

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
February 18, 2024—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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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 351

TRISAGION

**Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy Immortal One
Have mercy
Have mercy on us**

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; 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

Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall

never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 25:1-9

- ¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- ² Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- ³ Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.
- ⁴ Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- ⁵ Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- ⁶ Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- ⁷ Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- ⁸ He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- ⁹ All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

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 3:18-22

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

OFFERTORY *Lord from Sorrows Deep I Call* (Getty)

DOXOLOGY

GREAT THANKSGIVING BCP 361

SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

GREAT AMEN Hymn S-147

FRACTION ANTHEM Hymn S-158

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, who always delights in showing mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC *I Will Praise Him Still*

¹ When the morning falls on the farthest hill
I will sing His name,
I will praise Him, still.

² When dark trials come and my heart is filled
with the weight of doubt,
I will praise Him, still.

³ And He gave us life in His perfect will,
and by His good grace
I will praise Him, still.

**For the Lord, our God,
He is strong to save
from the arms of death,
from the deepest grave.**

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Our God Will Go Before Us

¹ Our God will go before us
And guide us by His presence
What confidence this promise is
We will never walk alone

² Through unknown paths through shadows
Our hearts fear not tomorrow
For every step His faithfulness
Is the truth that lights our way

**Our God will go before us
The Lord of Hosts is with us
O praise the One who leads us on
For His grace will bring us home**

³ Though evil forms against us
All heaven will defend us
The gates of hell shall not prevail
For the battle is the Lord's

⁴ Now send us with Your presence
And lead us on to heaven
Where songs of sorrow strain no more
And our every breath is praise

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL

Mighty to Save

Ev'ryone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Saviour
The hope of nations

**Saviour
He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave**

So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Ev'rything I believe in
Now I surrender

**Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King - Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
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*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—Join us at 9:30 in the St. Martha's room for a class on Ignatian Spirituality with Deacon Gary.

Lenten Wednesday Night Study—Beginning February 21st, Fr. Benedict will lead a class on reading the Psalms with the Church Fathers. We will meet at 6:00pm for a light soup supper beforehand. All are welcome!

Lent Devotional Materials—Look in the commons for a Lenten devotional book by Bishop Robert Baron (\$3), and a reading list from Fr. Stace.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE			
DATE	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES
2/18	Shirley	Shirley	Outshine, Excel
2/25		Gary	Megan, Francis
3/3		Shirley	Luke, Jacob, Pascal