

St. Timothys United Methodist Church
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May 11, 2008 – 10:15 am
Pentecost

(Large print bulletins and hymnals and hearing aid devices are available. A nursery is provided for children younger than First Grade. Ask an usher to help you.)

Introductory Rites

Prelude *"The Lamb of God"* Douglas
(We invite you to use the prelude as a time for centering on God, the Holy, the Spirit, the Living Jesus. Please be considerate of others for whom this is a quiet time.)

Greeting and Welcome – Announcements and Opportunities

Recognition of Sunday School Teachers and Staff

***Opening Song** *"Spirit of God"* Black hymnal, 2117

Penitential Rite – Call to Confession

Pastor: As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of Christ's love, let us acknowledge our failures and ask God for pardon and strength.

Prayer of Confession

Pastor: Lord, we have sinned against you: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Lord, show us your mercy and love.

All: And grant us your salvation.

Pastor: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Kyrie (Lord, have mercy)

Pastor: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Pastor: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

"KYRIE" From Gospel Mass by Robert Ray Chancel Choir

Gloria Liturgist

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

"GLORIA" From Gospel Mass by Robert Ray Chancel Choir

Liturgy of the Word

Reading for Pentecost Acts 2:1-21 Pew Bible, 119

Homily "Spirit Tracks" Dick Clark

Response "Holy Spirit, Come to Us" Black hymnal, 2118

***Profession of Faith** "Apostles' Creed" Red hymnal, 881

"CREDO" From Gospel Mass by Robert Ray Chancel Choir

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presentation of the Gifts

Pastor: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Pastor: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Offertory "His Yoke Is Easy" Ritter

***Offertory Song** "Seek Ye First" Red hymnal, 405

Invitation to Communion/Eucharist

This is the Lord's Table. We are all invited without exception because Jesus, our Lord, invites us all without exception, and we need to share this holy meal with one another. The Spirit calls us to gather, to come to this place and meet the Living Jesus. Come with open hands and open hearts. You are all welcome. Come now and take your place at this table where Jesus is Host.

"ACCLAMATION" From Gospel Mass by Robert Ray Chancel Choir

Eucharistic Prayer/The Great Thanksgiving Red hymnal, 15-16

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Sign of Peace**

"SANCTUS" From Gospel Mass by Robert Ray Chancel Choir

Breaking of the Bread

***Sharing the Bread and Cup**

(Everyone is invited to come forward, receive the bread, dip it in the cup, and partake. Please bring a Communion offering for our St. Tims Hunger Fund, which helps provide food, utilities, and rent for needy families.)

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

"AGNUS DEI" From Gospel Mass by Robert Ray Chancel Choir

Closing Rite

***Blessing**

***Postlude** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" Ritter

* = The Congregation is invited to stand

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Gospel Mass, by Robert Ray, is being presented today in celebration of Pentecost and in honor of all our mothers on Mothers Day.

ROBERT J. RAY, African American composer, conductor and clinician, is Professor of Music and Coordinator of Keyboard Studies at the University of Missouri at St. Louis. He is a graduate of Northwestern University and in May 2003, he received an Honorary Doctorate of Music from Vincennes University.

The composer states of *Gospel Mass*: "It is my desire to combine centuries of old traditions of Mass settings with sounds of the contemporary Black Church. I wanted everyone to experience the sense of joy and celebration that is generally felt in true African-American worship".

Robert Ray's *Gospel Mass* was composed in 1978, and has become a standard part of choral repertoire, being performed by churches, colleges, universities, orchestras and civic choral groups nationally and internationally.