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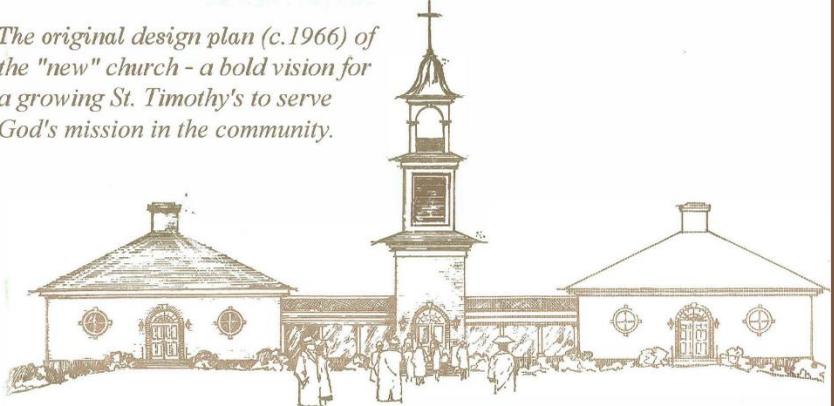
Sunday, October 5, 2025

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

8 am

*St. Timothy's Episcopal Church*  
*Herndon, Virginia*

*The original design plan (c.1966) of the "new" church - a bold vision for a growing St. Timothy's to serve God's mission in the community.*



**....Tomorrow**

**“Let Us Rise Up and Build.”**  
Nehemiah 2:18



**Weekly Services:**

Sunday, 8:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken
Sunday, 10:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II with Choir (Godly Play for ages 3–8, Sunday School for ages 9-12)
Sábado, 7:00 pm	La Santa Misa, en español

## Information For Our First-Time Guests

We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack in front of you or on the podium in the Narthex. Please place the completed card in the offertory plate or give it to an usher.

For your convenience, there are rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary to soothe little ones and worship bags with quiet activities in the Narthex.

We invite you to share in Holy Communion. To receive, come forward and kneel/stand at an open space on the altar rail. Both bread and wine will be offered (or a rice wafer/separate chalice for those allergic to wheat/ gluten intolerant). If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate that by placing your arms across your chest.

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*Flowers are given by Tom & Mary McLenigan*

*In memory of Liz & Tom McLenigan*

# HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE I

*At the tolling of the bell, please stand.*

## Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity (BCP 323-324)

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

**People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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.**

## Kyrie (BCP 324)

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison.

**People: Christe eleison.**

Celebrant: Kyrie eleison.

## The Collect for the Day (BCP 183)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### A Reading from Nehemiah 1:1-10 (New King James Version)

The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah:

It came to pass in the month of Chislew, in the twentieth year, as I was in Slushan the citadel, that Hanani one of my brethren came with men from Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews who had escaped, who had survived the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem. And they said to me, "The survivors who are left from the captivity in the province are there in great distress and reproach. The wall of Jerusalem is also broken down, and its gates are burned with fire." So it was, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned for many days; I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven. And I said: "I pray, Lord God of heaven, O great and awesome God, You who keep Your covenant and mercy with those who love You and observe Your commandments, please let Your ear be attentive and Your eyes open, that You may hear the prayer of Your servant which I pray before You now, day and night, for the children of Israel Your servants, and confess the sins of the children of Israel which we have sinned against You. Both my father's house and I have sinned. We have acted very corruptly against You, and have not kept the commandments, the statutes, nor the ordinances which You commanded Your servant Moses.

Remember, I pray, the word that You commanded Your servant Moses, saying, 'If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the nations; but if you return to Me, and keep My commandments and do them, though some of you were cast out to the farthest part of the heavens, yet I will gather them from there, and bring them to the place which I have chosen as a dwelling for My name.' Now these are Your servants and Your people, whom You have redeemed by Your great power, and by Your strong hand.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 37:1-10 (Read Responsively)**

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; \*  
**do not be jealous of those who do wrong.**
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, \*  
**and like the green grass fade away.**
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; \*  
**dwelt in the land and feed on its riches.**
- 4 Take delight in the Lord, \*  
**and he shall give you your heart's desire.**
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, \*  
**and he will bring it to pass.**
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light \*  
**and your just dealing as the noonday.**
- 7 Be still before the Lord \*  
**and wait patiently for him.**
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, \*  
**the one who succeeds in evil schemes.**
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \*  
**do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.**
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, \*  
**but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.**

### **A Reading from 2 Timothy 1:1-14**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother

Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Holy Gospel: Luke 17:5-10**

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

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **Sermon**

Ellie Singer

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **The Nicene Creed (BCP 326)**

People: **We believe in one God,  
the Father 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.

