

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
July 27, 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

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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Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 10:30 am

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

PROCESSIONAL

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymn 390

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

GLORIA

Glory to God

Hymn S-280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 18:20-32

The LORD said to Abraham, “How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.”

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” And

the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 138 Confitebor tibi

- ¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
 before the gods I will sing your praise.
- ² I will bow down toward your holy temple
 and praise your Name, *
 because of your love and faithfulness;
- ³ For you have glorified your Name *
 and your word above all things.
- ⁴ When I called, you answered me; *
 you increased my strength within me.
- ⁵ All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
 when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- ⁶ They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
 that great is the glory of the LORD.
- ⁷ Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
 he perceives the haughty from afar.
- ⁸ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
 you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
 your right hand shall save me.

⁹ The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

**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 2:6-19

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

Spread, O Spread Thou Mighty Word

Hymn 530

THE GOSPEL

Luke 11:1-13

Lector
People

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

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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People

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

SERMON

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NICENE CREED

BCP 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 383

CONFESSION OF SIN		BCP 360
THE PEACE		
OFFERTORY	<i>The Perfect Wisdom of Our God</i>	(Getty)
	<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>We Will Feast in the House of Zion</i>	

**We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more**

¹ We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up

² In the dark of night before the dawn
My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

³ Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together bring shalom

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COMMUNION MUSIC

Great is Thy Faithfulness

¹ Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be

**Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me**

² Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature
In manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness
Mercy and love

³ Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

RECESSIONAL

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

Hymn 388

Flood Relief—To support those in need following the devastating floods in Texas please consider donating to **Episcopal Relief & Development** who are working with the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas to get money, supplies, housing, and spiritual support where it is needed most. A direct link is in the newsletter.

VOLUNTEERS	DATE	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES	LUNCH
	7/27		Don	Elijah	
	8/3	Shirley	Shirley	Jacob, Pascal	
	8/10		John		
	8/17		Shirley	Outshine, Excel	Barb R, Roberta, Phil