CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 2, 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.

Cover image: The Sacrifice of Isaac—Rembrandt 1635

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 2, 2023 Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

PROCESSIONAL Christ is Made the Sure Foundation Hymn 518

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP 355

GLORIA Hymn S-280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 22:1-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son."

He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

Lector **People**

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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THE PSALM

Psalm 89:2-3, 16-19

All

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Cantor

I will sing forever of your mercies, O LORD; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your fidelity. I have declared your mercy is established forever; your fidelity stands firm as the heavens.

All

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Cantor

How blessed the people who know your praise, who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face. who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice their joyful acclaim.

All

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Cantor

For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor it is that our might is exalted. Behold, the LORD is our shield: he is the Holy One of Israel, our king.

All

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

THE EPISTLE

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector **People**

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

GOSPEL HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

Hymn 525

THE GOSPEL Matthew 10:40-42 Lector The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **People** Glory to you, Lord Christ. Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward." The Gospel of the Lord. Lector Praise to you, Lord Christ. **People** SERMON Fr. Stace Tafoya NICENE CREED **BCP 358** HEALING PRAYER BCP 0

Offertory America the Beautiful Hymn 719

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

His Eye is on the Sparrow

¹ Why should I feel discouraged
Why should the shadows come
Why should my heart be lonely
And long for heaven and home
When Jesus is my portion my constant friend is He
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me

I sing because I'm happy I sing because I'm free For His eye is on the sparrow And I know He watches me

² Let not your heart be troubled
His tender words I hear
And resting on His goodness
I lose my doubt and fear
Tho' by the path He leadeth but one step I may see
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me

³ Whenever I am tempted whenever clouds arise When songs give place to sighing When hope within me dies I draw the closer to Him from care He sets me free His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL

O Bless the Lord, My Soul

Hymn 411

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—Look on our website for details and links!

Ongoing * Holy Spirit class via Zoom on Tuesday evenings

* Alpha class at St. Gabriel's

Upcoming * Prayer Walk - Epiphany to Christ Church, August 5th

* Pulpit swap August 6th

* Prayer Walk - Christ Church to St. Gabriel's

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.

July 20th (Thurs) 3-5 pm Water Fight at the Rectory August 19th (Sat) 9-11am Hike at Bluff Lake

Mini Church Camp—Contact Den. Gary for information about this summer's camp near Fairplay. July 26-28th.

DATE	10:30 LECTOR	ACOLYTES	CHALICE
7/2	Gillian	Jacob, Amalia, Martin	Don
7/9		Excel, Outshine, Antonio	John
7/16	Sherry	Excel, Outshine, Antonio	Shirley
7/23		Megan, Francis	Don, Gillian