

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

March 12th, 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: Hear our voice, O Lord, according to your faithful
love,

All: according to your judgement give us life.

Leader: Blessed are you, God of compassion and mercy,
to you be praise and glory for ever.

In the darkness of our sin,
your light breaks forth like the dawn
and your healing springs up for deliverance.

As we rejoice in the gift of your saving help,
sustain us with your bountiful Spirit
and open our lips to sing your praise.

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 53

Fools say in their hearts, 'There is no God.'
They are corrupt, they commit abominable acts;
there is no one who does good.

**God looks down from heaven on humankind
to see if there are any who are wise,
who seek after God.**

They have all fallen away, they are all alike perverse;
there is no one who does good,
no, not one.

**Have they no knowledge, those evildoers,
who eat up my people as they eat bread,
and do not call upon God?**

There they shall be in great terror,
in terror such as has not been.

For God will scatter the bones of the ungodly;
they will be put to shame, for God has rejected them.

**O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!
When God restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.**

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

Take care, brothers and sisters, that none of you may have an evil, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called 'today', so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become partners of Christ, if only we hold our first confidence firm to the end. As it is said,

'Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.'

Now who were they who heard and yet were rebellious? Was it not all those who left Egypt under the leadership of Moses? But with whom was he angry for forty years? Was it not those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, if not to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

Hebrews 3: 12 – 19

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: In penitence and faith let us make our prayer to the Father and ask for his mercy and grace.

For your holy people, especially ...,
that they may triumph over evil and grow in
grace,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For candidates for baptism and confirmation,
that they may live by every word that proceeds
from your mouth,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the leaders of the nations,
that you will guide them in the ways of mercy
and truth,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For those who lead and serve this community
especially ...,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the needy,
that they may not be forgotten,
nor the hope of the poor be taken away,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the sick in body, mind and spirit, especially
...,
that they may know your power to heal,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For those who have died (especially ...),
that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven
and see you face to face,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

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

All: Amen.

The Collect for the Day

Leader: Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the
wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience
to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,

so may we know your power to save;
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: Trusting in the compassion 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 God our Redeemer show us compassion and
love.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.