

The 19th Sunday after Pentecost

A Service of Holy Eucharist

Saturday, October 18 | 5 pm

Sunday, October 19 | 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

Lift High The Cross

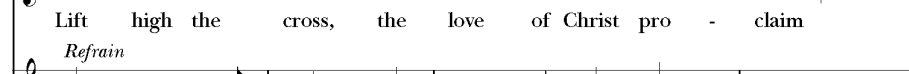
Hymnal 473

Descant



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain



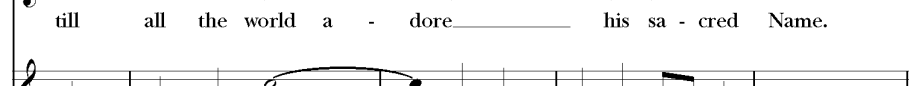
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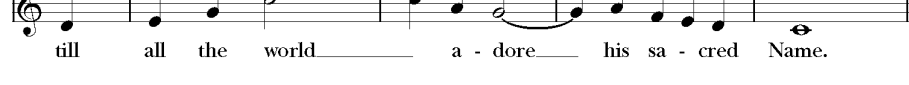
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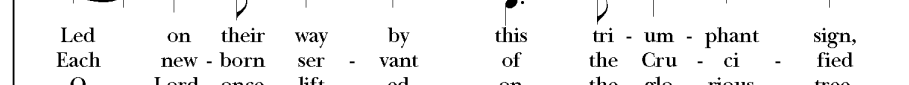
Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



Repeat Refrain



the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.



Liturgical Greeting

Priest Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God forever and ever.**

Gloria

Gather 233

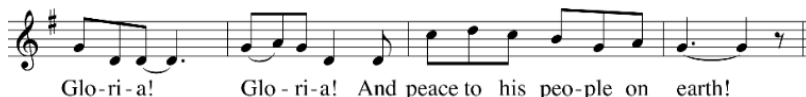
**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.**

**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.**

Refrain



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 upon us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer, 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, of God the Father.

Music: *Jubilant Mass*, James J. Chepponis, © 1999, GIA Publications, Inc.

The Collect of the Day

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Deacon Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Psalm 119:97-104

97 Oh, how I love your law! *
all the day long it is in my mind.

98 Your commandment has made me wiser
than my enemies, *
and it is always with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my
teachers, *
for your decrees are my study.

100 I am wiser than the elders, *
because I observe your commandments.

101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *
that I may keep your word.

102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

104 Through your commandments I gain
understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.

The Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

LEVAS 189

We will sing v. 1-2 before the reading of the Gospel and v. 3 following

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,
2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,
3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. As thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be,
2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love,
3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!

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

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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

Sermon

"They Shall Be My People"
 The Rev. Sally Wilke

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,
 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

Please join the choir in singing the choral refrain.

Refrain:

**Lord, listen to your children praying.
 Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
 Lord, listen to your children praying.
 Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

Lord, we pray for your holy Church, its members and its mission, for all those in positions of authority, and for our nation, that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Refrain

We pray for the welfare of the world, that we may have a reverence for the earth as your own creation and use its resources rightly in the service of others.

Refrain

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Dorothy Wilson, David Jarvinen, Allen & Nadine Patch, Mary Perry, Emily Shea, Larry Shea, Deb Krueger, Susan Hutchins, and Frank Harrison; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Refrain

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Patrick Brennan, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Refrain

The full list of thanksgivings and concerns are listed on the back page of the bulletin.

Confession

EOW 56

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

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

The Peace

Priest The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please share signs of the peace with one another, and if you are seated near someone you don't know, briefly introduce yourself.

Announcements

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Offertory

Praise God! Sing All Ye Heavens

Hopson

Please stand as you are able.

Doxology

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Gather 728, v. 4

**All Praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

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.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

Sanctus**Gather 235**

Holy, 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.

Then the Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God,
 creator of the universe and giver of life.
 You formed us in your own image
 and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care
 that we might be your faithful stewards
 and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and
 in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the
 world around us; and so we violated your creation,
 abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of
 salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained
 us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of
 time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling
 among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil,
 opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to
 you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all
 for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.



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Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Great Amen

Gather 240



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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	God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.
People	Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

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 wafer 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.*

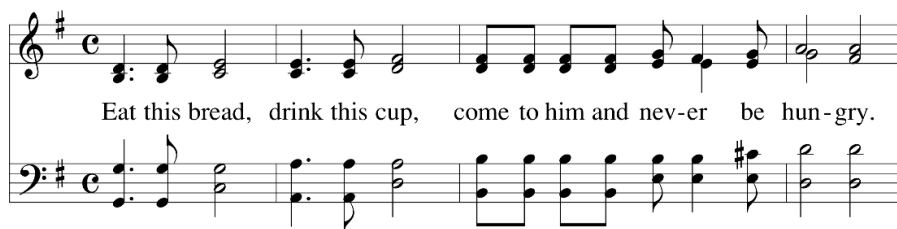
If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and the sacrament will be brought to you.

