

Saint Timothy's Episcopal Church

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Prepare Ye The Way of The Lord

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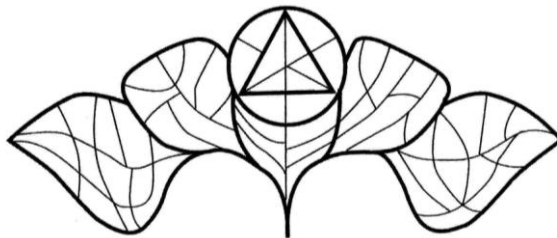
Do not be afraid; for see I am bringing you good news of great joy for all people."

The Gospel of Luke 2:10

Christmas Eve, December 24, 2015

Christmas Prelude
Festival Eucharist

6:30 pm / 9:30 pm
7:00 pm / 10:00 pm



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Reminder: Our new two service schedule begins Sunday, December 27. Our Rite I service remains at 8 a.m. and our Choral Eucharist Rite II service takes place at 10 a.m.

Weekly Services

Sundays 8:00 a.m.	Spoken Eucharist - Rite I
Sundays 10:00 a.m.	Choral Eucharist - Rite II
Saturdays 7:00 p.m.	Santa Eucharista (<i>Service in Spanish</i>)
Wednesdays 12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing
Morning Prayer, 8:45 a.m.	Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays (<i>20 minutes</i>)
Evening Prayer, 5:00 p.m.	Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays (<i>20 minutes</i>)

Christian Education

9 a.m.	Adult Education (Begins January 3)- Henry Hall
10 a.m.	Godly Play (<i>ages 3 & potty trained - grade 2</i>) - Room B1
10 a.m.	Spark + (<i>grades 3-5</i>) - Room A-5
10 a.m.	Christian Education (<i>Grades 6-8</i>) - Room A-8
10 a.m.	Christian Education (<i>Grades 9-12</i>) - Upper Room

Visit www.saint-timothys.org, for more info on our programs and ministries.

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Welcome...

to all who have come to celebrate the birth of Jesus, The Son of God.

Gloria in Excelsis! God is with us!

We welcome and invite all who are baptized to receive Christ's Body and Blood in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. If you would prefer not to partake of the Holy Eucharist but would like to receive a Christmas Blessing, please simply come to the altar rail and cross your hands over your chest.

If you are new to St. Timothy's, Father Mark Michael, our Interim Rector, would love for you to introduce yourself to him after the service. He will be outside (weather permitting). You may also write your name and address on one of the pew cards and put it in the offering basin, or sign the newcomer's book under the cross in the Narthex. We would like to have this information so we can thank you for worshipping with us. We have a Christmas gift for you, a copy of "The Case for Christmas," a book by journalist Lee Strobel that explores the true identity of the child in the manger and the difference he makes for all of us. Pick up your book at the back of the church on the way out.

Restrooms are located near the church offices. When exiting through the sanctuary doors, continue down the hall (to the left of the lobby). Pass the offices (to your right) and the restrooms will be on your left. There are also two restrooms available in Henry Hall.

If you are visiting from out of town, we thank you for including this service in your schedule. Please join us any time you are in the Herndon area. We hope you have a wonderful visit and a safe journey home when you return!

If you reside in the area, and are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider Saint Timothy's as your church home. You are always welcome at any of our services. (See page two of this bulletin for regular service times.)

If you would like more information about Saint Timothy's, including adult education, youth programs and ministries, or on the Episcopal Church in general, please call the Church office (703-437-3790). Individual staff extensions are listed on page 2 of this bulletin. You can also visit our web site at www.saint-timothys.org.

A Note For Parents: All children are welcome to stay with parents in the Sanctuary during worship. However, for parents of children ages 0 - 3 years who want nursery care, we have a well-equipped and professionally-staffed nursery at the end of the hall nearest the Sanctuary. Each child brought to the nursery is given a number; only the parents of the child can take the child from the nursery. If a parent is needed during worship, the child's number will appear (in red LED's) on the black panels on both sides of the Chancel.

