

# Welcome to St Timothy's

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

## Morning Prayer

January 16th, 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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*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: Your light springs up for the righteous

**All: and all the peoples have seen your glory.**

### *Jubilate – A Song of Joy*

O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.

**Know that the Lord is God;**

**it is he that has made us and we are his;**

**we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and bless his name.

**For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting,  
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.**

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.**

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 18: 16 – 19, 31 – 36*

He reached down from on high, he took me;  
he drew me out of mighty waters.

**He delivered me from my strong enemy,  
and from those who hated me;  
for they were too mighty for me.**

They confronted me in the day of my calamity;  
but the Lord was my support.

**He brought me out into a broad place;  
he delivered me, because he delighted in me.**

For who is God except the Lord?  
And who is a rock besides our God?—  
the God who girded me with strength,  
and made my way safe.

**He made my feet like the feet of a deer,  
and set me secure on the heights.**

He trains my hands for war,  
so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.

**You have given me the shield of your salvation,  
and your right hand has supported me;  
your help has made me great.**

You gave me a wide place for my steps under me,  
and my feet did not slip.

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*

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the

blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

*Ephesians 2: 11 – 22*

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.**