# St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two



## Feast of the Ascension

transferred **Keiki Sunday** 

June 1, 2025 | 9:00am

The Reverend Peter Wallace, Celebrant

#### Aloha! Welcome to St. Timothy's, a place to call your spiritual home.

Whoever you are, no matter how God made you, wherever you are in your spiritual journey, we welcome you!

OUR MISSION: St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is a welcoming and inclusive faith community dedicated to creating a place of belonging, where Christ's love is known and shared through our worship and outreach to the 'Aiea and Pearl City region of O'ahu.

WE ARE GLAD YOU'VE JOINED US TODAY! We'd like to offer you warm hospitality whether you're here for a one-time visit or are seeking a church home. If you're interested in knowing more about St. Timothy's, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher or our Vicar. Please note that the building across the patio from the church is Sumida Hall. As you face it, the restrooms are down the hallways: the women's to the right and the men's to the left.

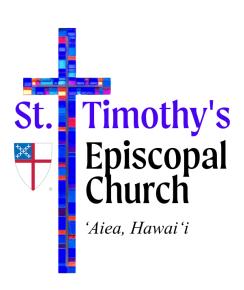
CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN OUR WORSHIP. If you're interested, we offer Sunday School for preschool and elementary age keiki in Sumida Hall, and they will be led back to the chapel to be with you for communion. All our leaders are Safe Church trained or in the training process, and many are teachers or former teachers.

OUR WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE of Holy Eucharist is a sacred celebration of Jesus' resurrection. It's an ancient yet relevant meal that we believe feeds and forms us for life today. This bulletin is designed to guide you through our worship. Every part of the service is printed here, so there's no need to use the pew books. If you wish to put down the bulletin and simply soak in the service, please do!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER? If you are baptized (or desire to be baptized), want to make St. Timothy's your principal worshiping community, and will support our parish life and ministries, we'd be honored to record you as a member. If you're not a confirmed Episcopalian and wish to explore membership in the greater communion of the Episcopal Church, contact our Vicar.

PLEASE JOIN US AFTER SERVICE FOR COFFEE, REFRESHMENTS, AND FELLOWSHIP in Sumida Hall. We would love to have you join us and talk story!

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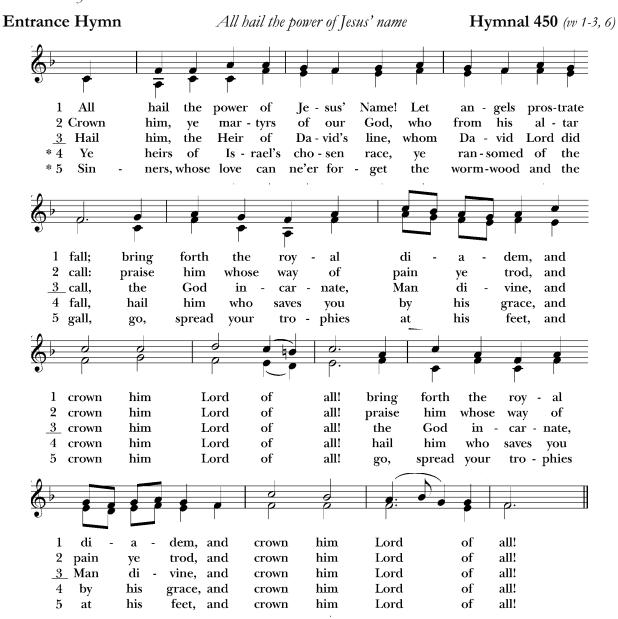
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## Prelude

Please stand as you are able



6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

## **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant and People together say

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*.



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## The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into heaven, so we may also in heart and mind there ascend, and with him continually dwell; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### The Lessons

The people sit. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (1:1-11)

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

After the Reading, the Reader says

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.** 

- 1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; \* shout to God with a cry of joy.
- 2 For the LORD Most High is to be feared; \* he is the great King over all the earth.
- 3 He subdues the peoples under us, \* and the nations under our feet.
- 4 He chooses our inheritance for us, \* the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
- 5 God has gone up with a shout, \* the LORD with the sound of the ram's-horn.
- 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; \* sing praises to our King, sing praises.
- 7 For God is King of all the earth; \* sing praises with all your skill.
- 8 God reigns over the nations; \* **God sits upon his holy throne.**
- 9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together \* with the people of the God of Abraham.
- 10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, \* and he is highly exalted.

