

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
March 27, 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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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 14: A Song of Penitence* Hymn S-237

PROCESSIONAL *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Hymn 686

DECALOGUE & PENITENTIAL ORDER BCP 350

TRISAGION

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy Immortal One
Have mercy, Have mercy on us

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *Joshua 5:9-12*

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11

All **I turn to you, O Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation**

Cantor Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.
Blessed the man whom the LORD imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile.

All **I turn to you, O Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation**

Cantor To you I have acknowledged my sin; my guilt I did not hide.
I said, "I will confess my transgression to the LORD."
And you have forgiven the guilt of my sin.

All **I turn to you, O Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation**

Cantor Rejoice in the LORD; exult, you just! Ring out your joy, all you upright of heart!

All **I turn to you, O Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation**

THE EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

THE GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So Jesus told them this parable:

“There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’” So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like

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-130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 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-147

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.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, who always delights in showing mercy.
 Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC*Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face*

Hymn 318

Per crucem/ By Your Cross

(see insert)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

Hymn 470

NEWS

COVID Masks—The vestry has decided to move to “masks optional” for services. Please be gracious with everyone else’s decisions.

Sunday School—During Lent Fr. Stace is leading a “Lenten Laboratory” class for adults & teens where we can learn and practice prayer, study, fasting, and almsgiving. 9:30 in the St. Martha’s room

Group Baby Gift—See your newsletter for the link to contribute to a Target gift card for Charlotte & Bosco who are expecting a baby in May.

Evangelism Conference—St. Gabriel’s will be hosting “*Rediscovering the Good News: Evangelism in a Covid-Weary World*” on April 9th from 8:30am-4pm. Speakers include Carrie Boren Headington, Rev. Craig Springer, Mike Orr, and Rev. Chris Ditzenberger. For more information and registration go to: stgabriels.org/goodnews

☧ Holy Week Services ☨		
April 14	Maundy Thursday Foot Washing with Eucharist followed by the Watch in the Garden (Sign up in the Commons for 1 hour sessions)	7:00 pm
April 15	Stations of the Cross	Noon
	Good Friday Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross	7:00 pm
April 16	Easter Vigil (Bring your bells!)	7:00 pm
April 17	Easter Sunday (Bring your bells!)	8 & 10:30

Spiritual Formation —Suggested Calendar for the week of March 27th			
<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>The Imitation of Christ with Commentary</i> (àKempis/Billy)
<i>Jesus and the Little Children, Jesus and Zaccheaus</i>	<i>Mary’s Gift, The King Comes, The roman Army, The Last Day & the Great Sin, In the Upper Room</i>	Chapter 9 <i>Text Marking in 2 Timothy</i> Lesson 2	Book 4 <i>4. That many good things are given to those who devoutly receive communion, 5. Of the dignity of the sacrament ... 6. The question of preparing before communion</i>