



*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 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
September 22, 2024 – 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, which is located in the pew rack in front of you.*

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Processional Hymn** (*all sing*)      *Praise To The Lord, The Almighty*      **Hymn 390**

**Opening Acclamation**      [BCP 355]

*Priest* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**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.**

Glory to God (S280) (all sing)

Setting by Robert Powell



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly



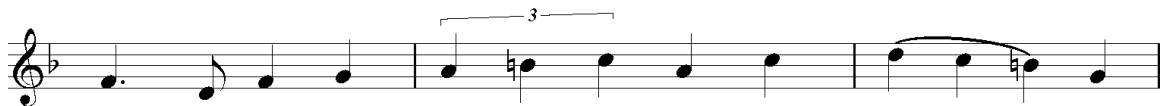
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy



on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## The Collect

[BCP 234]

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

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

*Priest* Let us pray.

**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.***

## The First Lesson: Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:1, 12-22 (*sit*)

The ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death;  
 considering him a friend, they pined away  
 and made a covenant with him,  
 because they are fit to belong to his company.

For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves,  
 “Short and sorrowful is our life,  
 and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end,  
 and no one has been known to return from Hades.  
 Let us lie in wait for the righteous man,  
 because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions;

he reproaches us for sins against the law,  
and accuses us of sins against our training.  
He professes to have knowledge of God,  
and calls himself a child of the Lord.  
He became to us a reproof of our thoughts;  
the very sight of him is a burden to us,  
because his manner of life is unlike that of others,  
and his ways are strange.  
We are considered by him as something base,  
and he avoids our ways as unclean;  
he calls the last end of the righteous happy,  
and boasts that God is his father.  
Let us see if his words are true,  
and let us test what will happen at the end of his life;  
for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him,  
and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries.  
Let us test him with insult and torture,  
so that we may find out how gentle he is,  
and make trial of his forbearance.  
Let us condemn him to a shameful death,  
for, according to what he says, he will be protected.”

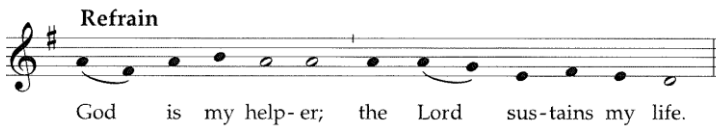
Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray,  
for their wickedness blinded them,  
and they did not know the secret purposes of God,  
nor hoped for the wages of holiness,  
nor discerned the prize for blameless souls.

*After the reading*

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 54 (*sung by the cantor*)



- 1 Save me, O God, by your Name; \*  
in your might, defend my cause.
- 2 Hear my prayer, O God; \*  
give ear to the words of my mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,  
and the ruthless have sought my life, \*  
those who have no regard for God.

### Refrain

- 4 Behold, God is my helper; \*  
it is the Lord who sustains my life.
- 5 Render evil to those who spy on me; \*  
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

### Refrain

- 6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice \*  
and praise your Name, O LORD, for it is good.
- 7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, \*  
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

### Refrain

## The Epistle: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace

of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

*After the reading*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Sequence Hymn** (*all sing*)

*How Firm a Foundation*

**Hymn 637**

**The Gospel: Mark 9:30-37**

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

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

*The Gospel passage is read.*

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name

welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** (*sit*)

*The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kantze*

**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 worshipped 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 to the Father whose Son suffered betrayal and death for the salvation of the world. Cleanse the Church from temptation.

*People* **In childlike simplicity, may your people follow you without fear, in loving one another.**

*Intercessor* Bring peace to the troubled places of the world, where war destroys both human life and the beauty of your creation.

*People*           **Make peaceful the minds of those who contend for power, that they may know the freedom of your service.**

*Intercessor*      Bless the children of our families and those in our community.

*People*           **Let their innocence teach us to avoid all that may destroy the harmony of living.**

*Intercessor*      Have mercy on the victims of war and violence. Those who have lost their loved ones and been driven from their homes.

*People*           **Grant them a place of refuge to rebuild their lives.**

*Intercessor*      We pray for those who have died in war or through human violence. Grant mercy to those who died unprepared and impenitent, by the love of Christ who served others even to death.

*People*           **Grant them the peace that they were denied in their last hour.**

*Intercessor*      As servants of Christ, we humbly offer our prayers in his name.

