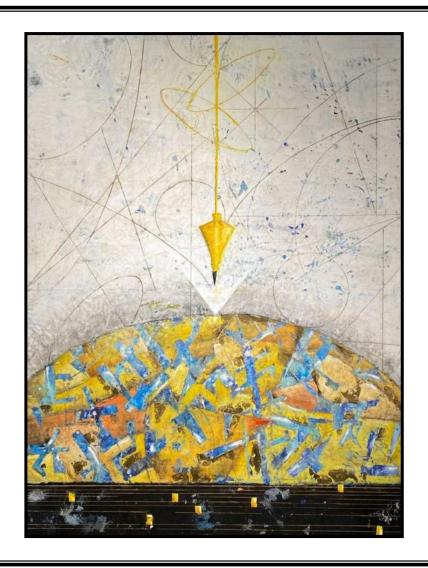
CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 14, 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.

Cover image: The Plumb Line—Susan Wasinger

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July 14, 2024 Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

PROCESSIONAL Praise to the Living God! Hymn 372

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.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

FIRST LESSON

Amos 7:7-15

This is what the Lord GoD showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by;

the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Lector **People**

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 85:8-13

- ⁸ I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, * for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- ⁹ Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, * that his glory may dwell in our land.
- ¹⁰ Mercy and truth have met together; * righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- ¹¹ Truth shall spring up from the earth, * and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- ¹² The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, * and our land will yield its increase.
- ¹³ Righteousness shall go before him, * and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

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

Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made

known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Lector **People**

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

Hymn 536

THE GOSPEL

Mark 6:14-29

Lector **People**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders

to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Lector **People**

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

SERMON

Dcn. Gary Stoddard

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE BCP 383

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

As For Me

¹ Your love oh Lord is strength to my soul Hope for tomorrow it won't let go Your presence is the joy of my life To You I lift my eyes

As for me and my house we will serve the Lord We will sing of Your love forevermore As for me and my house we will serve the Lord Serve the Lord

² Your word alone a lamp to my feet A light to my path as You're leading me Your ways oh Lord are higher than mine To You I lift my eyes Open up every door Write it on every wall Sing it in every room

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Doxology

Great Thanksgiving BCP 361

SANCTUS Hymn S-125

Great Amen Hymn S-146

FRACTION ANTHEM Belmont

All 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, in remembrance of Him.

COMMUNION

Lord I Need You

¹ Lord I come I confess Bowing here I find my rest And without You I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

² Where sin runs deep Your grace is more Where grace is found is where You are And where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me Where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me

³ So teach my song to rise to You When temptation comes my way And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay

Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL

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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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

Call for Volunteers!—If you are able to commit to one week every 4-8 weeks we can use your help! Counters are needed to work with a partner and count the offering after the 10:30 service once a month. Training will be provided. If you would like to read scripture during the service you can contact Fr. Stace for details or... simply sign up for a date on the volunteer tab in the newsletter.

Adult/Teen Sunday School—The Adult/Teen class is continuing our video series on the Foundation of Christian Spirituality through the summer! Jump in at any time and join us in the St. Martha's room at 9:30am!

Summer Family Fun Days

- **July 25-27:** Family Mini Church Camp(ing) trip. Contact Deacon Gary for more information 303-761-7179.
- August 17: Hike (time and place TBD)

Summer Youth Group—All rising middle and high school kids are invited to a summer youth group gathering at the rectory 7-9pm on July 18. CANCELLED

Our Next Fellowship lunch will be on July 21st!

VOLUNTEERS	DATE	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES	LUNCH
	7/14	Grace-Ann	John		
	7/21		Shirley	Excel, Outshine	Carol, Barb H. Jan
	7/28		Don	Megan, Francis	
	8/4		Shirley	Jacob, Pascal	