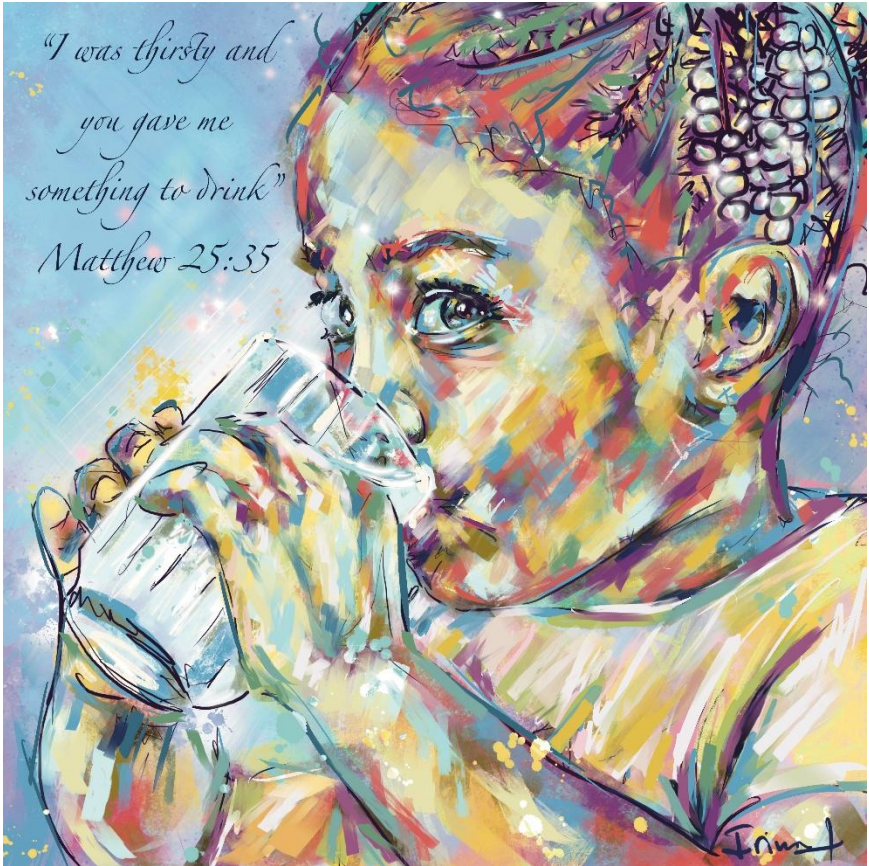


Welcome to St. Timothy's
The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
(*Canada Day Observance*)



"Whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple -- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward." (*Matthew 10:42*)

June 28th, 2026
In-Person & Online Service at 10:00am

"How the Great Guest Came"

By Edwin Markham(1915)

Before the cathedral in grandeur rose
At Ingelburg where the Danube goes;
Before its forest of silver spire
Went airily up to the clouds and fires;
Before the oak had ready a beam,
While yet the arch was stone and dream—
There where the altar was later laid,
Conrad the cobbler, plied his trade.
It happened one day at the year's white end—
Two neighbours called in on their old-time friend;
And they found the shop, so meagre and mean,
Made bright with a hundred boughs of green.
Conrad was stitching with face ashine,
But suddenly stopped as he twitched a twine:
"Old friends, good news! At dawn today,
As the cocks were scaring the night away,
The Lord appeared in a dream to me,
And said, `I am coming your Guest to be!'
So I've been busy with feet astir,
Strewing the floor with branches of fir.
The wall is washed and the shelf is shined,
And over the rafter the holly twined.
He comes today, and the table is spread
With milk and honey and wheaten bread."
His friends went home; and his face grew still
As he watched for the shadow across the sill.
He lived all the moments o'er and o'er,
When the Lord should enter the lowly door—
The knock, the call, the latch pulled up,
The lighted face, the offered cup.

He would wash the feet where the spikes had been,
He would kiss the hands where the nails went in,
And then at the last would sit with Him
And break the bread as the day grew dim.
While the cobbler mused there passed his pane
A beggar drenched by the driving rain.
He called him in from the stony street
And gave him shoes for his bruised feet.
The beggar went and there came a crone,
Her face with wrinkles of sorrow sown.
A bundle of sticks bowed her back,
And she was spent with the wrench and rack.
He gave her his loaf and steadied her load
As she took her way on the weary road.
Then to his door came a little child,
Lost and afraid in the world so wild,
In the big, dark world. Catching it up,
He gave her the milk in the waiting cup,
And led her home to its mother's arms,
Out of the reach of the world's alarms.
The day went down in the crimson west
And with it the hope of the blessed Guest,
And Conrad sighed as the world turned gray:
"Why is it, Lord, that your feet delay?
Did you forget that this was the day?"
Then soft in the silence a Voice he heard:
"Lift up your heart, for I have kept my word.
Three times I came to your friendly door;
Three times my shadow was on your floor.
I was the beggar with the bruised feet;
I was the woman you gave to eat;
I was the child on the homeless street!"

