

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

September 16th, 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 61

Hear my cry, O God;
listen to my prayer.

**From the end of the earth I call to you,
when my heart is faint.**

Lead me to the rock that is higher than I;
for you are my refuge,
a strong tower against the enemy.

**Let me abide in your tent for ever,
find refuge under the shelter of your wings.**

For you, O God, have heard my vows;
you have given me the heritage of those who fear your
name.

**Prolong the life of the king;
may his years endure to all generations!**

May he be enthroned for ever before God;
appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him!

**So I will always sing praises to your name,
as I pay my vows day after day.**

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

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is
the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the
wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the

world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

1 Corinthians 1: 20 - 31

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: 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.

Lord, receive our praise,

All: 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.

Lord, receive our praise,

All: 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.

Lord, receive our praise,

All: 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,
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.