

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
March 19, 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

The Glory of These Forty Days

Hymn 143

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.

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

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for

the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

THE PSALM *Psalm 23*

Chorus **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Cantor The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me; he revives my soul.

Chorus **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Cantor He guides me along the right path, for the sake of his name.
Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death,
no evil would I fear, for you are with me.
Your crook and your staff will give me comfort.

Chorus **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Cantor You have prepared a table before me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

Chorus **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Cantor Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the LORD’s own house shall I dwell for length of days unending.

Chorus **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

THE EPISTLE *Ephesians 5:8-14*

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

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

GOSPEL HYMN

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Hymn 490

THE GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

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

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Lector The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

Fr. Stace Tafoya

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 327

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 328

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

Panis Angelicus

(Franck)

*Panis Angelicus fit panis hominum
Dat panis coelicus figuris terminum
O res mirabilis! Manducat Dominum
Pauper, pauper, servus et humilis
Pauper, pauper, servus et humilis*

The angel's bread becomes the bread of men
The heavenly bread ends all symbols
Oh, miraculous thing!

The body of the Lord will nourish
The poor, poor, and humble servant
The poor, poor, and humble servant

DOXOLOGY

Hymn 380 v3

All **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 333

SANCTUS

Hymn S-117

GREAT AMEN

Hymn S-147

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymn S-158

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

COMMUNION MUSIC

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Hymn 645

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 339

RECESSIONAL

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymn 493

*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>Garden Watch Prayer Vigil</i>	<i>8pm-6am</i>
<i>April 7</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	<i>Noon</i>
	<i>Good Friday Service</i>	<i>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
3/19	Jeff	Gary, Don	Gillian, Megan, Francis
3/26	Margaret	Gary, Shirley	Excel, Jacob, Pascal
4/2 Palm Sunday	Passion Readers Needed!	Shirley, John	Luke, Jacob, Pascal
4/9 Easter Sunday		Shirley, Don, John	Antonio, Jacob, Pascal