



ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL
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Sunday, November 12, 2023

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8 a.m.



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Weekly Services:

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| 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 |

Saint Timothy's Mission Statement

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

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.

Children are welcome to stay with parents in the Sanctuary or they may head downstairs for Godly Play after the reading of the Collect. For your convenience, there are also rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary to soothe little ones and worship bags with quiet activities in the Narthex.

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 (gluten free available on request) and wine (either sip from the chalice or allow the chalice-bearer to intinct) will be offered. If you don't wish to receive, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate that by placing your arms across your chest.

Staff

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

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Sr. Warden - Maria LaWalt (2025)

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Betsy Bosworth (2025)

Tom Davis (2024)

David Dopsovic (2024)

Carolyn Hamm (2025)

Vilma Lemus (2026)

Matt Schumann - Alternate

Rick Wilson (2024)

Midori Yanagihara (2026)

Trustees

Tom McLenigan

Keith Sinclair

Deke Smith

*Flowers are given by Kathryn Seib
In memory of Ann Hutching, Dora Ferina, Barbara & David Kennedy, Virginia & Elton Sieb*

HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE I

At the tolling of the bell, please stand.

Opening Acclamations (BCP 323-324)

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.**

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie (BCP 324)

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison.

People: Christe eleison.

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison.

The Collect for the Day (BCP 184)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. "Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness;

put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.” But Joshua said to the people, “You cannot serve the LORD, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.” And the people said to Joshua, “No, we will serve the LORD!” Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.” He said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel.” The people said to Joshua, “The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey.” So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 78:1-7 (Read responsively)

1 Hear my teaching, O my people; *

incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

2 I will open my mouth in a parable; *

I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

3 That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, *

we will not hide from their children.

4 We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *

and the wonderful works he has done.

5 He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel, *

which he commanded them to teach their children;

6 That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn; *

that they in their turn might tell it to their children;

|| 7 So that they might put their trust in God, *

and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments;

A Reading from 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Reverend Charles R. Cowherd

Please stand as able.

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

Please be seated.

Welcome & Announcements

The Offering

Please Stand

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer II, BCP 340)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them unto 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. Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 341)

**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.

Celebrant: 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, he brake 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 whom, 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.**

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.

Blessing

Celebrant: The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **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 with any prayer concerns.)

Rest of the Soul: Gail Masters (sister of Hugh Masters)

Health: Frank Martin (husband of Tricia Mussante), Marcel J. (grief for death of family members), Steve Beggs, Drew Guidry, Landford family (healing), Grace & Woody M. (grief), Catherine Lamb (pneumonia), Jackson (Carolyn Hamm's great nephew), Kay Reddit (pneumonia), Midori Y. (lung infection), Helen & Louis (bone & brain cancer), Ralph Tildon (infection), Richard Joyce (heal from cough)

Long Term: Sid, Maryanne, Chris W., Donna W., Chris, Chuck and Peggy, Christine Y., Sarah (recovering from brain surgery), Brad Rundlett, Catherine Hutcheon (Long Covid), David & Mabel Tettyfio (stroke, arthritis, hip pain), Brian Law, Jane Perry, Caroline Arlington (stroke), AG Miamcee (Parkinson's disease & Alzheimer's), Jerry Vandenberg, Fred McBride, David Hixon (brain surgery)

THIS WEEK at ST. TIMOTHY'S

Sunday, November 12

- 8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Adult Forum – Gospel of Matthew, part 2
- 9:15 AM Adult Choir Warm-up – Music Room
- 10:00 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary/Livestream
- 11:00 AM Craft Fair with Coffee Hour – Henry Hall
- 3:30 PM Scouts Troop 159, Court of Honor – Henry Hall
- 7:30 PM Serenity Seekers Al Anon – Virtual

