

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
June 25, 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

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 & Baptism - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

PROCESSIONAL

O Praise Ye the Lord!

Hymn 432

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 299

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 20:7-13

O LORD, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed;
you have overpowered me,
and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all day long;
everyone mocks me.
For whenever I speak, I must cry out,
I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.
If I say, "I will not mention him,
or speak any more in his name,"
then within me there is something like a burning fire
shut up in my bones;
I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.
For I hear many whispering:
"Terror is all around!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"

All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble.
“Perhaps he can be enticed,
and we can prevail against him,
and take our revenge on him.”
But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not prevail.
They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.
Their eternal dishonor
will never be forgotten.
O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous,
you see the heart and the mind;
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.
Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!
For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hands of evildoers.

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 69: 8-20

- ⁸ Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, *
and shame has covered my face.
- ⁹ I have become a stranger to my own kindred, *
an alien to my mother's children.
- ¹⁰ Zeal for your house has eaten me up; *
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.
- ¹¹ I humbled myself with fasting, *
but that was turned to my reproach.
- ¹² I put on sack-cloth also, *
and became a byword among them.
- ¹³ Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, *
and the drunkards make songs about me.
- ¹⁴ But as for me, this is my prayer to you, *
at the time you have set, O LORD:

- ¹⁵ “In your great mercy, O God, *
answer me with your unfailing help.
- ¹⁶ Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; *
let me be rescued from those who hate me
and out of the deep waters.
- ¹⁷ Let not the torrent of waters wash over me,
neither let the deep swallow me up; *
do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.
- ¹⁸ Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; *
in your great compassion, turn to me.’
- ¹⁹ “Hide not your face from your servant; *
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.
- ²⁰ Draw near to me and redeem me; *
because of my enemies deliver me.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now will be for ever. Amen.**

THE EPISTLE

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-39

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

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,
 and a daughter against her mother,
 and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
 and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

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

SERMON

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HOLY BAPTISM	Eleanor Nandi Kanyange Bisase	BCP 301
THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT		BCP 304
THE BAPTISM		BCP 307
OFFERTORY	<i>O Jesus, I have Promised</i>	Hymn 655
DOXOLOGY		
GREAT THANKSGIVING		BCP 362
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	<i>There is a Balm in Gilead</i>	Hymn 676
	<i>Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said</i>	Hymn 675
POST COMMUNION PRAYER		BCP 365
RECESSIONAL	<i>Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim</i>	Hymn 535

*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

Summer in the Spirit—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. We will culminate with a joint service on August 27th.

Look on our website under “Summer in the Spirit” for events, details, and links!

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.

Mass in the Grass Returns!— Please contact Ann McKissick if you are interested in helping with this Epiphany summer tradition. July 30th.

Family Fun—Join other Epiphany families for some summer fun!

Contact Sarah for details.

June 22th (Thurs) 3-5 pm Swimming at Congress Park

July 20th (Thurs) 3-5 pm Water Fight at the Rectory

August 19th (Sat) 9-11 am Hike at Bluff Lake

DATE	10:30 LECTOR	ACOLYTES	CHALICE
6/25	Shirley	Antonio, Martin, Amalia, Maddie	Don, Shirley
7/2	Gillian	Jacob, Amalia, Martin	Don, John
7/9		Excel, Outshine, Antonio	John, Shirley
7/16	Sherry	Excel, Outshine, Antonio	Shirley, Don