



ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL
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Sunday, December 11, 2022

Third Sunday of Advent

10 a.m.



Weekly Services:

Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II with choir (Godly Play for ages 3–9 in Rm. B-1)
Sábado, 7:00 p.m.	Santa Eucaristía Rito II, en español

Staff

Church office hours are 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday.

The Rev. Charles R. Cowherd, Priest-in-Charge (x12)

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Information For Our First-Time Guests

We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack in front of you or on the podium in the Narthex. Please place the completed card in the offertory plate or give it to an usher.

All children are welcome to stay with parents in the Sanctuary during worship. For your convenience, there are rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary and in worship bags in the Narthex with quiet activities.

We invite you to share in Holy Communion. To receive, come forward and kneel/stand at an open space on the altar rail. Both bread and wine will be offered (or a rice wafer/separate chalice for those allergic to wheat/ gluten intolerant). If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate that by placing your arms across your chest.

HOLY EUCHARIST

The Word of God

Prelude

*Sleepers Wake! A Voice Astounds Us
At the tolling of the bell, all stand.*

J. S. Bach

Opening Hymn (66)

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Stuttgart

Opening Acclamations (BCP 355)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **His mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria (S100)

Holy God

Hurd

The Collect for the Day (BCP 212)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146:4-9

Robert Knox Kennedy

Move to the next note of the chant on the underlined text.



4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The Lord shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

A Reading from James 5:7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn (72)

Hark! The Glad Sound!

Richmond

Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?” Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.” As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, ‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.’ “Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Charles R. Cowherd

Please stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed (BCP 358)

People: We believe in one God,
the Father 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 and the Son
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

Please stand or kneel, as you are able.

The Prayers of the People, Form II (BCP 385)

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people Pray for the church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the families of the departed. Pray for the families of who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin (BCP 360)

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution (BCP 360)

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

Amen.

Please stand.

The Peace (BCP 360)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

Offertory Sentence

The Offering

Holy Communion- Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP 361)

Choral Anthem

Rejoice, Rejoice, the Savior Comes

arr. Michael Burkhardt

Rejoice, rejoice, the Savior comes,
The Savior promised long;
Let every heart prepare a throne
And every voice a song.
He comes the prisoners to release,
In evil bondage held.
The gates of brass before him burst,
The iron fetters yield.
He comes the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure,
And with treasures of God's grace
To bless the humble poor.
Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
Your welcome shall proclaim,
And heaven's eternal arches ring
With your beloved name.

Presentation Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Veni Emmanuel

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all
crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host:
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Re - joice! Re - joice!
Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

The Great Thanksgiving (BCP 361)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus (S124)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hurd

Please stand or kneel, as you are able.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

All: 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.

Fraction Anthem (S154)

Christ our Passover

Hurd

The Invitation (BCP 364) Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Administration of Communion

Communion Hymn (633)

Word of God Come Down to Earth

St. Alban

Postcommunion Prayer (BCP 365)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of you 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.

Closing Hymn (76)

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

Winchester New

Blessing

Celebrant: May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal (BCP 366)

Celebrant: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

Winchester New

Christopher Tambling

PRAYER LIST:

(Please email careteam@saint-timothys.org with any prayer concerns.)

Rest of the Soul: Rosa Diaz Santos

Health: John & Alice Sausville (cancer), Bill Morse (strokes) Steven F. (cancer), Scott Moore (stroke), August McKulsky (brain tumor), Joe & Debbie B (cancer), Heather Thomas (concussion), James Thomas (heart attack) and daughter Anna, Linda & Tommy Ferguson (comfort & peace), Hugh Masters, Silvia Escarilla (car accident), Pat Escarilla (pancreatic disease), Nancy Miller, Terry Biederman

Long Term: Sid, Maryanne, Chris W., Donna W., Chris, Chuck and Peggy, Sarah (recovering from brain surgery), Brad Rundlett, Muriel Turner, Catherine Hutcheon (Long Covid), David & Mabel Tettyfio, Brian Law, Lauren Rowland (surgery)

Vestry

Co-Sr. Warden – Betsy Bosworth (2025)

Co-Sr. Warden – Carolyn Hamm (2025)

Jr. Warden – Maria LaWalt (2025)

Tom Davis (2024)

David Dopsovic (2024)

Hugh Masters (2023)

Kristie Rudolph (2025)

Ralph Tildon (2023)

Paige Williamson ('24)

Trustees

Tom McLenigan

Keith Sinclair

Deke Smith

THIS WEEK at ST. TIMOTHY'S

Sunday, December 11

8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary

9:00 AM Coffee Hour - Narthex

9:15 AM Adult Choir Warm-up – Music Room

10:00 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary/Livestream

11:00 AM Coffee Hour - Narthex

Monday, December 12

12:15 PM Monday Gratitude AA

4:00 PM DanceWorx – Narthex

7:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal – Music Room

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 159

7:30 PM Service Ministry Meeting - Narthex

8:30 PM Herndon/Hunters Woods Group AA

Tuesday, December 13

4:00 PM DanceWorx

7:30 PM Latino Prayer Meeting – Offsite

Wednesday, December 14

12:00 PM Healing Eucharist – Sanctuary

4:00 PM DanceWorx

7:30 PM Finance Meeting - Zoom

7:30 PM SA Meeting

8:00 PM New Hopefuls AA

Thursday, December 15

12:15 PM Came to Believe AA

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Music Room

7:00 PM Debtors Anonymous

Friday, December 16

10:00 AM Friday Gratitude AA

6:00 PM Christmas Revels

6:30 PM Phoenix Reflections - Women's AA

9:30 PM Friday Night Lights AA

Saturday, December 17

9:00 AM Altar Guild Set-Up-Sanctuary

7:00 PM Rite II Santa Eucaristia- Sanctuary

MINISTRY LEADERS:

Please submit any outstanding vouchers for 2022 to the church office by **December 10, 2022**. This is important because it allows our bookkeeper to close the books out for this year!

ALTAR GUILD REQUEST

The Altar guild is looking for small and medium sized vases that can be used to put the flowers in after the Sunday service. If you have any that you would like to donate, please place them in the sacristy or on the table behind the organ.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Would you like to donate for a poinsettia plant to be displayed in our sanctuary during our Christmas services? **If you wish, you may dedicate the plant to a friend or loved one.** Please contact the church by phone or email at office@saint-timothys.org by **December 16th** with your special dedication. You may also use a Flower Envelope located in the Narthex. **Mark your check, "Poinsettia" or "Christmas Flowers".**

HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS!

The Altar Guild will begin decorating the church on December 22nd at 7 PM by prepping the poinsettias. We will decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas services on December 23rd, from 9 AM until complete. The Altar Guild welcomes anyone who wishes to help. Don't have time, but still want to help? Please consider making a donation for poinsettias. For more information contact Mary McLenigan at 703-391-2950 or write to altarguild@saint-timothys.org.

WEDNESDAY HEALING EUCHARIST

St. Timothy's has begun the Wednesday Healing Eucharists during Advent at 12 pm in the Sanctuary. Come celebrate this liturgical season on those Wednesdays (12/14, 12/21). Please write to priest@saint-timothys.org with any questions and to get involved!

ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree Hats, Scarves, and Gloves collection began December 4th and will run through the month of December. The Service Ministry is accepting donations of those items plus new or very gently used coats. You may leave the items in the large bin next to our Angel Tree in Henry Hall. If you have any questions, please contact service@saint-timothys.org.