

Welcome to St Timothy's

The Sixth Sunday of Easter



**"I appointed you to go and bear fruit,
fruit that will last" (*John 15:16*)**

May 5th, 2024

In-Person & Online Service at 10:00am

"Joy to the World"

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare Him room,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of His righteousness
and wonders of His love,
and wonders of His love,
and wonders, wonders of His love.

A paraphrase of Psalm 98 by Isaac Watts (1674 – 1748), an English Congregational minister, hymn writer, theologian, and logician.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: Intrada

(John Ireland)

(Performed by Edward Connell)

Processional Hymn:

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Christ is risen! Shout hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days.
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder,
all creation stand amazed.
In the desert all surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,
not a servant, but a friend;
Jesus is our strong companion—
joy and peace shall never end.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven
nevermore shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation
where the world is still in pain.

Tell its grim, demonic chorus,
“Christ is risen! Get you gone!”
God the First and Last is with us.
Sing hosanna, every one!

(Hymn to Joy 425)

Opening Sentences

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

The Gloria (sung)

**All: Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Let us pray.
Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
riches beyond imagination.
Pour into our hearts such love toward you,
that we, loving you above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

read by Philipp Guse

While Peter was still saying this, the Holy Spirit came down on all those who were listening. The Jewish believers who came with Peter were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been given even to the non-Jewish people. These Jewish believers heard them speaking in different languages and praising God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone keep these people from being baptized with water? They have received the Holy Spirit just as we did!" So Peter ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

Acts 10: 44 – 48

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reader: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The children leave for Sunday school.

(This month, the children will be writing and rehearsing a play based on the Book of Acts, to perform on Trinity Sunday.)

For Psalm 98:

312, Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

Refrain

**Sing a new song unto the Lord;
let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
singing alleluia.**

Yahweh's people dance for joy.
O come before the Lord
and play for him on glad tambourines,
and let your trumpet sound.

Refrain

Rise, O children, from your sleep
your Saviour now has come.
He has turned your sorrow to joy,
and filled your soul with song.

Refrain

Glad my soul for I have seen
the glory of the Lord.
The trumpet sounds the dead shall be raised.
I know my Savior lives.

Refrain

(Sing a New Song)

A Reading from the First Letter of John

read by Mary Pember

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ[a] has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

1 John 5: 1 – 6 (NRSV)

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People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

(Vulpinus 211)

The Gospel

read by Rev. Carol Shih

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

John 15: 9 – 17 (NRSV)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

(Vulpius 211)

Homily

Rev. Irina Dubinski

Silence is kept.

For Rev. Irina's blog visit
<https://irinasart.ca/spiritual-reflections/>
or scan the QR code.



Questions for Reflection

1. What are your modes of creativity apart from traditional art forms (maybe cooking, gardening, home improvement, leadership, or parenting?)
2. What inspires you to be creative in traditional and non-traditional ways?
3. What helps you to embrace and maybe even enjoy change?

Anthem: Greater Love Hath No Man

Many waters cannot quench love,
neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death.
Greater love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,
That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified,

ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;

That ye should show forth the praises of him
who hath call'd you out of darkness into his marvellous
light.

I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God,
that you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy,
acceptable unto to God, which is your reasonable service.

(Soloists: Teresa Tucci and Michael York)

(John Ireland)

The Affirmation of Faith

Celebrant: Let us declare our faith and hope in God.

**All: We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

led by Alan Flint

(Please adopt the pose most comfortable for you during the prayers of the people and respond as indicated.)

Leader: ... Help us, Lord:

All: to love one another.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, so unrestrictive in your mercy, accept our prayers and fulfil our needs through Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise:
he who on the cross a victim
for the world's salvation bled,

Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits
of the holy harvest field,
which will all its full abundance
at his second coming yield;
then the golden ears of harvest
will their heads before him wave,
ripened by his glorious sunshine,
from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen;
shed upon us heavenly grace,
rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
from the brightness of thy face;
that we, with our hearts in heaven,
here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel-hands be gathered,
and be ever, Lord, with thee.

(Ebenezer 587)

If you wish to make a donation and would like to use a donation envelope, they are available at the back of the church.

