

# St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

February 7, 2021 @ 10:00am Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

## The Entering Procession

### Go Down Moses

1 When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land, let my peo-ple go;  
2 The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo-ple go;

op - pressed so hard they could not stand, let my peo-ple go.  
to lead the chil-dren of Is - rael through, let my peo-ple go.

*Refrain*

Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;

tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo-ple go.

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## 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.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### The First Reading

Isaiah 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

*Reader* Speak God your servants are listening.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

Alleluia! How good it is to sing praises to you, O God;

**how pleasant it is to honor you with praise!**

For you rebuild Jerusalem

**and gather the exiles of Israel.**

You heal the brokenhearted

**and bind up their wounds.**

You count the number of the stars

**and call them all by their names.**

Great are you and mighty in power;

**there is no limit to your wisdom.**

You lift up the lowly,

**but cast the wicked to the ground.**

We sing to you, Most High, with thanksgiving;

**we make music to you upon the harp,**

For you cover the heavens with clouds

**and prepare rain for the earth;**

You make grass to grow upon the mountains

**and green plants to serve humankind.**

You provide food for flocks and herds

**and for the young ravens when they cry.**

You are not impressed by the might of a horse;

**you have no pleasure in human strength;**

But you have pleasure in those who fear you,

**in those who await your gracious favor.**

You have not done so to any other nation;

**to them you have not revealed your judgments. Alleluia!**

## The Second Reading

## 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

*Reader* Speak God, your servants are listening.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

## Sequence

### There Is A Balm In Gilead

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole; There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul. 1. Some - times I feel dis - cour-aged, And\_ think my work's in vain, — But\_ 1. then the ho - ly spir - it Re - vives my soul a - gain." The score includes performance markings such as "Fine" and "D.C." (Da Capo).

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## The Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

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

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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

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### 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

**Steal Away**

Traditional Spiritual

### Prayer of 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:

### The Sanctus

Haugen

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, 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.**

## **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**

# The Retiring Procession

## Lift Every Voice and Sing

*Introduction*

1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing till earth and hea-ven ring, ring with the  
har-mon-ies of lib-er-ty. Let our re-joic-ing rise  
high as the lis-tening skies; let it re-sound loud as the  
roll-ing sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has  
taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the pres-ent has  
brought us; fac-ing the ris-ing sun of our new  
day be-gun, let us march on, till vic-to-ry is won.

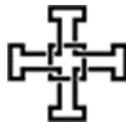
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**The Dismissal**

*Priest: Alleluia, Alleluia let us go forth rejoicing in the light of God*

**People: Thanks be God Alleluia, Alleluia**

Sylvia H. (Old Testament)  
Thomas H.(Psalm)  
Nancy A. (New Testament)  
Michael O. (Author of Prayers of the People and Intercessor)



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