Welcome to St Timothy's

The Fifth Sunday of Easter



"Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet... As I have loved you, so you must love one another." (John 13:14, 34b)

May 18, 2025 In-Person & Online Service at 10:00am

"Her Hands, Her Hair"

God does not promise to save you from suffering,

or to remove you from this life and its jagged edges.

God shares your space in it, offers blessing in it,

anointing your nights as well as days. The cross is no scheme to get you off a hook somewhere;

it's the Beloved, with you in your pain.

Let the Beloved pour herself out on your troubles,

let her pour out a jar of tears for you, wipe your aching feet with her hair. Let the whole house of you be filled with the fragrance of God's blessing. Others don't feel your pain but she does, they will flee but she will be with you.

Lay before her your sorrows and your rage. Feel her hands upon you, her hair, her heart. You are in the holy of holies. The world's derision fades away outside the gate. She looks at you with love that will stay with you forever.

- by Steve Garnass-Holmes (2019)

The Gathering of the Community

 Prelude:
 Selected Short Voluntaries
 (Edward Elgar)

 (Performed by Edward Connell)

Processional Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

486, Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

> Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee,

changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

(Blaenwern)

Opening Sentences

Celebrant:	Alleluia! Christ is risen.	
People:	The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia !	
Celebrant:	May his grace and peace be with you.	
People:	May he fill our hearts with joy.	
Celebrant: All:	Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.	

The Gloria (sung)

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant:	Let us pray. Almighty God,
	your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and
	the life.
	Give us grace to love one another
	and walk in the way of his commandments,
	who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
	Spirit,
	one God, now and for ever.
All:	Amen.

(Please be seated)

(The children will come up to the front for the message)

Children's Message

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

read by Lucas Dubinski

The apostles and the believers in Judea heard that non-Jewish people had accepted God's teaching too. So Peter explained the whole story to them. He said, "I was in the city of Joppa. While I was praying, I had a vision. In the vision, I saw something which looked like a big sheet coming down from heaven. It was being lowered to earth by its four corners. It came down very close to me, and I looked inside it. I saw animals, wild beasts, reptiles, and birds. I heard a voice say to me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.' But I said, 'No, Lord! I have never eaten anything that is unholy or unclean.' This happened three times. Then the whole thing was taken back to heaven. Then I remembered the words of the Lord. He said, 'John baptized in water, but you will be baptized in the Holy Spirit!' God gave to them the same gift that he gave to us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ. So could I stop the work of God? No!"

Acts 11: 1 – 17 (selected verses) (ICB)

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reader: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148

led by Deborah Brooks

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; * praise him in the heights. Praise him, all you angels of his; * praise him, all his host. Praise him, sun and moon; * praise him, all you shining stars. Praise him, heaven of heavens, * and you waters above the heavens. Praise the Lord from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps; Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars: Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and winged birds; Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world; Praise the Lord. Hallelujah! 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.

A Reading from the Book of Revelation

read by David Dimick

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Revelation 21: 1 – 6 (NRSV)

Silence is kept for reflection.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. To God with the Lamb and the Dove, all honour and praise we commend. As was, and is, in truth and love, and ever shall be without end. Alleluia, alleluia.

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The Gospel	(Please remain standing as you are able)
Priest: People:	The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Priest:	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People:	Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

John 13: 31 – 35 (NRSV)

Priest:The Gospel of Christ.People:Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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(Please be seated)

Homily

The Rev. Irina Dubinski

Silence is kept.

For Rev. Irina's blog visit <u>https://irinasart.ca/spiritual-reflections/</u> or scan the QR code.



Questions to Consider

1. Where do I notice God 'washing my feet'; that is experience unexpected mercy, tenderness, or renewal

throughout my day? Do I sometimes resist this ongoing care?

- 2. The old commandment was to love your neighbour as yourself. The new is to love as God loves you. In what ways is God's love for me more generous, patient, and forgiving than how I love even myself?
- 3. Where today do I need to ask for grace to love someone beyond what feels easy or natural? Are there daily moments when I can silently serve others without seeking recognition?

(Please remain seated for the Anthem)

Anthem:

If Ye Love Me

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever; E'en the sp'rit of truth.

(Thomas Tallis)

The Affirmation of Faith

Celebrant: Let us declare our faith and hope in God. All: We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People

led by Anne Seymour

(Please adopt the pose most comfortable for you during the prayers of the people and respond as indicated.)

