



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

*Third Sunday of Advent*

8 a.m.



### **Weekly Services:**

Sunday, 8:00 a.m.  
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.  
Sábado, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken  
Holy Eucharist Rite II with Choir (Godly Play for ages 3–9 in Rm. B-1)  
Santa Eucaristía Rito II, en español

### **Saint Timothy's Mission Statement**

SAINT TIMOTHY'S MISSION IS TO RESTORE ALL PEOPLE  
TO UNITY WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER IN CHRIST.

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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.

## Staff

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## Trustees

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# HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE I

## The Word of God

*At the tolling of the bell, please stand.*

### Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity (BCP 323)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

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

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

### Kyrie (BCP 324)

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison.

**People: Christe eleison.**

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison.

### The Collect for the Day (BCP 160)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Stir up thy power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let thy bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

### The Lessons

#### A Reading from Isaiah 11:1-10

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 (Read responsively)**

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.*

**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 be to thee, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Charles R. Cowherd

*Please stand.*

**The Nicene Creed (BCP 326)**

**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 (BCP 328)**

Leader: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. **Amen.**

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially to Michael, Susan, Mark, and Charles, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. **Amen.**

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. **Amen.**

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Joe our president, Glenn our governor, and Sheila our mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. **Amen.**

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. **Amen.**

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. **Amen.**

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Timothy and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. **Amen.**

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin (BCP 331)**

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God:

**People: Almighty God,**

**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**maker of all things, judge of all men:**

**We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins  
and wickedness,**

**which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.**

**We do earnestly repent,**

**and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.**

**Have mercy upon us,**

**have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**

**for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,**

**forgive us all that is past;**

**and grant that we may ever hereafter**

**serve and please thee in newness of life,**

**to the honor and glory of thy Name;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Absolution (BCP 332)**

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised

forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.  
*(Matthew 11:28)*

*Please stand*

### **The Peace (BCP 332)**

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

People: **And with thy spirit.**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

### **The Offering**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer I, BCP 333)**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Because thou didst send thy 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. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

### **The Sanctus (BCP 334)**

All: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Stand or kneel, as you are able.*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and



perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again. For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

### **The Fraction (BCP 337)**

Celebrant:           Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:               Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant:           O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world.

**People:               Have mercy on us.**

Celebrant:           O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world.

**People:               Have mercy on us.**

Celebrant:           O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world.

**People:               Grant us thy peace.**

## **The Invitation (BCP 338)**

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**

### **Post-Communion Prayer (BCP 339)**

Celebrant:       Let us pray.

**All:               Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

### **The 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.**

*Please stand.*

### **Dismissal (BCP 340)**

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

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

## PRAYER LIST:

*(Please email [careteam@saint-timothys.org](mailto: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)

### 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 the year!

## **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](mailto: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](mailto:altarguild@saint-timothys.org).

## **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.

## **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](mailto:priest@saint-timothys.org) with any questions and to get involved!

## **ANGEL TREE**

The Angel Tree Hats, Scarves, and Gloves collection began December 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:service@saint-timothys.org).