

Welcome to St Timothy's

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

Morning Prayer

November 14th, 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: Your faithful servants bless you.

All: They make known the glory of your kingdom.

Leader: Blessed are you, Sovereign God,

ruler and judge of all,

to you be praise and glory for ever.

In the darkness of this age that is passing away
may the light of your presence which the saints
enjoy

surround our steps as we journey on.

May we reflect your glory this day

and so be made ready to see your face

in the heavenly city where night shall be no more.

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 88

O Lord, God of my salvation,
when, at night, I cry out in your presence,
let my prayer come before you;
incline your ear to my cry.

**For my soul is full of troubles,
and my life draws near to Sheol.**

I am counted among those who go down to the Pit;
I am like those who have no help,
like those forsaken among the dead,
like the slain that lie in the grave,

**like those whom you remember no more,
for they are cut off from your hand.**

You have put me in the depths of the Pit,
in the regions dark and deep.

**Your wrath lies heavy upon me,
and you overwhelm me with all your waves.**

You have caused my companions to shun me;
you have made me a thing of horror to them.

**I am shut in so that I cannot escape;
my eye grows dim through sorrow.**

Every day I call on you, O Lord;

I spread out my hands to you.

Do you work wonders for the dead?

Do the shades rise up to praise you?

Is your steadfast love declared in the grave,
or your faithfulness in Abaddon?

**Are your wonders known in the darkness,
or your saving help in the land of forgetfulness?**

But I, O Lord, cry out to you;

in the morning my prayer comes before you.

O Lord, why do you cast me off?

Why do you hide your face from me?

Wretched and close to death from my youth up,
I suffer your terrors; I am desperate.

Your wrath has swept over me;

your dread assaults destroy me.

They surround me like a flood all day long;
from all sides they close in on me.

**You have caused friend and neighbour to shun me;
my companions are in darkness.**

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

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Matthew 16: 13 - 20

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: Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us make our prayer in the power of the Spirit,
looking to Jesus the pioneer of our faith.
That with the noble fellowship of the prophets
we may discern the signs of your kingdom in our
midst,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the Anglican Church of Canada and ... our
bishops and clergy. That with the glorious
company of the apostles we and they may
proclaim your gospel throughout the world,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That with the white-robed army of martyrs
we may be ready to suffer for the truth's sake,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That with all who are anointed by your Spirit
we may bring good news to the poor, freedom to
the oppressed, comfort to those who are ill or in
need of our prayers especially
We pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That with all the saints in light we may bind up
the brokenhearted and comfort all who mourn,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That within the whole company of Christ's
pilgrim people, (... and) we may come to the
inheritance of the saints in glory,
we pray to you, O Lord:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: In communion with all the saints, let us commend
the world to the mercy and protection of God.

All: Amen.

The Collect for the Day

Leader: Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
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: Uniting our prayers with the whole company of
 heaven,
 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: May Christ, who has opened the kingdom of
 heaven,
 bring us to reign with him in glory.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.