Leader: All:	we pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
Celebrant:	O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal. Hear our prayers and receive them for the sake of the crucified and risen one, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
All:	Amen.

The Peace	(Please stand as you are able)
Celebrant:	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People:	And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

429, For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies, Christ our God, to thee we raise this, our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, Christ our God, to thee we raise this, our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight, Christ our God, to thee we raise this, our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, Christ our God, to thee we raise this, our sacrifice of praise. For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven, Christ our God, to thee we raise this, our sacrifice of praise.

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You can also donate online through Canada Helps – just open your camera app and scan this code.



If the collection plate doesn't reach you and you have a donation, please hand it to a greeter as you leave the church.

Prayer over the Gifts

(Please stand as you are able)

Celebrant: Let us pray. All: Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen. (Please adopt the pose most comfortable for you - stand, sit or kneel)

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with your spirit.
Celebrant: People:	Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant: People:	Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do.
Celebrant:	It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things.
	Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name; evermore praising you and saying.
All (sung):	Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.Hosanna in the highest.Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.Hosanna in the highest.
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Celebrant: Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto

you, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of your tender mercy did give your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;

who made there,

by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction,

for the sins of the whole world;

and did institute,

and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech you; and grant that we receiving these your creatures of bread and wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread;

and, when he had given thanks, he broke it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you:

Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink you all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as you shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father,

Lord of heaven and earth,

we your humble servants,

with all your holy Church,

remembering the precious death of your beloved Son,

his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before you,

in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation,

the memorial which he has commanded:

And we entirely desire your fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,

most humbly beseeching you to grant, that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all your whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of your Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with your grace and heavenly benediction: through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto you, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

People:

Celebrant:	And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us	
	we are bold to say,	
All (sung):	Our Father in heaven,	
-	hallowed be your name,	
	your kingdom come,	
	your will be done,	
	on earth as in heaven.	
	Give us today our daily bread.	
	Forgive us our sins	
	as we forgive those who sin against us.	
	Save us from the time of trial,	
	and deliver us from evil.	
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For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant:	Lord, we died with you on the cross.	
All:	Now we are raised to new life.	
Celebrant: All:	We were buried in your tomb. Now we share in your resurrection.	
Celebrant:	Live in us, that we may live in you.	

The Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Pascha Nostrum (sung by all)

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us; therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast; forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. Alleluia! (*Engelberg*)

All persons are welcome to receive Communion or a blessing as appropriate at our services. You may choose to receive both the bread and the wine or just the bread. Gluten free wafers are available. Please ask the priest for these as you come to receive. If you choose to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest as you stand at the altar rail.

Communion Hymns:

(Congregational singing while seated)

596, O Holy City, Seen of John

O holy city, seen of John, where Christ, the Lamb, doth reign, within whose foursquare walls shall come no night, nor need, nor pain, and where the tears are wiped from eyes that shall not weep again!

O shame to us who rest content while lust and greed for gain in street and shop and tenement wring gold from human pain, and bitter lips in blind despair cry, "Christ hath died in vain!"

Give us, O God, the strength to build the city that hath stood too long a dream, whose laws are love, whose crown is servanthood, and where the sun that shineth is God's grace for human good. Already in the mind of God that city riseth fair. Lo, how its splendour challenges the souls that greatly dare, yea, bids us seize the whole of life and build its glory there!

(Morning Song 219)

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples of the Lord

Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord, to help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword, to feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast, to serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.

God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race to live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace. But we are vain and sadly proud; we sow not peace but strife. Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.

Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream, with righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem. For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease, a world that was created for a harmony of peace. May we in service to our God act out the living word, and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard. As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord to God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord. *(Kingsfold 508)*

Prayer afte	r Communion	(Please stand as you are able)	
Celebrant:	Let us pray.		
All:	God of love,		
	in this eucharist we have heard your truth		
	and shared in your li	fe.	
	May we always walk	in your way,	
	in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.		

Doxology

Celebrant:	Glory to God,	
All:	whose power, working in us,	
	can do infinitely more	
	than we can ask or imagine.	
	Glory to God from generation to generation,	
	in the Church and in Christ Jesus,	
	for ever and ever. Amen.	

The Blessing

Celebrant: May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Community Notices

(Please be seated)

Recessional Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

388, Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode. On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou mayest smile at all thy foes.

See! The streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove. Who can faint, when such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage? Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age. Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a covering -showing that the Lord is near. Thus they march, the pillar leading, light by night, and shade by day; daily on the manna feeding which God gives them when they pray.

