

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

July 8th, 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.

A Song of God's Righteousness

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me bless his holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits;**

Who forgives all your sins
and heals all your infirmities;

**Who redeems your life from the Pit
and crowns you with faithful love and compassion;**

Who satisfies you with good things,
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

**The Lord executes righteousness
and judgement for all who are oppressed.**

He made his ways known to Moses
and his works to the children of Israel.

**The Lord has established his throne in heaven,
and his kingdom has dominion over all.**

Bless the Lord, you angels of his,
you mighty ones who do his bidding
and hearken to the voice of his word.

**Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,
you ministers of his who do his will.**

Bless the Lord, all you works of his,
in all places of his dominion;
bless the Lord, O my soul.

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 5

Give ear to my words, O Lord;
give heed to my sighing.

**Listen to the sound of my cry,
my King and my God,
for to you I pray.**

O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice;
in the morning I plead my case to you, and watch.

**For you are not a God who delights in wickedness;
evil will not sojourn with you.**

The boastful will not stand before your eyes;
you hate all evildoers.

**You destroy those who speak lies;
the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful.**

But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,
will enter your house,

I will bow down towards your holy temple
in awe of you.

**Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness
because of my enemies;
make your way straight before me.**

For there is no truth in their mouths;
their hearts are destruction;
their throats are open graves;
they flatter with their tongues.

**Make them bear their guilt, O God;
let them fall by their own counsels;
because of their many transgressions cast them out,
for they have rebelled against you.**

But let all who take refuge in you rejoice;
let them ever sing for joy.
Spread your protection over them,
so that those who love your name may exult in you.

**For you bless the righteous, O Lord;
you cover them with favour as with a shield.**

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

Saul said to Samuel, 'I have sinned; for I have transgressed the commandment of the Lord and your words, because I feared the people and obeyed their voice. Now therefore, I pray, pardon my sin, and return with me, so that I may worship the Lord.' Samuel said to Saul, 'I will not return with you; for you have rejected the word of the Lord, and the Lord has rejected you from being king over Israel.' As Samuel turned to go away, Saul caught hold of the hem of his robe, and it tore. And Samuel said to him, 'The Lord has torn the kingdom of Israel from you this very day, and has given it to a neighbour of yours, who is better than you. Moreover, the Glory of Israel will not recant or change his mind; for he is not a mortal, that he should change his mind.' Then Saul said, 'I have sinned; yet honour me now before the elders of my people and before Israel, and return with me, so that I may worship the Lord your God.' So Samuel turned back after Saul; and Saul worshipped the Lord.

Then Samuel said, 'Bring Agag king of the Amalekites here to me.' And Agag came to him haltingly. Agag said, 'Surely this is the bitterness of death.' But Samuel said,

'As your sword has made women childless,
so your mother shall be childless among women.'

And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before the Lord in Gilgal.

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

1 Samuel 15: 24 – 35

Reader: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

All: Thanks be to God.

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: Lord God, through your grace we are your people; through your Son you have redeemed us; in your Spirit you have made us your own.

We pray for ... (the Church)
Make our hearts respond to your love.
Lord, receive our praise,

All: and hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for ... (the world)
Make our lives bear witness to your glory in the world.

All: Lord, receive our praise,
and hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for ... (the sick and those in need)
Make our wills eager to obey, and our hands
ready to heal.

All: Lord, receive our praise,
and hear our prayer.

Leader: We give you thanks for ... (those who have died)
Make our voices one with all your people in
heaven and on earth.

All: Lord, receive our praise,
and hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we
pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

All: **Amen.**

The Collect for the Day

Leader: Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your
service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
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: 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: The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,
 and keep us in eternal life.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.