

# Saint Timothy's Episcopal Church

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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, 2016**

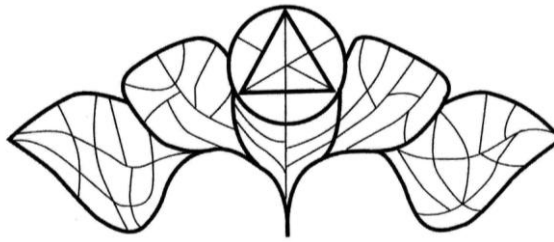
### **10 p.m. Service**

Christmas Prelude

9:30 p.m.

Festival Eucharist

10:00 p.m.



## Saint Timothy's Episcopal Church

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### Weekly Services

Saturdays 7:30 p.m.	Santa Eucharista ( <i>Service in Spanish</i> )
Sundays 8:00 a.m.	Spoken Eucharist - Rite I
Sundays 10:00 a.m.	Choral Eucharist - Rite II
Wednesdays 12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist and Prayers for Healing

### Opportunities for Children on Sundays

10 a.m.	Godly Play ( <i>ages 3 &amp; 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 6-7</i> ) - Room A-8
10 a.m.	Christian Education ( <i>Grades 8-12</i> ) - Upper Room

Visit [www.saint-timothys.org](http://www.saint-timothys.org) for more info on our programs and ministries, including info on Adult Christian Education opportunities as well!

### Staff

*Regular church office hours are 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Thursday and 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Friday. If you would like to make an appointment to speak with a member of the clergy, feel free to call the office at 703.437.3790.*

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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, Mother Anne Turner, our Interim Rector, would love for you to introduce yourself to her after the service. She will be outside (weather permitting). You may also sign the newcomer's book in the Narthex. We would like to have this information so we can thank you for worshipping with us.

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](http://www.saint-timothys.org).

## Festival Prelude Music (9:30 p.m.)

The Handbell Choir

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel  
Rejoice Greatly  
Go, Tell It on the Mountain  
Once In Royal David's City*

**arr. Susan Geschke**

**arr. Bill Ingram**

Elizabeth Weitzmann, *Violin*

*Four Christmas Carols for Violin: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice, Bring A Torch,  
Coventry Carol, and Joseph Dearest*

Elizabeth Witter, *Clarinet*

*Two Carols for Clarinet and Piano: The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came &  
Joy to the World.*

**arr. Robert J. Powell**

Milan Shepherd, *Baritone*

Comfort Ye My People

*Comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem,  
And cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished, iniquity is pardoned.  
The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord,  
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.*

**G. F. Handel**

A Scottish Christmas Song

*Israel came to Zion's city, all the world was taxed then;  
Blessed Mary brought to Bethlehem more than all the world again:  
A gift so blest, so good, the best that ever was seen, was heard or done;  
A King, a Christ, Prophet and Priest; Jesus to us, to God a Son.  
Happy night! A day was never half so happy, sweet and fair;  
Singing soldiers, blessed ever, fill the skies with sweetest air.  
Amazed men fear, they see, they hear, yet doubt and ask how that was done.  
'Twas bid, "Behold, it is foretold. This night God hath himself a Son.  
There appeared a golden usher, kings attending on its train:  
The bright sun could not out blush her, such a star never shone again.  
Be hold it stays, seeming it says, Go and see what there is done.  
A babe, whose birth leagued heaven and earth: Jesus to us, to God a Son.*

**arr. K. Lee Scott**

## **Festival Prelude Music (9:30 p.m.)**

Marty Brady and Allyson Showalter, *Sopranos*

The Night in David's City

arr. J. Brahms

*This night in David's City is born a little child;  
Come kneel in homage to him, Our Savior, meek and mild  
He is the King of Angels, yet sleeps in yonder stall;  
Sleep on; sleep on thou Lord of All.  
Jesus, sweet and gentle, on us thy blessings pour;  
Give grace through joy and sorrow to love thee more and more,  
Till with the angelic chorus, we sing thy joys above:  
Sleep on, O Lord of Love. Till with the angelic chorus,*

The Virgin's Slumber Song

Max Reger

*Within the stable Mary sits and rocks her Jesus child,  
On the rafters o'er them coos a dove so soft and mild.  
And swaying gently, Mary sings her lullaby:  
"Ah, baby, dear one, slumber now!"  
Happy is thy laughter, holy is thy silent rest,  
Lay thy head in slumber, fondly on thy mother's breast!  
Ah, baby, dear one, slumber now!*