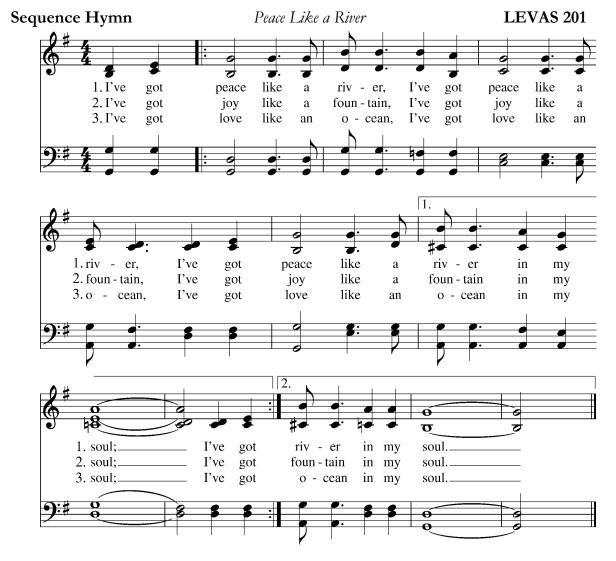
## A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians (1:15-23)

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



## The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. (24:44-53) *People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon Shannon Casey

A moment of silent reflection follows the sermon.

### The Nicene Creed

The Celebrant and People then say the Nicene Creed together, all standing.

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

Ascension Day (transferred)

In the silence that follows each bidding, intercessions may be offered silently, or aloud.

Let us all stay standing as we talk to God.

Jesus is with us as we pray. Let's talk to God together and offer our prayers, saying, "Enlighten our hearts; open our eyes."

Enlighten our hearts; open our eyes.

**Dear God,** Thank you for your Church. Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to help us. Help us tell others about your love. Stay with us forever. *Silence* 

Enlighten our hearts;

open our eyes.

**Dear God,** Jesus is above all people and kings. Let everyone follow his kind and loving ways. Please bring peace to our world. *Silence* 

Enlighten our hearts;

open our eyes.

**Dear God,** You are with us always. When we feel sad or alone, remind us that you area near. Come close to us again, just like you promised. *Silence* 

Enlighten our hearts;

open our eyes.

**Dear God,** You are strong and full of love. Please help people who are sick or feeling sad. Lift up anyone who feels small or forgotten. *Silence* 

Enlighten our hearts;

open our eyes.

**Dear God,** Because of Jesus, we can live with you forever. Please take care of those who have died. Give them your peace. *Silence* 

Enlighten our hearts;

open our eyes.

Special intentions of the congregation, the diocese, and the Anglican Communion may be added here or before the formal intercessions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

## The Announcements

#### Prayers for special occasions

#### **Prayer for Graduates:**

God of journeys, endings, and new beginnings, through the highs and lows, the twists and turns these students have faced along the way, we have faith that your love has guided them from the moment they began to graduation day and beyond. We give you thanks and praise for the goodness that shines in the relationships formed, knowledge learned, and memories made through this school. Bless the body, mind, and soul of every student and graduate, that they may celebrate your glory in themselves and all creation, and use their education to build your kingdom of peace. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen. [Rev. Timothy J.S. Seamans]

**Birthday prayer**: Watch over thy *child*, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever *he* may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary prayer: Most gracious God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, pour out the abundance of your blessing upon this couple. Defend them from every enemy. Lead them into all peace. Let their love for each other be a seal upon their hearts, a mantle about their shoulders, and a crown upon their foreheads. Bless them in their work and in the companionship; in their sleeping and in their waking; in their joys and in their sorrows; and in their life and in their death. Amen.

### For the Election of a Bishop (from the Book of Common Prayer, page 818)

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## The Holy Communion

The Offertory sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## Walk in Love

## **ZCBH - 1**



Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar. Once the altar is prepared the following Doxology may be sung



## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People 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.

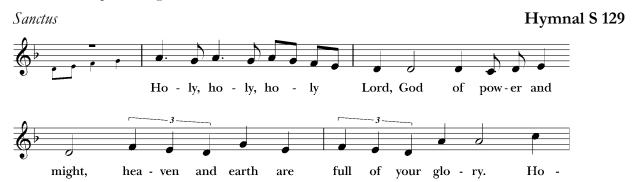
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

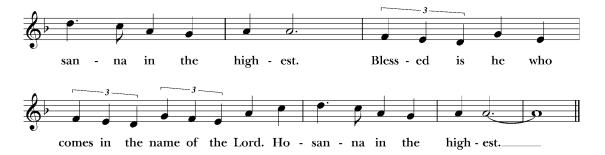
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People then sing the Sanctus





The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.

