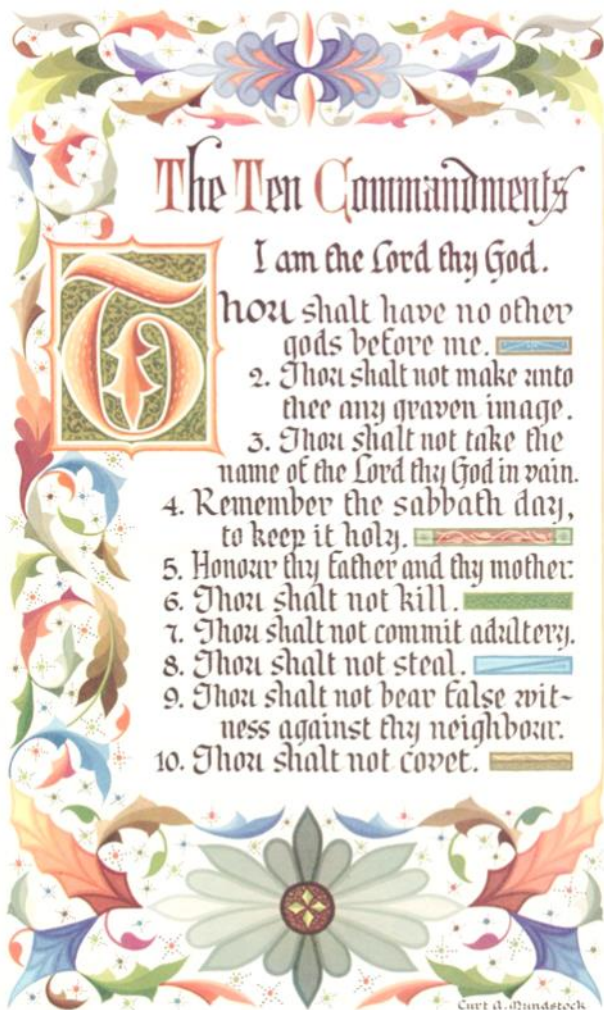


# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



**THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER  
THE EPIPHANY**  
**February 12, 2023—8:00 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*

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Rite I)  
Sunday 10:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Morning Prayer via Zoom  
Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 a.m.

# THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 12, 2023  
HOLY EUCHARIST - 8:00AM

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

**PROCESSION - O God, Our Help in Ages Past** Hymn 680

**OPENING ACCLAMATION** BCP 323

**GLORIA** BCP 324

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in thee: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because, through the weakness of our mortal nature, we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **FIRST LESSON - Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

Moses said, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may

live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALM - *Psalm 119:1-8***

<sup>1</sup> Happy are they whose way is blameless, \*  
who walk in the law of the LORD!

<sup>2</sup> Happy are they who observe his decrees \*  
and seek him with all their hearts!

<sup>3</sup> Who never do any wrong, \*  
but always walk in his ways.

<sup>4</sup> You laid down your commandments, \*  
that we should fully keep them.

<sup>5</sup> Oh, that my ways were made so direct \*  
that I might keep your statutes!

<sup>6</sup> Then I should not be put to shame, \*  
when I regard all your commandments.

<sup>7</sup> I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, \*  
when I have learned your righteous judgments.

<sup>8</sup> I will keep your statutes; \*  
do not utterly forsake me.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.**

## THE EPISTLE - *1 Corinthians 3:1-9*

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE - *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word*

Hymn 440

## THE GOSPEL - *Matthew 5:21-37*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and

offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Fr. Stace Tafoya

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BCP 327

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

BCP 328

**PEACE**

**OFFERTORY**

**May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name; both for our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING** BCP 340

**SANCTUS** BCP 341

**FRACTION ANTHEM** BCP 337

**COMMUNION**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** BCP 339

**RECESSIONAL - *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*** 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

**2023 Pledge Cards**—Everyone who returned a pledge card should have received a pledge confirmation email from our bookkeeper. If you have not received confirmation, please contact Leslie directly at: [accountant@epiphanydenver.org](mailto:accountant@epiphanydenver.org)

**Adult/Teen Sunday School**—We are looking at the Desert Fathers & Mothers who gave our Christian tradition their wisdom in the early centuries of the church. Join us in the St. Martha's room at 9:30.

**Annual Meeting**—If you were unable to come to the annual meeting last week, the financial handout and the ministry updates are available in the commons.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**—Everyone is invited to a pre-Lent pancake supper, February 21st at 6pm. Sign up to help using the link in the newsletter.

**Lenten Wednesdays**—Join Fr. Stace for a look at Bishop Robert Barron's "Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues". We'll meet at 6pm for a simple soup dinner followed by discussion. Sign up to bring food using the link in the newsletter. March 1, 8, 15, 23, & 29.

DATE	10:30 LECTOR	ACOLYTES	CHALICE
2/12	Martin	Jacob, Pascal	John, Don
2/19	Amalia	Gillian	Gillian, Don
2/26		Outshine, Martin, Amalia	Gillian, Shirley
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