



The 16th Sunday after Pentecost

A Service of Holy Eucharist

Saturday, September 12, 5 pm
Sunday, September 13, 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

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

Gather 520



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore you, God of glo - ry,
2. All your works with joy sur - round you, Earth and heav'n re -
3. Al - ways giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing,
4. Mor - tals join the might - y cho - rus, Which the morn - ing



Lord of love; Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore you,
flect your rays, Stars and an - gels sing a - round you,
ev - er blest, Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing,
stars be - gan; God's own love is reign - ing o'er us,



Open - ing to the sun a - bove. Melt the clouds of
Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise; Field and for - est,
O - cean depth of hap - py rest! Lov - ing Fa - ther,
Join - ing peo - ple hand in hand. Ev - er sing - ing,



sin and sad - ness; Drive the dark of doubt a - way;
vale and moun - tain, Flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Christ our broth - er, Let your light up - on us shine;
march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day!
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Prais - ing you e - ter - nal - ly!
Teach us how to love each oth - er, Lift us to the joy di - vine.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life.

Liturgical Greeting

Priest This is the day the Creator has made.
People Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Canticle (Saturday only)

Glorify the Lord, you angels and all powers of the Lord, *
O heavens and all waters above the heavens.
Sun and moon and stars of the sky, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, every shower of rain and fall of dew, *
all winds and fire and heat.
Winter and Summer, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O chill and cold, *
drops of dew and flakes of snow.
Frost and cold, ice and sleet, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O nights and days, *
O shining light and enfolding dark.

A Song of Creation

Storm clouds and thunderbolts, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Let the earth glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills, and all that grows upon the earth, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams, *
O whales and all that move in the waters.
All birds of the air, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild, *
and all you flocks and herds.
O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Gloria (Sunday Only)

Gather 233

GLORIA

Refrain

Glo-ri-a! Glo-ri-a! Glo-ry to God in the high-est!
Glo-ri-a! Glo-ri-a! 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 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.

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Collect of the Day

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

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, 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

Genesis 50:15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

Psalm 103: 8-13

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to
our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.

13 As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Hymn

Amazing Grace

Gather 586

v. 1-3 before the Gospel; v. 4-5 following

1. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, That
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
5. When we've been there ten - thou - sand years, Bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
have al - read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to

now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: St. 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; st 5 attr. to John Rees, fl. 1859
Tune: NEW BRITAIN, CM; *Virginia Harmony*, 1831; acc. by Diana Kodner, b.1957

Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

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

Glory to you Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

"Forgiveness Without Measure"
The Rev. Kyle Carswell

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

Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

In the beginning, **God was.**

Here and now, **God is.**

In the future, **God will be.**

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend
the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet. God, Giver of life,
Hear our prayer.

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer
from our indifference, neglect, and greed. God, Giver of life,
Hear our prayer.

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful
for the abundance of your blessings. God, Giver of life,
Hear our prayer.

Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and
help, especially Larry Shea, Christine Rounceville, Judi Yeager, Nancy Swenson, Sindy Sanchez, and Stephen
Arnold. God, Giver of life,
Hear our prayer.

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died, especially
Emily Shea and Frank Harrison. God, Giver of life,
Hear our prayer.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation:

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

For those seeking ordination, especially Alex and Kate;

For those in discernment for ministry, especially Joe;

For the St. Andrew's in Chariton, St. James' in Oskaloosa, Trinity and Old Brick in Iowa City, the Beloved
Community Initiative, and the Agape Cafe 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.

As we commemorate the 25th anniversary of the September 11th attacks, we lift up in prayer all those who lost loved ones that day, and those who developed health problems as a result of their exposure to toxins. As we grieve those who died, we give thanks for all the first responders who risked or gave their lives to help others.

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

For those celebrating a birthday, especially Liz, Steve, Isabel, Art, Tamara, Abby, and Lyndy;

For those to be married, especially Katie & Ben and Abigail & Garth;

For those attending New Beginnings this weekend;

For those celebrating an anniversary, especially Jeanie & Bill;

For those anticipating the birth of a child, especially Claire & Robert and Dana & Zach;

For our Ministry of the Month, St. Timothy's Children's & Youth Ministries; and

For our 2nd Offering Partner in September, the Diocese of Nzara.

The Deacon adds a concluding collect.

