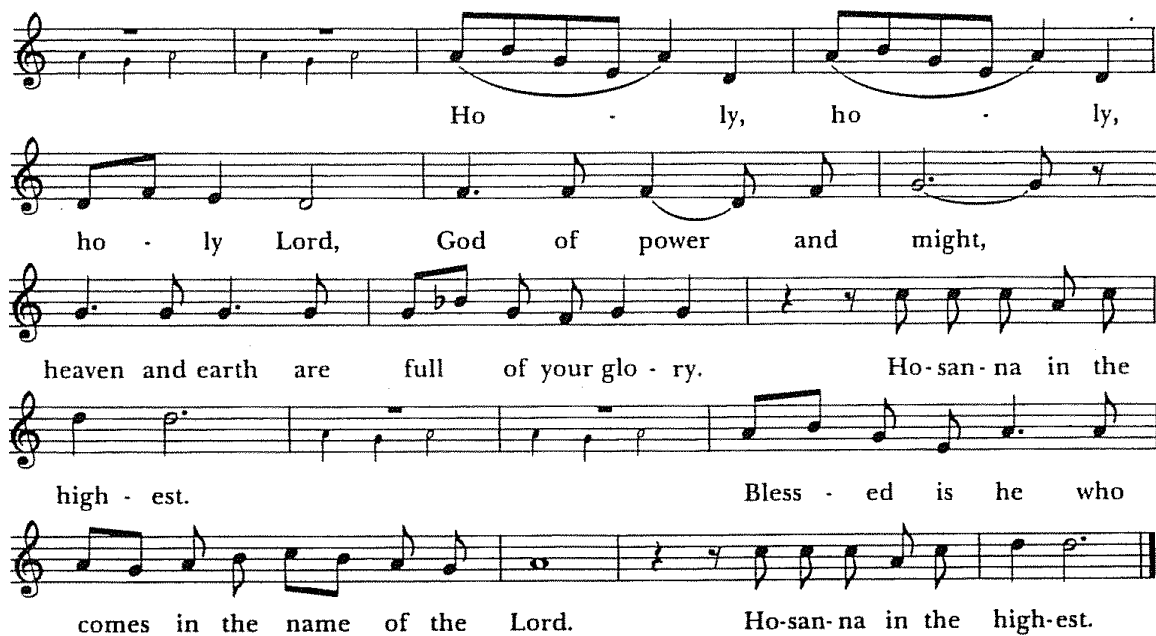
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:

Sanctus (S128) *(all sing)*

William Mathias



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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.

Fraction Anthem (S155) *(all sing)*

Setting by Gerald Near



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, 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 302 *(all sing)*

Father, We Thank Thee

- Hymn 617 *(all sing)*

Eternal Ruler Of The Ceaseless Round

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*) *Tell Out, My Soul, The Greatness of The Lord* **Hymn 438**

The Dismissal

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Notes:

This Week at St. Timothy's

Sunday, September 10, 2023

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

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:30 a.m. – Coffee Hour, Parish Hall

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Timothy's Troop)

11:45 a.m. - Fall In Love With St. Timothy's (back to church potluck and games; meal in the Parish Hall and games in the Youth Hall)

Monday, September 11, 2023

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

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

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

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

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

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

6:00 p.m. – Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

8:00 p.m. – Compline (Facebook Live)

Thursday, September 14, 2023

Friday, September 15, 2023

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

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

Saturday, September 16, 2023

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

Sunday, September 17, 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

12:00 p.m. – DOK Meeting

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Altar Party

Acolytes:

Chalicer/Intercessor: Angela McCabe

Lector: Gigi Janeshek

Ushers: Mel McKey and Denis James

Healing Prayer: Judi James and Benjamin Dodson

Rector: The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Cocolebrant: The Reverend Isaias Ginson

Director of Music: Andrea Hutchison

Organist: Bonnie McDaniel

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