

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

September 15th, 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: Blessed are you, Sovereign God, creator of all,
to you be glory and praise for ever.
You founded the earth in the beginning
and the heavens are the work of your hands.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
and in these last days you have spoken to us
in your Son Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.
As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among
us
let the light of your love always shine in our
hearts,
your Spirit ever renew our lives
and your praises ever be on our lips.
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 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

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of
God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are
sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all
those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus
Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace
of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every

way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

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: 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: Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to
yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,

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.