

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

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All Saints' Sunday

November 6, 2011

8:00 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

(Please stand.)

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Jubilate

Celebrant and People:

*Be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.*

*Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; *
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.*

*O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise; *
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.*

*For the Lord is gracious;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

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

Celebrant and People:

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

We welcome all who come with faith and reverence to receive communion. If you would like to come forward for a blessing, please kneel placing your arms across your chest and the priest will bless you. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand and eat the bread or wait until the cup comes and dip the bread in the wine. If you prefer to drink the wine from the cup, please guide the cup to your lips.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Absolution

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Comfortable Words

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Welcome & Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Celebrant: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

(Please stand.)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Eucharistic Prayer II

The Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.)

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

First Reading

(Please be seated.)

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Revelation 7:9-17

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the LORD; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
- 9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
- 22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

Second Reading

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

(Please stand.)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

(Please be seated.)

The Rev. Leslie H. Chadwick

Associate Rector

The Nicene Creed

(Please stand.)

Celebrant and People:

*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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

*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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.*

Matthew 25:1-12

The Prayers of the People for the Celebration of All Saints

(Please stand or kneel as you are able.)

Leader: Brothers and Sisters in Christ, on this 143rd anniversary of St. Timothy’s, and great festival of All the Saints, let us pray.

(Pause)

Leader: Benevolent God, we thank you for this Christian community, for the grace that sustains us, for calling us to love and serve our neighbors, for the faith and witness of St. Timothy’s members, generation after generation.

People: Ever gracious God, we thank you for St. Timothy’s.

(Pause)

Leader: Sovereign God, we pray for our Vestry, ministry leaders, volunteers, staff, and clergy; for our Bishops Shannon, David, and Ted; our Presiding Bishop Katharine; Rowan the Archbishop of Canterbury; for those who are persecuted and killed for their beliefs, and for faithful people throughout the world; that all of us may shine with the light of Christ.

People: Ever gracious God, sanctify your Church.

(Pause)

Leader: God of all dominion, we pray for the United Nations; for our President and Vice President; for this nation’s Cabinet, Senators, Congressional representatives, and court judges; for our Governor, State Legislators, Mayor, and Town Council; and for leaders throughout the world; that all people may live free, in prosperity, dignity, and peace.

People: Ever gracious God, help us establish justice and peace.

(Pause)

Leader: God of compassion, we pray for people who are in anguish: people who are sick, lonely, hungry, homeless, or poor; for people who are dying; for prisoners and refugees; for the victims of hatred, war, and natural disasters.

People: Ever gracious God, have mercy on all who suffer.

(Pause)

Leader: God of all knowledge and truth, we pray for the wisdom and will to resolve the problems we have created by polluting your world, hoarding wealth, and squandering precious resources; help us honor and preserve your creation.

People: Ever gracious God, redeem your world.

(Pause)

Leader: God of inspiration, we pray for ourselves and for all of your people, that your Holy Spirit will enlighten our minds, enliven our faith, and consecrate our lives; that faith, hope, compassion, and joy may spread and transform your world.

People: Ever gracious God, fill us with your Spirit.

(Pause)

Leader: God of mercy, grace, and new life, we remember people who have been faithful servants and witnesses to us, and who now enjoy eternal life with you and all the heavenly host.

(Aloud or silently, we name people who have been saints to us.)

Leader: God of abundance and providence, for the examples of the great Saints, the goodness and virtue we see in each other; for generations of faithful people who have served you in the Church, who challenge us to be better people, better Christians; and for surrounding us with a great cloud of witnesses, we give you thanks and praise with all the company of Heaven.

People: Ever gracious God - Sovereign, Savior, and Sanctifier – we commit ourselves to you and to your service, now, and ever more. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Celebrant and People:

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