Festival Prelude Music (6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.)

Masters in this Hall

arr. Jason W. Krug

The Handbell Choir

The Christmas Concerto

Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)

Movements I & II: Vivace-Grave: Allegro

The String Ensemble

Fum, Fum, Fum-Catalan Carol

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

The Handbell Choir

Anthem *Psallite, unigenito*

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

Psallite unigenito Christo, Dei Filio!

Redemptori, Domino, puerulo, jacenti in praesepio.

Lo, in a manger bed there lies and infant small.

Angel hosts their homage pay before the Lord of all.

'Glory to God on high' the choirs of angels sing;

'Peace on earth, goodwill to men' their voices echoing,

The Choir

He is Born -French Carol

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

The Handbell Choir

The Christmas Concerto

Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)

Movements 3-5: Adagio-Allegro-Adagio-Vivace: Allegro

The String Ensemble

Change Ring Prelude on *Divinum Mysterium*

arr. Fred Gramman

The Handbell Choir

The Christmas Concerto

Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)

Movement 6: Pastorale ad libitum

The String Ensemble

We welcome our guest musicians, Dr. John Moran(cello) and Risa Browder(violin), distinguished early music faculty at the Peabody Institute of Music and their son Stephen Moran, cellist.

Other guest musicians include Leslie Nero, violin and Grace Takeda, viola.

Processional Hymn 83*O come, all ye faithful (vs 1,2,3,6)***Adeste Fideles**

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
 come and behold him, born the King of angels; O come, let us adore him,
 O come, let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.*

*God from God, Light from Light eternal, lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
 only begotten Son of the Father; O come, let us adore him,
 O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.*

*Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
 glory to God, glory in the highest; O come, let us adore him,
 O come, let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.*

*Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be glory given;
 Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; O come, let us adore him,
 O come, let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.*

Opening Acclamation

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen!**

The Celebrant continues

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. **Amen.**

Gloria 96*Angels we have heard on high***Gloria**

*Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing through the night
 and the mountains in reply echoing their brave delight.*

Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

*Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why these songs of happy cheer?
 What great brightness did you see? What glad tidings did you hear?*

Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

*Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
 come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.*

Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

*See him in a manger laid whom the angels praise above;
 Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.*

Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7

Reader A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96

Sung by the choir

David Hurd

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him.
- 10 Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is King! he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, when he comes to judge the earth.
- 13 He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth. Sung by the choir .

The Second Reading

Titus 2:11-14

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to Titus

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!*

*Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb,
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail the incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with us to dwell; Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!*

*Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Risen with healing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,
hail, the Sun of Righteousness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace
Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!*

Holy Gospel; Luke 2:1-14

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Mark A. Michael, *Interim Rector*

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: 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.

Confession of Sin

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

ALL 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.

Absolution

Priest Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

"Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord when he comes." Psalm 96:11, 12.

Offertory Anthem

Gloria, RV 589

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

Mvt. I. -Gloria

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis deo.

Glory, glory to God in the highest.

Mvt. XI- Quoniam tu solus Sanctus

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus

For you alone are holy.

Tu solus Dominus

You alone are the Lord.

Tu solus latissimus

You alone are the highest

Jesu Christe.

Jesus Christ.

Sung by the choir

*On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing
to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.
Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*His the doom, ours the mirth; when he came down to earth
Bethlehem saw his birth; ox and ass beside him from the cold would hide him.
Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*God's bright star, o'er his head, Wise Men three to him led;
kneel they low by his bed, lay their gifts before him, praise him and adore him.
Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

*On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring,
praising Christ, heaven's King, born on earth to save us; peace and love he gave us.
Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!*

The Great Thanksgiving

The musical notation consists of four staves. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a flat key signature (B-flat). The first staff is divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al- so with you.' The second staff is also divided into 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The lyrics are: 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff is labeled 'Celebrant' and the lyrics are: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff is labeled 'People' and the lyrics are: 'It is right to give him thanks and praise.' The music is written in a simple, melodic style with quarter and eighth notes.

