

Prayers before Any Office

Grant, O Lord, that what we say with our lips we may believe in our hearts and practice in our lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Open, Lord, my mouth to bless Thy holy Name; cleanse my heart from all vain, foolish, wandering thoughts; enlighten my understanding; enkindle my affections that I may say this office with attention and devotion and so may be meet to be heard before the presence of Thy divine majesty; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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Guide us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help that in all our work begun, continued, and ended in Thee we may glorify Thy holy Name and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

To Thee, O Lord, I commend the service which I, an unworthy sinner, have offered up unto Thee, God, be merciful to me, a sinner, and according to the fulness of Thy love and wisdom fulfill my petitions; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

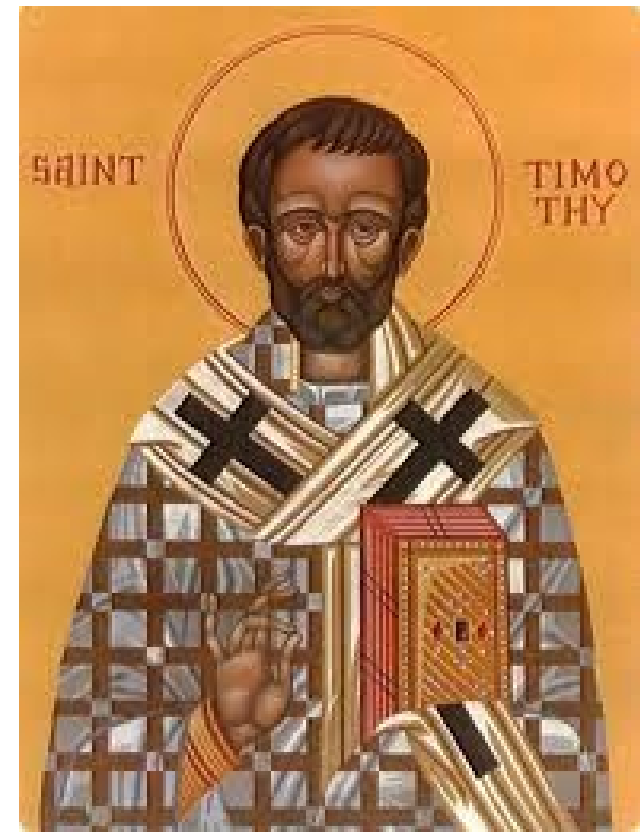
Collect for The Festival of St. Timothy of Ephesus, Bishop and Confessor

O Almighty God, Who hast knit together Thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical Body of Thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, grant us grace so to follow Thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those unspeakable joys which Thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love Thee; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Collect for The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who dost govern all things in Heaven and Earth, mercifully hear the supplications of Thy people and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

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“And he said to Him, ‘Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed My sheep.’” St. John 21:17

The Office of Vespers

The Prelude	<i>“Herr Jesus Christ, mein’s”</i>	Johann Gottfried Walther
The Ringing of the Bell		
Silent Prayer		
The Hymn	<i>“God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”</i>	TLH 283
<i>Stand</i>		
The Opening Versicles		TLH p. 41
The Psalmody	Psalm 16	INSERT
<i>Sit</i>		
The Lection		Ezekiel 34:11-16 1 Peter 5:1-4 St. John 21:15-17
The Response	<i>(After each reading)</i>	TLH p. 42
The Responsory		INSERT
The Hymn	<i>“Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain”</i>	TLH 288
The Sermon	<i>Do You Love Me?</i>	
The Offering		
The Office Hymn	<i>“Lord Jesus, Thou the Church’s Head”</i>	TLH 477
<i>Stand</i>		
The Versicle		TLH p. 43
The Canticle	<i>“The Magnificat”</i>	TLH p. 43
The Litany		INSERT
The Lord’s Prayer		
The Salutation		TLH p. 45
The Collect for the Day		Back Cover
Other Collects <i>(if necessary)</i>		
The Collect for Peace		TLH p. 45
The Litany Collect		INSERT
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 45
The Benediction		TLH p. 45
Silent Prayer		
The Postlude	<i>“Reuter”</i>	Jan Bender
Announcements		

Ezekiel 34:11-16

¹¹ For thus says the Lord GOD: “Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. ¹² As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day. ¹³ And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴ I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down,” says the Lord GOD. ¹⁶ “I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment.”

1 Peter 5:1-4

¹ The elders who are among you I exhort, I who am a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that will be revealed: ² Shepherd the flock of God which

is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; ³ nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; ⁴ and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

St. John 21:15-17

¹⁵ So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Feed My lambs.” ¹⁶ He said to him again a second time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Tend My sheep.” ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?” And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.” Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep.”

