



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

July 12, 2020 at 10:00am | Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The Entering Procession

I Will Lift My Eyes

God, my God, I cry out, Your be - lov -
 ed needs you now. God be near, calm my fear
 and take my doubt. Your kind - ness is what pulls
 me up, Your love is all that draws me in.
 I will lift my eyes to the Mak - er of the moun - tains I can't climb.
 I will lift my eyes to the Calm - er of the o - ceans rag - ing wild.
 I will lift my eyes to the Heal - er of the hurt I hold in - side.
 I will lift my eyes, lift my eyes to You.

The Opening Acclamation

Priest Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People The Spirit is Alive, Alleluia

The Collect of the Day

Priest God be with you
People And also with you

Priest Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; 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 55:10-13

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader Speak God your servants are listening.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 65:9-14

You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous;

the river of God is full of water.

You prepare the grain,

for so you provide for the earth.

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;

with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

You crown the year with your goodness,

and your paths overflow with plenty.

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,

and the hills be clothed with joy.

May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;

let them shout for joy and sing.

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The Second Reading

Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader Speak God your servants are listening.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

The Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet

E F#m/E E E/G# A F#m/B E F#m/B

Thy word is a lamp un - to my feet and a light un-to my path—

5 E F#m/E E E/G# A F#m/B E

Thy word is a lamp un - to my feet and a light un - to my path.

The Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence

The Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'The Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet'. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written in treble clef. The lyrics are: 'Thy word is a lamp un - to my feet and a light un - to my path'. The first staff ends with a long note on 'path'. The second staff begins with a measure rest marked '5' and continues the melody. Chords are indicated above the notes: E, F#m/E, E, E/G#, A, F#m/B, E, F#m/B, E.

The Sermon

The Rev. Susan Geissler-O'Neil

Affirmation of Faith

**You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God.
We worship you.**

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Prayers of the People

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

The intercessor will provide 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.

The Peace

Priest The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome | Parish Announcements and Celebrations

The Offertory

What A Wonderful Name

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God 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 our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again

Sanctify us by your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest 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

God of all mercies, we bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life. We pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise in thought, word and deed by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days.

Young People's Time

The Blessing

The Retiring Processional

Never Alone



1. In my time I've trav-elled some roads; — a roll - ing stone, —



— no - where feels like home. — And



I've seen peo - ple come, then they go, — and life is just a



sto - ry of some highs and some lows. —



Tell me, do you be - lieve in mir - a - cles? — I'm



stand - ing here be - fore your eyes. — I've



cried man - y riv - ers, I've walked through some pain, — I've



seen my world crum - ble, and I've car - ried the shame. — But



I know Some - bod - y, — He calls me His own. — I can



hear heav - en sing - in' out, "Oh, — you're nev - er a - lone. —

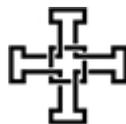


Oh, — you're nev - er a - lone." —

The Dismissal

The Priest dismisses the congregation.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!



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