

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
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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.

THE PSALM

Psalm 121

Levavi oculos

- ¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- ² My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- ⁴ Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- ⁵ The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- ⁶ So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- ⁸ The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

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

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

The Great Creator of the Worlds

Hymn 489

THE GOSPEL

John 3:1-21

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

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

SANCTUS *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord* Hymn S-117

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

GREAT AMEN Hymn S-147

LORD'S PRAYER BCP 364

FRACTION ANTHEM *Agnus Dei* Hymn S-158

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 *Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured* Hymn 313

I to the Hills Will Lift Mine Eyes Hymn 668

POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

RECESSIONAL *Lift High the Cross* Hymn 473

*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

Baby Announcement!—Fr. Stace & Sarah welcomed their first grandchild: Elouise Mae on February 16th, 5lbs 11oz

Epiphany Scholarship— Epiphany Church has an educational scholarship fund that provides financial resources to qualified students to attend college or university, community college, (undergraduate or advanced degree study) and/or qualified trade or vocational schools.

Applications are available through the church office at office@epiphanydenver.org or by contacting John Burtness at jburtness@msn.com or 303-501-5003. Completed applications, current school transcript(s), a letter of recommendation and a photo must be returned to the Epiphany office by April 1.

Youth Group Game Night—The middle school group will have a game night next week, March 5th 5:30-8:30 at the church. Come for fun, food, and games!

Epiphany Lenten Events

- **Lenten Soup Suppers—Beginning Feb 27th**—Fridays in Lent we will have a light soup supper at 6pm, with a short (video) reflection by Sr. Miriam James Heidland called ‘Restore’, and ending with Stations of the Cross. The evening should conclude around 7:30pm.
- **Adult Sunday School**—During Lent the adult class will discuss C.S. Lewis’ classic, *Mere Christianity*. Join us at 9:30.
- **Reconciliation**—During Lent Fr. Stace will be offering the sacrament of reconciliation (confession). Please contact him directly to make a confidential appointment. 303-229-0208

VOLUNTEERS	DATE	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES	LUNCH
	3/1	Shirley	Shirley	Jacob, Pascal	
	3/8	Grace-Ann	John	Genters, Konrad	
	3/15	Genters	Shirley	Outshine, Excel, Arlo	Whites, Ruby, Glenda Gay
	3/22		Don	Megan, Francis	