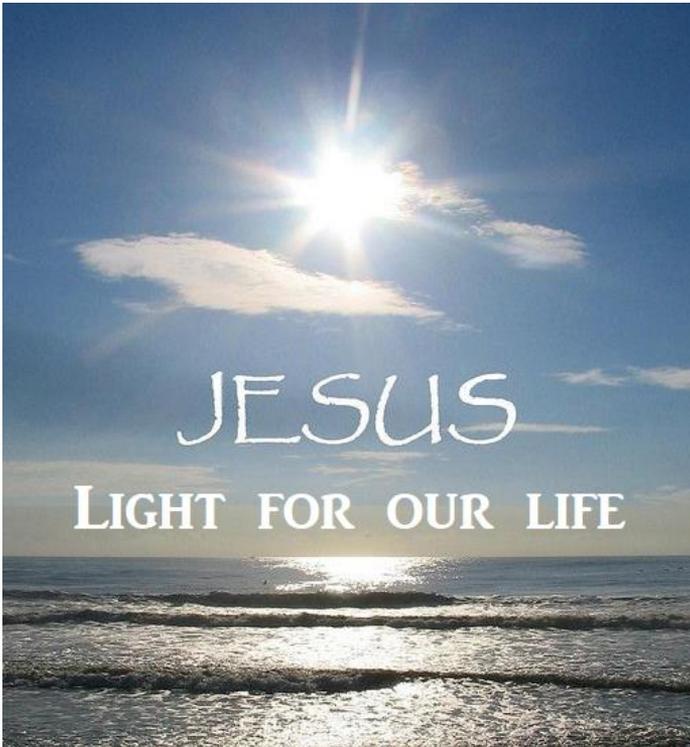


Welcome to St Timothy's

Living our faith in Jesus Christ
with Open Arms, Open Hearts, Open Minds

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 22nd, 2020



Welcome to St. Timothy's! We are an Anglican church with a deep commitment to community. We seek to live our faith in a spirit of welcome for all, compassion for those in need, and a willingness to approach our faith and our culture with inquiring minds.

We are people who, together, long to welcome, serve, and understand. We hope that you will experience that welcome and, if you are a visitor, consider making us your church home.

The Gathering of the Community

Welcome

Opening Sentences

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Dear Friends in Christ, as we prepare for the Paschal Feast, continuing in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers, let us make ready our hearts to renew the covenant of our baptism. Let us come before our Creator and Redeemer.

Presider: Most merciful God,
**All: 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 neighbours 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.**

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you with all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: through the waters of baptism your Son has made us children of light. May we ever walk in his light and show forth your glory in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

The Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ, according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."
John 9: 1 – 17

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection

The Rev. Canon Dr. Eric Beresford

Silence is kept

Prayers of the People

The Rev. Andrew Kaye

The Peace

Celebrant: Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in Christ's name and share his peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: God of light,

All: your Word brings to us a new vision of your glory. Accept our offering of praise and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All: 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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread,

All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its
fruit in dying.

**All: If we have died with him, we shall live with
him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Agnus Dei

**All: O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sin of the world:
grant us thy peace.**

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for all the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Prayers after Communion

Presider: Father,

All: through your goodness we receive your Son in word and sacrament. May we always have faith in him, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant: May God, who has given you in the lives of his Saints, patterns of holy and faithful living, strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness and joy; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal:

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

This Week at St. Timothy's

All congregational worship services and in-person meetings are cancelled until further notice.

Morning prayer with a thought for the day will be broadcast online every morning at 9:30am. Check your email for the daily Zoom Meeting link.

Diocesan Day of Prayer & Fasting on Thursday, March 26th. Details to follow.

Prayer List:

Please pray with us this morning and throughout this week for the following:

The Anglican Church of Canada: Linda our Primate; Anne our Metropolitan; Andrew our Diocesan Bishop; Kevin our Area Bishop; Eric our Incumbent; Andrew our Assistant Curate and Ann and Michael our Honorary Assistants.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Mississauga Deanery

Outreach Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. Andrew, Alliston, and its "It Takes a Village" Kids' Club;

for St. Andrew, Japanese, its support of the Flemingdon Park Ministry and St. Monica's, and outreach in the Japanese Canadian community;

for St. Andrew, Scarborough, its monthly Neighbourhood Lunch, support for foster children and their communities in Haiti and Zimbabwe, "We Care" Christmas bags for the homeless, and support for such programs as the St. Jude, Wexford Food Bank, All Saints Community Centre, and the Pikangikum Water project;

and for St. Anne, Toronto, its monthly community dinners and its refugee sponsorship.