Saint Timothy's Adult Choir

Gesu Bambino

Pietro A. Yon

*When blossoms flowered amid the snows upon a winter night,  
Was born the Child, the Christmas Rose, the King of Love and Light.  
The angels sang, the shepherds sang, the grateful earth rejoiced  
And at His blessed birth the stars their exultation voiced.  
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.  
Again the heart with rapture glows to greet the holy night  
That gave the world its Christmas Rose, its King of Love and Light.  
Let every voice acclaim His name the grateful chorus swell from paradise to earth  
He came that we with Him might dwell.  
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

Walk in the Light

Andre Thomas

*We'll walk in the light, beautiful light, come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.  
Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the Light of the world.  
Hark! The herald angels sing, Jesus, the Light of the world;  
"Glory to the newborn King," Jesus the Light of the world.  
Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace! Jesus, the Light of the world;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord! Jesus, the Light of the world.  
Walk in the light, beautiful light, come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.  
Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the Light of the world.*

**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.**

## **A Reading from Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7**

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** *Spoken*

**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.**

## **A Reading from Titus 2:11-14**

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.**

**Gradual Hymn 87**

*Hark! the herald angels sing*

**Mendelssohn**

*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. Anne M. Turner, 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.*

## The Prayers of the People

*Leader:* Let us pray to our incarnate Lord, who has brought us out of darkness and into his own marvelous light. Christ born for us, Son of God given for us: help us to know you, to worship and to serve you.

*People: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* Wonderful counsellor, you order all things with your wisdom: help the Church to reveal the mystery of your love and fill her with the Spirit of truth.

*People: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* Mighty God, the government is on your shoulders: guide the leaders of the nations and bring in your kingdom of justice and righteousness.

*People: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* Everlasting father, you call us to live together in unity: protect by your mercy all your children, bless our families and renew our communities.

*People: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* Prince of peace, you bring reconciliation through the cross: by your healing power give to all who suffer your gift of wholeness and peace.

*People: Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, full of the Spirit, hear our prayer, receive our praises, fill our lives. **Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Blessed Christ, we pray that your Spirit will live and grow within us. Transform us with your love. Perfect our worship, witness, and service, that love, peace, hope, faith, and joy may spread throughout the world. **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**

## Anthem

*See Amid the Winter's Snow*

John Goss

Saint Timothy's Adult Choir & *Congregation Joins in on the Refrain*

CHORUS

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CHORUS  
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Hail, thou e - ver - bless - ed morn; Hail, re - demp - tion's hap - py dawn;

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Sing through all Je - ru - sa - lem, — Christ is born in Beth - le - hem.

The harmonizations used for the refrain in verses 1, 3, and 4 are Goss's own.

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See amid the winter's snow, born for us on earth below;  
See the tender Lamb appears, promised from eternal years:

**Refrain:** *Hail, thou ever blessed morn, Hail, redemption's happy dawn:  
Sing through all Jerusalem, Christ is born in Bethlehem.*

Lo, within a manger lies He who built the starry skies;  
He who, throned in height sublime, sits amid the cherubim: **Refrain**

Say, ye holy shepherds, say what your joyful news today;  
Wherefore have ye left your sheep on the lonely mountain steep? **Refrain**

'As we watched at dead of night, Lo, we saw a wondrous light;  
Angels singing of the Savior's birth: **Refrain**

Sacred infant, all divine, what a tender love was thine,  
Thus to come from highest bliss, Down to such a world as this: **Refrain**

Teach, O teach us Holy Child, by thy face so meek and mild,  
Teach us to resemble thee, In thy sweet humility: **Refrain**



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.

*The people stand or kneel.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**All** *We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;*

*Celebrant*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Timothy and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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*

## 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 pray for you.)*

### Anthem

*The Shepherd's Farewell*  
Saint Timothy's Adult Choir

**Hector Berlioz**

*Thou must leave thy lowly dwelling, the humble crib, the stable bare,  
Babe, all mortal babes excelling, content our earthly lot to share,  
Loving father, loving mother, shelter thee with tender care!  
Blessed Jesus, we implore thee with humble love and holy fears,  
In the land that lies before thee, forget not us who linger here!  
May the shepherd's lowly calling, ever to thy heart be dear!  
Blest are ye beyond all measure, Thou happy father, mother mild!  
Guard ye well your heavenly treasure, the Prince of peace, the Holy Child!  
God go with you, God protect you, guide you safely through the wild!*

### Communion Hymn 79

*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 81

*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.*

## Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

**People** *Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!*

## Postlude

*Variation on Antioch*

Hugo Gehrke

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**The Saint Timothy's Church Family Thanks  
Those Assisting With Our 2016 Christmas Services...**

**4:00 p.m.**

Jeanne Bennett, Chris Brock, Mike Colie, Vinny Donnelly, Olga Marinenko, Hugh Masters, Patty Masters, Chris Smith, Deke Smith, Susan Smith, Danny Wechtenhiser, and parking volunteers.