Monday, November 13 – Church Office Closed

- 12:15 PM Step Into Recovery - AA
- 4:00 PM DanceWorx – Narthex
- 7:00 PM Hope For Today Al Anon
- 7:30 PM Service Ministry Meeting - Narthex
- 8:30 PM Monday Night Milkshake Group AA

Tuesday, November 14

- 4:00 PM DanceWorx
- 5:00 PM Worldgate Annual Meeting – Henry Hall/Kitchen

Wednesday, November 15

- 4:00 PM DanceWorx – Narthex
- 7:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting - Zoom
- 7:30 PM Latino Ministry Prayer – Offsite
- 7:30 PM SA Meeting
- 8:00 PM New Hopefuls AA

Thursday, November 16

- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
- 7:00 PM Debtors Anonymous

Friday, November 17

- 10:00 AM Friday Gratitude AA

10:00 AM Piteleski Funeral - Sanctuary

Saturday, November 18

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild Set-Up – Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Rite II Santa Eucarista – Sanctuary

FATHER BRAD NAMED 'RECTOR EMERITUS'

Last week, the 229th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia met in Fredericksburg and voted in favor of a resolution put forward by St. Timothy's naming the Reverend Bradford A. Rundlett as "Rector Emeritus" of our church. The resolution came about after conversations with the Rundlett family, prayerful consideration by your vestry, and the shared understanding of St. Tim's 18th Rector (1994-2015) as a treasured member of this community worthy to be honored.

The text of the resolution can be found in this week's ENEWS and on the church website.

FAITH FORMATION – Today!

11/12, 11/19

As the lectionary year comes to a close, we will spend some time with the upcoming and outgoing gospels. We will end the Matthean year with one last look at the "First Gospel"—the Gospel that the Church has historically given "primacy of place" to. The first two sessions will give background and content-related to the Gospel while the final session (11/19) will be devoted to discussion and answering of questions of how the Gospel touches us in our lives today.

(Join us in the Sanctuary at 9 am or by livestream)

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN REPORT

The formal part of our Stewardship is complete. Thanks to all those who have pledged already for 2024. As of 11/8, we have received **75 pledges for \$351,916**. This includes **eleven new pledges** along with 64 returning pledges. Last year, we ended the campaign with 109 pledges and our goal for this year is around 120! **Please do return your pledge card, either in person or on-line**. Know that every dollar goes to helping St. Timothy's plan its budget for next year and to fulfill its mission in Herndon and beyond. If we have not received a pledge from you yet, members of the Stewardship team will be reaching out as a reminder of the importance of your pledge to St. Timothy's and the surrounding community.

IT'S ANGEL TREE SEASON! – New from the Service Ministry

Once again St. Timothy's will partner with Cornerstones Gifts for Kids Program to make the holidays special for children in need in our community. As in the past two years, families will receive gift cards in lieu of physical gifts, to ensure the safety of donors, recipients, and volunteers. St. Timothy's has committed to supporting 25 children. Parents will receive the gift cards in early December so that they may shop for their children.

We ask for a financial donation to the Service Ministry Fund. We will purchase the requested gift cards from various vendors and deliver them directly to Cornerstones. Your donation will appear on your giving statement. Ways to give include:

- by credit card from the church website **St. Timothy's Credit Card Giving**, selecting the Service Fund from the drop down box;
- by check made out to St. Timothy's with Service Fund on the memo line, placed in the offering plate or sent to the church office.

Contributions are appreciated by December 4th. The need is great, so please, consider *putting your faith to work* by supporting our youngest neighbors through the Angel Tree project. Questions? Contact Carolyn Hamm at **service@saint-timothys.org**.

Beginning December 1st, the Service Ministry will collect new mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, and coats for all ages. We will also accept coats that are gently used and clean. Please place your donation in the bin in Henry Hall near the Christmas Tree. Items will be delivered to the Embry Rucker Shelter and other locations near the end of the month.

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 at **office@saint-timothys.org** by **December 18th** with your special dedication. **Mark your check, "Poinsettia".**