Saviour, if of Zion's city I through grace a member am, let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy name. Fading is the world's best pleasure, all its boasted pomp or show: solid joys and lasting treasures none but Zion's children know.

(Austria)

The Dismissal

Deacon:Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!People:Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 (Edward Elgar) (Performed by Edward Connell)



Prayer List:

Please pray with us this morning and

throughout this week for the following:

The Anglican Church of Canada: Anne, our Metropolitan & acting Primate; Chris, our National Indigenous Archbishop; Andrew, Riscylla and Kevin, our college of bishops; Irina, our Incumbent; Carol, our Asst. Curate; Ann, our Honorary Assistant; Jonathan, our Lay Pastoral Associate.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Scarborough Deanery.

Outreach Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. George, Pickering Village, its ministry providing food and community through the Community Garden and Thursday Lunch programs, its knitting ministry, support of migrant workers, Joanne's House for homeless youth, Herizon House refuge for women and children fleeing domestic abuse, and ongoing advocacy for the Duffin's Creek watershed; for St. Hilary, Cooksville, its community garden, weekly food cupboard and holiday hampers, backpacks and school supplies for children in Mississauga and Ghana, knitted items for patients at Trillium Hospital, bed mats, and international relief efforts for natural disasters;

and for St. Hugh and St. Edmund, and its community youth ministry.

Our Area Community: Korean Onnuri United Church.

Our Parish Families: Daryl, Christine, Meghan, Adam & Kaelyn Papoushek, Kevin & Jane Pask, Fred & Mary Pember, Ingrid Perry & Tori Peacock, Marjorie Pierce, Ronald Potts, Elaine Psaila, Stephen Psaila, Brenda Rathbone, Taylor & Jordyn Ross, John & Jane Ready.

Those Celebrating Birthdays: Sean Juriansz (18th), Penney Deratnay (20th), Christine Papoushek (20th), Alan Dennis (21st), Graydon Scott (22nd), Laura Harshly (23rd), Natasha Carew (24th).

Those in Need: Doug Scott; Allethia Liburd; Nicholas; Myrna Robb; Jean Jones; Rosina Warton; Linda Brovold; Muriel Sutherland; Liz Snip; Carol Stittle; Barbara Taylor.

Flower Memorial

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God,

in loving memory of my husband, John, given by Rosina Warton and our parents John & Anita Liburd and aunt Ida Kelly given by Rosina Warton and Sydney Liburd.



Coffee Hour



A warm welcome is extended especially to all visitors and newcomers. Please join us for refreshments in Soward Hall. Your hosts today will be Janet Fraser and Rosina Warton. **Gluten free** options are available.

New to St. Tim's?

Are you new to St. Tim's? Welcome! We are glad you have chosen to join us.

Please consider completing a **Newcomer Information Card** (*ask a member of the Welcome Team*) or contact Ashani directly

416-488-0079 or <u>office@sttimothy.ca</u> so that we can accurately record your information in the parish directory and ensure you are kept up to date with news and events.

Week of May 19th to 23rd

The office is closed on Monday, May 19th due to Victoria Day.



The Office is open for in-person drop ins on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>Wednesday & Thursday</u> this week from 10:00am – 3:00pm.

Please call ahead and <u>make an</u> <u>appointment</u> if you wish to meet with a specific member of the clergy or staff.

Ashani is on vacation from May 12th to June 4th. Please contact the wardens or Rev. Irina if your inquiry needs immediate attention.

This Week at St. Timothy's

- Morning Prayer with a Thought for the Day will be broadcast online via Zoom every morning, Monday to Friday at 9:30am.
- ESL Reading & Career Mentoring Groups meet on alternate Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Loft.

- ESL Conversation and Practice every Tuesday at 11:00am in Soward Hall.
- Open Church Hour every week on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 2:00-3:00pm.
 The church will be open for drop-in quiet prayer, and if desired, pastoral care and time with the clergy.
- Contemplative Art every Wednesday at 10:00am in the Library. All materials provided. Open to all.
- Mid-Week Eucharist on Wednesdays at 11:30am.
- St. Andrew's Group meets in-person & online via Zoom on Wednesdays at 12:00nn for lunch and fellowship.
- Next Sunday, May 25th The Sixth Sunday of Easter
 - 8:30am: Adult Christian Education in the Parlour
 - **10:00am:** Holy Eucharist with Children's Programming

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