



St. Timothy's
Episcopal Church

The 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

A Service of Holy Eucharist

Saturday, January 17, 5 pm
Sunday, January 18, 10:15 am

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

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Welcome

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Hymnal 488

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

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Liturgical Greeting

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for 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

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;

Isaiah 49:1-7

yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God.”

And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength -
he says,

“It is too light a thing that you should be my
servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;

I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

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

Psalm 40:1-12

- 1 I waited patiently upon the Lord; *
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the
mire and clay; *
**he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my
footing sure.**
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God; *
**many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the Lord.**
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord! *
**they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to
false gods.**
- 5 Great things are they that you have done,
O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell
them! *
but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
(you have given me ears to hear you);

- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not
required, *
and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning
me: *
**"I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart."**
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great
congregation; *
**behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O Lord, you know.**
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my
heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and
your deliverance; *
**I have not concealed your love and
faithfulness from the great congregation.**
- 12 You are the Lord;
do not withhold your compassion from me; *
**let your love and your faithfulness keep me
safe for ever.**

The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints,
together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and
ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus,
for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind - just as the
testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as

you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Hymn

You Are Called to Tell the Story

Gather 675

v. 1-2 before the Gospel; v. 3-4 following

1. You are called to tell the sto - ry, Pass - ing
 2. You are called to teach the rhy - thm Of the
 3. You are called to set the ta - ble, Bless - ing
 4. May the One whose love is broad - er Than the
 words of life a - long, Then to
 dance that nev - er ends, Then to
 bread as Je - sus blessed, Then to
 meas - ure of all space Give us
 blend your voice with oth - ers As you
 move with - in the cir - cle, Hand in
 come with thirst and hun - ger, Need - ing
 words to sing the sto - ry, Move a -
 sing the sa - cred song. Christ be known in all our
 hand with stran - gers, friends. Christ be known in all our
 care like all the rest. Christ be known in all our
 mong us in this place. Christ be known in all our
 sing - ing, Fill - ing all with songs of love.
 danc - ing, Touch - ing all with hands of love.
 shar - ing, Feed - ing all with signs of love.
 liv - ing, Fill - ing all with gifts of love.

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Gospel

John 1:29-42

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

Glory to you Lord Christ.

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

"A Light on the Path"
The Rev. Kyle Carswell

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

Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble, especially Dorothy Wilson, David Jarvinen, Mary Perry, Emily Shea, Larry Shea, Deb Krueger, and Frank Harrison;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Betsey our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation:

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

For those seeking ordination, especially Alex and Kate;

For those in discernment for ministry, especially Joe;

For our Re-Entry Partner Becca and her Re-Entry Team of Amy, Larry, Bill, and Jeanie;

For St. John's in Glenwood, St. John's in Shenandoah, St. Paul's in Harlan, Trinity in Denison, and Trinity in Carroll 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;

For all communities experiencing times of conflict, especially Minneapolis; and

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

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

For those celebrating a birthday, especially Dewayne, Gloria, Dena, Jay, Nina, Lea, Garry, Maggie, and Patti;

For those to be married, especially Katie & Ben;

For those celebrating an anniversary, especially Lynn & Randy;

For those expecting a child, especially Sydney & Andrew;

For those attending and facilitating the diocesan youth event this weekend;

For our Ministry of the Month, Adult Formation; and

For our 2nd Offering Partner in January, the Faith & Democracy Youth Pilgrimage.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

Announcements

Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Anthem

A Song of Quiet Praise

Kimball

Please stand as you are able.

Doxology

Hymnal 380, v. 3

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer D

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, 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 (say),

Sanctus

Hymnal S130

**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.**

The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, 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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Father, 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, he 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 he 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 him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him 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 he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his 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.

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

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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.*

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun-gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.

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Please stand as you are able.

Prayer after Communion

BCP 365

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

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
 2. Lord, you call us to your serv - ice: "In my
 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
 4. Lord, you show us love's true meas - ure: "Fa - ther, am
 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the Church ne -
 name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
 bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
 what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
 with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, And the Gos - pel go un - heard,
 trust your prom - ise, Life a - bun - dant meant for each,
 earth's true glo - ry, Dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward,
 pri - vate treas - ure All that you so free - ly give.
 love re - stor - ing, May we serve as you in - tend,

Help us wit - ness to your pur - pose With re -
 Give us all new fer - vor, draw us Clos - er
 Ask - ing that the world a - round us Share your
 May your care and mer - cy lead us To a
 And, a - mid the cares that claim us, Hold in

newed in - teg - ri - ty;
 in com - mun - i - ty;
 chil - dren's lib - er - ty; With the Spir - it's gifts em -
 just so - ci - e - ty;
 mind e - ter - ni - ty;

power us For the work of min - is - try.

