

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Morning Prayer

Sunday, December 31, 2023

10:00 a.m.



Welcome to St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

We're glad you are with us today. St. Timothy's is a Sacramental, liturgical, welcoming congregation, in the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio.

Please remember to silence your cell phone prior to the start of the service.

On Sunday mornings, we invite you to join us outside for refreshments and conversation after the service. All baptized Christians are welcome to take Communion in the Episcopal Church.

About Today's Service

St. Timothy's Church uses the Book of Common Prayer for all our Sunday services. (It's the reddish book you'll find in the pew rack in front of you, or on the pew beside you.)

If you are unfamiliar with our style of worship, please don't hesitate to ask someone nearby to point you to the correct page. We are deeply committed to our ancient traditional style of worship, and are always eager to guide those who are new to the experience.

We hope you find your faith deepened by your experience this morning, and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Fr. George Baum is typically in the office during business hours (9-5), Monday through Thursday, and can be reached on the office phone at 330.833-3183, or on his cell phone at 419.450-8200

Visit us online at StTimsMassillon.com

First Sunday of Christmas December 31, 2023 10:00am

Prelude

Opening Hymn *Joy to the World!* Hymnal #100

Confession BCP 79

Invitatory Hymn *Now Thank We All Our God* Hymnal #396

Appointed Psalm *see insert*

First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Hymn for Canticle 16 *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus* Hymnal #66

Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Canticle 21 Hymnal S-288

Third Lesson: John 1:1-18

Apostles Creed BCP 96

Prayers of the People

Cantor or Officiant
V. Show us your mer - cy, O Lord;

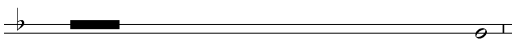
People
R. And grant us your salva - tion.

V. Clothe your ministers with right - eous - ness;

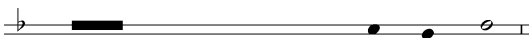
R. Let your people sing with joy.



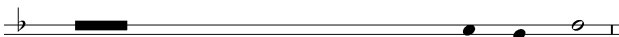
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;



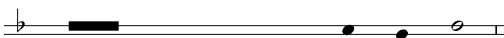
R. For only in you can we live in safe - ty.



V. Lord, keep this nation un - der your care;



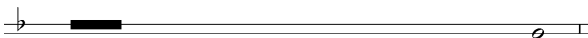
R. And guide us in the way of jus - tice and truth.



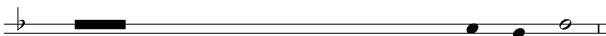
V. Let your way be known up - on earth;



R. Your saving health among all na - tions.



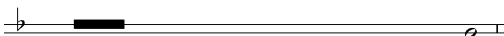
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgot - ten;



R. Nor the hope of the poor be ta - ken a - way.



V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;



R. And sustain us with your Holy Spi - rit.

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Collects and Intercessions

Offering Hymn

What Child Is This

Hymnal #115

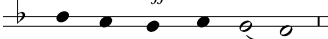
Sermon

Fr. George Baum

Intercessions and General Thanksgiving BCP 101

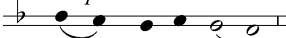
Announcements

Cantor or Officiant



Let us bless the Lord.

People



Thanks be to God.

The image shows two staves of musical notation. The first staff is for the Cantor or Officiant and contains the lyrics 'Let us bless the Lord.' The second staff is for the People and contains the lyrics 'Thanks be to God.' Both staves use a single line with a clef and a key signature of one flat. The notation consists of quarter and half notes with lyrics written below them.

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Closing Hymn

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Hymnal #93

Postlude

*Those wishing to enjoy the Postlude are encouraged to remain in their pews.
We ask that others kindly move to the parish hall for conversation and socializing.*



Eric Gill, 1928

UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE

Sun. Dec. 31 Morning Prayer, both services

Mon. Jan. 1 Holy Eucharist, 10am

Sat. Jan. 6 Epiphany Lessons and Carols, 4pm

Sun. Jan. 7 Chalk Blessing
ECW Epiphany Tea, 11:30am
De-greening the Church

Sun. Jan. 14 Children's Sunday

Wed. Jan. 17 NO Wednesday service

Sun. Jan. 28 St. Timothy Sunday/Annual Meeting
Altar Statues placed and blessed
10am service only

ST. TIMOTHY'S STAFF

Rector: The Rev. George R. Baum
Choir Director: Mr. Andrew Bolden
Organist:

Secretary: Mrs. Candy Dickerhoof
Accountant: Mrs. Debbie Williams
Sexton:

ST. TIMOTHY'S VESTRY

Terry Conner ('25)
David Coltrin, Ass't Treasurer ('25)
Ellen Elder-Joseph ('24)

Sarah Emmert ('25)
Jay Spencer, Sr. Warden ('26)
Liz Susor ('26)

Jon Silvis, Jr. Warden ('26)
Margy Vogt, Clerk ('24)
Bob Schroeder, Treasurer

ST. TIMOTHY'S MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is to spread the Gospel through
Liturgical Worship, welcoming hospitality, and community outreach.

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever *he* may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen