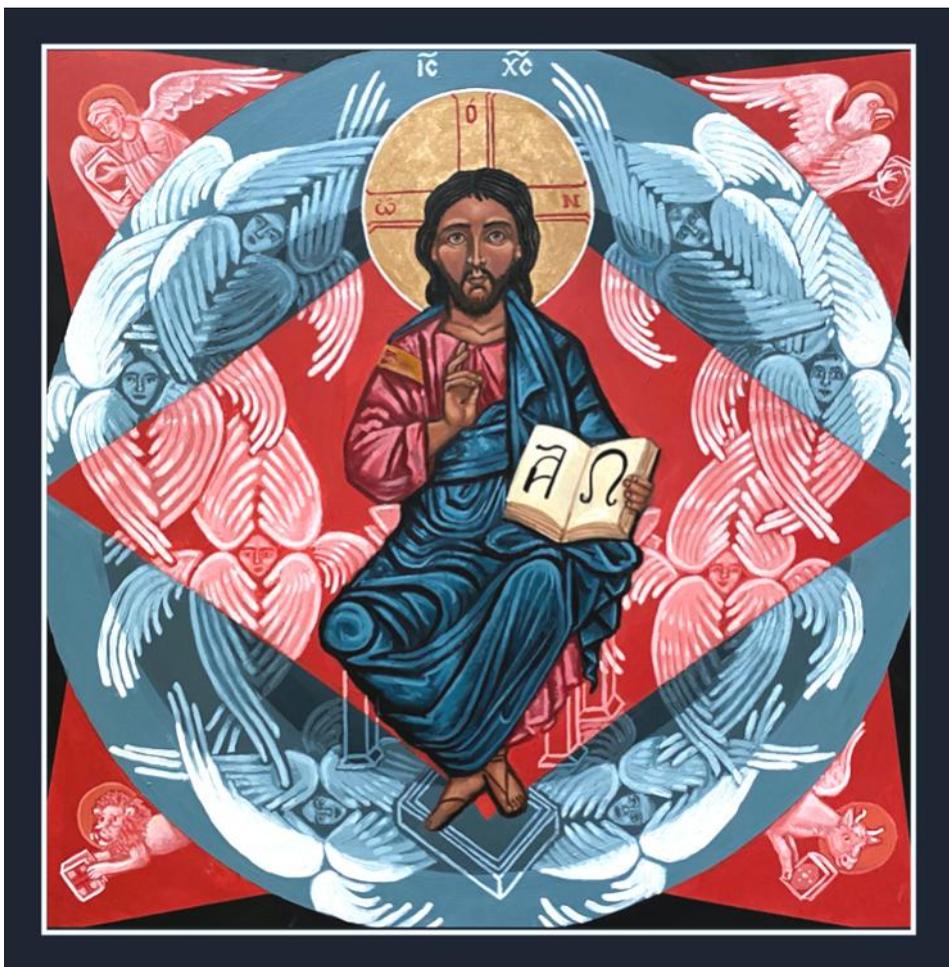


CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



CHRIST THE KING
November 23, 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. In the following order of service the “BCP” page numbers refer to the black Book of Common Prayer. The “S” numbers refer to the Service Music in the front of the blue Hymnal 1982. We invite you into worship with us! All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion at the Lord’s Table. If you prefer not to receive communion, 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.

Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
Wednesday 10:30 a.m.

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*A time of quiet reflection or personal prayer is requested prior to the service.
Please silence your phone.*

PROCESSIONAL	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i>	Hymn 450
OPENING ACCLAMATION		BCP 355
GLORIA	<i>Glory to God</i>	Hymn S-280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *Jeremiah 23:1-6*

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 46

Deus noster refugium

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.
- ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
- ³ Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- ⁴ The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- ⁵ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- ⁶ God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown; *
God shall help her at the break of day.
- ⁷ The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- ⁸ The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- ⁹ Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, *
what awesome things he has done on earth.
- ¹⁰ It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.

¹¹ “Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth.”

¹² The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**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

Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Hymn 645

THE GOSPEL*Luke 23:33-43*

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

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

SERMON

Fr. Stace Tafoya

NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 383

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY	<i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>	(Rutter)
	<i>Doxology</i>	Hymn 380 v3
GREAT THANKSGIVING		BCP 361
SANCTUS	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy Lord</i>	Hymn S-125
GREAT AMEN		Hymn S-146
LORD'S PRAYER		BCP 364
FRACTION ANTHEM		Belmont
COMMUNION MUSIC	<i>Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence</i>	Hymn 324
	<i>All Creatures of Our God and King</i>	Hymn 400
POST COMMUNION PRAYER		BCP 365
RECESSIONAL	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	Hymn 494

*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

Welcome Baby Ruby! Congratulations to Audrey & Colton as they welcomed Ruby Ann last Sunday morning! Please see the links in the emailed newsletter if you would like to bring them a meal or donate to a meal gift card.

Stewardship—In this season of stewardship, please help the vestry budget for Epiphany ministries by letting us know your pledge amount for 2026. You may fill out a blue card and return it in the offering box or you may email our bookkeeper directly at accountant@epiphanydenver.org

Zelle Online Giving—The hiccup of a couple of weeks ago has been resolved and online payments using the Zelle app are running smoothly now. Thanks for your patience! Please use give@epiphanydenver.org within the Zelle app.

The Art & Music of Advent—Epiphany will host an Advent quiet day on **Saturday, December 13th** from 9am-1pm. Light snacks will be provided. The class will offer a reflective pause from the hustle and bustle of the secular holiday rush to focus on the art and music of the season. **RSVP to office@epiphanydenver.org**

During the adult class time Ann R. will lead a craft time for children. Nursery care will also be available.

Mark your Calendars!—St. Nicholas will visit us on **December 7th** and we'll have a potluck lunch after the 10:30 service. Please bring a dish to share if you are able.

VOLUNTEERS	DATE	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES	LUNCH
	11/23	Grace-Ann	Don	Megan, Francis	
	11/30	Don	Don		
	12/7		Shirley	Luke, Jacob, Pascal	POTLUCK LUNCH!
	12/14	Genters	John	Genters	