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

God of compassion, have mercy upon us. Heal our relationship with all creation. Forgive us for our mistreatment and neglect of the creatures who share the earth with us. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent for what we have done to harm them, and for what we have not done to help them.

Fill us with your Spirit, that we may care for one another and for all creatures, according to your will and in the fullness of your love; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. 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 Peace with yourself. Peace with creation. Peace with one another.
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

Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Anthem

Thine is the Greatness

Nicole Long, soloist

Galbraith

Please stand as you are able.

Doxology

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.**

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

Celebrant

We should always remember to thank you, Creator God, our Root and Source of life. For you brought light and life into the world, you made the wind your messenger, and you commanded the sun. You have created the little blue stem and the blazing star, you made the monarch butterfly and the bald eagle, and you created us to live upon the earth as neighbors to all living things. You yourself lived upon the earth in the person of Christ Jesus, and by becoming one of us, you showed us the way of love. Like the roots of your prairie grasses, in Christ you are deeply dug into the earth to be our foundation and anchor.

For all this we give thanks and praise, joining together with the voices of all your saints who have lived the way of love, as we sing this hymn that proclaims your glory.

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.**

The Celebrant continues

Creator and Source of life, we are grateful that in love you made us part of your creation, but like the branch that separates itself from the vine, we turned away from you. We have forgotten to live the way of love, as neighbors to your people and to the natural world. When the time was right, in faithful love you sent your Son, Jesus, to teach us the way back to you. Just as fire in the prairie restores new life, Jesus baptized us with the fire of the Holy Spirit, offered his own body on the cross and restored all creation to new life in you.

On the night before he died, Jesus taught his disciples, saying, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." He took bread, broke it, gave thanks, and shared it with them saying, "Take and eat, this is my Body, given for you and for all. Do this to remember me."

He also taught them saying, "I am the vine and you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit." He took the cup of wine, gave thanks and shared it with his friends, saying, "Take and drink, this is my Blood, shed for you and for all. Do this to remember me."

Together, let us tell of the mystery of faith:

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



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Remembering Jesus' life and death, and celebrating our place in salvation, we offer these gifts of bread and wine, as a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. They were made with human hands from the gifts of your creation. We also offer ourselves, a living sacrifice, to be your people.

Send your Spirit on these gifts, to be for us the Body and Blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Spirit on us, also, that we may be a Sacrament to the world. Strengthen us to be branches of the Vine, bearing fruit as the hands of Christ, healing the earth and all of your people. Give us hope in the promise that you will bring all creation to fulfillment through Jesus Christ our savior.

We ask all of these things through your Son Jesus Christ. Through him and through the Holy Spirit, the breath of all creation, all honor and glory belong to you, Creator God, throughout all time and forever.
AMEN.



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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

This is Living Bread, given for all Creation.
All who eat this bread share in Christ's Body.

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 Anthem

Communion Song

Price & Besig

Kayla Crann, flute

Please stand as you are able.

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. We thank you for feeding us with this bread. May it strengthen us, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may embody your desire and be renewed for your service through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

O Bless the Lord, My Soul

Hymnal 411

1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!
2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!
3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;
4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;
5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;

1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!
2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.
3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.
4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.
5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,
whose grace hath made thee whole,
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
O bless the Lord, my soul!

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103. Music: *St. Thomas (Williams)*, melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth working to protect God's creation.
People We will with God's help. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Please join us for our Parish Picnic following our Sunday morning worship service!

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For the season of Epiphany, we are using the liturgy for the Season of Creation from New Creation Liturgies, <https://newcreationliturgies.org/seasonofcreation/>.

MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Presider/Preacher

The Rev. Kyle Carswell

Deacon

The Rev. Jeanie Smith

Music Director

Don Agee

Acolyte

Neana Griffith Tierney

Chalice Bearers

OPEN (5 pm)

Dan Montgomery, Annie Waskom (10:15 am)

Lector/Litanist

Mary Sheldahl (5 pm)

Elizabeth Slocum, OPEN (10:15 am)

Oblation Bearers

Jennie McKinney (5 pm)

Marcy Luft, OPEN (10:15 am)

Ushers

OPEN (5 pm)

Mark Marshall, Tim Goldman (10:15 am)

Altar Guild

Jennie McKinney (5 pm)

Lexi Brennan, Marjorie Joelson (10:15 am)

Offering Counters

Bill Smith, Chris Bice

Livestream Coordinator

Neil Guy

Vestry Representative

Mary Bartusek

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH FORMATION



In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples, "Let the children come to me" (Matthew 19:14). Teaching our children about Jesus and helping them grow in their spiritual journeys is a crucial part of the church's ministry. When we invest in children and youth, we are helping cultivate faith, build relationships, and pass the story of God's glory from one generation to the next. It can also be among the most rewarding ministries, as teachers of formation classes often find their own faiths enriched by their conversations with the children and youth.