*Silence*

- Thank you God for the prayers you have answered and those you will answer on behalf of our members, our families and friends, and those serving our country. Glory to God!
- For healing and peace among the nations of the world, especially Ukraine, Russia, Pakistan, Israel, Gaza, Syria, and Iran. *(The congregation is encouraged to add nations God has put on your heart.)*
- For the grace and strength to live into our mission at St. Timothy's: Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we experience the love of Jesus Christ and share it with others.
- May the Holy Spirit be the architect of all we do, bringing laborers and raising up leaders in areas where they will thrive.

We pray for the special needs, concerns, and thanksgivings of this congregation and community. *(Intercessor pauses so people can add prayers aloud or silently.)*



*Silence*

We pray especially for members: Luke, Charlie, Bob and Carol, Alan, Donna and Larry, Lorna, Lauren, Jacob, Richard, Kay, Char, Matthew, Tony, Jim and James, John and Gayle, Kay and Roy, Mary, James, Jake, Denis and Judi, Steve, Michael, Robert, and Linda.

Thank you for the privilege to pray on behalf of friends and families: Phyllis and family, the Luna family, Gilbert and family, Alisha, Eileen, the Dye family, Sue and Keith, Daryl and family, Carrie, Jody, Laryssa, Molly, Ali, Doris, Kaytlynn, Mary, Bruce, Sheral, Megan, Dorothy, Cody, Bill, Greta, Warren and Danee, Betty and family, Rose, Melissa, Brennan, Pam, Annette, Liam and family, Holly, Jane, Kristi, Mita, Alexander, Dustin, Kristi, Hannah, Margaret, Grace, Douglas, Jean, Rebecca, Kellye, Liz, Lorie, Derek, Mary, Eric, Kelly, Jocelyn, Cheryl, Terry, Matt, Kevin, and Claire.

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

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

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: St. Mary's in Cypress, St. Stephen's in Huntsville, Trinity in The Woodlands, and the Diocese of Peshawar.

### **Concluding Prayer**

*Priest* O Lord, without whom our labor is lost: We beseech you to prosper all works in your Church undertaken according to your holy will. Grant to your workers a pure intention, a patient faith, sufficient success on earth, and the blessedness of serving you in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### **Confession and Absolution**

[BCP 360]

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

*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*)

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

*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.*

- *Godly Play returns*

*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.*

**Offertory Sentence:** Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **The Offertory**

*O How Amiable*  
Chancel Choir

Caleb Simper

*(The gifts are brought forward by members.)*

### **Doxology** (*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*)

[BCP 361]

## *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** (*S130*) (*all sing*)

*Setting by Franz Schubert*

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

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and" and ends with a fermata. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes. The second system also has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord," and ends with a fermata. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes.

God of power and might, heaven and earth are

full, full of your glory. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na



*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then 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** (*all sing*)

*Setting by Rutter*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o - ver is sa - cri - ficed for

8  
us. There - fore let us keep the feast. 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 to 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 635** (*all sing*)

*If Thou But Trust In God To Guide Thee*

- **Hymn 482** (*all sing*)

*Lord Of All Hopefulness, Lord Of All Joy*

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

[BCP 366]

*Priest* Let us pray.

*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.**

### **The Blessing**

**Recessional** (*all sing*)(*vs. 1, 2, 3, 6*) *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High* **Hymn 448**

### **The Dismissal**

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

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Postlude**

**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

**Altar Party**

**Acolytes:**

**Ushers:** Judi and Denis James

**Chalicer/Intercessor:** Sondra Griner

**Lector:** Tony Janeshek

**Cantor:** Irenna Garapetian

**Healing Prayer:** Cathy Richardson and Char Aslakson

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

**Director of Music:** Andrea Hutchison

**Organist:** Bonnie McDaniel

**Sound Tech:** Jon Cox

**Videographer:** David Obasi

**St. Timothy's Vestry**

*Kerry Cormier, Sr. Warden*      *Fran Hammond*

*Steve Freeman, Jr. Warden*      *Chris Hutchison*

*Charles Collins*      *Rebecca Klimek*

*Jon Cox*      *Angela McCabe*

*Keith Frank, Treasurer*      *Tony Janeshek, Stewardship Chair*

*Alexa Kincannon, Finance Chair*

**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**

200 Oyster Creek Drive • Lake Jackson, Texas 77566

979-297-6003 • 979-297-7005 FAX

Website: [www.stimothy.org](http://www.stimothy.org)

Facebook: St. Timothy's Episcopal Church – Lake Jackson

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.



