

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

May 19th, 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.

Easter 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: In your resurrection, O Christ,

All: let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.

The Easter Anthems

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us:

so let us celebrate the feast,

not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:

death has no more dominion over him.

In dying he died to sin once for all:

in living he lives to God.

See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Christ has been raised from the dead:
the first fruits of those who sleep.**

For as by man came death:

by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;

for as in Adam all die:

even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

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 57

Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me,
for in you my soul takes refuge;
in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge,
until the destroying storms pass by.

I cry to God Most High,

to God who fulfils his purpose for me.

He will send from heaven and save me,
he will put to shame those who trample on me.
God will send forth his steadfast love and his faithfulness.

**I lie down among lions
that greedily devour human prey;
their teeth are spears and arrows,
their tongues sharp swords.**

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.
Let your glory be over all the earth.

**They set a net for my steps;
my soul was bowed down.**

They dug a pit in my path,
but they have fallen into it themselves.

**My heart is steadfast, O God,
my heart is steadfast.**

I will sing and make melody.

Awake, my soul!

Awake, O harp and lyre!

I will awake the dawn.

**I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among the nations.**

For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens;
your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.
Let your glory be over all the earth.**

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

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving. At the same time pray for us as well that God will open to us a door for the word, that we may declare the mystery of Christ, for which I am in prison, so that I may reveal it clearly, as I should.

Conduct yourselves wisely towards outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone.

Tychicus will tell you all the news about me; he is a beloved brother, a faithful minister, and a fellow-servant in the Lord. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, so that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts; he is coming with Onesimus, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you about everything here.

Aristarchus my fellow-prisoner greets you, as does Mark the cousin of Barnabas, concerning whom you have received instructions—if he comes to you, welcome him. And Jesus who is called Justus greets you. These are the only ones of the circumcision among my co-workers for the kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me. Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, greets you. He is always wrestling in his prayers on your behalf, so that you may stand mature and fully assured in everything that God wills. For I testify for him that he has worked hard for you and for those in Laodicea and in Hierapolis. Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas greet you. Give my greetings to the brothers and sisters in Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. And when this letter has been read

among you, have it read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you read also the letter from Laodicea. And say to Archippus, 'See that you complete the task that you have received in the Lord.'

I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you.

Colossians 4: 2 – 18

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: On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray
for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the
triumph of the cross:

Lord, receive our praise

All: and hear our prayer.

Leader: That all people may receive the good news of his
victory:

Lord, receive our praise

All: and hear our prayer.

Leader: That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection:
Lord, receive our praise
All: and hear our prayer.

Leader: That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ:
Lord, receive our praise
All: and hear our prayer.

Leader: That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ:
Lord, receive our praise
All: and hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead to the mercy and protection of God.
All: Amen.

The Collect for the Day

Leader: Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of
everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;

through Jesus Christ our risen 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: Rejoicing in God's new creation,
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 the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal
life.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!