

# Welcome to St Timothy's

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

## Morning Prayer

July 29th, 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.

# *Feria*

*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: Blessed are you, Sovereign God, creator of all,  
to you be glory and praise for ever.

You founded the earth in the beginning  
and the heavens are the work of your hands.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image,  
and in these last days you have spoken to us  
in your Son Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us  
let the light of your love always shine in our hearts,  
your Spirit ever renew our lives  
and your praises ever be on our lips.

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 56*

Be gracious to me, O God, for people trample on me;  
all day long foes oppress me;  
my enemies trample on me all day long,  
for many fight against me.

**O Most High, when I am afraid,**

**I put my trust in you.**

In God, whose word I praise,  
in God I trust; I am not afraid;  
what can flesh do to me?

**All day long they seek to injure my cause;**

**all their thoughts are against me for evil.**

They stir up strife, they lurk,  
they watch my steps.

**As they hoped to have my life,**

**so repay them for their crime;**

**in wrath cast down the peoples, O God!**

You have kept count of my tossings;  
put my tears in your bottle.

Are they not in your record?

**Then my enemies will retreat**

**on the day when I call.**

**This I know, that God is for me.**

In God, whose word I praise,  
in the Lord, whose word I praise,  
in God I trust; I am not afraid.

What can a mere mortal do to me?

**My vows to you I must perform, O God;  
I will render thank-offerings to you.**

For you have delivered my soul from death,  
and my feet from falling,  
so that I may walk before God  
in the light of life.

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*

I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deacon of the church at Cenchreae, so that you may welcome her in the Lord as is fitting for the saints, and help her in whatever she may require from you, for she has been a benefactor of many and of myself as well.

Greet Prisca and Aquila, who work with me in Christ Jesus, and who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles. Greet also the church in their house. Greet my beloved Epaenetus, who was the first convert in Asia for Christ. Greet Mary, who has worked very hard among you. Greet Andronicus and Junia, my relatives who were in prison with me; they are prominent among the apostles, and they were in Christ before

I was. Greet Ampliatus, my beloved in the Lord. Greet Urbanus, our co-worker in Christ, and my beloved Stachys. Greet Apelles, who is approved in Christ. Greet those who belong to the family of Aristobulus. Greet my relative Herodion. Greet those in the Lord who belong to the family of Narcissus. Greet those workers in the Lord, Tryphaena and Tryphosa. Greet the beloved Persis, who has worked hard in the Lord. Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord; and greet his mother—a mother to me also. Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas, and the brothers and sisters who are with them. Greet Philologus, Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.

*Romans 16: 1 – 16*

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### *Prayers of Intercession*

Leader: Let us pray together to the Lord, saying, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

Loving God, we thank you for your many gifts to us, for the love which brings us together, for the earth which provides for our needs, for the new life you have given us in Jesus Christ, (for . . .).

Let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray to you for our Christian family  
(especially for . . .) and for grace to grow in your  
love.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray to you for our world, for all its cares and  
needs, and for all who lead us and care for us,  
(especially . . .).

Let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray to you for those in need, for the sick and  
the lonely, for the hurt and the frightened, and for  
those who live without hope (especially . . .).

Let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for those we love who have died, that  
you will surround them with your care and love  
(especially . . .)

Let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for one another, asking you to bless us,  
our friends, and relatives. Bless the places where  
we work, bless our homes and our life together.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

**All: Amen.**

### *The Collect for the Day*

Leader: Almighty God,  
who sent your Holy Spirit  
to be the life and light of your Church:  
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
in love and joy and peace;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer*

Leader: 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: The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,  
and keep us in eternal life.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**