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al- so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus S130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. 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.

Celebrant We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People ***We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

Celebrant Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

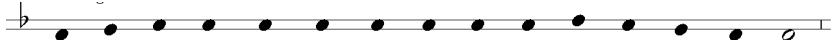
Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

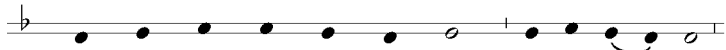
And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary and Blessed Joseph, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Blessed Timothy and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. ***AMEN!***

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say,
All **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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant  Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People  There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Fraction Anthem S164

Franz Schubert



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Administration Of Communion

(We welcome all who are baptized to receive Holy Communion. If you'd like to come forward for a blessing only, please place your arms across your chest and one of the ministers will bless you.)

Communion Motet

Lullay My Liking

Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

Refrain: Lullay my liking My dear son, my sweeting

Lullay my dear heart, Mine own dear darling

I saw a fair maiden Sitten and sing:

She lulléd a little child, A sweeté lording.

That eternal lord is he That made allé thing;

Of allé lordés he is Lord of allé kinges King.

There was mickle melody At that childés birth:

Though the songsters were heavenly they madé mickle mirth.

Angels bright they sang that night and saiden to that child,

“Blessed be thou and so be she that is both meek and mild.”

Pray we now to that child, and to his mother dear,

God grant them all his blessing that now maken cheer.

Sung by the choir

Communion Hymn 78

O little town of Bethlehem

St. Louis

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!

Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;

yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;

the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

*For Christ is born of Mary; and gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.*

*O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth!
and praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.*

*How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.*

*No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.*

*O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.*

We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;

O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

Communion Hymn 78

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming

Es ist ein Ros

*Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming as seers of old have sung.
It came, a blossom bright, amid the cold of winter, when half spent was the night.*

*Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind,
with Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind.
To show God's love aright, she bore to us a Savior, when half spent was the night.*

*O Flower, whose fragrance tender with sweetness fills the air,
dispel in glorious splendor the darkness everywhere; true man, yet very God,
from sin and death now save us, and share our every load.*

Communion Hymn 107

Good Christian friends, rejoice

In dulci jubilo

*Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today;
ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!*

*Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss; Jesus Christ was born for this!
He hath opened heaven's door, and we are blest for evermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!*

*Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!*

Postcommunion Hymn 111

Silent night, holy night

Stille Nacht

*Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child. Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace. Sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight,
glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!*

*Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.*

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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 Solemn Blessing of Christmas

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. **Amen.**

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. **Amen.**

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 100

Joy to the World

Antioch

Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns; let us our songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

The Dismissal

Priest Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude

Noel Suisse

Louis-Claude D'Aquin (1694-1772)

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**The Saint Timothy's Church Family Thanks
Those Assisting With Our 2015 Christmas Services...**

4:00 p.m.

Allan Stanley, Bill Bate, Carolyn Wright, Carolyn Wright, Cheryl Brock, Chris James & Family, David Parker, Helen Guest, Hugh Masters, Jim McKenney, Katie Wright, Madeleine Lamoureux, Mary Perry, Michael Cook, Mike Colie, Nathaniel Lamoureux, Patty Masters, Ralph Tildon, Robert Bumbarly, and parking volunteers.

7:00 p.m.

Andre Dupuy, Chris Brock, Chudi Mbonu, Dave Tigar, Deke Smith, Donna Marie Barrett, Emilia Mbonu, Gabe Fang-Weeden, Ike Mbonu, Jane Burkett, Jose Ovido, Jose Vasques, Julie Gray-Roller, Juventino Rodriguez, Lisa Erdeljon, Max Fang-Weeden, Michael Cook, Mike Colie, Muriel Turner, Olga Marinenko, Robin Mullet, Rose Berberich, Verner So, Vincent Donnelly, and parking volunteers.

10:00 p.m.

Carmela Condro, Dean Rohrbaugh, Donna Marie Barrett, Edna Whittick, Liz Ward, Ralph Tildon.