*Please kneel or stand, as you are able.*

### **The Prayers of the People (BCP 328)**

Leader: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. **Amen.**

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially to Sean, Mark, and Charles that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. **Amen.**

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. **Amen.**

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald our president, Glenn our governor, and Keven our mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. **Amen.**

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. **Amen.**

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. **Amen.**

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Timothy and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. **Amen.**

Blessed are you, Lord, who through your Son gave us a marvelous example of charity and the great commandment of love for one another. Send down your blessings on your servants who labor in government, who so generously devote themselves to helping others. Grant them courage when they are afraid, wisdom when they must make decisions, strength when they are weary, and compassion in all their work. In these trials and tribulations, grant them the peace that passes all understanding and allow them the patience and courage to continue to faithfully serve you and their neighbor. **Amen.**

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin (BCP 331)**

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

**People: Almighty God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all men:  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins  
and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.  
We do earnestly repent,  
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;**

the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.  
Have mercy upon us,  
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter  
serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Absolution (BCP 332)**

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.**

Celebrant: God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *(John 3:16)*

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **The Peace (BCP 332)**

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

**People: And with thy spirit.**

*Please be seated.*

## **Welcome, Announcements, & Stewardship Moment**

### **The Offering**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **The Holy Communion**

### **The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer II, BCP 340)**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them unto Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant: 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. Who by water and the

Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

### **The Sanctus (BCP 341)**

**All: 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 kneel or stand,, as you are able.*

Celebrant: 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, 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."

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,

**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.

### **The Fraction (BCP 337)**

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

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

### **The Invitation (BCP 338)**

**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### **Administration of Communion**

#### **Post-Communion Prayer (BCP 339)**

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**All:** 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.

#### **Blessing**

**Celebrant:** The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

#### **Dismissal (BCP 340)**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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

## PRAYER LIST:

*(Please email [careteam@saint-timothys.org](mailto:careteam@saint-timothys.org) with any prayer concerns.)*

**Rest of the Soul:** Alan Birdsall, Gloria Birdsall, Madeleine Birdsall Thomas, Gary Birdsall, David Caines

**Health:** Deb Angerman (breast cancer), Peter Hwoschinsky, Maryann C., Maeva Bayfield, Sally Stanley

**Long Term:** Sid, Maryanne, Chris W., Donna W., Chris, Chuck and Peggy, Catherine Hutcheon (Long Covid), David & Mabel Tettyfio (stroke, arthritis, hip pain), Brian Law, Jane Perry, Jerry Vandenberg, Chris Connelly (Barb Kimmel's brother, severe depression), Barb Benson (friend of Bob Kimmel, Parkinson's), Elizabeth Martinson, Cecelia Kimble (Shon Beury's mother), Philly Hoffman (kidney cancer), Marie Fernandez, Ed Patterson (brain tumor), Dick Joyce.

## THIS WEEK at ST. TIMOTHY'S

### Sunday, October 5 – Stewardship Kickoff Sunday

8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary

9:15 AM Adult Choir Warm-up – Sanctuary

10:00 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary/Livestream

5:00 PM Blessing of the Animals – Feast of St. Francis

### Monday, October 6

12:15 PM Step into Recovery – AA

7:00 PM Hope For Today – Al Anon

8:30 PM Monday Night Milkshake Group – AA

### Tuesday, October 7

9:30 AM Staff Meeting – Conference Room

### Wednesday, October 8

No Events

### Thursday, October 9

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Music Room/Sanctuary

7:00 PM Debtors Anonymous

### Friday, October 10

No Events

### Saturday, October 11

9:00 AM Altar Guild Set-Up – Sanctuary

7:00 PM La Santa Misa – Sanctuary

## STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF EVENT – Today!

Our 2026 Stewardship Campaign, “Let Us Rise Up and Build”, begins today and will continue throughout the month of October. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter pledge fulfillment statements for 2025 will be available in the Narthex Sunday October 12<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

## PRESCHOOL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

St. Timothy's Pre-School is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from **October 13-19<sup>th</sup>**, which will also be open to the church during weekend services. For more information, including volunteer opportunities, see the E-news or pick up a flyer in the Narthex.

## LINK FALL FOOD DRIVE

For the next two Sunday's, members of the Service Ministry will be in the Narthex after each service to hand out cloth bags for you to fill with items for LINK. Attached to the bag will be a list of items that are in high demand. **We will collect the bags the weekends of October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.**

## SHAWL MINISTRY AFGHAN BLANKET RAFFLE

The Shawl Ministry is raffling a beautiful Afghan blanket, with the drawing on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The blanket will be on display in the Narthex and you can purchase tickets after the 8 & 10 am services.

## SUNDAY ADULT FORUM - (Sanctuary & via livestream)

Join us (Oct 26<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> & Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>) for the first part of a 3-part series on the Gospel of Luke. You will hear from Ron Boggio about how the 3<sup>rd</sup> Gospel comforts and challenges us in these trying times.

