CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS January 2, 2022—10:30 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

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Holy Eucharist (Rite I)—Sunday 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite II)—Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Morning Prayer via Zoom Tuesday and Thursday 7:00 a.m.

Cover image: Jesus in the Temple—Heinrich Hoffmann 1881

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

January 2, 2022 Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

CALL TO WORSHIP	The Song of Mary	Hymn S-247
PROCESSIONAL	Angels From the Realms of Glory	Hymn 93
OPENING ACCLAMATION		BCP 355
GLORIA	Angels We Have Heard on High	Hymn 96

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you. And also with you. People Celebrant Let us pray.

> O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,

and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;

proclaim, give praise, and say,

"Save, O LORD, your people,

the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,

and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,

among them the blind and the lame, those with child and

those in labor, together;

a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,

and with consolations I will lead them back,

I will let them walk by brooks of water,

in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;

for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob. and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,

over the grain, the wine, and the oil,

and over the young of the flock and the herd;

their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again.

Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry.

I will turn their mourning into joy,

I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.

I will give the priests their fill of fatness,

and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,

says the LORD.

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. All

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts. Cantor

My soul is longing and yearning for the courts of the LORD.

My heart and my flesh cry out to the living God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. All

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, forever singing your praise. Cantor

Blessed the people whose strength is in you, whose heart is set on pilgrim ways.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. All

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob. Cantor

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; look on the face of your anointed.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. All

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

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.

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

GOSPEL HYMN

Earth Has Many a Noble City

Hymn 127

THE GOSPEL

Luke 2:41-52

Lector **People**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them

and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

Lector **People**

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

SERMON

Fr. Stace Tafoya

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 392

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

Sing of Mary

- Sing of Mary meek and lowly,
 Virgin mother pure and mild,
 Sing of God's own Son most holy,
 Who became her little child.
 Fairest child of fairest mother,
 God the Lord who came to earth,
 Word made flesh our very brother,
 Takes our nature by his birth.
- ² Sing of Jesus, son of Mary, In the home at Nazareth. Toil and labor cannot weary love enduring unto death. Constant was the love he gave her, Though he went forth from her side, Forth to preach, and heal, and suffer, Till on Calvary he died.
- Sing of Joseph, strong and gentle, Nobly born of David's house; Just and upright man of labor, Whom God chose as Mary's spouse; Chosen, too, as Jesus' guardian, Guiding him since infancy. Holy child of holy parents, Holy is their family.
- ⁴ Glory be to God the Father; Glory be to God the Son; Glory be to God the Spirit, Glory to the Three in One. From the heart of blessed Mary, From all saints the song ascends, And the strain the church reechoes Unto earth's remotest ends.

Vs. 1, 2, 4: Roland F. Palmer, Vs. 3: Omer Westendorf, 1984 m: from "Christian Lyre", 1830, Tune: Pleading Savior Arr.: Richard Proulx, 2004

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 367

SANCTUS Hymn S-125

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Great Amen Hymn S-146

FRACTION ANTHEM Hymn S-164

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Devotion

I will believe with devotion
Never departing from Thy tender care
With every thought and emotion
Wherever I am
You are with me there

Jesus come quickly Jesus come surely Into my heart into my soul My spirit at rest sweet communion My body's salvation spirit and soul

- ² Ever before me and leading Gently You keep me So tender and fair As a good and gentle shepherd Strong as a warrior With delicate air
- With every thought and emotion With every word every action of life You are my manna from heaven Sustaining my soul with heavenly wine

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When Jesus Left His Father's Throne Hymn 480

POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

RECESSIONAL As With Gladness Men of Old Hymn 119

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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

COVID Mask Mandate—In keeping with the Denver's city order, we are once again requiring face coverings in the building for all attendees, regardless of vaccination status

Year-End Giving—Please note: According to IRS rules, contributions are effective when *delivered*. This means that a check deposited in the offering in January cannot be deducted in the previous year even if it is backdated. The one exception is for checks that are *postmarked* in 2021 even if it is not received by the church until 2022.

Sunday School—Christian education will resume on January 16th with Fr. Stace Zooming with the kids at 9:15 and adults & teens meeting at 9:30.

Spiritual Formation—Suggested Calendar for the week of December 26 th					
The Story Bible (Engelbrecht) Ages 2-8	The Child's Story Bible (Vos) Ages 9 and Up	Growth in the Word (Shafer) Grades 7-12	Experiencing the Presence of God (Tozer)	The Imitation of Christ with Commentary (àKempis/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	
The Visit of the Wise Men, The Boy Jesus in the Temple			Chapter 11 The Dimensions of God's Presence	Book 3 28: Those who speak against us, 29: How we should bless God, 30: Asking for God's help	