



Sunday, November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent

8 am



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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

Staff

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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 those with little ones, there are rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary 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.

Vestry

Sr. Warden – Rick Wilson (2027)

Johnny Ellis (2028)

Emily Litz (2026)

Matt Schumann (2027)

Varun Lal (alternate)

John McGrath (2028)

Midori Yanagihara (2026)

Jr. Warden – Rob Huizar (2027)

Vilma Lemus (2026)

Wanda Rixon (2028)

Trustees

Tom McLenigan

Keith Sinclair

Deke Smith

HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE I

At the tolling of the bell, please stand.

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity (BCP 323)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: **His mercy endureth for ever.**

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.**

Trisagion (BCP 324)

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect for the Day (BCP 159)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 122 (Read Responsively)

1 I was glad when they said to me, *

"Let us go to the house of the Lord."

2 Now our feet are standing *

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city *

that is at unity with itself;

4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, *

the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.

5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *

the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *

"May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls *

and quietness within your towers.

8 For my brethren and companions' sake, *

I pray for your prosperity.

|| 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, *

I will seek to do you good."

A Reading from Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Reverend Pete Nunnally

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

The Prayers of the People (written by the Social Justice Ministry)

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

Leader: For peace throughout the world,

People: that God's justice may guide relations between nations.

Leader: For the holy church of God,
People: **that it may grow spiritually, living out the values of the Gospel in good times and in bad times.**

Leader: For all bishops, priests, deacons,
People: **that they worthily preach the Word and administer the Sacraments.**

Leader: For all who hold executive, legislative or judicial power in our nation, state and community.
People: **that they may exercise their authority to ensure that all people are treated with due process of law.**

Leader: For immigrants in our own country and throughout the world,
People: **that they may know God's love through our ministry to them.**

Leader: For the poor, for refugees, for those who have lost health care and for the unemployed,
People: **that we may redouble our efforts to stand by them and seek justice for them.**

Leader: For the sick, their families and those who care for them,
People: **that they may know God's healing touch.**

Leader: For the dead, the dying and their loved ones,
People: **that they may know God's comfort and peace.**

Leader: For us and our community,
People: **that united in love with St. Timothy and all the saints, we may grow in loving acceptance of all God's creation.**

Leader: 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 in their neighbor.

People: **Amen.**

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

Confession of Sin (BCP 331)

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

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.

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.

The Peace (BCP 332)

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

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

The Offering

Please Stand

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer I, BCP 333)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the 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. Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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 334)

**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.**

Stand 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."

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.

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

Please stand.

Dismissal (BCP 340)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER LIST:

(Please email careteam@saint-timothys.org with any prayer concerns.)

Repose of the Soul: Keith Sinclair

Health: Deb Angerman (breast cancer), Joseph Sieh (brother of Kathryn Sieh), Harrison Jack, Dan Nichols, George Green, Mike Savage, Mark Cornwell (Donna Cornwell's brother), Melissa Druitt (concussion/vision), Randy Davis

Long Term: Sid, Maryanne, Chris W., Donna W., Chris, Chuck and Peggy, Catherine Hutcheon (Long Covid & sudden hearing loss), David & Mabel Tettyfio (stroke, arthritis, hip pain), Brian Law, Jane Perry, Jerry Vandenberg, Chris Connelly (Barb Kimmel's brother, severe depression), Barb Benson (Parkinson's), Eric Benson (heart failure), Elizabeth Martinson, Cecelia Kimble (Shon Beury's mother), Philly Hoffman (kidney cancer), Marie Fernandez, Ed Patterson (brain tumor), Dick Joyce, Mike Delacy and Arnie Goldman (friends of Ron Boggio), MaryAnn Garrahan, Eleanor Day

THIS WEEK at ST. TIMOTHY'S

Sunday, November 30

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

Monday, December 1

12:15 PM Step into Recovery – AA

1:00 PM Keith Sinclair Funeral and Reception

7:00 PM Hope For Today – Al Anon

8:30 PM Monday Night Milkshake Group – AA

Tuesday, December 2

9:30 AM Staff Meeting – Conference Room

Wednesday, December 3

10:00 AM Hablamos Español - Conference Rm.

10:00 AM Red Cross Blood Drive – Henry Hall

12:15 PM Advent Healing Eucharist – Sanctuary

1:00 PM Shawl Ministry – Narthex

4:00 PM DanceWorx - Narthex

Thursday, December 4

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Music Room

7:00 PM Debtors Anonymous

Friday, December 5 – No Events

Saturday, December 6

9:00 AM Altar Guild Set-Up – Sanctuary

4:00 PM Christmas Extravaganza – Henry Hall

7:00 PM La Santa Misa – Sanctuary

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN REPORT

Thanks to all those who have pledged already for 2026. As of 11/24 we have received **112 pledges for \$491,579**. This includes **nine new pledges** along with 103 returning pledges. Last year, we ended the campaign with 127 pledges and our goal for this year is around 140!

Please do return your pledge card, either in person or email to office@saint-timothys.org.

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

The Generations Ministry is hosting a Christmas Carnival on **Saturday, December 6 at 7:45 pm and December 7 beginning at 9am**. Fun for all is promised -- pictures with Santa, train rides for toddlers, a bake sale, heavenly henna painting, raffle for adult prizes and more! Tickets are \$2 each. We accept cash, check and paperless purchase. Invite your friends, neighbors & families. Every booth will be run by our youth. Please come and support them.

CHRISTMAS with the MASTER SINGERS of VIRGINIA

Join us Sunday at St. Timothy's, Herndon, December 13th at 4 pm for a luminous Christmas concert featuring shimmering choral works, beloved carols, and a special performance of Stephen Paulus' *Jesu Carols* with harpist Cate Cannon Todd. Tickets at msva.org or at the door.



Christmas Poinsettia Dedications

Would you like to donate for a poinsettia plant to be displayed in our sanctuary during Christmas services?

If you wish, you may dedicate the plant to a friend or loved one. Please contact the church at office@saint-timothys.org **by December 15th** with your special dedication.

Mark your check, "Poinsettia" or "Christmas Flowers". You may also make your donation and dedication through the St. Timothy's website giving portal, selecting "Christmas Flowers" from the drop down and including the dedication name(s).



Wednesday Healing Eucharist

Please join us in the sanctuary at 12:15 pm for a contemplative service on the Wednesdays below. This Advent, we will have special guest homilies that will include two deacons in our community.



Dates:

- ◆ December 3rd: The Reverend Deacon Doug Engwall, Preaching
- ◆ December 10th: Ron Boggio, Preaching
- ◆ December 17th: The Reverend Deacon Nancy Searby, Preaching