

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



**THE TWELFTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
August 20, 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 - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

PROCESSIONAL

Thou Whose Almighty Word

Hymn 371

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 given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,

for soon my salvation will come,

and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,

to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,

and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,

and hold fast my covenant—

these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.
Thus says the LORD GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8

All **O God, O God, let all the nations praise you!**

Cantor O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your salvation.

All **O God, O God, let all the nations praise you!**

Cantor Let the nations be glad and shout for joy, with uprightness you rule the peoples;
you guide the nations on earth.

All **O God, O God, let all the nations praise you!**

Cantor Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing that all the ends of the earth may revere him.

All **O God, O God, let all the nations praise you!**

THE EPISTLE*Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32*

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Hymn 324

THE GOSPEL*Matthew 15:10-28*

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

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her

COMMUNION MUSIC	<i>Lo! What a Cloud of Witnesses</i>	Hymn 545
	<i>All My Hope on God is Founded</i>	Hymn 665
POST COMMUNION PRAYER		BCP 365
RECESSIONAL	<i>Christ for the World We Sing</i>	Hymn 537

*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!

- Prayer Walk - Christ Church to St. Gabriel's, Aug 26th
please register for the walk with the link online!
- Joint service with all three parishes at 10:30am on August 27th at Christ Church (2950 S. University Blvd)

Sunday School—Sunday School for all ages starts September 10th at 9:15am!

Would you like to help in the 2023-2024 teaching ministry?

We are looking for...

- teaching assistants
- snack makers
- pageant helpers
- hosts for movie nights and parties
- prayer warriors and mentors

Our mission is to reach forth our hands in love and bring those who do not know Him to the knowledge and love of our Lord Jesus Christ (BCP, page 101). Please get in touch with Sarah if you are interested in in being involved in the teaching ministry at sadie_tafoya@yahoo.com or 303-910-2638.

Budget Update

July Income \$48,255

YTD Income \$196,419

July Expenses \$23,695

YTD Expenses \$187,788

DATE	10:30 LECTOR	ACOLYTES	CHALICE
8/20		Martin, Amalia, Maddie	Gary
8/27	** Joint Service with St. Gabriel's and Christ Church at Christ Church **		
9/3	Labor Day Weekend		Shirley
9/10			