ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sharing the Gospel and God's love through praise, worship and service to others



Rembrandt's Timothy and his grandmother, 1648.

THE FEAST OF TITUS & TIMOTHY

(TRANSFERRED)
JANUARY 23, 2022

ST. TIMOTHY

Timothy or Timothy of Ephesus (meaning "honouring God" or "honoured by God") was an early Christian evangelist and the first Christian bishop of Ephesus, who died around the year AD 97. Timothy is the patron invoked against stomach and intestinal disorders. His feast day, observed by many Christian denominations, is in January.

Born at Lystra, Lycaenia (in Asia Minor), Timothy was the son of a Greek father and Eunice, a converted Jewess. Paul was roughly 48 years old; Timothy around 33 when Paul was persuaded by the people at Lystra to take Timothy with him on his second missionary journey. Timothy was circumcised to placate the Jews, since he was the son of a Jewess, and the two became close friends. Timothy became a confidant of Paul and grew in his service to the Church.

When Paul was forced to flee Berea, Timothy remained and ministered there. Paul then sent him to Thessalonica to report on the condition of the Christians there and to encourage them under persecution. His report to Paul led to Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians when he joined Timothy at Corinth. Timothy was sent to Macedonia in AD 58, went to Corinth to remind the Corinthians of Paul's teaching, and then accompanied Paul back to Macedonia and Achaia. Timothy was probably with Paul when the Apostle was imprisoned at Caesarea and then Rome. (Timothy, himself, was imprisoned but then freed.) According to tradition, he went to Ephesus, became its first bishop, and was stoned to death there when he opposed the pagan festival in honor of Diana. Catholic tradition states Timothy died in Ephesus when he was over 80 years old.

Paul wrote two letters to Timothy, one written about AD65 from Macedonia and the second from Rome while he was in prison awaiting execution. (Many biblical scholars now think these two letters were not, in fact, written by Paul.) Timothy's name appears as the co-author on 2 Corinthians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, and Philemon. Paul wrote to the Philippians about Timothy, "I have no one like him." Paul has said about Timothy, "For I have no one who is likeminded, who has genuine concern for you . . . But you know the proof of him, that as a child with a father, he served with me in the gospel." When Paul was in prison and awaiting martyrdom, he summoned his faithful friend Timothy for a last farewell.

For a complete account of Timothy with Biblical references, see Catholic Online Saints & Angels <u>St. Timothy - Saints & Angels - Catholic Online.</u>

REFLECTING ST. TIMOTHY AT ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH

- Established in 1892 as a Mission to provide instruction to the community: skills to women, Christian studies to children. Occasional lectures for men and women to strengthen their faith in a Christian setting.
- Strove to become a separate church within the Diocese (1944).
- Successfully managed its affairs (\$)
- Grew in stature as a church and in recognition with the Diocese as an exemplary small parish.
- Extended outreach programs as the neighborhood changed, continuing to serve the disadvantaged and poor.

For a complete history of St. Timothy's Church, see *A Brief Historical Sketch of St. Timothy's* at Parish & Building History | St. Timothy's (sainttimothyscolumbia.com)

Many thanks to Elaine Sandberg for providing information on St. Timothy.

WELCOME TO ST. TIMOTHY'S!

We hope you find your experience this morning transformative and that you will worship with us often. Please fill out the white welcoming card if you'd like more information, to receive our weekly emails, or a call from our priest.

Hymns are found in the blue hymnal; service music is in the front section, designated with an S.

Worship & Formation Schedule

Conference Call Number 803-302-4111

Sundays:

9:00AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (on Zoom only during Covid surge)

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/582971663

10:30AM Holy Eucharist (on site and phone)7PM Compline & Fellowship (phone)

Weekdays:

8AM Mon. – Sat. Morning Prayer & Fellowship (phone)

5:30PM Tues. Centering Prayer (Zoom)

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/582971663

7PM Mon. – Fri. Compline & Fellowship (phone)

Servants This Sunday: January 23, 2022

Bell Ringer: Beth Bolton Vestry Person of the Day: Diane Carr
Acolyte: Katelyn Kenney Telephone Monitor: Michael Thigpen
Lector: Elizabeth Chestnut Bulletin Prep: Sallie Boggs, Beth Bolton

Eucharistic Minister: Katelyn Kenney Pew Upkeep: Jane Bleckley

Monitor/Usher: Bobby Lucas & Willie Branch Coffee Hour: TBA

Altar Guild: Connie Austin Choirmaster: Elaine Sandberg

Flowers: Elaine Sandberg & Judy Dent Deacon: The Rev. Dcn. Margaret Jennings Todd

Counters: Lisa Padua & Jim Fanning Priest: The Rev. Alice Marie Mills

Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Before the service, speak to God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING HYMN Hail to the Lord's anointed Hymnal 616 or click <u>HERE</u>

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Priest 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 (sung) Hymnal S277

Please stand, as you are able.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 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. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, who called Timothy and Titus to be evangelists and teachers, and made them strong to endure hardship: Strengthen us to stand fast in adversity, and to live godly and righteous lives in this present time, that with sure confidence we may look for our blessed hope, the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior

Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 42:5-9

Lector A reading from Isaiah.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

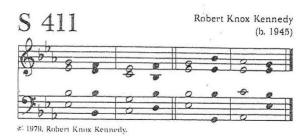
After the reading

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 112:1-9

Lector Let us chant a portion of Psalm 112 in unison.



- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord * and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; * the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, * and their righteousness will last for ever.

- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; * the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending * and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; *

the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *

their heart is right;

they put their trust in the Lord.

8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, * until they see their desire upon their enemies.

9 They have given freely to the poor, * and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 1: 1-8

Lector A reading from Second Timothy.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God.

