

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

July 28th, 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 Compassion

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

**He will not always accuse us,
neither will he keep his anger for ever.**

He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

**For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his mercy upon those who fear him.**

As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he set our sins from us.

**As a father has compassion on his children,
so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him.**

For he knows of what we are made;
he remembers that we are but dust.

**Our days are but as grass;
we flourish as a flower of the field;**

For as soon as the wind goes over it, it is gone,
and its place shall know it no more.

**But the merciful goodness of the Lord is from of old
and endures for ever on those who fear him,
and his righteousness on children's children;**

On those who keep his covenant
and remember his commandments to do them.

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 56

Be gracious to me, O God, for people trample on me;
all day long foes oppress me;
my enemies trample on me all day long,
for many fight against me.

**O Most High, when I am afraid,
I put my trust in you.**

In God, whose word I praise,
in God I trust; I am not afraid;
what can flesh do to me?

**All day long they seek to injure my cause;
all their thoughts are against me for evil.**

They stir up strife, they lurk,
they watch my steps.

**As they hoped to have my life,
so repay them for their crime;
in wrath cast down the peoples, O God!**

You have kept count of my tossings;
put my tears in your bottle.
Are they not in your record?

**Then my enemies will retreat
on the day when I call.**

This I know, that God is for me.

In God, whose word I praise,
in the Lord, whose word I praise,
in God I trust; I am not afraid.

**What can a mere mortal do to me?
My vows to you I must perform, O God;
I will render thank-offerings to you.**

For you have delivered my soul from death,
and my feet from falling,
so that I may walk before God in the light of life.

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

After this David inquired of the Lord, 'Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah?' The Lord said to him, 'Go up.' David said, 'To which shall I go up?' He said, 'To Hebron.' So David went up there, along with his two wives, Ahinoam of Jezreel, and Abigail the widow of Nabal of Carmel. David brought up the men who were with him, every one with his household; and they settled in the towns of Hebron. Then the people of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah.

When they told David, 'It was the people of Jabesh-gilead who buried Saul', David sent messengers to the people of Jabesh-gilead, and said to them, 'May you be blessed by the Lord, because you showed this loyalty to Saul your lord, and buried him! Now may the Lord show steadfast love and faithfulness to you! And I too will reward you because you have done this thing. Therefore let your hands be strong, and be valiant; for Saul your lord is dead, and the house of Judah has anointed me king over them.'

But Abner son of Ner, commander of Saul's army, had taken Ishbaal son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim. He made him king over Gilead, the Ashurites, Jezreel, Ephraim, Benjamin, and over all Israel. Ishbaal, Saul's son, was forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and he reigned for two years. But the house of Judah followed David. The time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six months.

2 Samuel 2: 1 – 11

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world,
and let us thank God for his goodness.

That this day may be holy, good and joyful ...
let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord, send your Spirit.

Leader: For the unity of the Church in witness and
proclamation of the Gospel ...
let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord, send your Spirit.

Leader: For the peace and stability of all peoples and for
the leaders of the nations ...
let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord, send your Spirit.

Leader: That we may strive for the well-being of all
creation ...

let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord, send your Spirit.

Leader: For places of work, education and leisure ...

For a blessing on our homes; for our relations and
friends and all whom we love ...

let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord, send your Spirit.

Leader: For the sick and suffering and all who minister to
their needs ...

let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord, send your Spirit.

Leader: For those who have died (especially ...)

let us pray to the Lord:

All: Lord, send your Spirit.

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: Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding;
pour into our hearts such love toward you

that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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.