



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.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
November 28, 2021 - 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.

Please see updated COVID-19 Safety Protocols, as of May 26, 2021, on page 16 of the leaflet.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements *(sit)*

THE WORD OF GOD

Processional

- Hymn #66

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

1 Come, thou long - ex - spect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
 dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
 born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
 by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: Stuttgart, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715;
 adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

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

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.*

Lord, Have Mercy (S97)

Setting by Richard Felciano

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
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Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

The Collect of the Day

[BCP 211]

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Timothy's Troop – Children age 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: Jeremiah 33:14-16

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-9 (*sung by choir*)

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
 - 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame;
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
 - 3 Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.
 - 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
 - 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
 - 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
 - 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD;
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
 - 8 He guides the humble in doing right
and teaches his way to the lowly.
 - 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- 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: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn #64

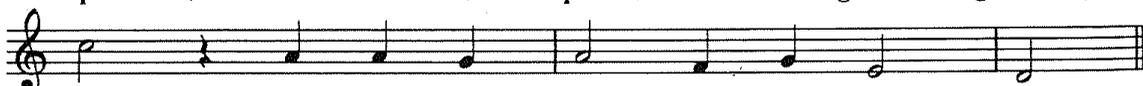
O Heavenly Word, Eternal Light



1 O heaven - ly Word, e - ter - nal Light, be - got - ten
2 pour light up - on us from a - bove, and fire our
3 and when, as judge, thou draw - est nigh the se - crets
4 O let us not, for e - vil past, be driv - en
*5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the



1 of the Fa - ther's might, who in these lat - ter days wast
2 hearts with ar - dent love, that, as we hear thy truth to -
3 of our hearts to try, to rec - om - pense each hid - den
4 from thy face at last, but with thy saints for ev - er -
5 Spi - rit, ev - er One, praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry



1 born for bless - ing to a world for - lorn;
2 day, all wrong de - sires may burn a - way;
3 sin and bid the saints their reign be - gin;
4 more be - hold thee, love thee, and a - dore.
5 be from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymnal 1982*

Music: *O Heiland, reiss*, melody from *Rheinfelsisches Deutsches Catholisches Gesangbuch*, 1666

The Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel passage is read.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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.*

Prayers of the People

[BCP 392-393]

The Leader and People pray responsively

Reader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Reader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Reader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Reader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Reader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Reader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Reader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Andrew, Jeff, Kathryn, Hector, our Bishops and for all bishops and other ministers;

People: **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Reader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

We pray especially for Jeff, Irenna, Maria, Lou, John, Becky and family, Kay, Roy, Emily, Wendy and family, Dale, Tony, Carol, Judy, Rebecca, Jim, Kellye, Liz, Michael, Don, Jackie, Beth, James, Carolyn, Brittany, Susan, Loorie, Sherry, Ed, Derek, Mary, Eric, Linda, Gayle, Judy, Rita, Vickie, Kelly, Jocelyn, Sam, and Claire.

For our men and women serving in the Armed Forces: Brad, Lucas, Annie, Justin, Joseph, Caleb, Ed, Brett and Thia.

For the diocesan cycle of prayer: Holy Apostles in Katy, Holy Spirit in Houston, and Hope in Houston.

The People may add their own petitions.

Reader: Hear us, Lord;

People: **For your mercy is great.**

Reader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Reader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

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

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Reader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: **Who put their trust in you.**

Reader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

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.

The Priest, 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 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.

- Timothy's Troop returns to the sanctuary.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

- Hail To The Lord's Anointed

Doxology

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.

The Great Thanksgiving

[BCP 367]

- Eucharistic Prayer B

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

Priest: 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 you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 (S126)

Setting by Richard Felciano

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

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

The Prayer of Consecration

Then the Celebrant continues the prayer....eventually introducing the Memorial Acclamation by saying,

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

The Priest continues. . . until concluding the prayer,

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.

