

# St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

August 7, 2022 at 10 am

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



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## Opening Hymn

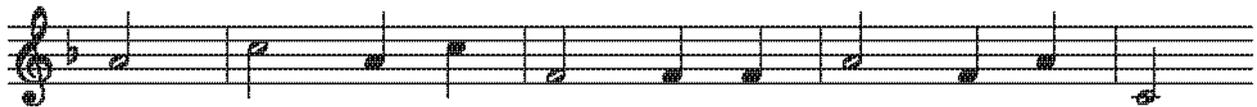
### How Firm A Foundation



1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord,
2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis-mayed,
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,
4. "The soul that on Je - sus still leans for re - pose,



1. Is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent Word!
2. For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
3. The riv - ers of woe shall not you o - ver - flow;
4. I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



1. What more can he say than to you he has said,
2. I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
3. For I will be with you, your trou - bles to bless,
4. That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,



1. To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
2. Up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
3. And sanc - ti - fy to you, your deep - est dis - tress."
4. I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake!"

## The Collect

Priest: God be with you

**People: And also with you**

Priest: Let us pray

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. .  
**Amen.**

## The First Reading

Genesis 15:1-6

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Reader: Speak God, your servants are listening

People: **Thanks be to God**

## The Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader: Speak God, your servants are listening

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn (Verse 1 before Gospel, Verse 2 after)

Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Astounds Us

1 "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice a - stounds us, the  
2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -  
heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their  
wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -  
Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -

ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!  
rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in  
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and  
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."  
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.

**The Gospel**

**Luke 12: 32-40**

**Priest:** The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ

**People:** **Glory to you Lord Christ**

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord

**People:** **Praise to you Lord Christ**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Todd Bryant

## 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

## Prayers of the People

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

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People: That we all may be one.**

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People: That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**People: That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

**People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## The Peace

Priest: The Peace of Christ be always with you

People: **And also with you**

## Greetings and Announcements

*Today's flowers are given in loving memory of Bob Morris on his birthday by his wife Cathy, sons Rob and Griffen Morris.*

## Offertory Anthem

Praise the Lord

by Natalie Sleeth

## Great Thanksgiving

*attributive use:*

*Rev. Bosco Peters (www.liturgy.co.nz)*

Priest: God be with you

People: **And also with you**

Priest: Lift up your hearts

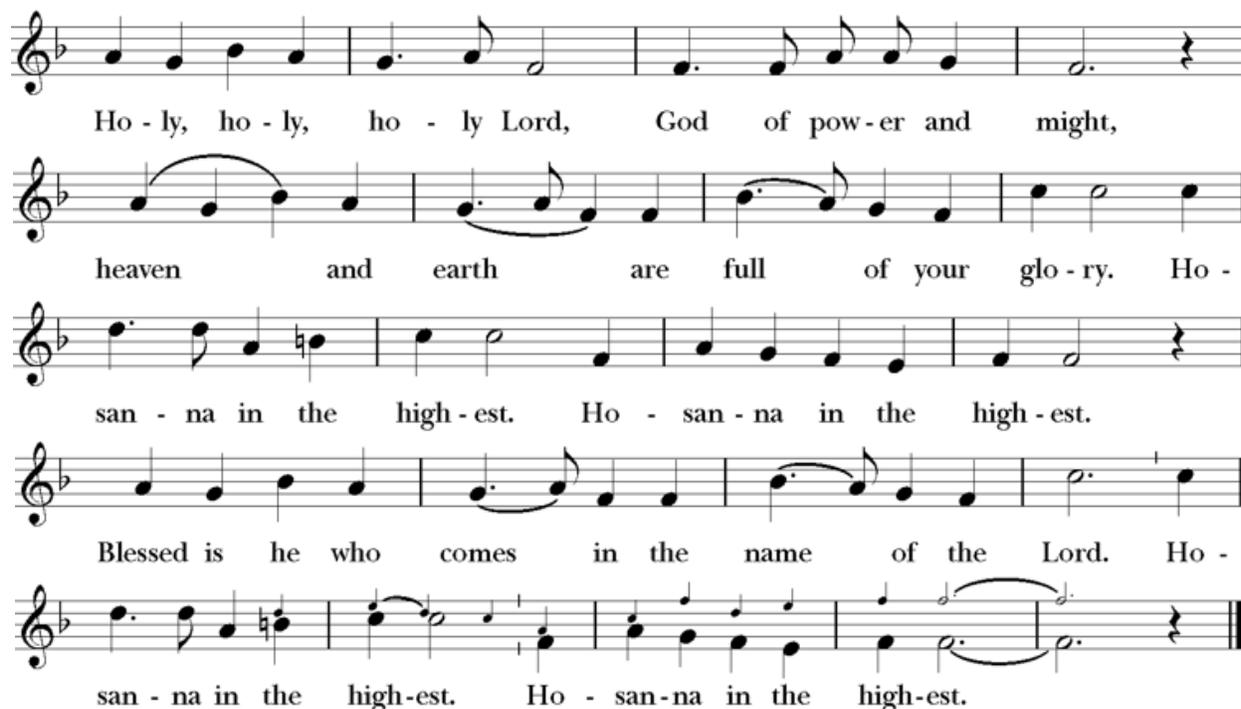
People: **We lift them up to the Lord**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is the joy of our salvation, God of the universe, to give you thanks through Jesus Christ. You said, Let there be light; there was light. Your light shines on in our darkness. For you the earth has brought forth life in all its forms. You have created us to hear your Word, to do your will and to be fulfilled in your love.

