

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
March 12, 2023—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

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.

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Holy Eucharist - Rite I - 10:30 am

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

PROCESSIONAL

O Bless the Lord, My Soul

Hymn 411

PENITENTIAL ORDER

BCP 319

KYRIE

Hymn S-84

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me."

The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM*Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9***Chorus** If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Cantor Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come into his presence, giving thanks;
let us hail him with a song of praise.

Chorus If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Cantor O come; let us bow and bend low. Let us kneel before the God who made us,
for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand.

Chorus If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Cantor O that today you would listen to his voice!
“Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert when your forebears put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.”

Chorus If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**THE EPISTLE***Romans 5:1-11*

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

GREAT THANKSGIVING	BCP 333
SANCTUS	Hymn S-117
GREAT AMEN	Hymn S-147
FRACTION ANTHEM	Hymn S-158
PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS	BCP 337

COMMUNION MUSIC *Break Every Chain*

There is power in the name of Jesus
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 To break every chain
 Break every chain break every chain

All sufficient sacrifice
 So freely given such a price
 Bought our redemption
 Heaven's gates swing wide

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP 339
RECESSIONAL	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i> Hymn 690

*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

Adult/Teen Sunday School—Fr. Stace and Dcn. Gary are teaching a Lenten class “Worship Without Words”. Join us in the St. Martha’s room at 9:30.

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.

Epiphany Scholarship—The Church of the Epiphany Scholarship committee is accepting applications for the 2023-24 school year. Applications are available through the church office. Applications for the 2023-24 year are due April 1, 2023. Please contact Kevin Kane 303-859-5988 with any questions concerning the application or the scholarship process.

Holy Week Schedule

<i>April 2</i>	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	<i>8:00 & 10:30</i>
<i>April 6</i>	<i>Maundy Thursday Service with foot washing</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>
<i>April 7</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross Good Friday Service</i>	<i>Noon 7:00pm</i>
<i>April 8</i>	<i>Easter Vigil (bring your bells!)</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>
<i>April 9</i>	<i>Easter Sunday</i>	<i>8:00 & 10:30</i>

DATE	10:30 LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES
3/12	Grace-Ann	Gary, John	Excel, Jacob, Pascal
3/19	Jeff	Gary, Don	Gillian, Megan, Francis
3/26	Margaret	Shirley	Excel, Jacob, Pascal
4/2	Passion Readers Needed!	Shirley, John	Luke, Jacob, Pascal