

# Welcome to St Timothy's

## The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany



February 8th, 2026  
In-Person & Online Service at 10:00am

## You Are the Salt of the Earth

You are the salt of the earth  
Called to be medicinal  
And deter decay;  
Called by the Great Physician- the Way,  
To heal sin-sick souls.

You are the salt of the earth;  
Called to ignite gloom-filled lives,  
With long-lasting love from above.

You are the salt of the earth  
Placed here to purify and edify  
Born to beautify and magnify the Most High;  
Placed to preserve and protect that which is  
good.

You are the salt of the earth;  
A seed sown to season tasteless lives;  
Bring music to mournful souls;  
Bring the brightness of the sun and the Son  
To those who moan and groan in the dark.

- by *fennywest*

*Singer/Songwriter Composer, born in Nigeria,  
currently living in the UK*

## The Gathering of the Community

*Prelude: Song 34: Let there be light, O God of hosts! Let there be wisdom on the earth!* (C. V. Stanford)  
(Performed by Edward Connell)

**Processional Hymn:** (Please stand as you are able)

### 387, All Praise to Thee

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine,  
didst yield the glory that of right was thine,  
that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou cam'st to us, in lowliness of thought;  
by thee the outcast and the poor were sought,  
and by thy death was God's salvation wrought:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let this mind be in us which was in thee,  
who wast a servant, that we might be free,  
humbling thyself to death on Calvary:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou  
art high exalted o'er all creatures now,  
and given the name to which all knees shall bow:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let every tongue confess with one accord  
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord:  
and God the Father be by all adored:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

(*Sine Nomine*)

## *Opening Sentences*

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## *Gloria (sung)*

All: **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*(Page 3 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet.)*

***The Collect of the Day***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

*(The children will come up to the front for the message)*

***Children's Message***

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**The Proclamation of the Word**

***A Reading from the Book of Isaiah***

“You should stop making trouble for others. You should stop using cruel words and pointing your finger at others. You should feed those who are hungry. You should take care of the needs of those who are troubled. Then your light will

shine in the darkness. And you will be bright like sunshine at noon. The Lord will always lead you. He will satisfy your needs in dry lands. He will give strength to your bones. You will be like a garden that has much water. You will be like a spring that never runs dry. Your people will rebuild the old cities that are now in ruins. You will rebuild the foundations of these ancient cities. You will be known for repairing the broken places. You will be known for rebuilding the roads and houses.

*Isaiah 58: 9b - 12 (ICB)*

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**Reader:** Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.  
**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

### *Psalm 112: 1 - 10*

Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
and have great delight in his commandments!

**Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \***  
**the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last for ever.

**Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \***  
**the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
and to manage their affairs with justice.

**They have given freely to the poor, \***  
**and their righteousness stands fast for ever;**  
**they will hold up their head with honour.**

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.**

*A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians*

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him' — Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

**1 Corinthians 2: 6 – 9, 12 (NRSV)**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**Reader:** Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.  
**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Acclamation*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**O Radiant Christ**

Your glory shone at Jordan's stream,  
the font where we were born anew.  
Attune your church to know you near;  
illumine all we say and do.

*(Old 100th 666)*

***The Gospel***

*(Please remain standing as you are able)*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to Matthew.

**People:** **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil.

For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.'

***Matthew 5: 13 - 20 (NRSV)***

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

**People:** **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## *Gospel Acclamation*

### **O Radiant Christ**

O Light of Nations, fill the earth;  
our faith and hope and love renew.  
Come, lead the peoples to your peace,  
as stars once led the way to you.

*(Old 100th 666)*

## *Homily*

*Jonathan Kang*

*Silence is kept.*

*(Please remain seated for the Anthem)*

## *Anthem:*

### **This Little Light of Mine**

This little light of mine,  
I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine,  
I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine,  
I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Oh, ev'rywhere I go,  
I'm gonna let it shine.  
Ev'rywhere I go,  
I'm gonna let it shine.  
Ev'rywhere I go,  
I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

All through the night,  
I'm gonna let it shine.  
All through the night,  
I'm gonna let it shine.  
All through the night,  
I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

*(Spiritual, arr. W. B. Roberts)*

*(Soloists: Karina Bray, Olivier Laquerre)*

### ***The Affirmation of Faith***

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Celebrant: Jesus Christ said:

All: **the Lord our God, the Lord is one.**  
**Love the Lord your God**  
**with all your heart, with all your soul,**  
**with all your mind,**  
**and with all your strength.**  
**This is the first and the great commandment.**  
**The second is like it:**  
**Love your neighbour as yourself.**  
**There is no commandment greater than these.**  
**Amen.**

### ***Prayers of the People***

*(Please adopt the pose most comfortable for you - stand, sit or kneel  
- and respond as indicated.)*

Leader: ... Light of the world;

All: **shine in our lives.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, you sent your only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Hear our prayers and help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

### *Confession and Absolution*

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: **we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins,

confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People:** Amen.