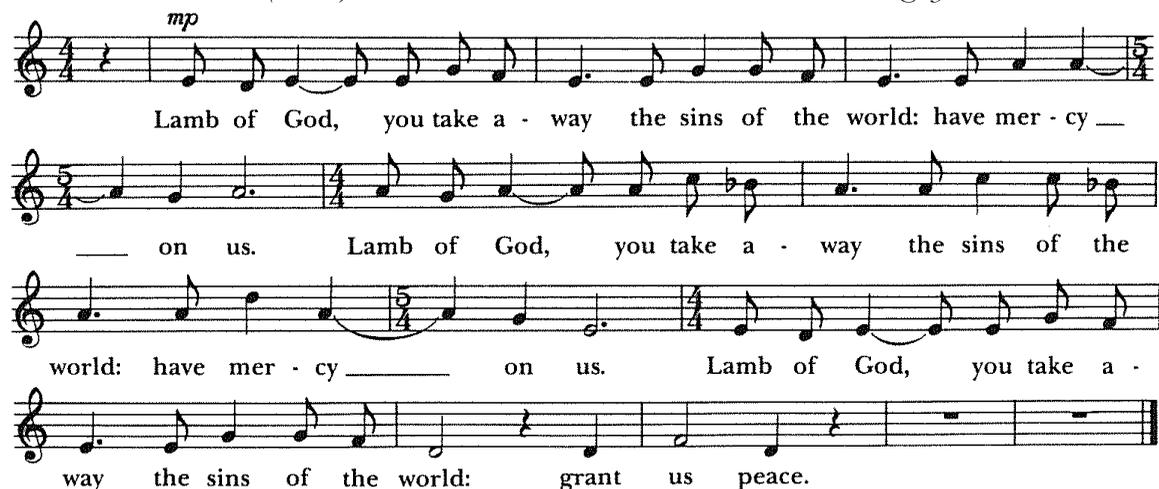
Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Fraction Anthem (S162)

Setting by Richard Felciano

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy ___
___ on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world: have mer - cy ___ on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Facing the people, the Priest says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Ministration of Communion

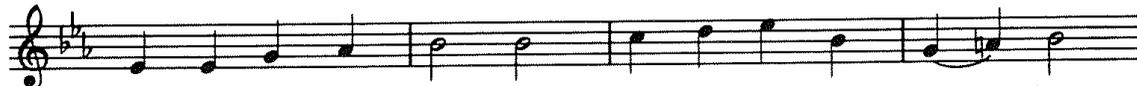
All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. The Celebrant will invite individuals or households forward one by one to receive the bread. Once you have received the bread, please return to your seat, briefly lifting your mask to consume the bread. As with all communion services, should you wish to receive a blessing and not the bread, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Should you wish to not come forward, remain in your seat and cross your arms over your chest so that the next person or household will be invited.

At Communion

- Hymn #53

Once He Came In Blessing



1 Once he came in bless - ing, all our ills re - dress - ing;
2 Still he comes with - in us, still his voice would win us
3 Thus, if thou canst name him, not a-shamed to claim him,
4 One who thus en - dur - eth bright re - ward se - cur - eth.



came in like-ness low - ly, Son of God most ho - ly;
from the sins that hurt us, would to Truth con - vert us:
but wilt trust him bold - ly nor dost love him cold - ly,
Come, then, O Lord Je - sus, from our sins re - lease us;



bore the cross to save us, hope and free - dom gave us.
not in tor - ment hold us, but in love en - fold us.
he will then re - ceive thee, heal thee, and for - give thee.
let us here con - fess thee till in heaven we bless thee.

Words: Jan Roh (1485?-1547); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.

Music: *Gottes Sohn ist kommen*, melody Michael Weisse (d. 1534).

The Post Communion Prayer (*stand*)

Priest Let us pray.

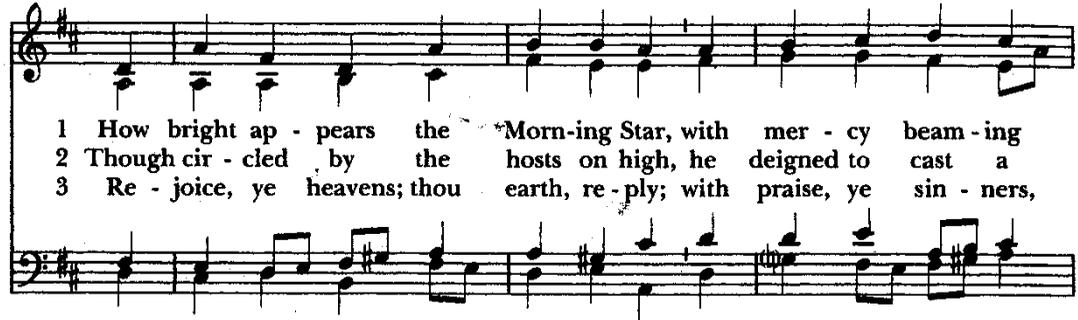
Priest and People Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. 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