You can also donate online through Canada Helps – just open your camera app and scan this code.



If the collection plate doesn't reach you and you have a donation, please hand it to a greeter as you leave the church.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: God of glory,
accept all we offer you this day,
and bring us to that eternal city of love and
light, where Christ is King.
We ask this in his name. Amen.**

Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 2

Celebrant: May God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to God.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

People: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Celebrant: Eternal God, Source of all being,
we give you thanks and praise
for your faithful love.
You call us into friendship
with you and one another
to be your holy people,
a sign of your presence in the world.

When those we trust betray us,
unfailingly you remain with us.
When we injure others,
you confront us in your love

and call us to the paths of righteousness.
You stand with the weak,
and those, broken and alone,
whom you have always welcomed home,
making the first last, and the last first.
Therefore we raise our voices
with angels and archangels,
forever praising you and singing:

**All (sung): 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: Blessed are you, O Holy One.
At the right time you sent your Anointed One
to stand with the poor,
the outcast, and the oppressed.
Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed
them.

He knew the desolation of the cross
and opened the way for all humanity
into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,
gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."

Loving and Holy One,
recalling Christ's death and resurrection,
we offer you these gifts,
and proclaim our hope.

**People: Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit on these gifts
that through them you may sustain us
in our hunger for your peace.
We hold before you
all whose lives are marked by suffering,
our sisters and brothers.
When we are broken and cast aside,
embrace us in your love.

People: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Celebrant: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
O Source of all life, 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 (sung): Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pascha Nostrum (sung by all)

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;
therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;
forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.

Alleluia!

(Engelberg)

All persons are welcome to receive Communion or a blessing as appropriate at our services. You may choose to receive both the bread and the wine or just the bread. Gluten free wafers are available. Please ask the priest for these as you come to receive. If you choose to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest as you stand at the altar rail.

Communion Hymns:

647, Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God, move among us all;
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love;
humble, caring, selfless, sharing-
Spirit of the Living God, fill our lives with love!

(Living God)

316, New Songs of Celebration Render

New songs of celebration render
To God who has great wonders done;
Love sits enthroned in ageless splendour;
Come and adore the Mighty One.
God has made known the great salvation
Which all the saints with joy confess.
God has revealed to every nation
Truth and unending righteousness.

Joyfully, heartily resounding,
Let every instrument and voice
Peal out the praise of grace abounding,
Calling the whole world to rejoice.
Trumpets and organs, set in motion
Such sounds as make the heavens ring;
All things that live in earth and ocean,
Sound forth the song, your praises bring.

Rivers and seas and torrents roaring,
Honour the Lord with wild acclaim;
Mountains and stones, look up adoring,
And find a voice to praise God's name.
Righteous, commanding, ever glorious,
Praises be sung that never cease;
Just is our God, whose truth victorious
Establishes the world in peace.

(Rendez À Dieu)

645, Come Down, O Love Divine

Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round,
the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till they become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

(Down Ampney)

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: Father,
 you restored us to life
 by raising your Son from death.
 May we who receive this sacrament
 always be strengthened to do your will,
 in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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 Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always

All: Amen.

Community Notices

Recessional Hymn:

Oh, Sing to Our God, Oh, Sing Out a New Song

1 Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing out a new song. Oh, sing to our
 2 Oh, dance for our God and blow all the trum- pets. Oh, dance for our
 3 Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spir - it. Oh, shout to our

1 Oh, sing to our God, Oh,
 2 Oh, dance for our God. Oh,
 3 Oh, shout to our God. Oh,

God, oh, sing out a new song. Oh, sing to our God, oh,
 God and blow all the trum- pets. Oh, dance for our God and
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 shout to our God. Oh, shout God

sing out a new song. Oh, sing to our God. Oh, sing to our God.
 blow all the trum- pets. And sing to our God, and sing to our God.
 gave us the Spir - it. Oh, sing to our God. Oh, sing to our God.

(Cantad al Señor)

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Alla Marcia

(John Ireland)

(Performed by Edward Connell)

**Our worship is over
– our service begins.**

New to St. Tim's?

Are you new to St. Tim's?

Welcome! We are glad you have chosen to join us.

