



***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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 20, 2020 – 10:30 a.m.**

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: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

1 O Mas - ter let me walk with thee in low - ly
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,
 4 in hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret;
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
 fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
 thou canst give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Words: Washington Gladden (1836-1918)
 Music: *Maryton*, Henry Percy Smith (1825-1898)

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 145:1-8 (said in unison)

[BCP 801-802]

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King,**
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you**
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;**
there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another**
and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty**
and all your marvelous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,**
and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;**
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,**
slow to anger and of great kindness.

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: Jonah 3:10-4:11 *(sit)*

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 11: The Third Song of Isaiah *(said in unison)*

[BCP 87-88]

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land;
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise,
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations Will stream to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open;
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord,
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land,
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation,
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day;
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory.

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: Philippians 1:21-30

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 8: The Song of Moses *(said in unison)*

[BCP 85]

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted;
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.
The Lord is my strength and my refuge;
the Lord has become my Savior.
This is my God and I will praise him,
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
The Lord is a mighty warrior;
Yahweh is his Name.
The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea;
the finest of those who bear armor have been
drowned in the Red Sea.
The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them;
they sank into the depths like a stone.
Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might;
your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.

Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods?
who is like you, glorious in holiness,
awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?
You stretched forth your right hand;
the earth swallowed them up.
With your constant love you led the people you redeemed;
with your might you brought them in safety to
your holy dwelling.
You will bring them in and plant them
on the mount of your possession,
The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord,
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.
The Lord shall reign
for ever and for 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 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

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 Glenice Robinson-Como

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 234]

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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]

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Those Facing Wildfires

O God, our refuge and strength,
our help in times of trouble.

Have mercy on the lands
damaged by fires.

Have mercy on the lands
where the weather has destroyed livelihoods.

Protect those who evacuate houses,
and strengthen those who rebuild hope
so that entire communities
may face the future without fear.

Amen.

Intercessions

Reader: 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.
- For all seminarians and schools of ministry, particularly Seminary of the Southwest and Iona.

We pray especially for: Jim and family, Irene, Mike, Jonathan, Paul, Shelby, Norma, Chris, Bunny, Robin, Roy, Don, Gayle, Karen, Glenda, Martha, Debbie, Susan, Larry, Mark, Kelly, Kyle, Linda, Leon, DeLayne, Amber, Sherry and Ed, Alex, Janet, Margo, Griffin, Grayson, Patty, Helen, Jan, Claire, Jennifer, Cheryl, Sam, Levi, David, 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: Harriet Cutshall, that they may have a place in your eternal Kingdom.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: St. Stephen's in Huntsville and Trinity in The Woodlands.

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 May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

Postlude

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Vestry

Susan Laver – Sr. Warden

Mark Lebnhoff – Jr. Warden

Jane Power – Clerk

Sondra Griner

John Pitts

Dale Rasco

Cathy Richardson

Billy Shoemaker

Sandra Weir

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

200 Oyster Creek Drive • Lake Jackson, Texas 77566

979-297-6003 • 979-297-7005 FAX

The Right Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, Bishop

The Right Rev. Jeff W. Fisher, Bishop

The Right Rev. Kathryn M. Ryan, Bishop

The Right Rev. Hector Monterroso, Bishop

The Reverend Genevieve Razim, Interim Rector

Jackie Koch, Parish Secretary

Ben May, Director of Music

Keith Frank, Treasurer

St. Timothy's office

Website: www.stimothy.org

The text of the service of worship contained in this program is taken from the Book of Common Prayer 1979. The Book of Common Prayer alone is of authority in the worship of the Episcopal Church. This program is provided for convenience of use on this occasion.

The Episcopal Diocese of Texas does not permit any person, including clergy, staff, students, volunteers, and visitors, to carry a weapon in our churches or schools. This prohibition applies even if the person is licensed to carry a concealed weapon under Texas law. Section 3.6 Clergy Manual.