

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

January 13th, 2025 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.

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before the service begins.*

Welcome

Opening Sentences

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Leader: Your light springs up for the righteous

All: and all the peoples have seen your glory.

Leader: Blessed are you, Sovereign God,

king of the nations,

to you be praise and glory for ever.

From the rising of the sun to its setting

your name is proclaimed in all the world.

As the Sun of Righteousness dawns in our hearts

anoint our lips with the seal of your Spirit

that we may witness to your gospel

and sing your praise in all the earth.

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 4

Answer me when I call, O God of my right!

You gave me room when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

**How long, you people, shall my honour suffer
shame?**

**How long will you love vain words, and seek after
lies?**

But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself;
the Lord hears when I call to him.

**When you are disturbed, do not sin;
ponder it on your beds, and be silent.**

Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the Lord.

**There are many who say, 'O that we might see some
good!**

Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!

You have put gladness in my heart
more than when their grain and wine abound.

**I will both lie down and sleep in peace;
for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.**

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

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,
To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ
Jesus:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who
has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the
heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the
foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him
in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through
Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to
the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us
in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his
blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the
riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom
and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will,
according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as
a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him,
things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also
obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to
the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to

his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1: 1 - 14

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: From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord saying Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That the people of God in all the world may worship in spirit and in truth, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That the Church may discover again that unity which is the Father's will, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That the nations of the earth may seek after the ways that make for peace,
let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That the whole creation, groaning in travail, may be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of the children of God,
let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: That all who with Christ have entered the shadow of death may rest in peace and rise in glory,
let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us commend the world, to which Christ showed the way,
to the mercy and protection of God.

All: Amen.

The Collect for the Day

Leader: Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;

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: Believing the promises of God,
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 Christ, who sends us to the nations,
give us the power of his Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.