Our Community: Korean Onnuri (Emmanuel) United Church

Our Parish Families: Richard & Katherine Wotherspoon; Benjamin, Gillian, Olivia, Jack & Ethan Wyett; Andrew, Clea & Maxwell Yates and Denise Rogers; Diane Yip; Carole & Julie Young.

Those celebrating birthdays: Janet Gordon; Ahinee Laryea; Isaiah Rowe; Wesley Kaye.

Those in need: Linda Kirmiziyan; Mark Beresford, Sarah Flint, Judith Ransom; Darryl Smith; Kay; Gerda Walter; Lynn From; Jay; Mary; Anastasia Roberts; Cindy; Marie Claire

Roche; Etaoin Sinclair; Susan Ichban; John Arko; Alexander; Carole Young; Lillian Beeton; Marion Matthias; George Oliver; Doug Scott.

Eternal Rest: Roy Hudd



Church and Premises Closed

Following the directive of the provincial Chief Medical Officer of Health as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have closed St. Timothy's Church and premises for the foreseeable future. All activities have been cancelled.

For the safety of all parishioners, volunteers and staff, we ask that you do not enter the premises, even if you have a key.

We will continue to monitor the situation and keep you updated as we navigate through this difficult time.

The church office will also be closed but voicemail and email will be monitored remotely.

Please feel free to contact us office@sttimothy.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Help During this Time of Social Distancing

Do you need help with grocery shopping?

Would you like someone to pick up your prescription for you?

The church office is taking names of those who need assistance in this time of social distancing. Send us an email office@sttimothy.ca or call Ashani on 416-300-5643.

We will assign a volunteer to get in touch with you as soon as possible.

Volunteering During this Time of Social Distancing

We are looking for volunteers to offer their services to those who need assistance. We are in the process of putting together a list of those who may need assistance as well as those who have offered their services. Once we have been able to match people up by location, we will let you know how you can help.

If you would like to volunteer, please email office@sttimothy.ca

Community Lunch Cancelled

The monthly community lunch scheduled for Monday, March 23rd is cancelled.

All future lunches are also cancelled until further notice. We are continuing to monitor the situation and will keep you informed of any changes as and when we are able.

Donating to the Church

We encourage all of you to continue to give generously in support of the work that continues despite and because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The needs are great, especially with the likely loss of some income sources.

- If you are on pre-authorized giving this is a straightforward process.
 - If you use envelopes, we encourage you to mail those envelopes in.
 - If you would like to shift to pre-authorized giving, even if only in the short term, please contact the envelope secretary, Gord Hendra, at envelopesecretary@sttimothy.ca
 - Or you can donate through Canada Helps at www.canadahelps.org choosing St. Timothy's Anglican Church (North Toronto) as your designated charity.
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Announcement Regarding Deputy Warden

We are sorry to announce that, due to a Diocesan regulation that a warden cannot be related to the envelope secretary, Rosemary Hendra will be unable to continue as a warden. This is a huge loss to us, and we are deeply grateful to Rosemary for being willing to stand.

We will let the congregation know how we intend to proceed with this position as soon as we are able.

Old Orchard Blossoms

North Toronto Players Tickets: The Millionaire, an original musical mystery scheduled for multiple dates in March at the Papermill Theatre is cancelled. Tickets purchased will be refunded soon.

An Act of Defiance: Hot Docs Cinema screening scheduled for April 2nd is cancelled. Tickets purchased will be refunded soon.

Announcing a New Tenant

The Wardens and Incumbent are pleased to announce that we will have a new tenant on July 1, 2020.

Orchard Grove Nursery will be opening a nursery school and before and after school program on September 1, 2020.

The owners of Orchard Grove Nursery have many years of experience running childcare programs and are established operators. Further information is available on their website www.orchardgrovenursery.com and the brochures on the bulletin board.

We look forward to welcoming them to St. Timothy's this summer.

Save the date: Diocesan Day of Prayer & Fasting

The College of Bishops is inviting all people in the Diocese of Toronto to a day of prayer and fasting on **Thursday, March 26th**, during the unfolding situation with COVID-19.

Throughout the centuries, God's people have joined in unified prayer across the world in times of need. In prayerful fasting, we are brought closer to the humble reality of our dependence on God in Christ for all things.

Resources, including suggestions of prayers to use throughout the day, will be made available on Monday. Let us come together as a Diocese, each in our place, and pray as one, turning our hearts to God.

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