***The Peace***

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

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## **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

***Offertory Hymn:***

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**585, Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**

Lord, whose love in humble service  
bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross, forsaken,  
worked your mercy's perfect deed:  
we, your servants, bring the worship  
not of voice alone, but heart;  
consecrating to your purpose  
every gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless;  
still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom;  
still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion

healed the sick and freed the soul,  
by your Spirit send your power  
to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision,  
till your love's revealing light  
in its height and depth and greatness  
dawns upon our quickened sight,  
making known the needs and burdens  
your compassion bids us bear,  
stirring us to ardent service,  
your abundant life to share.

*(Beach Spring)*

*If you wish to make a donation and would like to use a donation envelope, they are available at the back of the church.*

*All cheques should be made payable to Church of St. Timothy.*

*You can also donate online through Canada Helps – just open your camera app and scan this code.*



*If the collection plate doesn't reach you and you have a donation, please hand it to a greeter as you leave the church.*

***Prayer over the Gifts***

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **God of compassion and forgiveness,  
receive our offering this day,  
and make us one with him who is our peace,  
Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

*(Please adopt the pose most comfortable for you - stand, sit or kneel)*

### ***Eucharistic Prayer A***

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And with your spirit.**

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People:** **It is meet and right so to do.**

**Celebrant:** It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,  
that we should at all times, and in all places,  
give thanks unto you,  
O Lord, holy Father,  
almighty, everlasting God,  
creator and preserver of all things.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we laud and magnify your glorious name;  
evermore praising you and saying.

**All (sung):** **Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

*(Page 10 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)*

**Celebrant:** Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto you,  
almighty God, our heavenly Father,

who of your tender mercy did give your only  
Son Jesus Christ  
to take our nature upon him,  
and to suffer death upon the cross for our  
redemption;  
who made there,  
by his one oblation of himself once offered,  
a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation,  
and satisfaction,  
for the sins of the whole world;  
and did institute,  
and in his holy Gospel command us to continue,  
a perpetual memorial of that his precious death,  
until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father,  
we most humbly beseech you;  
and grant that we receiving these your  
creatures of bread and wine,  
according to your Son  
our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,  
in remembrance of his death and passion,  
may be partakers of his most blessed body and  
blood;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread;  
and, when he had given thanks, he broke it;  
and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for  
you:  
Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup;  
and when he had given thanks,  
he gave it to them, saying,  
"Drink you all, of this; for this is my blood of the  
new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the remission of sins:  
Do this, as oft as you shall drink it,  
in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
we your humble servants,  
with all your holy Church,  
remembering the precious death of your beloved  
Son,  
his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again in glory,  
do make before you,  
in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life  
and the cup of everlasting salvation,  
the memorial which he has commanded:

And we entirely desire your fatherly goodness  
mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise  
and thanksgiving,  
most humbly beseeching you to grant,  
that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus  
Christ,  
and through faith in his blood,  
we and all your whole Church  
may obtain remission of our sins,  
and all other benefits of his passion;

And we pray that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
all we who are partakers of this holy communion  
may be fulfilled with your grace and heavenly benediction;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom and with whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be unto you,  
O Father Almighty, world without end.

**People:** Amen.

### *The Lord's Prayer*

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

**All (sung): Our Father in heaven,**  
**hallowed be your name,**  
**your kingdom come,**  
**your will be done,**  
**on earth as in heaven.**  
**Give us today our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins**  
**as we forgive those who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial,**  
**and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power,**  
**and the glory are yours,**  
**now and for ever. Amen.**

*(Page 14 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)*

## *The Breaking of the Bread*

Celebrant: We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.

All: **God here among us, light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

## *The Communion*

Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## *Agnus Dei (sung by all)*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
Grant us peace.**

*(Page 16 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)*

*All persons are welcome to receive **Communion or a Blessing** as appropriate at our services. You may choose to receive both the bread and the wine or just the bread. Gluten free wafers are available. Please ask the priest for these as you come to receive. If you choose to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest as you stand at the altar rail.*

*If you would like to receive an **Anointing**, please proceed to the chapel on the right where one of the anointers will meet with you.*

*Communion Hymns: (Congregational singing while seated)*

**645, Come Down, O Live Divine**

Come down, O Love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round,  
the while my path illumining.

Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till they become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

*(Down Ampney)*

## 548, Eye Has Not Seen, Ear Has Not Heard

### *Refrain*

**Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what you have ready  
for those who love you;  
Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus, teach us  
your wisdom, O Lord.**

When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, O  
Lord,  
forgive the weakness of our faith, and bear us up within  
your peaceful word.

### *Refrain*

Our lives are but a single breath, we flower and we fade,  
yet all our days are in your hands, so we return in love what  
love has made.

### *Refrain*

To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near,  
reflected in the faces of all the poor and lowly of the world.

### *Refrain*

We sing a mystery from the past in halls where saints have  
trod,  
yet ever new the music rings to Jesus, Living Song of God.

### *Refrain*

*(Eye Has Not Seen)*

## *Prayer after Communion*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All:** Eternal God, in you we find peace beyond all telling. May we who share in this heavenly banquet be instruments of your peace on earth, in the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen.

*The Blessing*

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always.

**All:** **Amen.**

*Community Notices*

*(Please be seated)*

*Recessional Hymn:*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**502, You Are Salt for the Earth**

You are salt for the earth, O people,  
salt for the kingdom of God!  
Share the flavour of life, O people:  
life in the kingdom of God!

*Refrain*

**Bring forth the kingdom of mercy,  
bring forth the kingdom of peace.  
Bring forth the kingdom of justice,  
bring forth the city of God!**

You are a light on the hill, O people,  
light for the kingdom of God!  
Shine so holy and bright, O people:  
shine for the kingdom of God!

*Refrain*

You are a seed of the word, O people,  
bring forth the kingdom of God!  
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,  
grow in the kingdom of God!

*Refrain*

We are a blest and a pilgrim people,  
bound for the kingdom of God!  
Love our journey and love our homeland:  
love is the kingdom of God!

*Refrain*

*(Bring Forth the Kingdom)*

### *The Dismissal*

**Priest:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

***Postlude: Postlude in d minor, Op. 105, No. 6***

*(C. V. Stanford)*  
*(Performed by Edward Connell)*

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# Our worship is over – our service begins.

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## Flower Memorial

The flowers in the church today  
are given by David, Douglas and  
Dale Scott, to the Glory of God  
**in loving memory of**  
**Ralph, Joan and Donn Scott.**

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## Coffee Hour

A warm welcome is extended especially  
to all visitors and newcomers. Please  
join us for refreshments in Soward Hall.

Your host today will be Gord and Rosemary Hendra.

Gluten free options are available.

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## New to St. Tim's?

*Are you new to St. Tim's?*

*Welcome! We are glad you have chosen to join us.*

Please consider completing a **Newcomer Information Card** (ask a member of the Welcome Team) or contact Ashani directly 416-488-0079 or [office@sttimothy.ca](mailto:office@sttimothy.ca) so that we can accurately record your information in the parish directory and ensure you are kept up to date with news and events.

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## This Week at St. Timothy's

- *Morning Prayer with a Thought for the Day* will be broadcast online via Zoom every morning, **Monday to Friday at 9:30am.**
- *The ESL Conversation and Practice Group* meets in the Children's Chapel on **Tuesdays at 10:00am.**
- *Open Church Hour* every week on **Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 1:00 - 2:00pm.**  
*The church will be accessible for drop-in quiet prayer, and if desired, pastoral care and time with the clergy. Please use the Ridley Boulevard entrance and ring the bell for access.*
- *Contemplative Art* every **Wednesday at 10:00am** in the Loft. *All materials provided. Open to all.*

- *St. Andrew's Group* meets online via Zoom on **Wednesdays at 12:00nn** for lunch and fellowship. Please contact Janet Fraser [janet.fraser@sympatico.ca](mailto:janet.fraser@sympatico.ca) for the link.
- **Next Sunday, February 15th – *The Last Sunday After Epiphany / Transfiguration Sunday***
  - **8:30am:** Adult Christian Education in the Parlour
  - **10:00am:** Holy Eucharist with Children's Programming

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## Week of February 9th to 13th



The Office is open for in-person drop ins on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday this week from 10:00am – 3:00pm.

Please call ahead and make an appointment if you wish to meet with a specific member of the clergy or staff.

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## Annual Vestry Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Vestry Meeting of the Church of St. Timothy, North Toronto, which will be held on **Sunday, February 22nd** after the 10am service.

This will be an in-person only meeting and will take place in Soward Hall with a light lunch served.

Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting however, in **order to vote**, one must have been a member of St. Timothy's for at least three months, attended regularly scheduled services of worship at St. Timothy's at least three times in the past year, be at least 16 years old and not voted as a member of any other vestry during the previous three months, nor intend to vote in any other vestry during the ensuing year.

For those who are interested in more in-depth financial information, a pre-vestry meeting will be held at 8:30am in the parlour the same day.

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