Formation classes are offered for children and youth age 3 through high school on Sundays at 9:15 a.m. Children Living the Word is a program aimed at elementary-aged children that provides a kid-focused lesson during the 10:15 service.

Please consider giving your time and talent to help our children grow in their walk with Christ. Teachers and assistant teachers are needed for classes at all levels. Volunteers interested in helping transform our formation classrooms are also needed. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Kelli Ruth at formation@sttimothyiowa.org.

To learn more about Children's and Youth formation, visit sttimothyiowa.org/for-children/

COMING UP

THE COMING WEEK

Monday, September 14

Noon Casserole Baking
5:30 pm Finance Team Meeting
6:30 pm Scouts

Wednesday, September 16

11:30 am Men's Lunch at Palmer's
6 pm Vestry Meeting
7pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 17

11:30 am Ladies Who Lunch
5 pm YJI
6 pm 3rd Thursdays at Either/Or

Friday, September 18

10 am BBB

Saturday, September 19

9 am Centering Prayer
5 pm Holy Eucharist

Sunday, September 20

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



3rd THURSDAY

Thursday, September 17 | 6 pm

Either/Or | 6222 Grand Avenue, Des Moines

As we move into fall, we're moving to Either/Or for September's gathering. You're welcome to come to hang out, have a beverage or a meal and/or bring the kiddos— it's your night out!

For more information, contact Sarah Bunch at sj.bunch626@gmail.com



D&D RESUMES

Sunday, September 20 | 11:30 am
Gathering Center

Youth between 12-17 are invited to our next gathering at 11:30 am on September 20. Whether you are experienced or a novice, we'd love to have you join us!

All we ask is that you bring a favorite writing tool (pencils preferred) a laptop or phone (if you like), dice (if you have them), something to drink and your imagination! Leaders will provide pizza!

For more information, contact Alan Feirer at alan@groupdynamic.net

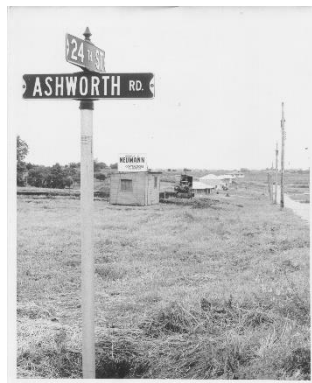


CLW TRAINING

Sunday, September 20 | 11:30 am to Noon
CLW Room

Whether you are currently a helper or teacher in our Children Living the Word program or interested in joining our ranks, we ask that you join us for this training.

If you are unable to join us, please contact Kelli at formation@sttimothysiowa.org



70 YEARS OF FAITH Video Premiere

Sunday, September 27 | 9 am

To mark the 70th anniversary of St. Timothy's, we've put together a video, "70 Years of Faith." The video features interviews from one family or individual who arrived at St. Timothy's in each decade since the 1950's, when the parish was founded. Join us on September 27 before the service to watch this video with your church family. The video is about 40 minutes long, so we will begin at 9 a.m., leaving some time for discussion at the end before worship begins.

After the 27th, the video will be available electronically for people to watch who were not able to attend the premiere.

A huge thanks to Colleen Krantz for all her work filming and editing!



70th ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, October 4 | ONE SERVICE WEEKEND

Celebrate seven decades at St. Timothy's with a party on October 4! The liturgy for the service will follow a form like the ones used in the 50's, pictures of the congregation throughout the years will adorn the Parish Hall, and the festivities after the service will feature activities and foods reminiscent of the carnivals that were once a hallmark of our parish life. We will celebrate in thanksgiving for those who founded this congregation and those whose ministry has sustained our community for 70 years.

If you would like to donate for future altar flowers, contact the church office or click "Donate" on the church website.



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