



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** **October 1, 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)*

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Hymn 405

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

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

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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. _____

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

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

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

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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, _____

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

The Collect of the Day

[BCP 234]

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray together.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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 17:1-7 (*sit*)

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 (*sung by the cantor*)

Refrain

God gave them drink as from the great deep.

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

Refrain

- 3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has done.

Refrain

- 12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
- 13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; *
he made the waters stand up like walls.

Refrain

- 14 He led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.
- 15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.
- 16 He brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers.

Refrain

The Epistle: Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn (*all sing*) (*vs. 1, 2, 3, & 7*) *All Creatures of our God and King* **Hymn 400**

The Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32

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 entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

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 By the authority of Christ, given to his Church, let us pray to the Lord. Give to the Church the spirit of service and humility by the power of Jesus Christ who became man for our sake.

People **Keep your people obedient in all things, even to the death of the body.**

Intervessor Dispel the pride that holds people apart from people and nation from nation.

People **Make your power acknowledged and your will accomplished through all the world.**

Intervessor Visit and heal with your love those whose lives come close to ours but are divided by pride and self-will.

People **May the mind of Jesus direct us in all our relationships.**

Intervessor Help those whose suffering is the result of their own selfishness.

People **Bring them out of their darkness into the freedom of obedience to your service.**

Intervessor We remember those who have followed Jesus until death.

People **As he is highly exalted, raise them with him into your eternal presence.**

Intervessor Strengthened in our weakness by the divine humility of Christ, we make our prayers 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: Kay, Lorna, John and Gayle, David and Pastor Robin, Mili and LaWane, Jim, Norma, Lauren, Jeff and Davis, Lori and Jared, Mary, James, Jake, Denis and Judi, Ben, Chi and Amaka, Bill, the Friehauf family, Ed, Dave and Kay, Carolyn, Kurt, Jesse, David, Steve, Jay and Cathy, Michael, Robert, Kay and Roy, Donna and Larry, Linda, Susan and Keith.

For friends and families: Weldon, Kathleen, Mike, Nolan, Earlene, Brennan, Pam, Annette, 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, Lorie, 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, Keaton Hutchison, Keaton Dingee, Sarah Laurel, Ben Laurel, and Oren Murillo.

We pray for all who have died, especially Shirley Gillman, 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, 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: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

The Offertory

This Is My Father's World
Chancel Choir

Sheppard/A. Hutchison

(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 and People read

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 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 439 *(all sing)*

What Wondrous Love Is This

- Hymn 554 *(all sing)*

'Tis The Gift To Be Simple

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:

<i>Priest</i>	N., in the name of Jesus Christ and of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts,
<i>People</i>	that those to whom you go may share in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.
<i>All</i>	<i>We who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.</i>

The Blessing

Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us; so be swift to love by forgiving and make haste to be kind, and may the Divine Mystery who is beyond our ability to know but who made us, who loves us, who forgives us, and who travels with us. Bless us and keep us in peace. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn *(all sing)*

For The Beauty Of The Earth

Hymn 416

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, October 1, 2023 (Celebration of St. Francis – Care for Creation and Stewardship Kick-Off)

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:30-10:15 a.m. – Fellowship in Parish Hall & Discussion of Scripture for the day!
(at the table by the windows)

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

11:45 a.m. – Fellowship in the Welcome Center

5:00 p.m. – Blessing of the Animals (front courtyard)

Monday, October 2, 2023

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

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Wednesday, October 4, 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, October 5, 2023

Friday, October 6, 2023

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

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

Saturday, October 7, 2023

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

4:00 p.m. – Leave St. Timothy's for a field trip to Trinity Episcopal Church, Galveston to see St. John's Bible-Illuminated text

Sunday, October 8, 2023

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

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:30-10:15 a.m. – Fellowship in Parish Hall & Discussion of Scripture for the day!
(at the table by the windows)

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

11:45 a.m. – Fellowship in the Welcome Center

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Altar Party

Acolytes:

Chalicer/Intercessor: Angela McCabe

Lector: Sandra Weir

Ushers: Sondra Griner and Judi James

Healing Prayer: Benjamin Dodson and Cathy Richardson

Rector: The Reverend Robin Reeves-Kautz

Director of Music: Andrea Hutchison

Organist: Bonnie McDaniel

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