

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

January 10, 2021 @ 10:00am First Sunday after the Epiphany

The Entering Procession

Here I am To Worship



Light of the world, You stepped down in-to dar-kness, o - pened my eyes, let me
King of all days oh so high - ly ex - al - ted, glo - rious in hea - ven a -



see. Beau - ty that made this heart a - dore-you, hope of a life spent with
bove. Hum - bly You came to the earth You cre - a - ted all for love's sake be - came



You. Here I am to wor - ship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to
poor.



say that You're my God. — You're all to - geth - er love - ly, All to - geth - er



wor - thy, All to - geth - er won - der - ful to me. —

The Opening Acclamation

Priest Blessed be our God.

People For ever and ever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader Speak God your servants are listening.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 72:1-7,10-14

Give the King your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the King's Son,
That he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;
That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the little hills bring righteousness.
He shall defend the needy among the people;
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.
He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.
In his time shall the righteous flourish;
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
The rulers of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute,
and the rulers of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
All rulers shall bow down before him,
and all the nations do him service.
For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress
and the oppressed who has no helper.
He shall have pity on the lowly and poor;
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence,
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

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The Second Reading

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader Speak God, your servants are listening.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

The First Noel

3. And by the light of that same star three Wise Men
7 came from coun - try far; to seek for a king was
12 their in - tent, and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
18 No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el,
22 born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Chords: D, Bm, A, A7, D/F#, G, D, A7, D, A7, D, G, A7, D, A7, D, A7, D, D/F#, G, A7, D, A, Bm, D/A, G, D, A7/E, D/F#, D/A, A7, D

The Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: `And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sequence

The First Noel

5. Then en - tered in those Wise Men three, full__ rev - verent

7 ly__ up - on__ the knee, and_ of - fered there, in__

12 his__ pres - ence, their gold_ and myrrh and frank - in - cense.

18 No - el,___ No - el, No - el, No - el,

22 born is the King__ of Is - ra - el.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary,**
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand the Father.**
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Priest: Let us pray, giving thanks for God's goodness and mercy

Prayer is offered with intercession for the universal church, its members, and its mission, the nation and all in authority, the welfare of the world, the concerns of the local community, those who suffer and those in any trouble, and all the departed. The intercessor will provide a page number in the red Book of Common Prayer, or a response to prayers written by a member of the congregation. We invite you to add your own prayers out loud or silently, as the Spirit moves you. The Priest offers a concluding collect and the people say Amen.

Priest: closing prayer

The Peace

Priest The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Welcome | Parish Announcements and Celebrations

The Offertory

Carol of the Magi

by John Rutter

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest God is here.

People The Spirit is with us.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to our Creator.

People It is right to offer God our thanks and praise.

It is right indeed, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your Son. You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things and formed us in your own image. Even as we sinned and turned away, you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. By his death on the cross, he made a perfect sacrifice for the whole world and freed us from sin. You raised him to new life and exalted him in glory. In him, you have made us a new people by sending your holy and life-giving Spirit. Therefore, with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord,
God of pow-er, God of might, heav-en and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-
san-na in the high-est.

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Loving God, recalling your goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption. Accept our praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ our great high priest. Send your Holy Spirit that we, filled with grace and power, may be renewed for service in your kingdom. United with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise. Blessing, honor and glory be yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Closing Prayer

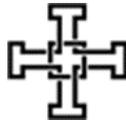
Priest: Let us pray

Holy God, we give you thanks and praise. When we were still far off, you sent your Son and brought us home. Dying and rising he made love the way of life. May we shine your Spirit's light into the world today and always. Amen

Young People's Time

The Blessing

Sally (Old Testament)
Darrell (Psalm)
Patti (New Testament)
Kari (Author of Prayers of the People and Intercessor)



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