

ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

EMBRACING ALL PEOPLE WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS

HOLY EUCHARIST
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 5, 2024 | 10 AM

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is a house of prayer for all people. God made you, and you are welcome here, no exceptions! Join in the journey to be a diverse community focused on following Jesus. We respect the dignity of every human being, and we seek to serve Christ in all persons, regardless of race, ability, sexual orientation, or gender identity. We invite everyone to join in our sacramental life.

Children are always welcome in God's house. St. Tim's delights in their wiggles and giggles. Children's bulletins and activity bags are available at the entry. If you need to step out, please don't be shy to return. May we all offer smiles to little ones to help them feel at home.

Please silence electronic devices. To enjoy better hearing, those with T-coil enabled devices may engage.

PRELUDE

O Love of God, how strong and true

DUNEDIN

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 412

Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets

The Hymnal 1982

Please rise in body or spirit and join in singing.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE SONG OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration

Refrain

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom;
praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more! _____ (to Verses)

Verse

Now is the feast of the lamb once slain, _____ whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of God. _____ to Refrain

Verse

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and might, all hon - or and
glo - ry to Christ _____ for - ev - er. _____ to Refrain

Verse

For God has come to dwell with us, _____ to make us peo - ple of
God; _____ to make all things new. _____ to Refrain

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day and the People respond Amen. The People sit.

THE FIRST READING

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 98

The Book of Common Prayer

Please join in singing the refrain.



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- ¹ Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- ² With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory. **[Refrain]**
- ³ The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- ⁴ He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. **[Refrain]**
- ⁵ Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- ⁶ Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- ⁷ With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord. **[Refrain]**

⁸ Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.

⁹ Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

¹⁰ In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity. **[Refrain]**

THE SECOND READING

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey God's commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey God's commandments. And God's commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 489

The great creator of the worlds

The Hymnal 1982

Please rise in body or spirit for the hymn and Gospel reading.

THE GOSPEL

John 15:9-17

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Kim Seidman

THE NICENE CREED

Please rise in body or spirit and join in reciting this ancient confession of faith.

Celebrant We believe in one God
People **the Father, the Almighty
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen, and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Bidding God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

Response **That we all may be one.**

Bidding We pray for those preparing for confirmation or reception, especially Jennifer, Abby, Max, Oliver, Anya, Martin, Andrew, David, Nick, Ryan, JoAnn, Marcia, Sam, Karen, and Rita.

Response **That they may grow in their love and devotion to you.**

Bidding Grant that every Christian may truly and humbly serve you;

Response **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Bidding We pray for all leaders of your Church;

Response **That they may be faithful witnesses of your Word and Sacraments.**

Bidding We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the world;

Response **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Bidding Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

Response **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Bidding Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

Response **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Bidding Give to the departed eternal rest.

Response **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Bidding We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.

Response **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Bidding Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Celebrant offers a closing collect and the People respond **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The People offer a sign of God's peace to their neighbors.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

"O Blest Creator of the Light"
The St. Tim's Choir


text by John Mason Neale
music by Michael John Trotta

We invite you to financially support St. Tim's mission and ministry. To give electronically visit StTims.net or text TIMSGIVES to 73256. If you would like to speak with clergy about your spiritual journey or learn more about this faith community, please fill out a Connect Card and place in the offering plate.

Please rise in body or spirit as the ushers bring forward the gifts.


THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: People:



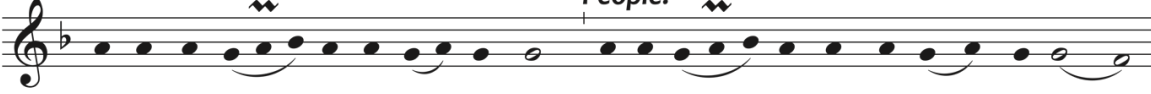
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant: People:



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: People:



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues praying and the people join in singing:

It is truly right to glorify you, Holy One, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of po - wer and might;
 Hea - ven and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
 Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. — Ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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The Celebrant continues praying, and the People join at the bidding.

We acclaim you, holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures.

When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Holy God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose Jesus gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for Christ who died and rose for us, you sent the Holy Spirit, your own first gift for those who believe, to complete your work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Jesus to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them Jesus 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 Jesus 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."

Celebrant Almighty God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

People **We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer and the People of God say Amen.

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

People **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 forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, and the People observe a moment of silence.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
Lamb of God, you broke the bonds of sin and of
Lamb of God, you are the way of jus-tice and



world: have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.
death:
peace:



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Celebrant Behold who you are. Become what you receive.

All who are hungry for the presence of God in their lives are invited to the altar rail. To receive a blessing, please cross your arms. To receive the bread, the body of Christ, please extend your hands. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. To receive the wine, you may drink from the common cup or the chalice minister will intinct (dip) the wafer and return it to you. We believe Christ is fully present in each element, the bread and the wine. Receiving in only one kind is receiving the entire sacramental gift.

COMMUNION

Hymn 576

God is love, and where true love is

The Hymnal 1982

Hymn 700

O Love that casts out fear

The Hymnal 1982

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER & BLESSING

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

People

**you have graciously accepted us
as living members**

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,

and you have fed us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

Send us now into the world in peace,

and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 291

We plow the fields, and scatter

The Hymnal 1982

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

POSTLUDE

WIR PFLUGEN

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UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Subscribe to the weekly Wednesday newsletter at sttims.net/connect for more complete listings.

Fulfilled In Your Hearing

Go deeper with a small group discussion on the day's texts and sermon, gathering 11:20-12 noon in the D'Zone, across from the Parish Hall. All are welcome as we seek to apply God's Word to our lives and support each other in our faith practice.

Choral Evensong: Thursday, May 9 at 6:30 pm

Choral Evensong is a sung version of Evening Prayer, or Vespers. This centuries-old service blends prayers and Psalms with congregational hymns, showcasing the best of Anglican tradition. This liturgy closes the day in praise to God, led by the St. Tim's Choir and a brief reflection from the clergy.

Next Baptism Date: Sunday, May 26

Please contact Mother Kim at kim@sttims.net to schedule preparation.

Registration Open for St. Timothy's Parish Retreat

Want to make new connections and deepen existing friendships in our faith community? Join St. Tim's July 5-7 for a weekend in the mountains at Cathedral Ridge, our Episcopal Camp and Retreat Center in Woodland Park. \$230 per adult, max \$500 per family. Learn more and register at sttims.net/parish-retreat.

First Inaugural Spring Jubilee

St. Tim's Young Professionals are hosting a party for the parish on Saturday, May 11th from 2-5pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will have board games, card games, and a Mario Kart Tournament with \$100 cash prize. All ages and skill levels are welcome! We will bring finger foods, music, and games- you just need to show up!

Pentecost Sunday and D'Zone Open House

On Sunday, May 19, St. Tim's will celebrate Pentecost and our graduating high school seniors, Ian Gair and Amelie Heiner. All are invited to a potluck after worship: grilled burgers and their favorite cakes will be provided. Amelie is gluten-free, so please bring fruits/sides/salads she can enjoy.

There will be outdoor games, a slip and slide, s'more making in the fire pit and information about everything that happens in the D'Zone! Join in if...

- you're a kid at heart
- you like a celebration
- your kids attend youth group now or may be interested in the future
- you want to get to know younger members a little better

Denver PrideFest Volunteering

The Episcopal Church in Colorado will have a booth at PrideFest on both Saturday, June 22, and Sunday, June 23. Christians from across Colorado will march in the Denver Pride Fest parade, if you are interested in marching in this year's parade or booth volunteering, please register at episcopalcolorado.org/pride-2024