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,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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 King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma, Queen Lili'uokalani, our patron 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.

Celebrant and People then sing the Amen

Hymnal S 143



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

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then shall be said.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Ministration of Communion**

In The Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion regardless of age or Christian tradition. Anglicans believe in the "Real Presence" of Christ; in the Bread and Wine, Christ is made "real" and "present" to us. By this grace Christ is received even if only one of the elements is received if you so wish.

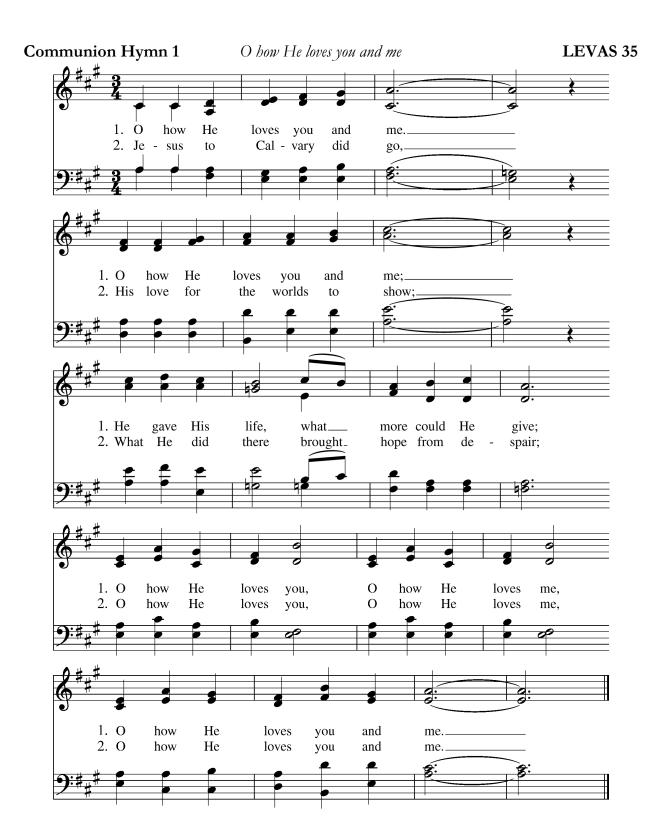
As you come forward, you may receive the Bread from the priest, then you may go to the chalice on your left (facing the altar) to intinct the bread ("DIP"), or to your right to drink from the cup ("SIP"). Please refrain if you are not feeling well. Those who are not baptized or prefer not to take communion may receive a blessing from the priest; please indicate your request by crossing your arms over your heart.

If you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer instead of a wheat wafer, please let the priest know when you approach by pointing to the pyx container on the paten.

A Prayer for Those Participating from Home

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. *Amen.* 

Faith @ Home: Prayer/Act of Reception for those who cannot receive the Sacrament (from St. Augustine's Prayer Book, Order of the Holy Cross)





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## Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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. Blessing

The Priest blesses the people, saying

The world now is too dangerous
And too beautiful
For anything but love.
Love is a blessing.
So may your eyes be so blessed that you see God in everyone.
Your lips, so that you speak nothing but the truth.
Your ears, so that you hear the cry of the poor.
May your hands be so blessed
that everything you touch becomes a sacrament.
Your feet, so that you run to those who need you.
And may your heart be so opened, so set on fire,

And the blessing of almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be yours now and forever more. Amen.

[The Very Rev. Brian Baker]

that your love changes everything.

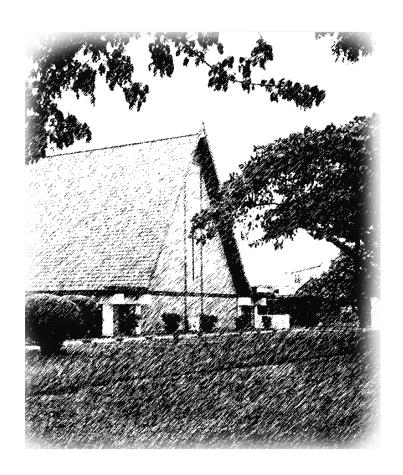


The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## Postlude





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