

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 24, 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!

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.

PROCESSIONAL - *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above*

Hymn 388

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

GLORIA

Hymn S-280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON - *Genesis 18:20-32*

The LORD said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And

the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

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

THE PSALM - *Psalm 85:9-14*

All **The Lord speaks of peace, peace, peace to his people.**

Cantor I will hear what the Lord God speaks;
 he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful.
 His salvation is near for those who fear him,
 and his glory will dwell in our land.

All **The Lord speaks of peace, peace, peace to his people.**

Cantor Merciful love and faithfulness have met;
 justice and peace have kissed.
 Faithfulness shall spring from the earth,
 and justice look down from heaven.

All **The Lord speaks of peace, peace, peace to his people.**

Cantor Also the Lord will bestow his bounty,
 and our earth shall yield its increase.
 Justice will arch before him,
 and guide his steps on the way.

All **The Lord speaks of peace, peace, peace to his people.**

THE EPISTLE - *Colossians 2:6-19*

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

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

GOSPEL HYMN - *God Has Spoken to His People*

Hymn 536

THE GOSPEL - Luke 11:1-13

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

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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

SERMON

Fr. Stace Tafoya

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	BCP 387
THE PEACE	
OFFERTORY - <i>Spread, O Spread Thou Mighty Word</i>	Hymn 530
DOXOLOGY	Hymn 380 v.3
GREAT THANKSGIVING	BCP 361
SANCTUS	Hymn S-125
GREAT AMEN	Hymn S-146
FRACTION ANTHEM	Belmont
<p>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.</p>	
COMMUNION MUSIC - <i>Jesus, Lover of My Soul</i>	Hymn 699
<i>Rise Up Ye Saints of God</i>	Hymn 551
POST COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP 365
RECESSIONAL - <i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i>	Hymn 390

*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

Counters Needed—If you are interested in helping the church behind the scenes we need you! Teams of two count the offering after the 10:30 service once a month. Training and calculators are provided!

Sunday School Volunteers Needed—If you have looked around on a Sunday, even at the 8:00 you will notice that we have a number of children of all ages. We are poised to begin Sunday School again after a two year hiatus. Jen Anderson Tarver, Sarah Tafoya, and Fr. Stace are looking for five to six people who feel called to participate in our Christian education hour this Fall, which takes place from 9:15 to 10:15. If you feel the Lord urging you to inquire, please respond with an email at office@epiphanydenver.org or rector@epiphanydenver.org

King Soopers—Epiphany received \$342.68 from King Soopers community rewards for the second quarter. Thank you to everyone who has linked their shopper's card to Epiphany. It costs you nothing but gives a percentage back to the church every time you shop!

Mini Church Camp—Please pray for all the participants of Mini-Church Camp this coming weekend.

Budget Update

June Income \$18,895
June Expenses \$20,516

YTD Income \$161,058
YTD Expenses \$142,305