

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
January 9, 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.

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

CALL TO WORSHIP *The Third Song of Isaiah* Hymn S-223

PROCESSIONAL *We Three Kings* Hymn 128

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP 355

GLORIA *Angels We Have Heard on High* Hymn 96

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 60:1-6*

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,

because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

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

THE PSALM *Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13*

All **Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

Cantor O God, give your judgment to the king, to a king's son your justice,
That he may judge your people in justice, and your poor in right judgment.

All **Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

Cantor In his days shall justice flourish, ad great peace till the moon is no more.
He shall rule from sea to sea, from the river to the bounds of the earth.

All **Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

Cantor The kings of Tarshish and the islands shall pay him tribute.
The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts.
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him.

All **Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

Cantor For he shall save the needy when they cry, the poor, and those who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak and the needy, and save the lives of the needy.

All **Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God’s grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God’s grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

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

GOSPEL HYMN *What Star is This, With Beams so Bright* Hymn 124

THE GOSPEL *Matthew 2:1-12*

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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

SERMON Fr. Stace Tafoya

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS BCP 292

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY *Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning* Hymn 117

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-127

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

How Bright Appears the Morning Star

Hymn 497

The Wondrous Mystery

¹ The wondrous mystery of boundless grace divine
The Son became the Servant of us all
The fullness of our God in frail humanity
Obedient to death upon a cross

Lifted to the highest place
Given the name above all names
That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow
Every power and every throne
Heaven above and earth below
Ev'ry tongue confessing Christ the Lord

² So let us walk this path of Christ's humility
And place each other's needs above our own
One heart one mind one love in glorious unity
That shines His radiant light throughout the earth

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL

In the Bleak Midwinter

Hymn 112

*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

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 26th

<i>The Story Bible</i> (Engelbrecht) Ages 2-8	<i>The Child's Story Bible</i> (Vos) 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> (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
<i>The Visit of the Wise Men, The Boy Jesus in the Temple</i>	<i>Elisha the Gentle Prophet, Trouble with Syria</i>		<i>Chapter 11 The Dimensions of God's Presence</i>	<i>Book 3</i> <i>28: Those who speak against us,</i> <i>29: How we should bless God, 30: Asking for God's help</i>