

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 1, 2021—9:30 am

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A Note To Our Guests:

Welcome to Epiphany, we are glad to have you join us this morning as we celebrate Holy Eucharist! You are also invited to sign a pew card.

Guests sometimes worry about what to do next...where to turn in the book and whether to stand, sit or kneel. From time to time you will receive page number guidance from the clergy, and you may watch to see what others do. The “BCP” page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer, the black book. The “S” numbers refer to the Service Music in the front of the blue Hymnal 1982. But we invite you into worship and just to enjoy the service. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion at the Lord’s Table. If you prefer not to receive, but wish to come forward for a blessing, please do so, crossing your arms against your chest.

We are blessed to have you with us! So, sing the hymns, join in, and celebrate the joy of our Lord’s life, death, and resurrection!

Again, welcome ...We wish you God’s peace and joy!

Faithfully,
The People of Church of the Epiphany

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Holy Eucharist (Rite I)—Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist (Rite II)—Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer via Zoom

Tuesday and Thursday 7:00 a.m.

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Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 9:30 am

A time of quiet reflection or personal prayer is requested prior to the service.

PROCESSIONAL	<i>O Day of Radiant Gladness</i>	Hymn 48
OPENING ACCLAMATION		BCP 355
GLORIA	<i>Glory to God</i>	Hymn S-280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

Nathan said to David, “You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master’s house, and your master’s wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.” David said to Nathan, “I have sinned against the LORD.”

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 51:1-13

- ¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- ² Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.
- ³ For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.
- ⁴ Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.
- ⁵ And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.
- ⁶ Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother’s womb.
- ⁷ For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- ⁸ Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- ⁹ Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

- ¹⁰ Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
- ¹¹ Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
- ¹² Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- ¹³ Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people.”

(When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Lector
People

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN

Before Thy Throne, O God We Kneel

Hymn 574

THE GOSPEL

John 6:24-35

Lector
People

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

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

Lector
People

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

Fr. Chuck Reischman

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 392

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

Hymn 343

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 361

SANCTUS

Hymn S-125

GREAT AMEN

Hymn S-146

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

FRACTION ANTHEM

Belmont

**Alleluia,
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast;
Blood of Christ, shed for us,
take in remembrance of Him, in remembrance of Him.**

COMMUNION MUSIC

I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord

Hymn 304

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Hymn 690

—Hymn & Verse of the Month—

Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

Hymn 343

¹ Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
thy chosen pilgrim flock
With manna in the wilderness,
With water from the rock.

³ Be known to us in breaking bread,
and do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread
thy table in our heart.

² We would not live by bread alone,
But by thy word of grace,
In strength of which we travel on
To our abiding place.

⁴ Lord, sup with us in love divine,
thy Body and thy Blood,
That living bread, that heavenly wine,
Be our immortal food.

1 Peter 2:24-25

²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

*We are a community of discipleship, healing and worship.
We are committed to God, one another and
the transformation of the world in Jesus Christ.*

NEWS

Fellowship Dinners!—We have several fellowship dinner hosts! Check your email for the sign-up to attend. You can also still sign up to host! If you are interested in hosting an outdoor meal please contact:
Ann Rennie at 303-641-9340 or at ann.rennie@gmail.com

A New Way to Give— If you have the **Zelle** app on your phone or computer you can donate to the church via the email give@epiphanydenver.org
If you are a first time donor to Epiphany, please include your email & address on the memo line so that you can receive a tax statement in 2022.

Kid's Summer Book Group—Join Ann Rennie for a fun discussion of a fanciful book with underlying Christian themes. Read the book at home and come to the park ready to discuss!

- **Teens** (middle school/high school): *Out of the Silent Planet* by C.S. Lewis
Sat. August 21 from 10:00-12:00 at Crestmoor Park Playground

Spiritual Formation—Look for materials in the commons for the all-ages Biblical literacy program beginning in August! Fr. Stace's suggested outline for this week:

<i>The Story Bible</i> (Engelbrecht) Ages 2-8	<i>The Child's Story Bible</i> (Nos) Ages 9 and Up	<i>Growth in the Word</i> (Shafer) Grades 7-12	<i>Experiencing the Presence of God</i> (Tozer)	<i>The Imitation of Christ with Commentary</i> (aKempis/Billy)
Suggested pace: about 2-4 stories per week	Suggested pace: about 4-6 chapters per week	Suggested pace: about one lesson per week	Suggested pace: about one chapter every 2 weeks	Suggested pace: about 3 chapters per week
Parents: Read pages 8-12, <i>God Creates the World</i> (parts 1 & 2), <i>God Creates Adam and Eve</i>	<i>In the Beginning God</i> , through <i>The Terrible Result of Sin</i>	Chapter 1 <i>GOAL Study in Ephesians</i> Lesson 1	Forward & Introduction: <i>A Journey of Discovering God's Presence</i>	Introduction, How to Read <i>The Imitation of Christ</i> , Book 1: Useful Reminders for the Spiritual Life, Chapter 1