**7:00 p.m.**

Carol Beckett, Chris Brock, Hollis Colie, Mike Colie, Jill Cox, Lisa Erdeljon, Chris James, Emilia Mbonu, Ike Mbonu, Jim McKinney, Bill Odio, Allan Stanley, Liz Ward, Kaworu Yanagihara, and parking volunteers.

**10:00 p.m.**

Rose Berberich, Carmela Condro, Jill Cox, Diane Miller, Dean Rohrbaugh, Danny Wechtenhiser, Gabe Weeden, Max Weeden, and Edna Whittick.

**Christmas Day; 10 a.m.**

Beth Hwoschinsky, Peter Hwoschinsky, Olga Marinenko, Robin Mullet, Bill Odio, Danny Wechtenhiser.

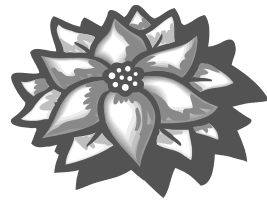
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*Our thanks to all whose gifts made possible the beautiful Christmas decorations.*

*A sincere thank you to both the Saint Timothy's Adult Voice Choir and Handbell Choir, soloists, and our congregation's instrumentalists for the wonderful way they have supported worship this Christmas season. Bravo!*

# Christmas Flower Dedications



- Anonymous** *In Celebration of the Christmas Season.*
- Michael & JoAnn Carlisle** *In Memory of Sue & Van and Nancy & Joe.*
- The Condro Family** *In Memory of Mary & Joseph Ieraci, and Victoria & Frank Condro.*
- Judy Conroy** *In Thanksgiving for Jill, Jimmy, Amy, Mike, Jack, Max, Lena, and Mia*
- Carol & Don Durand** *In Celebration of the Birth of Christ and in Memory of Jes Van Evera (husband) and Andrew Van Evera (son).*
- Kathy, Ashley, & Courtney Froemming** *With Love and Memories of Richard Froemming and in Thanksgiving for the blessing of Christ's birth!*
- The Gough Family** *In Loving Memory of Joan Bayfield and Walter Gough*
- Andrew Guthrie** *In Memory of Ian William Guthrie and Delores Reese Guthrie.*
- Carolyn & Andrew Hamm** *In Memory of our Parents.*
- Elaine Horsfield** *In Memory of her Late Husband, James, on the Occasion of His Christmas Birthday.*
- Beth & Peter Hwoschinsky** *In Memory of the Hurley and Hwoschinsky Family Members who are no Longer With Us.*
- Bob & Barb Kimmel** *In Thanksgiving for Barb's Parents Bill & Dolores Connelly.*
- Jim & Sharon McKenney** *To the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for Family and Friends.*
- Kent & Diane Miller** *In 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 Memory of Muriel & Jim Daley.*
- Rex & Julie Roller** *In Honor of Larry D. Roller who entered God's Kingdom 11.11.2016*
- Pat & Deke Smith** *In Memory of Tuddie, Bill, Nancy, Mary Gay, & Kevin and in Thanksgiving for Sandy, Justin, Riley, Megan, Josh, Wyatt, Mason, Scott, & Joanie.*
- Cynthia & Michael Wei** *In Memory of William & Alison Hannam, Dick Wei, and in Thanksgiving for Michelle & Nathan.*
- Edna & Kellogg Whittick Jr.** *In Memory of Kellogg Sr. & Arlene Whittick*



## Upcoming Events

- Christmas Day** Christmas Day Service, *10 a.m.*
- December 28** Midday Prayer Service, *12:15 p.m.*
- January 1** Holy Eucharist-*10 a.m. (Rite II)*
- January 6** Family Epiphany Event- *6:30 p.m. in Henry Hall.*  
*For families with children 3 years old - 5th grade.*
- January 8** Annual Parish Meeting & luncheon, *after 10 a.m. Service*
- February 28** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, *6 p.m.*
- March 1** Ash Wednesday Service with Holy Eucharist  
*6:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., & 7:30 p.m.*
- April 9** Palm Sunday Services, *8 & 10 a.m.*
- April 13** Maundy Thursday Service, *7:30 p.m.*
- April 14** Good Friday Services, *12:15 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.*
- April 16** Easter Sunday Services, *8, 9:30, & 11 a.m.*
- April 16** Easter Egg Hunt, *after 11 a.m. service*
- May 5 - 7** Annual Parish Family Retreat at Shrine Mont
- May 21** Youth Sunday *at 10 a.m. Service*
- July 10 - 14** Vacation Bible School