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Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth bearing the light of Christ to everyone we meet.
 People **We will with God's help. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

Please join us for coffee hour following our Sunday morning worship service!

MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Presider/Preacher

The Rev. Kyle Carswell

Deacon

The Rev. Jeanie Smith

Acolytes

OPEN, Luke Luft, Maggie Luft

Chalice Bearers

Michael Irving (5 pm)
John Wheeler, Bill Smith (10:15 am)

Lector/Litanist

OPEN (5 pm)
Jo Whitney, Millie Luft (10:15 am)

Ushers

Alex Volker (5 pm)
Jacob Nastruz, Emily Nastruz (10:15 am)

Altar Guild

Jennie McKinney (5 pm)
Marcy Luft, McB McManus (10:15 am)

Offering Counters

Larry Anderson, Chris Bice

Oblation Bearers

OPEN (5 pm)
Maggie McGill, Marty Wells (10:15 am)

Livestream Coordinator

Joe Rounceville

Vestry Representative

Mel Rambo

2nd OFFERING

FAITH + DEMOCRACY PILGRIMAGE



JUNE 6-12, 2026

Youth currently in 6th grade on up are invited to join St. Timothy's Faith and Democracy Pilgrimage to Philadelphia and New York in summer 2026. With next summer marking the semiquincentennial (250th anniversary) of the Declaration of Independence, it's the perfect time to explore the rich history of these cities and the role they played in both the founding of the country and the origins of the Episcopal Church. As the youth prepare and undertake their pilgrimage, they will explore topics like the intersection of faith and civic life at the country's founding and the role faith should play in a pluralistic democracy today.

Approximate Fees: \$500 per youth, \$1,000 per adult shepherd

To contribute to our 2nd Offering Partner, visit sttimothyiowa.org/donate/

If a youth would like to participate, but the fees are a barrier, please contact Kelli at formation@sttimothyiowa.org about the possibility of a scholarship.

COMING UP

THE COMING WEEK

Monday, January 19

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED – MLK DAY

5:30 pm Finance Team Meeting

6:30 pm Scouts

Tuesday, January 20

6:30 pm EfM

Wednesday, January 21

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

7pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 22

9:30 am Bible Study

11:30 am Ladies Who Lunch

5 pm YJI

Friday, January 23

10 am BBB

Saturday, January 24

9 am Centering Prayer

7 pm Service for Christian Unity

Sunday, January 25

ST. TIMOTHY'S DAY & ANNUAL GATHERING

9 am Childcare Available

9:15 am Christian Formation

10:15 am Holy Eucharist

10:15 am Children Living the Word

11:30 am Annual Gathering + Luncheon

ST. TIMOTHY'S DAY & ANNUAL GATHERING

Sunday, January 25

St. Timothy's Day is our yearly chance to celebrate our patron saint and gather together as a parish to look back on the previous year and ahead to what's to come.

Following our service, there will be a potluck meal in the Parish Hall, reports from ministry leaders, and the election of our newest vestry members. We hope to see you there! RSVP here: bit.ly/2026AG

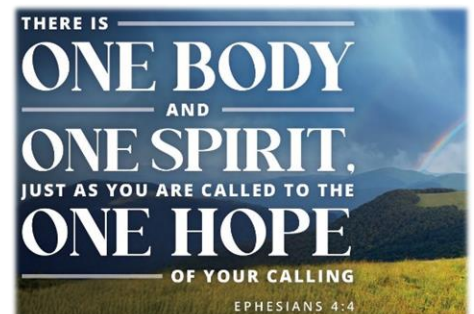


SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Saturday, January 24, 7 PM

WINDSOR HEIGHTS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Please join us for this ecumenical worship service marking the international Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The service will include participation by the bishops of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa, the Catholic Diocese of Des Moines, and the Southeast Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in American, as well as clergy and parishioners of St. Timothy's. Bishop Betsey Monnot will offer the sermon for the service. This is a wonderful opportunity to worship alongside our Christian siblings of other denominations and celebrate our unity in Christ! A reception will follow the service.



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