

The Ascension

A Service of Holy Eucharist Saturday, May 31 | 5 pm Sunday, June 1 |10:15 am

Childcare for infants through 4 years old is available on Sunday morning on the lower level, near the north entrance.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise Hymnal 214



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Llanfair, Robert Williams (1781-1821).

Liturgical Greeting

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Gloria

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.

The Collect of the Day

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Deacon Let us pray

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior
Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens
that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us
faith to perceive that, according to his
promise, he abides with his Church on earth,
even to the end of the ages;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,



Hymnal S280

Children Living the Word Commissioning

At this time, children ages 4 years old through 4th grade are invited downstairs to Children Living the Word, returning before communion.

Loving God, who told us that whoever welcomes a child welcomes Jesus himself, bless these children. Guide us as we encourage them in your ways, so that they might become disciples who are your hands and feet and voice in this world. Amen.

Please be seated.

The First Reading Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

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

Psalm 47

- 1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; * shout to God with a cry of joy.
- 2 For the Lord Most High is to be feared; * he is the great King over all the earth.
- 3 He subdues the peoples under us, * and the nations under our feet.
- 4 He chooses our inheritance for us, * the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
- 5 God has gone up with a shout, *
 the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.
- 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; * sing praises to our King, sing praises.

- 7 For God is King of all the earth; * sing praises with all your skill.
- 8 God reigns over the nations; * God sits upon his holy throne.
- 9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together *with the people of the God of Abraham.
- 10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, * and he is highly exalted.

The Second Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

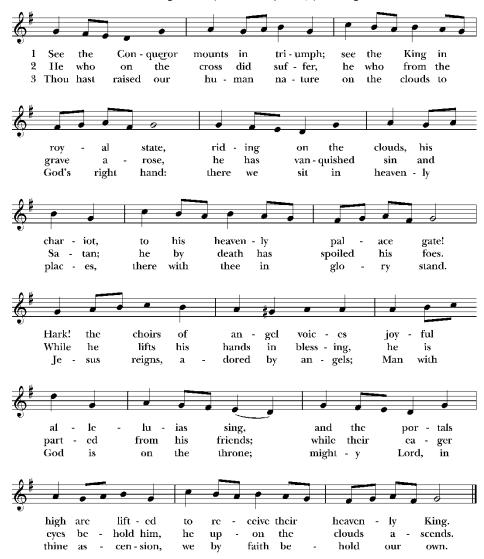
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Gospel Hymn

See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph

We will sing v. 1-2 before the Gospel, v. 3 following





Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt. Music: In Babilone, melody from Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradanseu, 1710; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944).

The Holy Gospel Luke 24:44-53

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, 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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the
Virgin Mary, and was made man.
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

Form III

BCP 387

Father, we pray for your holy catholic church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

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

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for Dorothy Wilson, David Jarvinen, Allen & Nadine Patch, Mary Perry, Emily Shea, Larry Shea, Deb Krueger, and Dan Lovett. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed, especially Sandy Davis and Lorenelle Howe, eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

For the blessings of this life:

For those celebrating a birthday, especially Deb, Betty, John, and Michelle;

For those to be married, especially Sarah & Chester, Callie & Jake, Amelia & Nolan, Charlie & Collette, Katie & Ben, Emily & Joey, Callie & Eric, and Priscilla & Steve;

For those celebrating an anniversary, especially Gloria & Steve, Marjorie & Chuck, and Tammy & Neil;

For those expecting a child, especially Juliana & TD and Dana & Zach;

For our Ministry of the Month, VBS; and

For our 2nd Offering Partner in June, One Iowa.

For our needs and those of others:

For those in service to our country, especially Scott, Jack, Marshall, and Parker;

For those seeking ordination, especially Alex and Kate;

For St. Peter's om Bettendorf, St. Alban's in Davenport, St. Mark's in Maquoketa, St. Paul's in Durant, and Trinity in Muscatine in the Diocese of Iowa;

For the clergy and all people of our companion Dioceses of Brechin, Nzara, and Eswatini;

For all victims of gun violence; and

For the victims of war and oppression and for all who seek a just peace.

The Deacon adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

Priest The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Offertory Surely Goodness and Mercy Peterson

Duet: Suzanne Graham and Elizabeth Skinner

Please stand as you are able.

Doxology All Creatures of our God and King Gather 523, v. 7

Let all things their creator bless, and worship God in humbleness, Alleluia! Alleluia! Oh praise the Father, Praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in one!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving EOW Prayer 3

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

ho - ly Lord, God and earth are full of your might. heav-en in the san-na, san - na in the name Ho san - na, san - na Но san - na, san - na. ho high est!

Gather 235

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever.

The Great Amen

AMEN.



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Gather 240

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

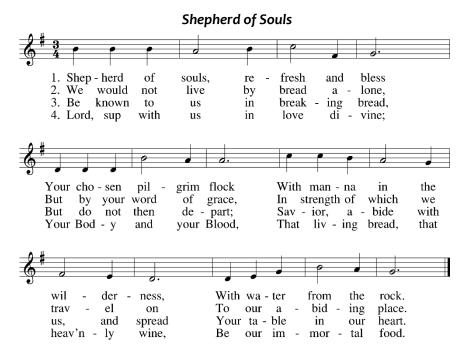
Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Communion

You do not need to be a member of this church or of any church to receive communion.

To receive the sacrament, come forward and stand or kneel at the rail. The wine is received by intinction, by dipping the bread into the chalice. Please let the clergy know if you require a **gluten-free wafer.** To indicate that you would prefer a **blessing only,** cross your arms across your chest. **If you are unable to come forward,** please notify an usher and the sacrament will be brought to you.





Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt. Tune: ST. AGNES, CM; John B. Dykes, 1823-1876; harm, by Richard Proulx, b.1937

Please stand as you are able.

Prayer after Communion

EOW 69

Gather 806

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Crown Him with Many Crowns



Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth to be the resurrection people in the world, doing life-giving

work to bring justice to God's people.

People We will with God's help. Alleluia! Alleluia!!

Postlude

Following our Sunday morning service, please join us for coffee hour in our Parish Hall.



Flowers on the altar this weekend are given by Amy Johnson in memory of her father, Bill McFadden, who would have been 84 years old on May 30.

To contribute flowers for our weekend worship services, please contact the church office or visit sttimothysiowa.org/donate

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MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Presider/Preacher

The Rev. Kyle Carswell

Deacon

The Rev. Jeanie Smith

Music Director

Don Agee

Acolytes

Ashlyn Rounceville, Millie Luft, OPEN

Chalice Bearers

Susan Leonard (5 pm) Lyndy Wells, John Wheeler (10:15 am)

Lectors/Litanist

Mary Sheldahl (5 pm)
Joe Rounceville, Maggie Luft (10:15 am)

Oblation Bearers

Jennie McKinney (5 pm) Luke Luft, Marcy Luft, Lucy Luft (10:15 am)

Ushers

Dick Leonard (5 pm) Larry Shea, Mark Marshall (10:15 am)

Altar Guild

Jean Larson (5 pm) Annie Waskom, Lynn Pettit (10:15 am)

Offering Counters

Bill Smith, Larry Anderson

Live Stream Coordinator

Colleen Krantz

Vestry Representative

Mel Rambo

2ND OFFERING – JUNE

ONE IOWA

One Iowa is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to advance, empower, and improve the lives of LGBTQ Iowans statewide. Their work includes:



- educating lowans about the LGBTQ community
- training healthcare providers, business leaders, and others to ensure LGBTQ Iowans are respected in every facet and stage of their lives
- promoting policies within state and local government that protect the civil rights, health, and safety of LGBTQ lowans
- empowering tomorrow's LGBTQ leaders through training and mentorship and
- connecting LGBTQ lowans with vital resources.

We partner with One Iowa during this month of June, Gay Pride month, when we focus our support on these neighbors, so beloved by God.

In addition to using our 2nd Offering Baggies for your contribution, you may visit: sttimothysiowa.org/donate/

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH - VBS

2025 METRO CHAPTER VBS

In June, we are highlighting VBS as our Ministry of the Month. It takes a lot of hands & feet to make VBS happen, and we could use your help!

There are plenty of ways to be involved, from storytelling to crafts to cooking. No experience required, just a desire to have fun!

Not available to help out, but still want to support VBS? Your financial contributions can make a big difference, helping us both to keep the registration fee low and to cover the cost for families unable to pay the fee. Donations can be made by check with "VBS" written in the memo line, or by choosing "VBS" from the dropdown menu when contributing online at sttimothysiowa.org/donate.



2025 METRO CHAPTER VBS AUGUST 3 - 7 | 5:30 PM – 8:15 PM

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

All students in Pre-K through 5th Grade (based on the coming school year) are welcome! Dinner will be provided for the children each night.

Registration fee is \$20 per child. Please let us know if the fee is a barrier. We want all children to be able to participate, regardless of financial situation.

To register your child for VBS or yourself as a volunteer, visit: sttimothysiowa.org/vacation-bible-school/

Please contact Kelli Ruth at **formation@sttimothysiowa.org** with questions.

COMING UP

THE COMING WEEK

Monday, June 2

11 am Casserole Baking6 pm Executive Team Meeting6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, June 4

11:30 am Men's Lunch at Palmer's

Thursday, June 5

11:30 am Ladies Who Lunch

Friday, June 6 10 am BBB Saturday, June 7

8 am Power Hour 9 am Centering Prayer 5 pm Holy Eucharist

Sunday, June 8
PENTECOST

9:45 am Childcare Available 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Children Living the Word 11:30 am Coffee Hour Noon Pridefest Parade

PRIDE!



PRIDE 2025

PRIDEFEST: JUNE 6-8

PRIDE WORSHIP SERVICE: JUNE 8 | 10 AM PRIDE PARADE: JUNE 8 beginning at Noon

St. Timothy's plans to have a presence at Capital City Pridefest this year.

On Sunday, June 8, the Rainbow Faith Coalition - of which St. Timothy's is a proud member - will host an Ecumenical Worship Service and at noon on Sunday the 8th, we plan to march with a St. Timothy's banner in the Pride Parade.

Sign up online to assist at the diocesan booth for the weekend at bit.ly/4kfzyyK

CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM WORKSHOP



CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM WORKSHOP SATURDAY, JUNE 14 | 9 AM | PARISH HALL

Join Rev. Kathleen Milligan and special guest Iowa Senator and Lutheran minister Sarah Trone Garriott for When Faith Becomes a Weapon: Confronting Christian Nationalism with Courage and Compassion.

Together, we'll explore three key questions - What is Christian nationalism? Why is it dangerous? What can we do about it? – and how to respond with clarity, conviction, and compassion.

Whether you're a faith leader, a concerned citizen, or someone seeking a more just and inclusive vision of Christianity in public life, this conversation will equip you with both language and action. Visit bits/y/44KvIJG for more information and to register for the seminar.