It is right to thank you. You sent your Son to be for us the way we need to follow and the truth we need to know. You sent your Son to give his life to release us from our sin. His cross has taken our guilt away. You send your Holy Spirit to strengthen and to guide, to warn and to revive your Church. Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side, countless as heaven's stars, we praise you for our creation and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts:



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

Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son, who washed his disciples' feet. I am among you, he said, as one who serves. On that night before he died, he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

Therefore, with this bread we recall your goodness to us.

**God of the past and present, we remember your Son.**

**We thank you for his cross and rising again, we take courage from his ascension; we look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.**

Send your Holy Spirit, that we who receive Christ's body may indeed be the body of Christ,  
**Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite. Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling.**

For you, the heavenly one, make all things new; you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first. Praise, glory and love be yours, this and every day, from us and all people, here and everywhere. Amen.

**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, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen**

**Fraction**

**Priest: Alleluia, Alleluia Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us**

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Communion Hymn  
We Walk By Faith



- 1,5. We walk by faith, and not by sight: no gra - cious words we hear
2. We may not touch his hands and side, nor fol - low where he trod;
3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief, and may our faith a - bound;
4. That when our life of faith is done in realms of clear - er light



- 1,5 \_ of him who spoke as none e'er spoke but we be - lieve him near. \_\_\_
2. \_ yet in his prom - ise we re - joice and cry "My Lord and God!" \_\_\_
3. \_ to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found: \_\_\_
4. \_ we may be - hold you as you are in full and end - less sight. \_\_\_

Post Communion Prayer

Let us Pray,

**Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

## Closing Hymn

### All Creatures Of Our God And King



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us  
\*2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -  
\*3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing  
2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing  
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,  
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,  
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,

#### *Refrain*



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



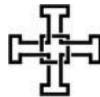
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.*

## The Dismissal

**Serving Today:**

AG: Fran P, Nancy R  
Bread Minister: Sally J  
Counters: Bob C, Ole C  
Live Streaming Team: Alex M, Randy S  
Prayer Writer: BCP  
Preacher: Todd B  
Vestry Lock up: TBD  
Crucifer: Ron T  
Greeter: Carol and Maurice T  
Intercessor: Gabel C-H  
First Lector: Maurice T  
Second Lector: Patti F  
Torchbearers: Tania H-D, Jacque C  
Ushers: Steve B, Dave K  
Healing Prayer: Leslie F  
*Music - one license M-400592*



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The Rev. Susan Geissler-O'Neil, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Maurice Turner, Assisting Priest, Emeritus  
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