

ST. TIMOTHY ANGLICAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2026 – 10 AM
THE 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEASON OF CREATION



"Red Vineyards near Arles" Vincent van Gogh, 1888, Moscow, Russia

MORNING PRAYER

*Meeting on the Traditional Territories of the x̣ẉməθḳẉəỵəm (Musqueam),
Sḳẉx̣ẉụ́7mesh (Squamish), & sə̣lilẉətạł (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.*

*All the words of our worship service will be shared on our screen.
Bulletins are available for those who prefer print.*

*You are invited to join us in saying the **bold text***

Words of Welcome

Lizz L.

Opening Hymn

“Let All Creation Bless the Lord” CP-419

In the beginning, the Spirit of God hovered over the waters.
And God called them good.

Come Holy Spirit and cleanse the waters.

The prophet saw a river flowing from the Temple,
and wherever the river flowed, everything lived.

Come Holy Spirit and renew the face of the Earth.

Jesus cried out, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me...
Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.”

Come, Holy Spirit and heal your people

Invitatory Psalm

Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;
**serve the Lord with gladness and come into the divine presence
with a song.**

Know this: the Lord, the Lord, is God; the One made us and to whom
we belong;
we are God’s people, the sheep of God’s pasture.

Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving; go into these courts with praise;

give thanks to God and call upon the name of the Lord.

For the Lord is good, whose steadfast love is everlasting;

and whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds” CP-620

The First Reading

Exodus 17: 1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?”

So Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” The LORD said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and

Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

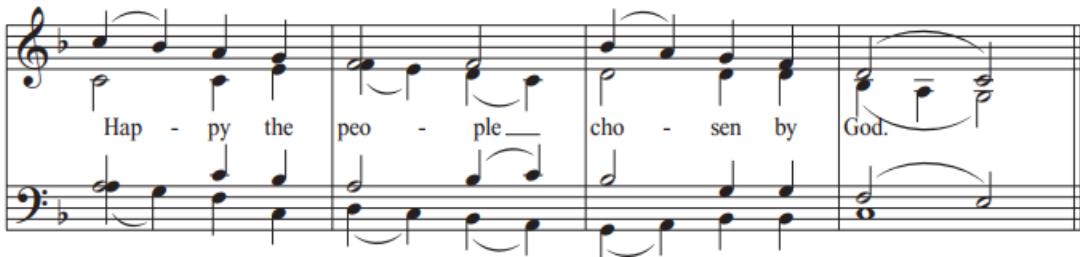
Thanks be to God!

The Psalm

Psalm 33. 1-12

Our cantor today is William.

The cantor sings the refrain first, then everyone repeats it the second time.



Happy the people chosen by God.

Rejoice in God, you righteous;
it is good for he just to sing praises.
Praise God with the harp;
play to the Holy One upon the psaltery and lyre.
Sing for God a new song;
sound a fanfare with all your
skill upon the trumpet.

Happy the people chosen by God.

For your work, O God is right,
and all your works are sure.
You love righteousness and justice;
your loving-kindness fills the whole earth.

Happy the people chosen by God.

By your word, O God, were the heavens made,
by the breath of your mouth all the heavenly hosts.
You gather up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin
and store up the depths of the sea.

Happy the people chosen by God.

Let all the earth fear you, O God;
let all who swell in the world stand in awe of you.
For you spoke, and it came to pass;
you commanded, and it stood fast.

Happy the people chosen by God.

O God, you bring the will of the nations to naught;
you thwart the designs of the peoples.
But your will stands fast for ever,
and the designs of your heart from age to age.
Happy is the nation whose allegiance is to God;
happy the people you have chosen to be your own!
Happy the people chosen by God.

The Second Reading
Philippians 2: 1-13

If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves.

Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a

Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Gospel Acclamation
"Alleluia" CP-709

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why, then, did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd, for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not,' but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same, and he answered, 'I go, sir,' but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first."

Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him, and even after you saw it you did not change your minds and believe him.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia" CP-709

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!



Sermon
The Rev. Neil Jongbloed (video)

Music for Reflection

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Canticle – A Song of the Wilderness
(from Isaiah)

The wilderness and the dry land shall rejoice, the desert shall blossom and burst into song.

They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weary hands, and make firm the feeble knees.

Say to the anxious, “Be strong, fear not, your God is coming with judgement, coming with judgement to save you.

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

then shall the lame leap like a hart, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

the ransomed of the Lord shall return with singing, with everlasting joy upon their heads.

Joy and gladness shall be theirs, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

Meditation Hymn
“Come and Fill Our Hearts” CP-402

Intercessions & Thanksgiving

Led by Vici

Eternal God, we thank you for the beauty of the World: for the teeming life of the seas, the flight of birds, and the diversity of animal life.

Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honour the delicate balance of nature. God of life,

hear our prayer.

We thank you for the wealth of blessings from land and sea; for the power of wind, and the warmth of sun. We pray for the nations of the earth, give us the will to cherish this planet and to use its resources sustainably for the welfare of all. God of justice,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the faithful witness of the Church, called to reconcile and heal. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the human family. We exult in our diversity and giftedness, we repent of our sins, divisions and violence. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us.

As every human being is known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect. We pray for those you have commended to our care. God of compassion,

hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died, whom we entrust to your eternal love; may we support and comfort those who mourn. God of peace,

hear our prayer.

The Peace

Hear God's promise of a redeemed creation: the wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and a little child shall lead them. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of peace (such as a wave or a handshake) with those around you.

The Offertory

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Offertory Hymn

"Let All Things Now Living" CP-403

Offertory Sentence

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

Thanksgiving Prayer

Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Collect of the Day

"Grant, O merciful God,
that your Church,
being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one,
may show forth your power among all peoples,
to the glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever."

Amen.

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us.

The Lord's Prayer *SGP-12*

Announcements

Event details are available on our website: sainttimothy.ca

Announcements and prayer requests are shared weekly via our email newsletter (sign up through our website). We have a few copies of this newsletter available on Sundays for those who prefer print.

Please join us down in the hall for “Coffee Hour” following worship

Recessional Hymn

“Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken”

CP-388

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Thank you to Geok and Pat for providing the tea and coffee service today.

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