



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

3601 Alabama Ave SE Washington, DC 20020 Rector: Rev. Todd Thomas

Sunday, November 24, 2024

27th Sunday after Pentecost, *Christ the King!*

***Our mission: Following Jesus by living in love,
walking by faith and serving our community.***

Welcome, guests! We're so glad you're here! This bulletin has everything you'll need for worship.

Our Worship Service

Welcome and gratitude to Mr. Davis for joining us this morning as our guest organist.

Prelude: "We Gather Together"

Opening Hymn: "Jesus in the Morning" LEVAS II #76 (vs. 1-5)

Verse 1. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the morning Jesus in the noontime;
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus when the sun goes down!

Verse 2. Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him in the morning Praise Him in the noontime;
Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him when the sun goes down!

Verse 3. Love Him, Love Him, Love Him in the morning Love Him in the noontime;
Love Him, Love Him, Love Him when the sun goes down!

Verse 4. Serve Him, Serve Him, Serve Him, in the morning Serve Him in the noontime;
Serve Him, Serve Him, Serve Him when the sun goes down!

Verse 5. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the morning Jesus in the noontime;
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus when the sun goes down!

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

PEOPLE: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

CELEBRANT: 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.

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

Song of Praise: "This Is the Day" LEVAS II #219

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made,
We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it; This is the day that the
Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it; This is the day, this is the day that the
Lord hath made.

Prayer of the Day

CELEBRANT: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

PEOPLE: Amen.

Our Scripture Readings for the Day

A Reading from Daniel, Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

READER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

A Reading of Psalm 93

1 The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed; he is girded with strength.

He has established the world; it shall never be moved;

2 your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

3 The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their roaring.

4 More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the Lord!

5 Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore.

READER: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

PEOPLE: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A Reading from Revelation, Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

READER: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: "Have Thine Own Way Lord" LEVAS II #145 (vs. 1-2 before)

Verse 1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Thou art the potter, I am the clay!
Mold me and make me After thy will, While I am waiting, Yielded and still.

Verse 2. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way,
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Purer than snow, Lord, Wash me just now, As in thy presence Humbly I bow.

The Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37

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CELEBRANT: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

PEOPLE: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

READER: The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospel Acclamation "Have Thine Own Way Lord" LEVAS II #145 (vs. 3-4 after)

Verse 3. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Wounded and weary, Help me, I pray!
Power all power Surely is thine! Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Verse 4. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Hold o'er my being Absolute sway!
Fill with thy Spirit 'Til all shall see Christ only, always, Living in me!

The Sermon

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The Nicene Creed

ALL: **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

LEADER: Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Almighty God, help your people to seek truth, to live together in love, and to speak and act for peace in the world. Lord, in your mercy:

PEOPLE: **Hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Help us to value one another, to honor one another, and to serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy:

PEOPLE: **Hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Help us preserve and honor the earth, using natural resources wisely for our good and the good of all who will follow us. Lord, in your mercy:

PEOPLE: **Hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Bless our families and friends, and all those with whom we share our days. Bless those we name before you, now... *you may silently or aloud lift the names of those you know who most need a blessing.* Lord, in your mercy:

PEOPLE: **Hear our prayer.**

LEADER: We lift to you those on our church prayer list, who need you at this time, especially Marsyl, Lillie, Fred B., Carmen, Shanice, Constance, Father Errol, Carroll, Bishop Paula, Willie, Callie, Tanya, Otis, Christine E., Calvin, Wilbert, Lisa, Delainey, Bob, Doris J., Edgar, Ernest, Kimberly, Virginia, Jean, Danny, Deborah, Ruby, Ted, Carrie Mae, Dorothy, James, Christine S., Herman S., Elfreda, Paul, Noah T., Delores, Susie, David, Rosa, Alice, Charles, Bernard, Cynthia, Donna, William, and Elaine. Lord, in your mercy:

PEOPLE: **Hear our prayer.**

LEADER: We commend to your mercy all who have died, [especially], that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy:

PEOPLE: **Hear our prayer.**

CELEBRANT closes the prayers to the people's "Amen."

The Confession

CELEBRANT: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PEOPLE: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

CELEBRANT speaks the absolution.

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

CELEBRANT: The peace of Christ be always with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

Announcements, Celebrations

Offering Our Gifts Back to God

Offertory Hymn: "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" LEVAS II #70 (vs. 1-3)

- Verse 1.** I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me;
All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- Verse 2.** In my trials, Lord, walk with me; In my trials, Lord, walk with me;
When the shades of life are falling, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
- Verse 3.** In my sorrows, Lord, walk with me; In my sorrows, Lord, walk with me;
When my heart within is aching, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Offertory Response "God Is So Good" LEVAS II #214 (vs.1-3)

- Verse 1.** God is so good, God is so good,
God is so good, He's so good to me.
- Verse 2.** He cares for me, He cares for me,
He cares for me, He's so good to me.
- Verse 3.** He's all I need, He's all I need,
He's all I need, He's so good to me.

CELEBRANT: All things come from you, O Lord.
PEOPLE: **And of your own have we given you.**

Please stand.

Gathering in Gratitude at God's Table of Grace

CELEBRANT: The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE: **And also with you.**
CELEBRANT: Lift up your hearts.
PEOPLE: **We lift them to the Lord.**
CELEBRANT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
PEOPLE: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

CELEBRANT: 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, as we sing:

CELEBRANT and PEOPLE:

Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" H82 S125
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

You're invited to kneel or sit at this point.

CELEBRANT: 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 only and eternal 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, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

CELEBRANT: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

PEOPLE: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and 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.

PEOPLE: **AMEN.**

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

CELEBRANT and PEOPLE:

"The Lord's Prayer"

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Our Father, which 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

CELEBRANT: Alleluia. Christ has given us the bread and cup of eternal life;

PEOPLE: **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

CELEBRANT: These are the gifts of God for the people of God; all are called, and all are welcomed at God's Table of Grace. Receive as you are able, for God loves you.

All who seek a deeper walk with God are invited to participate. Please ask for a gluten-free wafer if needed.

Communion Hymn

"One Bread One Body"

LEVAS II #151 (vs. 1-3)

Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing
which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one.

Verse 1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more. [Refrain]

Verse 2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. [Refrain]

Verse 3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. [Refrain]

CELEBRANT: Let us all pray together with those online the prayer of spiritual communion.

PEOPLE: **My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Though I may not now be able to receive you in bread and wine from the altar, I invite you to live within my heart. I know you are with me; never let us be separated. Amen.**

CELEBRANT: And now let us pray. *Please stand as you are able.*

CELEBRANT and PEOPLE:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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 and Blood. 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.

The Blessing

May God give you the grace never to sell yourself short;
Grace to risk something big for something good; and
Grace to remember the world is now
too dangerous for anything but the truth and
too small for anything but love.

by The Rev. William Sloane Coffin

Closing Hymn: "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand" LEVAS II #99 (vs. 1-4)

Refrain: My Lord, what a morning, My Lord, what a morning,
Oh, my Lord, what a morning When the stars begin to fall,
When the stars begin to fall.

Verse 1. My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

Verse 2. When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]

Verse 3. His oath, His covenant and blood, Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]

Verse 4. When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.
[Refrain]

The Dismissal

CELEBRANT: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God!**

Organ Voluntary: "Now Thank We All Our God"



WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS for our members who will celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week.

WE ALSO ASK YOUR PRAYERS for our parishioners, relatives and friends.

Thank you to all who have helped prepare, lead, and participated in our worship!

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