Please consider completing a **Newcomer Information Card** (ask a member of the Welcome Team) or contact Ashani directly

416-488-0079 or office@sttimothy.ca so that we can accurately record your information in the parish directory and ensure you are kept up to date with news and events.



Coffee Hour

A warm welcome is extended especially to all visitors and newcomers. Please join us for refreshments in Soward Hall. served are **nut-free**. **Gluten free** options are also available.

Week of May 6th to 10th



The Office is open for in-person drop ins on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday this week from 10:00am – 3:00pm.

Please call ahead and **make an appointment** if you wish to meet with a specific member of the clergy or staff.

Flower Memorial

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of parents, Favorita & Winston Wickham and Brother Orvius Wickham given by Ophelia Wickham and parents, Eileen & Geoffrey Chopping given by Kathleen Chopping.



This Week at St. Timothy's

- *Morning Prayer with a Thought for the Day* will be broadcast online via Zoom **every morning (Monday to Friday) at 9:30am.**
- *ESL Conversation and Practice* every **Tuesday at 11:00am** in Soward Hall.
- *Tuesday Tea* every week **from 2:00 – 3:00pm** in Rev. Irina's office.
- *Meditation Through Art* (non-religious) **every Wednesday at 10:00am** in the Library.
- *Mid-Week Eucharist* every **Wednesday at 11:30am.**
- *St. Andrew's Group* meets in-person and online via Zoom **on Wednesday at 12:00nn** for lunch and fellowship.
- *Yoga Classes* conducted by Mandy Azhadi (\$20 per class paid directly to the instructor) **every Thursday** in Soward Hall.
 - **Chair Yoga at 10:00am:** classes for older adults and those experiencing mobility or other challenges.
 - **Mat Yoga at 11:00am:** Please bring your own mat.
- *St. Tim's Breakfast Club* on **Saturday, May 11th at 9:00am.** All are welcome. Cost is \$10 per adult & \$5 per child. Please confirm your attendance to Alan Flint

flint.novex@gmail.com so the volunteers preparing will know how many to cater for.

- **Next Sunday, May 12th – *The Sunday of the Ascension***
 - **8:30am: Adult Christian Education** in the Parlour.
 - **10:00am: Holy Eucharist** with Children's Programming
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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; Chris, our National Indigenous Archbishop; Andrew, Riscylla and Kevin, our college of bishops; Irina, our incumbent; Carol, our Asst. Curate; Ann, our Honorary Assistant.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: New Curates of the Diocese of Toronto.

Outreach Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. Francis of Assisi, its Christmas hampers, and support of local food security programs and the Pikangikum water project;

for St. George Memorial, Oshawa, its monthly community lunch offering toiletries and gently-used clothing, participation in the Mary Street school breakfast program and St. Vincent soup kitchen, prayer shawl ministry to the community and St. Michael's Hospital, crafts for overseas

and weekly Fill in the Gap drop-in from November through March;

and for St. George on Yonge, its bimonthly distribution of gift cards, involvement in refugee resettlement, ESL classes, support of the local food bank, and hosting of a Creative Inclusion program for Ukrainian refugee children and families.

Our Community: Melrose Baptist Church.

Our Parish Families: Linda Kirmiziyan; John & Mary Kirton; Paul, Crystal, Daphne & Clara Kraft; Moira, Kevin, Jack & Andy Krempulec; Lanadee Lampman; Blair, Kaelin, Kaira & Keegan Liburd and Odette Walker; Sydney & June Liburd; Elizabeth Loach; Carol Logan; Gregory Ludlow.

Those Celebrating Birthdays: Paul Kelly (5th); Jack Belgue (8th); Anne DeGrasse (9th); David Hill (10th); Alan Wilson (10th); Callan Hendershot (11th); Jenna Fletcher (11th); Frederick Gall (11th).

Those in Need: Doug Scott; Allethia Liburd; Julia Cuppini; David Scott; Nicholas; Gregory Ludlow; Myrna Robb; Barbara Brown; Sabrina Apitz-Grossman; Jack Nixon; Nilanthi; Colin Campbell; Jean Jones; Sheila Goodwin; Julie Western Set; Borje Charlesworth and his family; Patricia Vicari.

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Our Vision

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