

# Welcome to St Timothy's

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



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.

# *Friday of Easter Week*

*Please turn off your video and mute yourself  
before the service begins.*

*Welcome*

## *Opening Sentences*

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

**All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Leader: In your resurrection, O Christ,

**All: let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.**

## *The Easter Anthems*

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us:  
so let us celebrate the feast,

**not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:  
death has no more dominion over him.

**In dying he died to sin once for all:  
in living he lives to God.**

See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Christ has been raised from the dead:  
the first fruits of those who sleep.**

For as by man came death:

by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;

**for as in Adam all die:**

**even so in Christ shall all be made alive.**

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 136: 1 – 9, 26*

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever.

**O give thanks to the God of gods,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever.**

O give thanks to the Lord of lords,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever;

**who alone does great wonders,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever;**  
who by understanding made the heavens,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever;  
**who spread out the earth on the waters,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever;**  
who made the great lights,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever;  
**the sun to rule over the day,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever;**  
the moon and stars to rule over the night,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever;  
**O give thanks to the God of heaven,  
for his steadfast love endures for ever.**

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*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to

look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were

locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

*John 20: 1 - 23*

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### *Prayers of Intercession*

Leader: On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross:

Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That all people may receive the good news of his victory:

Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection:

Lord, receive our praise  
**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ:  
Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ:  
Lord, receive our praise

**All: and hear our prayer.**

Leader: Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead to the mercy and protection of God.

**All: Amen.**

### *The Collect for the Day*

Leader: Lord of all life and power,  
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him:  
grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
may reign with him in glory;  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might,  
now and in all eternity.

**All: Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer*

Leader: Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
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 the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal  
life.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**