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: **Prelude in e minor**

(Gerald Bales)

(Performed by Edward Connell)

Processional Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

576, For the Healing of the Nations

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord,
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.

To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom;
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned:
pride of status, race, or schooling,
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written
your great name on humankind.
For our growing in your likeness,
bring the life of Christ to mind
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.

(Westminster Abbey)

National Anthem:

O Canada!
Our home on native land!
True patriot love in all of us command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free!
From far and wide,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

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.

Almighty God,
whose wisdom and whose love are over all,
accept the prayers we offer for our nation.
Give integrity to its citizens
and wisdom to those in authority,
that harmony and justice may be secured
in obedience to your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives 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

The Proclamation of the Word

Each reading ends with the line “Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches” (as cited throughout Revelation chapters 2 and 3) to declare that the Scripture that has been read is given by the Holy Spirit for all churches yesterday, today, and for ever, not just the people to whom it was written in ancient times.

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Then the prophet Jeremiah answered the prophet Hananiah. They were standing in the Temple of the Lord. The priests and all the people there could hear Jeremiah's answer. He said, "Amen! Let the Lord really do that! May the Lord make the message you prophesy come true. May the Lord bring everything from the Lord's Temple back from Babylon. And may he bring back to their homes all the people who were taken as captives.

"But listen to what I must say to you and all the people. There were prophets long before we became prophets, Hananiah. They prophesied that war, hunger and terrible sicknesses would come. They would come to many countries and great kingdoms. But a prophet might prophesy that we will have peace. The message of that prophet might come true. If it does, only then can he be recognized as one truly sent by the Lord!"

Jeremiah 28: 5 - 9 (ICB)

Silence is kept for reflection.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 89: 1 - 4, 15 - 18

Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

**For I am persuaded that your love is established for
ever; ***

you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

“I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *

I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

‘I will establish your line for ever, *

and preserve your throne for all generations.’”

Happy are the people who know the festal shout! *

they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

They rejoice daily in your name; *

they are jubilant in your righteousness.

For you are the glory of their strength, *

and by your favour our might is exalted.

Truly, the Lord is our ruler; *

the Holy One of Israel is our king.

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.

Gospel Acclamation #4

(Please stand as you are able)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I am the light of the world;

whosoever follows me shall never walk in the dark,

but will have the light of life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

(Page 9 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)

The Gospel

(Please remain standing as you are able)

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "Whoever accepts you also accepts me. And whoever accepts me also accepts the One who sent me. Whoever meets a prophet and accepts him will receive the reward of a prophet. And whoever accepts a good man because that man is good will receive the reward of a good man. Whoever helps one of these little ones because they are my followers will truly get his reward. He will get his reward even if he only gave my follower a cup of cold water."

Matthew 10: 40 - 42 (NRSV)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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(Page 9 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)

(Please be seated)

Homily

The Rev. Irina Dubinski

Silence is kept.

*For Rev. Irina's blog visit
<https://irinasart.ca/spiritual-reflections/>
or scan the QR code.*



(Please remain seated for the Anthem)

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: ... Gracious God,

All: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Hear us now as we pray, and pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire.

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.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

487, Where Charity and Love Prevail

Where charity and love prevail,
there God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love,
by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear
his charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and strength
now love him in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults
as we our faults confess;
And let us love each other well
in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown,
let all contention cease;
Be his the glory that we seek,
be ours his holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
As members of his body joined,
we are in him made one.

Love can exclude no race or creed
if honoured be God's name;
Our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

(Twenty-Fourth (Primrose))

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: **Judge eternal,**
accept all we offer you this day,
and grant to our nation unity and peace.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the
Lord. Amen.

During the **Eucharistic Prayer**, following Jesus' command to "do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19), we give thanks for creation and salvation, recall his saving death and resurrection, and pray for the Holy Spirit to sanctify both the gifts and the people.