After the reading

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN Be thou, my vision

Hymnal 488 or click HERE

Please stand, as you are able.

THE GOSPEL John 10:1-10

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

After the reading

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

ANNUAL MEETING ADDRESS

The Rev. Alice Marie Mills

The people sit.

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand, as you are able.

Priest Let us affirm our faith by saying together 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: 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form VI)

The people kneel. The Deacon and People pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel our Bishop; Alice our Priest, Margaret our Deacon, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

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

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

Deacon and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Priest 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*.

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Priest

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Offerings of prayer, service, and treasure are placed in the offering plate at the front of the church. You may use the paper form found in the pew or click <u>HERE</u> for the virtual form. Monetary offerings may be placed in the plate, mailed to the church, made by using PayPal on the church website, or your bank's BillPay function.

Doxology (sung)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

The lines in italics are spoken by the People.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. *Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (sung) Hymnal S125

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Priest continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us.

Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

THE GREAT AMEN

Hymnal S143



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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

For those worshiping at home.

Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Most Blessed Sacrament which we cannot physically receive, we embrace your spiritual presence within where we remain forever united. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest 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.

Ushers guide nine parishioners at a time to the altar rail.

Please observe three-foot distance by kneeling or standing at a blue X.

Communion is offered in one kind only (bread).

Masks may be lifted to consume the bread at the altar rail.

If you would like to be anointed with oil and receive healing prayer, indicate your desire by touching your forehead prior to receiving the bread.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May Christ, who draws the nations to himself, teach us to love our enemies; may Christ, who enters the water of baptism, lead us to die to all but love; may Christ, who gives new wine for the world, turn our bitterness into joy; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.

CLOSING HYMN O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling

Hymnal 539 or click <u>HERE</u>

THE DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jan. 23, 2022

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS: Please click <u>here</u> for the latest updates from the CDC.

With the current surge we're experiencing, the following protocols are now in place:

- All persons required to wear a well-fitted N95 or KN95 mask indoors, covering the nose and mouth. Cloth and surgical masks are not considered effective against the omicron variant.
- Maintain a minimum 3' distance with anyone outside your "Covid bubble."
- Stand or kneel at a blue X at the altar rail to receive communion.
- Communion in one kind only (bread). Briefly lift mask to consume.
- Only vaccinated persons may sing indoors.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: In conjunction with the annual celebration of our patronal Saint Timothy, our Annual Meeting will be held this <u>Sunday</u>, <u>Jan. 23, 2022</u> immediately after the service in the church. Along with the presentation of the Approved 2022 Budget, new vestry members and delegates to the Diocesan Convention will be elected. Please plan to attend! So that you may attend prepared, you have received via email five documents: the Annual Meeting Agenda, New Vestry Member Bios, the Approved 2022 Budget, Statement of Activities, and Compiled Year-End Ministry Reports. We will have paper copies of the budget only available on site. All documents may be accessed on your smartphone or laptop. If you call in for worship, simply stay on the phone. *Due to the Covid surge*, we will forego our community lunch and conversation on mission until a later date.

During the Annual Meeting, you will be asked to fill out a Building and Grounds Survey. For those at home, click on this <u>LINK</u>.

<u>CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD</u>: *Please note: no on site gatherings until further notice*. For those zooming in, introduce yourself and your children to our host, Davette Himes, and let her know you are from St. Timothy's. We look forward to seeing you! Save and use this link each week: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/582971663

<u>CENTERING PRAYER GROUP</u>: Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30PM on Zoom. All are welcome to join this weekly prayer group. We sit in silent prayer for 10-20 minutes, then discuss a book or video. For more information, text Hanna Wilson at 803-467-9069. Zoom Meeting ID: 822 1752 0029 Passcode: 221190 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82217520029?pwd=ZytzK0lPcUlRUFJHQWFLQTlqUVE0Zz09

<u>COFFEE HOUR:</u> during the pandemic, we offer bottled water and individually wrapped snacks. Consider donating these items – we're getting low. Many thanks to all who've provided us with yummy treats!

<u>PARISH PRAYER LIST:</u> please check the prayer list and let Alice know if anyone needs to be added or removed. Those listed are prayed for daily at Morning Prayer and Compline.

St. Timothy's Vestry

Senior Warden: Diane Carr
Junior Warden: Michael Thigpen
Class of 2021: Art Farlowe, Austin Crisp, Diane Carr
Class of 2022: Janis Leaphart, Michael Thigpen
Class of 2023: Janice Nepita, Malinda Rutledge Carlisle
Clerk of the Vestry: Katelyn Kenney
Parish Treasurer: Dale Lowder

Vestry Liaisons

Worship: Art Farlowe

Community of Members: Malinda Rutledge Carlisle Community Engagement & Evangelism: Janis Leaphart

Communications: Janice Nepita Technology: Michael Thigpen Stewardship: Diane Carr Finance: Austin Crisp

St. Timothy's Staff

Parish Administrator: *Angie Eanes* <u>st.timothyscolumbiasc@gmail.com</u> Organist/Choirmaster: *Elaine Sandberg* <u>esandberg2016@outlook.com</u>

Custodian: Barry Shirley <u>bshirley2@sc.rr.com</u>

Deacon: *The Rev. Dcn. Margaret Jennings Todd* mjenningstodd@gmail.com Priest in Charge: *The Rev. Alice Marie Mills* revalicemarieray@gmail.com

Clergy Hours/Sabbath Days

Alice's regular schedule is Sunday – Wednesday, observing Friday as her sabbath, while remaining on call for pastoral emergencies.

Margaret's regular schedule is half-days Wednesdays and Sundays, observing Monday as her sabbath, while remaining available for committee work/consultation

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