

# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



**THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**March 30, 2025—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*

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## 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.

Wednesday Morning Eucharist in the chapel 11:00 a.m.



**FIRST LESSON***Joshua 5:9-12*

The LORD said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.” And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

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

**THE PSALM***Psalm 32**Beati quorum*

- <sup>1</sup> Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
and whose sin is put away!
- <sup>2</sup> Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- <sup>3</sup> While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
because of my groaning all day long.
- <sup>4</sup> For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- <sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.
- <sup>6</sup> I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” \*  
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- <sup>7</sup> Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- <sup>8</sup> You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

<sup>9</sup> “I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
I will guide you with my eye.

<sup>10</sup> Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you.”

<sup>11</sup> Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

<sup>12</sup> Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

**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**

*2 Corinthians 5:16-21*

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

Hymn 664

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So Jesus told them this parable:

“There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when



**All**      **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
                 have mercy upon us.**  
**O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world,  
                 have mercy upon us.**  
**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
                 grant us thy peace.**

**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**

*Bread of Angels*

- <sup>1</sup> Bread of angels, we receive you; with us now abide.  
Precious Jesus, manna of ages, with us now reside.  
Panis angelicus fit panis hominum,  
Dat panis caelicus figuris terminum.
- <sup>2</sup> Cup of Mercy overflowing, fill us with your grace;  
wine of passion, O Son begotten, we flee to your embrace.  
O res mirabilis manducat Dominum,  
Pauper, Pauper, servus, et humilis.
- <sup>3</sup> Word incarnate, dwell within us; pierce our hardened hearts.  
Tender Jesus, Love so gentle, never let us part.  
Te, trina Deitas unaque, poscimus,  
Sic nos tu visita, sicut te colimus.
- <sup>4</sup> Though unworthy, we receive you, sacrament divine.  
Bread of angels, accept our praises, let your glory shine!  
Per tuas semitas duc nos quo tendimus,  
lucem, Ad lucem quam inhabitas.

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*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Hymn 490

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

BCP 365

**RECESSIONAL**

*Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

Hymn 620



## Lenten Opportunities

- A Tuesday night women’s group (6pm) is studying the writings of Catherine of Siena.
- Wednesday Night Soup Suppers (6pm): Meet for a light meal and discuss The Augustine Institute’s series “How to Lent” exploring prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We will end each evening with Compline. Sign up to bring dinner using the link in the newsletter.
- Sunday morning’s Adult Education class (9:30am) led by Mark and Amanda Genter is reflecting on the death and resurrection of Christ with videos by biblical scholar Ray Vander Laan.
- During March, Fr. Dcn. Gary will offer spiritual direction to anyone who would like it during the Sunday School hour. Sign up online or email him directly at [garydstoddard@gmail.com](mailto:garydstoddard@gmail.com).
- Fr. Stace will offer the sacrament of reconciliation (confession) Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Please contact him directly at 303-229-0208 to make a confidential appointment.
- A reading plan is available in the commons examining the sermon on the mount and the sermon on the plain.
- The children’s Sunday school classes is collecting non-perishable goods for the Sun Valley Community Center.

VOLUNTEERS	DATE	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES	LUNCH
	3/30	Grace-Ann	Don	Elijah	
	4/6	Sam	Shirley	Jacob, Pasal	
	4/13	Genters	John	Genters	
	4/20		Shirley	Outshine, Excel	Potluck Easter Brunch at 9:30

*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.*

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### ***Holy Week Schedule of Services***

4/13	Palm Sunday Children's Egg Hunt	8:00am & 10:30am 9:30am
4/17	Maundy Thursday Foot Washing Prayer Vigil in the Garden	7:00pm 9pm-6am
4/18	Stations of the Cross Good Friday Service	Noon 7:00pm
4/19	Easter Vigil Service (bring your bells!)	7:00pm
4/20	Easter Sunday Potluck brunch	<b>10:30am only</b> 9:30am