

FEAST OF ST. TIMOTHY

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

January 10, 2021

Voluntary

Welcome

Opening Hymn

Will You Come and Follow Me

Gather 687, v. 1, 5

The Greeting

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

Song of Praise

GLORIA

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Verses

1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
2. 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.
3. 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! Amen!

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Collect for the Day

Almighty God, who called Timothy along with Titus and Silas to lay a foundation of faith for your Church: Grant that we also may be living stones built upon the foundation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

A Reading from the Hebrew Bible

Isaiah 42:5-9

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 112:1-9

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

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

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

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

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

6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.

8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

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

A Reading from the New Testament

Acts 15:22-26, 30-33, 16:1-5

The apostles and the elders, with the consent of the whole church, decided to choose men from among their members and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers, with the following letter: 'The brothers, both the apostles and the elders, to the believers of Gentile origin in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. Since we have heard that certain persons who have gone out from us, though with no instructions from us, have said things to disturb you and have unsettled your minds, we have decided unanimously to choose representatives and send them to you, along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have risked their lives for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

So they were sent off and went down to Antioch. When they gathered the congregation together, they delivered the letter. When its members read it, they rejoiced at the exhortation. Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, said much to encourage and strengthen the believers. After they had been there for some time, they were sent off in peace by the believers to those who had sent them.

Paul went on also to Derbe and to Lystra, where there was a disciple named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer; but his father was a Greek. He was well spoken of by the believers in Lystra and Iconium. Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him; and he took him and had him circumcised because of the Jews who were in those places, for they all knew that his father was a Greek. As they went from town to town, they delivered to them for observance the

decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem. So the churches were strengthened in the faith and increased in numbers daily.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

You Are Mine

Gather 627, v. 1, 2

The Holy Gospel

John 10:1-10

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Canon Mary Cole-Duvall

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, he was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Deacon Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Deacon Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Deacon Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Deacon Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People I will, with God's help.

Deacon Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People I will, with God's help.

Prayers of the People

Form IV

BCP 388

At the end of each prayer ...

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Concluding Collect

Deacon Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

The Peace

The Liturgy of the Table

The Offertory

Doxology

All creatures of our God and King

Hymnal 400, v. 7

***Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!***

***Praise God the Father, Praise the Son, and praise the Spirit Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Bright shining God, inner light of all faithful souls, we celebrate your gifts of light, love, and all of creation. We rejoice that you have made us in your image, and touched all of creation with the light of your love.

You call us to live in your limitless love. You call people and leaders to the dawn of your rising. You sent your only child, Jesus, our morning star, to light the way through our night, and lead us to justice and peace.

Your Holy Spirit shines your Good News into our lives. With each new day, you call us to feed the hungry, bring recovery of sight to the blind, liberate the oppressed, heal the broken hearted and bind up their wounds, and keep watch for the dawn of your reign on this earth. For all of this we give you thanks.

And we praise you, joining our voices with all life on earth and the company of heaven, who forever sing their hymns to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy Lord, God of endless love,
heaven and earth are surely full of your glory.
The angels sang of it—we have been lavished with it.
Blessed is he who was born that we might have life.
Glory to God and on earth peace to all people.**

Holy God, as the travellers with their treasures were overwhelmed with joy on finding Jesus, so we also are overwhelmed on finding out the depth of his love for us. For Jesus showed just how beloved we are to him, by loving us and giving himself for us.

On that night when he gave himself up for us, as he sat at the table and broke bread with his friends, he said: 'Take and eat; this is my body which is broken for you. Remember me each time you do this.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup, and said: 'Remember me as you drink from this, for it is my life, poured out for you—the beginning of a new relationship with God.'

Send the power of your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine, O God, that we may experience the presence of the Word-made-flesh—Jesus Christ. Breathe your Spirit in us that we may be one body with him—living out his ministry in the world today and every day. This we pray in Jesus' name. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Communion of the Faithful

The Table is set. Come you seekers and you holy ones. Come you lost and you lonely ones. Come you faithful and you doubtful ones. Come take your place and receive God's hospitality. Come receive the goodness of our Lord, then share it with your neighbors, family, friends, and strangers.

We come to the Table to share in God's gifts for us.

Join us, you who are near and you who are far away, in this communion of thanksgiving in your home - or come to the church between 11 – 11:30 am to receive contactless communion in the circle drive.

Communion Anthem

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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 his 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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

We Come with Joy

Gather 706, v. 1, 3

Dismissal

Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Voluntary

Please join us on Zoom for our Annual Gathering on Zoom at 11:45.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89090354089>

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The Coming Week

Thursday, January 14

4:30 am Faith in Action
Virtual Formation

Friday, January 15

10 am Virtual Books, Brew &
Banter

Sunday, January 17

9:45 am Children Living the
Word Bible Stories

10:15 am Holy Eucharist

11 am Contactless
Communion

11:15 am 4th & 5th Grade
Virtual Bible Class

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For or those in service to our country: Scott, Jack, Zach,
Marshall & Reece;

For those seeking ordination: Abigail Livingood;

For those who are sick or in need of healing: Rosemary, Marty,
Jovan, Kris, Troy, Lu, Ike, Dorothy, Sandy and Millie;

For those celebrating a birthday: Craig Koopal, John McKinney,
Millie Uding, Ed Mansfield, Lynn Power, Kevin Saunders, Beth
Arnold, Annie Waskom, and Sue Curley;

For those awaiting the birth of a baby: Katy & Nik Pappas,
Selby & Rob Waskom, and Nasa & Uzo Okpokiri;

For those to be married: Sarah (Larson) & Alex, Dana & Zach
(Slocum), and Molly & Joe (Brennan);

For those celebrating an anniversary: Marlo & Kevin Smith;

For our 2nd Offering Partner in January: Center for Social
Ministry; **and**

**For the Episcopal Church in Sudan & South Sudan especially
Archbishop Samuel and Bishop Richard and their families.**

2nd Offering Partner for January

Center for Social Ministry

The Center for Social Ministry is a non-profit organization located in Des Moines, Iowa encouraging participation in poverty awareness and justice education programs, including the national JustFaith Ministries' Programs (JustFaith, Engaging Spirituality, and JustMatters modules), ReThink Poverty (simulation), and Urban Immersions. CSM also encourages participation in other programs or processes that provide faith-inspired social justice education.

For more information or to find out how to get involved,
contact Deacon Jeanie at 515.225.2020 or
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YOU ARE WELCOME HERE



We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, gay, filthy rich, or dirt poor.

We extend a special welcome to crying newborns, those who are skinny as a rail, or those who could afford to lose a few pounds.

We welcome you if you can sing like an angel or can't carry a note in a bucket.

You're welcome here if you're just browsing, just woke up, or just got out of jail.

You're welcome here if you're Protestant, Catholic, Evangelical, Liberal, Conservative, or whatever else.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast.

We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, or junk-food eaters.

We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted.

We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion," we've been there, too.

If you blew all your offering money at the casino, you're welcome here.

We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both.

We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake.

We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts ... and we welcome you!

~borrowed from Petosky Church of Christ