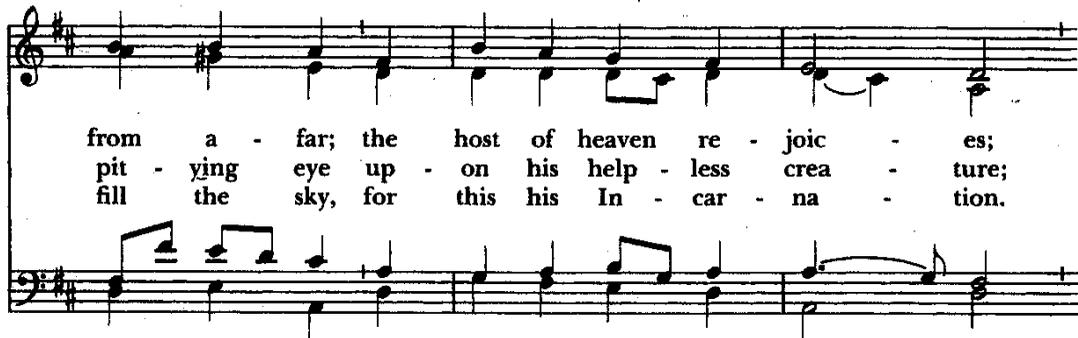
Recessional

- Hymn #497

How Bright Appears The Morning Star



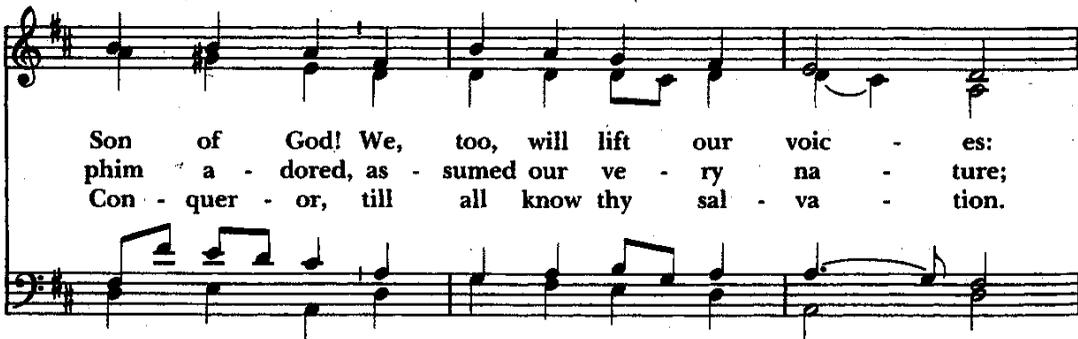
1 How bright ap - pears the Morn-ing Star, with mer - cy beam - ing
2 Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast a
3 Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners,



from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es;
pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;
fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.



O right-eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and
the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high-est ser - a -
In - car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great



Son of God! We, too, will lift our voic - es:
phim a - dored, as - sumed our ve - ry na - ture;
Con - quer - or, till all know thy sal - va - tion.

Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly ho - ly, yet most low - ly,
 Je - sus, grant us, through thy mer - it, to in - her - it
 A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.
 thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.
 Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873), after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608)
 Music: *Wie schön leuchtet*, melody att. Philipp Nicolai, (1556-1608);
 arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Bonnie McDaniel

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This Week at St. Timothy’s

Sunday, November 28, 2021

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

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:00-10:30 a.m. – Advent Event (in the Parish Hall)

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

11:45 a.m. – Handbell rehearsal following the service (Choir Room)

Monday, November 29, 2021

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

10:30 a.m. – Breathe and Be Better (In-person and via Zoom)

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

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

11 a.m.-12 p.m. – Silent Prayer Vigil (In the Nave)

6:00 p.m. – Joyful Noyse Rehearsal (In the Loft)

7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal (In the Nave)

8:00 p.m. – Compline (FB Live)

Thursday, December 2, 2021

Friday, December 3, 2021

10:00 a.m. – Healing Prayer Group (In the Welcome Center)

Saturday, December 4, 2021

Sunday, December 5, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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

11:45 a.m. – Handbell rehearsal following the service (Choir Room)

Looking Ahead

Dec. 11 & 12: Living Nativity (front lawn); 7:00 & 7:30 p.m.

COVID-19 Safety Protocols at St. Timothy's

May 26, 2021

- **Fully vaccinated** people are not required to wear masks in worship, including while singing.
- **Fully vaccinated** people are not required to distance and may sit anywhere in the nave.
- Anyone who is **not fully vaccinated** and over the age of 2 is expected to wear a mask while indoors. **Unvaccinated people who do not wear masks do so at their own risk.**
- Anyone who feels uncomfortable not wearing a mask, even if fully vaccinated, is encouraged to wear a mask.
- **The chapel space within the church is reserved for those who wish to continue to socially distance in worship.** Masks are required for all in the chapel. Those who wish to sit in the chapel are encouraged to enter the side door closest to the chapel. Clergy will bring the sacrament to those seated in the chapel.
- No one should feel obligated to pass the Peace by shaking hands. The recent practice of passing the Peace with a nod or a wave is entirely acceptable.
- All participating choir members must be fully vaccinated.
- At the Eucharist, the sacrament will continue to be distributed in “one kind” (bread only) which is a full measure of grace. Anyone serving communion in a service with both vaccinated and unvaccinated people will wear a mask.
- We will continue to livestream services at 10:30 am. Anyone at risk of COVID-19 or who otherwise feels more comfortable worshipping from home may continue to do so.

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

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