

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



**THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
September 4, 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 8:30 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 - *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Hymn 376

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.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON - *Deuteronomy 30:15-20*

RSV

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him,

“See, I have set before you this day life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you this day, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his ordinances, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you are entering to take possession of it. But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you this day, that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land which you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and

curse; therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice, and cleaving to him; for that means life to you and length of days, that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

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

THE PSALM - *Psalm 139:1-3, 13-15*

All **I praise you, O Lord, for I am wonderfully made.**

Cantor O Lord, you search me and you know me.
You yourself know my resting and my rising;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
You mark when I walk or lie down;
you know all my ways through and through.

All **I praise you, O Lord, for I am wonderfully made.**

Cantor For it was you who formed my inmost being,
knit me together in my mother’s womb.
I thank you who wonderfully made me;
how wonderful are your works, which my soul knows well!

All **I praise you, O Lord, for I am wonderfully made.**

Cantor My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being fashioned in secret
and molded in the depths of the earth.

All **I praise you, O Lord, for I am wonderfully made.**

THE EPISTLE - Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother— especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

GOSPEL HYMN - O Bless the Lord, My Soul

Hymn 411

THE GOSPEL - Luke 14:25-33

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

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

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

SERMON Fr. Dcn. Gary Stoddard

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE BCP 387

COLLECT FOR LABOR DAY

Almighty God, who hast so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY - *Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace*

Hymn 593

DOXOLOGY

Hymn 380 v.3

GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 361

SANCTUS

Hymn S-125

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 - *Praise the Spirit in Creation*

Hymn 507

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymn 493

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL - *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Hymn 423

*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

Volunteers Needed—Please use the link in the weekly newsletter to sign up for volunteer positions. There are jobs available during the worship service as well as behind the scenes tasks. Most positions only ask for a once-a-month commitment. Talk to Fr. Stace or Grace-Ann if you would like to try a new type of service!

Women's Book Study—Join Sarah on Monday afternoons, beginning September 19th from 3:30-5:00pm. We will work through Tish Harrison Warren's book *Prayer in the Night*.

Sunday School!

At long last, Sunday School is coming back to Epiphany!

Children and families are invited to attend the Sunday School Meet and Greet on Sunday, **September 11 from 9:15-10:15am**. Children ages 3-6 will be upstairs in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd room, ages 7-12 in the Scriptorium, and 13 and up in the St. Martha's Room on the main level. Meet the teachers and other families, see the classrooms, and get an overview of what we will be learning in 2022-2023! The Meet and Greet will conclude with a reception in the Commons!

Please RSVP to Sarah at 303-910-2638 or sadie_tafoya@yahoo.com