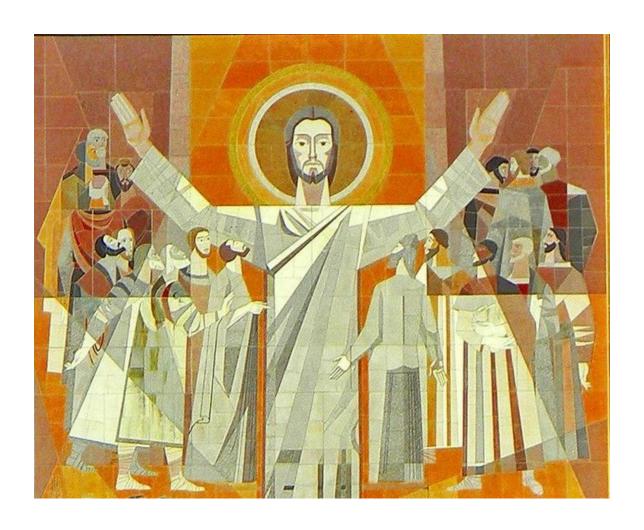
# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 14, 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!

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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#### THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 14, 2023 Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

PROCESSIONAL All Things Bright and Beautiful Hymn 405

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP 355

GLORIA Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord Hymn 178

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

#### FIRST LESSON Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is

not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Lector **People** 

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### THE PSALM

Psalm 66:7-18

- Bless our God, you peoples; \* make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- Who holds our souls in life, \* and will not allow our feet to slip.
- <sup>9</sup> For you, O God, have proved us; \* you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- <sup>10</sup> You brought us into the snare; \* you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- <sup>11</sup> You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; \* but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- <sup>12</sup> I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, \* which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- <sup>13</sup> I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; \*
   I will give you oxen and goats.
- <sup>14</sup> Come and listen, all you who fear God, \* and I will tell you what he has done for me.

- <sup>15</sup> I called out to him with my mouth, \* and his praise was on my tongue.
- <sup>16</sup> If I had found evil in my heart, \* the Lord would not have heard me;
- <sup>17</sup> But in truth God has heard me; \* he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- <sup>18</sup> Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \* nor withheld his love from me.
- All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector **People** 

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

GOSPEL HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

Hymn 488

THE GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

Lector

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Lector **People** 

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

**SERMON** 

Fr. Scott Campbell

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**BCP 387** 

THE PEACE

**OFFERTORY** 

Doxology

Hymn 380 v.3

GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 361

SANCTUS

GREAT AMEN

Hymn S-125

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

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Hymn 214

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

Hymn 344

RECESSIONAL

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

**Sunday School**—Join the adult/teen class for a study on the Holy Spirit: 9:30 in the St. Martha's room.

**Volunteers!**—Please contact Fr. Stace if you are interested in volunteering your time as an usher, reader, or offering counter!

Summer Partnership—This summer, Christ Church, Epiphany, and St. Gabriel's will be collaborating for a deep dive into the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit. That means all preaching and teaching will be geared toward learning and experiencing the Holy Spirit in our lives as Christians. We will have pulpit shares, which will give the three churches opportunity to become familiar with other churches. We will culminate with a joint service on August 27th. It will be a great way to focus on the empowering of the Spirit with others as we navigate these troubled times. Stay tuned for more information!

Parish Directory—It has been several years since Epiphany put out a parish directory. Please fill out a contact card (found in the pew) so that we can have an accurate record of all our regular attenders. You may return the card with the offering, or place in Grace-Ann's mailbox.

DATE	10:30 LECTOR	ACOLYTES	CHALICE
5/14	Grace-Ann	Martin, Amalia, Outshine	John
5/21		Luke, Jacob, Pascal	Shirley
5/28		Antonio, Excel, Outshine, Maddie	Don
6/4	Don	Megan, Francis	Gillian