Communion Hymn

Eat This Bread

Gather 806

Refrain



Text: John 6; adapt. by Robert J. Batastini, b.1942, and the Taizé Community
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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Prayer after Communion

EOW 70

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Worship & Rejoice 446

1 O Love that will not let me go,
2 O Light that fol - lowest all my way,
3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain,
4 O Cross that lift - est up my head,

I rest my wea - ry soul in thee;
I yield my flick - ering torch to thee;
I can - not close my heart to thee;
I dare not ask to fly from thee;

I give thee back the life I owe, that
my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that
I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and
I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and

in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

WORDS: George Matheson (1842-1906)
MUSIC: Albert L. Peace (1844-1912)

ST. MARGARET
8.8.8.8.6.

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to spread God's love to the world.
People We will with God's help. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Please join us for coffee hour in our Parish Hall following our Sunday morning service!

Altar flowers this weekend are given in memory of and thanksgiving for the life of Linda Anderson by Larry Anderson.



If you would like to contribute to future altar flower displays, please contact the church office or use the DONATE button at <https://sttimothyiowa.org/donate/>

MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Presider/Preacher

The Rev. Sally Wilke

Deacon

The Rev. Jeanie Smith

Music Director

Don Agee

Acolytes

Max McGill, Ashlyn Rounceville, Thomas Leemkuil

Chalice Bearers

Susan Leonard (5 pm)

Lyndy Wells, Molly McGill (10:15 am)

Lectors/Litanist

Alex Volker (5 pm)

Amy Rech, Max McGill (10:15 am)

Oblation Bearers

Jennie McKinney (5 pm)

Paige Krantz, Maggie McGill (10:15 am)

Ushers

Dick Leonard (5 pm)

Darin Krantz, Mark Marshall (10:15 am)

Altar Guild

Jean Larson (5 pm)

Marty Wells, Liz Brennan (10:15 am)

Live Stream Coordinator

Neil Guy

Offering Counters

Scott Brennan, Priscilla Dickinson

Vestry Representative

Annie Waskom

2nd OFFERING PARTNER

**JOPPA**

Our Second Offering Partner for the month of October is JOPPA. Joppa helps homeless people survive, find housing and rebuild their lives. Joppa's mission is to create communities of unconditional love, support and hope for the homeless, as we work together to end homelessness.

You can learn how to be the hands + feet + voice of Christ by partnering with Joppa - financially or through volunteer work. To find out more about Joppa, its work, and how you can be involved, visit: joppa.org

If you would like to help support this ministry financially, you can do so at: sttimothyiowa.org/donate/

COMING UP

THE COMING WEEK

Monday, October 20

1 pm Casserole Baking
6:30 pm Scouts

Tuesday, October 21

6:30 pm EfM Gathering
6:30 pm Youth Discovery Class

Wednesday, October 22

11:30 am Men's Lunch @ Palmer's
7 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 23

9:30 am Bible Study
11:30 am Ladies Who Lunch
5 pm YJI

Friday, October 24

10 am Books, Brew & Banter

Saturday, October 25

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

Sunday, October 26

9 am Childcare Available
9:15 am Christian Formation
10:15 am Children Living the Word
10:15 am Holy Eucharist
11:30 am Coffee Hour
11:30 am D & D

HAUNTED HIKE



HALLOWEEN FUN AT COVENANT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29 | 6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

This year we are excited to join our neighbors at Covenant Presbyterian for their annual Haunted Hike! The night includes decorated rooms, costumes, indoor trick-or-treating, and more.

We have the opportunity to add to the event by creating and hosting stations for trick-or-treaters. If you're interested in participating, please contact Kelli Ruth at formation@sttimothyiowa.org.

COOK-OFF!



SOUPS + SAINTS

PILGRIMAGE COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2 | 6 PM

Join us Sunday, November 2 for a warm evening of faith, fellowship, and friendly competition! Sample delicious soups, vote for your favorites, and hear from our youth leaders about their upcoming 2026 Faith and Democracy Pilgrimage to Philadelphia and New York City.

We're also seeking volunteers to provide baked goods or help with setup and cleanup. Contact Kelli Ruth at formation@sttimothyiowa.org for details.

Tickets at the door — by donation!

Suggested donation: \$20/adult (ages 12+) and \$10/child. Additional donations welcomed. Your ticket includes tasting and voting rights. All proceeds support our 2026 Faith & Democracy Pilgrimage.

WELCOME, NEWCOMERS!



NEWCOMERS DINNER

NOVEMBER 5, 6 PM

It's time again to welcome newcomers to St. Timothy's with an evening of food and fellowship. It's a great chance to meet other folks new to the congregation, and some longer-time members as well.

Newcomers, please RSVP to Kyle at rector@sttimothyiowa.org, including any dietary restrictions.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for the blessings of this life:

For those celebrating a birthday, especially Lexi, Mary, Claire, Gary, Grant, Colleen, Kyle, Jean, Finley, and McB;

For those to be married, especially Amelia & Nolan, Charlie & Collette, Katie & Ben, and Callie & Eric;

For those expecting a child, especially Sydney & Andrew;

For those to be baptized, especially Michael Chojnacki and Naomi Chojnacki;

For those celebrating an anniversary, especially Amy & Dewayne, Elizabeth & Ed, Lexi & Matt, Hazel & Dave, and Marci & Eric;

For our Ministry of the Month, St. Timothy's Choir; and

For our 2nd Offering Partner in October, Joppa.

We pray for our own 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. Paul's Indian Mission and St. Thomas' in Sioux City, and Theological Seminaries and our postulants, candidates, and formation ministry development teams 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.