Psalm 16

Psalm Tone IV Flex



P: PRE- **SERVE** - || - | me, | O | God, | - *

C: For in | You | I | put | my | trust.

P: || O my soul, you have said to the Lord, “You | are | my | Lord, | - *

C: My goodness is noth- | ing | a- | part | from | You.”

P: || As for the saints who are on the earth, “They are the ex- | cel- | lent | ones, | - *

C: In whom | is | all | my | de- | light.”

P: || Their sorrows shall be multiplied who hasten after an- | o- | ther | god; | - *

C: Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, nor take up | their | names | on | my | lips.

P: || O Lord, You are the portion of my inheritance | and | my | cup; | - *

C: You | — | main- | tain | my | lot.

P: || The lines have fallen to me in | pleas- | ant | pla- | ces; *

C: Yes, I have a | good | in- | her- | i- | tance.

P: || I will bless the Lord who has giv- | en | me | coun- | sel; *

C: My heart also instructs me | in | the | night | sea- | sons.

P: || I have set the Lord al- | ways | be- | fore | me; *

C: Because He is at my right hand | I | shall | not | be | moved.

P: || Therefore my heart is glad, and my glo- | ry | re- | joi- | ces; *

C: My flesh al- | so | will | rest | in | hope.

P: || For You will not leave my | soul | in | She- | ol, *

C: Nor will You allow Your Holy One | to | see | cor- | rup- | tion.

P: || You will show me the | path | of | life; | - *

C: In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are plea- | sures | for- | ev- | er- | more.

ALL: **GLO- RY** - || be to the Father, and | to | the | Son: | - *

And | to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost;

AS **IT** - || was in the begin -*ning*, (+) is now, and | ev- | er | shall | be: *

World | with- | out | end. | A- | men.

P: || Preserve | me, | O | God, | - *

C: For in | You | I | put | my | trust.

The Responory

P:

For - ev - er, O Lord, Thy Word is set - tled in — heav'n.
Thy Word is a lamp un - to my feet, and a light un-to my path.

C:

Lord, I have loved the hab - i - ta - tion of Thy house, —
and the place where Thine hon - or — dwell - eth.

P:

Bless - ed are they that hear the Word of God — and keep it.

C:

Lord, I have loved the hab - i - ta - tion of Thy house, —

and the place where Thine hon - or — dwell - eth.

P:

Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost.

C:

Lord, I have loved the hab - i - ta - tion of Thy house, —

and the place where Thine hon - or — dwell - eth.

TLH 283 “God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”

Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1817

1. God’s Word is our great heritage
And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age
Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way,
In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations. Amen.

TLH 288 “Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain”

Ludwig Helmbold, 1594

1. Lord, help us ever to retain
The Catechism’s doctrine plain
As Luther taught the Word of Truth
In simple style to tender youth.

2. Help us Thy holy Law to learn,
To mourn our sin, and from it turn
In faith to Thee and to Thy Son
And Holy Spirit, Three in One.

3. Hear us, dear Father, when we pray
For needed help from day to day
That as Thy children we may live,
Whom Thou in Baptism didst receive.

4. Lord, when we fall and sin doth stain,
Absolve and lift us up again;
And thro’ the Sacrament increase
Our faith till we depart in peace. Amen.

TLH 477 “Lord Jesus, Thou the Church’s Head”

Johann Mentzer, 1726

1. Lord Jesus, Thou the Church’s Head,
Thou art her one Foundation;
In Thee she trusts, before Thee bows,
And waits for Thy salvation.
Built on this Rock secure,
Thy Church shall endure
E’en though the world decay
And all things pass away.
Oh, hear, oh, hear us, Jesus!

2. O Lord, let this Thy little flock,
Thy Name alone confessing,
Continue in Thy loving care,
True unity possessing.

Thy Sacraments, O Lord,
And Thy saving Word
To us e’er pure retain.
Grant that they may remain
Our only strength and comfort.

3. Help us to serve Thee evermore
With hearts both pure and lowly;
And my Thy Word, that light divine,
Shine on in splendor holy
That we repentance show,
In faith ever grow;
The pow’r of sin destroy
And all that doth annoy.
Oh, make us faithful Christians!

4. And for Thy Gospel let us dare
To sacrifice all treasure;
Teach us to bear Thy blessed cross,
To find in Thee all pleasure.
Oh, grant us steadfastness
In joy and distress,
That we Thee ne’er forsake.
Let us by grace partake
Of endless joy and glory. Amen.