Bells may be rung to draw attention to the Sanctus, moments when the Church recognises Christ's sacramental presence, echoing the awe shown when God draws near (Isaiah 6:4; Exodus 3:5), as indicated by + in the text of the prayer.

In the **Sanctus** (Holy, holy, holy) **and Benedictus** (Blessed is He) we join the song of heaven — "Holy, holy, holy" — sung by angels, saints, and all creation before God's throne (Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 4:8) as Christ comes among us. It reminds us that church worship on earth is concurrent with that in heaven. In the **Benedictus** — "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" (Psalm 118:26; Matthew 21:9) — we welcome Christ who once entered Jerusalem and who now comes to us in this holy meal.

The **Words of Institution** repeat Jesus' words at the Last Supper — "This is my body... this is my blood" (Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26) — the Church remembers and proclaims his self-giving love made present in this meal.

In the **Epiclesis** we pray for the Holy Spirit to come upon the bread and wine and upon us, that we may be united in Christ's Body (1 Corinthians 10:16–17; Acts 2:1–4).

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

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise,
because, in the mystery you disclose to us,
you reveal your glory
as the glory of your Son and the Holy Spirit:
three persons equal in majesty,
undivided in splendour, yet one Lord, one God,
ever to be adored in your everlasting glory.
Therefore with all the company of heaven
we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your
name. +

**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: We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, " Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me." +

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me." +

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All:
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;

presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and
daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

All: **Amen.** +

Lord's Prayer: *As children of one Creator, we pray the prayer Jesus taught (Matthew 6:9–13), asking for daily bread, forgiveness, and the coming of God's kingdom before sharing the bread of life.*

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)

Breaking of the Bread and Agnus Dei: *The breaking of the bread recalls the breaking of Christ's own body given for the life of the world. In the Agnus Dei, we name Christ as the Lamb of God (John 1:29), recalling the Passover lamb of Israel's deliverance (Exodus 12) and proclaiming him as our Paschal sacrifice (1 Corinthians 5:7).*

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 Solo: This Is My Song

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home, the country where my heart is;

here are my hopes, my dreams, my sacred shrine.

But other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is our prayer, O God of all the nations—
may peace abound where strife has raged so long.
Now may we seek to love, and build together
a world united, righting every wrong;
a world that seeks to join the angel voices—
proclaiming peace together in one song.

(Jean Sibelius)

(Words by Lloyd Stone, revised Edward Connell)

(Soloist: Karina Bray)

Prayer after Communion

(Please stand as you are able)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: God of love,
may we who have taken holy things
grow in unity and peace.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the
Lord. Amen.**

Doxology

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. 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 among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Community Notices

(Please be seated)

Recessional Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

453, Living Lord of Love's Dominion

Living Lord of Love's dominion,
sovereign Saviour, bless your church ;
call us still as your disciples --
loving, serving, while we search.
Gathered: feed our deepest being
prophet's truth and godly nerve;

scattered: let our lives' fruition
nourish others while we serve.

Visit towns and inner cities;
penetrate our steel and stone
with a love that melt our coldness,
making mission here our own.
We will seek you, love transfigured,
in our neighbour's need
until deep within our daily service
love draws forth our utmost skill.

With your bread, your wine, your Spirit,
nurture us for your intent;
let your will be our vocation
lived as song and sacrament.
May compassion lead to service
till we join the saints above;
grant us hope for each tomorrow;
fill our faith with vibrant love!

(Pleading Saviour)

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Fantasia on 'O Canada' *(Denis Bedard)*
(Performed by Edward Connell)

Our worship is over – our service begins.



A warm welcome is extended especially to all visitors and newcomers. Please join us for lemonade on the lawn after the service.

This Week at St. Timothy's

- *Morning Prayer* will be broadcast online via Zoom every morning, **Monday to Friday at 9:30am.**
NO morning prayer this Wednesday, July 1st.
- *St. Andrew's Group* meets online via Zoom **on Wednesdays at 12:00nn** for lunch and fellowship. Please contact Janet Fraser for details.
- **Next Sunday, July 5th – *The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost***
 - **10:00am:** Service of Holy Eucharist with Children's Programming

NOTE:

Sunday Adult Education and all weekday programs and services other than those listed above will be on break for the summer and will resume in September.

Week of June 29th to July 3rd

The Office is **CLOSED** to **in-person drop ins** this week due to the carpets being cleaned.



Clergy and staff will be on holiday on Wednesday, July 1st due to Canada Day.

For the rest of the week clergy and staff will be working from home and can be contacted via phone and/or email.