Christmas Day; 11 a.m.

Adan Guardado, Cheryl Brock, Chris Brock, Jane Burkett, Olga Marinenko, Ralph Tildon, Robin Mullet.

Altar Guild

Donna Dickt, Maria Lawalt, Bobbe Duquette, Michele Bumbarly
Linda Grantham, Mary McLenigan, Sandy Wright, Stephanie Wolo

Our thanks to all whose gifts made possible the beautiful Christmas decorations.

A sincere thank you to all of the Saint Timothy's choirs (Adult Voice, Adult Handbells and Children) for the wonderful way they have supported worship throughout the entire Advent and Christmas season. Bravo choirs! You are awesome!

Christmas Flower Dedications



- Edward & Sharon Borosky** *In Thanksgiving for all our blessings.*
- Wendy Budd** *In Memory of Stella Budd.*
- The Condro Family** *In Memory of Mary & Joseph Ieraci, and Victoria & Frank Condro.*
- Eleanor Day** *In Thanksgiving for all my many blessings*
- Don and Carol Durand** *In Memory of Jes Van Evera & In Thanksgiving for St. Timothy's Church.*
- The Froemming Family** *In Memory of and with love for Richard Froemming and in Thanksgiving for Christ's birth!*
- Dave & Lydia Gough** *In Memory of Walter Gough and Joan Bayfield and in Thanksgiving for our family and friends.*
- Jackson & Suzanne Hauslein** *In Memory of Jeff Wickersham, Jackson & Helen Anne Hauslein and in Thanksgiving for Eva Wickersham.*
- John & Carol Jensen** *In Thanksgiving for God's many blessings.*
- Mary Keiler** *In Thanksgiving for my daughter, Leslie Keiler.*
- Kent & Diane Miller** *In Loving Memory of our fathers Thaddeus Gronkiewicz & Kenton Miller*
- Charles & Nikki O'Malley** *In memory of departed loved ones and in Thanksgiving for K.C. and Molly, Charlotte & Calvin, and our St. Tim's Family!*
- Mary Perry** *In Thanksgiving for Amelia & Anna.*
- The Pinkard Family** *To the glory of God!*
- Sandra Schanné** *In Thanksgiving for the blessings of a loving family.*
- The Sinclairs** *In Memory of Jeff & Nan Sinclair.*
- Pat & Deke Smith** *In Memory of Kevin, Mary Gay, Adelene, Bill and in Thanksgiving for Sandy, Justin, Riley, Megan, Josh, Wyatt, Mason, Scott, & Joan.*
- Muriel Turner** *In Memory of Harlin G. Turner.*
- Sue & Louis Van Meers** *In Memory of Marty Burke, Sue's sister.*



Upcoming Events

- Christmas Day** Bi-lingual Christmas Day Service, *11 a.m.*
- December 27** Holy Eucharist- *8 a.m. (Rite I) & 10 a.m. (Rite II)*
- December 30** Midday Prayer Service, *12:15 p.m.*
- January 3** Christmas Lessons & Carols, *8 & 10 a.m.*
- January 10** Balloting for Vestry Class of 2015
- January 10** Annual Parish Meeting & luncheon, *after 10 a.m. Service*
- February 9** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, *6 p.m.*
- February 10** Ash Wednesday Service with Holy Eucharist
6:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., & 7:30 p.m.
- February 26 - 27** 30 Hour Famine Event for Youth
- March 13** Lenten Choral Evensong, *6 pm*
- March 20** Palm Sunday Services, *8, 9:30, & 11 a.m.*
- March 24** Maundy Thursday Service, *7:30 p.m.*
- March 25** Good Friday Services, *12:15 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.*
- March 27** Easter Sunday Services, *8, 9:30, & 11 a.m.*
- March 27** Easter Egg Hunt, *after 11 a.m. service*
- April 29 - May 1** Annual Parish Family Retreat at Shrine Mont
- July 11 - 15** Vacation Bible School