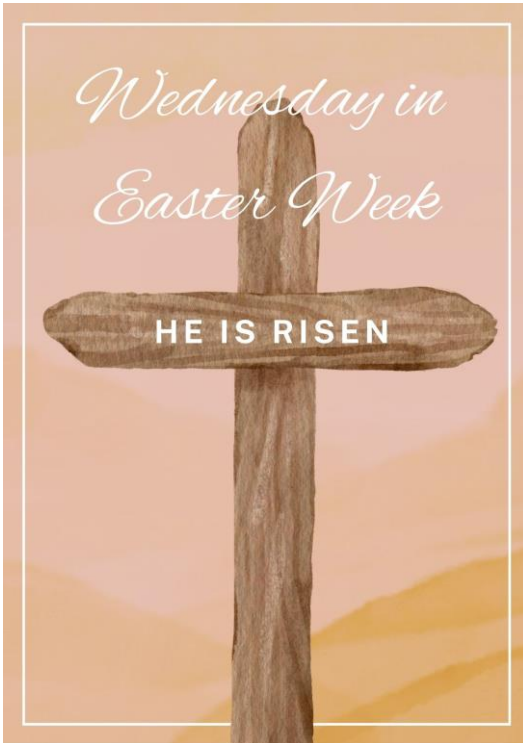


# Welcome to St Timothy's

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

## Morning Prayer

April 3rd, 2024 at 9:30am



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.

# *Wednesday of Easter Week*

*Please turn off your video and mute yourself  
before the service begins.*

*Welcome*

## *Opening Sentences*

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

**All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Leader: In your resurrection, O Christ,

**All: let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.**

Leader: Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation,  
to you be praise and glory for ever.

As once you ransomed your people from Egypt  
and led them to freedom in the promised land,  
so now you have delivered us from the dominion  
of darkness

and brought us into the kingdom of your risen Son.

May we, the first fruits of your new creation,  
rejoice in this new day you have made,  
and praise you for your mighty acts.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

Leader: The night has passed, and the day lies open  
before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

*Silence is kept.*

Leader: As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may  
the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts  
on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

### *Psalm 99*

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!  
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

**The Lord is great in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the peoples.**

Let them praise your great and awesome name.  
Holy is he!

**Mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity;  
you have executed justice  
and righteousness in Jacob.**

Extol the Lord our God;  
worship at his footstool.  
Holy is he!

**Moses and Aaron were among his priests,  
Samuel also was among those who called on his name.  
They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.**

He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;  
they kept his decrees,  
and the statutes that he gave them.

**O Lord our God, you answered them;  
you were a forgiving God to them,  
but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

Extol the Lord our God,  
and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the Lord our God is holy.

Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
**as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

### *Reading*

Otherwise, what will those people do who receive baptism on behalf of the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, why are people baptized on their behalf?

And why are we putting ourselves in danger every hour? I die every day! That is as certain, brothers and sisters, as my boasting of you—a boast that I make in Christ Jesus our Lord. If with merely human hopes I fought with wild animals at Ephesus, what would I have gained by it? If the dead are not raised,

‘Let us eat and drink,  
for tomorrow we die.’

Do not be deceived:

‘Bad company ruins good morals.’

Come to a sober and right mind, and sin no more; for some people have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame. But someone will ask, ‘How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?’ Fool! What you sow does not

come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. Not all flesh is alike, but there is one flesh for human beings, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are both heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is one thing, and that of the earthly is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; indeed, star differs from star in glory.

*1 Corinthians 15: 29 – 41*

Reader: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

### *Thought for the Day*

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

### *Prayers of Intercession*

Leader: On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross:

Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That all people may receive the good news of his victory:

Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection:

Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ:

Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ:

Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead to the mercy and protection of God.

**All: Amen.**

### *The Collect for the Day*

Leader: Lord of all life and power,  
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son  
overcame the old order of sin and death  
to make all things new in him:  
grant that we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
may reign with him in glory;  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit  
be praise and honour, glory and might,  
now and in all eternity.

**All: Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer*

Leader: Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has  
taught us,

**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 Dismissal*

Leader: May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**