

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



**HOLY BAPTISM &
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
February 20, 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.

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 20, 2022

Baptism & Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

CALL TO WORSHIP *Canticle 19: The Song of the Redeemed* Hymn S-267

PROCESSIONAL *When Morning Guilds the Skies* Hymn 427

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP 299

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *Genesis 45:3-11, 15*

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five

more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'"

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

THE PSALM *Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42*

- ¹ Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- ² For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.
- ³ Put your trust in the Lord and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- ⁴ Take delight in the Lord, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- ⁵ Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.
- ⁶ He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday.
- ⁷ Be still before the Lord *
and wait patiently for him.
- ⁸ Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- ⁹ Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- ¹⁰ For evildoers shall be cut off, *
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.
- ¹¹ In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- ¹² But the lowly shall possess the land; *
they will delight in abundance of peace.

⁴¹ But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; *
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

⁴² The Lord will help them and rescue them; *
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
because they seek refuge in him.

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

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?” Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

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

GOSPEL HYMN

Here I Am Lord

¹ I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

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² I, the lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

³ I, the lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?

THE GOSPEL

Luke 6:27-38

Lector
People

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

Jesus said, “I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

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

SERMON Fr. Stace Tafoya

HOLY BAPTISM Merek Jankowski Fraley BCP 301

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented...

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?
People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and , whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People I will with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open him heart to your grace and truth.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.
People Lord, hear our prayer

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

Merek, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Merek, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY *Song of Moses*

¹ Oh the Lord our strength and song
Highest praise to Him belongs
Christ the Lord the conqu'ring King
Your name we raise Your triumphs sing

**Praise the Lord our mighty warrior
Praise the Lord the glorious One
By His hand we stand in vict'ry
By His name we overcome**

² Though the storms of hell pursue
In darkest night we worship You
You divide the raging sea
From death to life You safely lead

³ All the saints and angels bow
Hosts of heaven crying out
Glory glory to the King
You reign for all eternity

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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

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SANCTUS

Hymn S-125

Holy, 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

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.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Be Not Afraid

¹ You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words
in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

**Be not afraid.
I go before you always.
Come, follow me,
and I will give you rest.**

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² If you pass through raging waters
in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.

³ Blessed are your poor,
for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult
and hate you
all because of me,
blessed, blessed are you!

RECESSIONAL

By Faith

¹ By faith we see the hand of God
 In the light of creation’s grand design
 In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
 Who walk by faith and not by sight

² By faith our fathers roamed the earth
 With the pow’r of His promise in their hearts
 Of a holy city built by God’s own hand
 A place where peace and justice reign

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We’ll walk by faith and not by sight

³ By faith the prophets saw a day
 When the longed-for Messiah would appear
 With the pow’r to break the chains of sin and death
 And rise triumphant from the grave

⁴ By faith the church was called to go
 In the pow’r of the Spirit to the lost
 To deliver captives and to preach good news
 In ev’ry corner of the earth

⁵ By faith the mountain shall be moved
 And the pow’r of the gospel shall prevail
 For we know in Christ all things are possible
 For all who call upon His name

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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 Masks—We are strongly recommending face coverings in the building for all attendees to protect our vulnerable members.

Sunday School—Christian education has resumed, with Fr. Stace Zooming with the kids at 9:15 and adults & teens meeting at 9:30 to discuss the Minor Prophets.

Epiphany Scholarships—Applications for Epiphany scholarships for the 2022-23 school year are now available in the commons and a link in the newsletter. Completed applications are due on April 1st.

Women’s Book Study—Pick up a flyer in the commons detailing a new book study, led by Sarah. The study began February 7th but you are still welcome to join.

Pre-Lenten Quiet Retreat—All are invited to oin our sister parish St, Michael & All Angels’ for a day of meditation February 26th, 8:30am-1:30pm with a soup lunch provided. RSVP to Dcn. Gary or on the SignUpGenius link in the newsletter.

Spiritual Formation —Suggested Calendar for the week of February 20th				
<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> (à Kempis/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>Jesus Heals a Blind Man, The Beatitudes</i>	<i>Message of the angel, Holy night, Star in the East, Warned by a dream, Boy in the temple, Preacher in the desert, Satan talks to God’s son</i>	Chapter 7 Lesson 2	Chapter 14 (continued)	<i>49. Longing for eternal life..., 50. How a lonely person should place himself in God’s hands, 51. That we must perform humble works...</i>