Church of the Epiphany

Last Sunday after the Epiphany, Year A February 19, 2023 10:30 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

This service leaflet is excerpted from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), the red book located in the pew rack in front of you. If you prefer to use the BCP itself to aid your worship, all BCP page numbers are noted. Hymns and service music are from The Hymnal 1982, the blue book located in the pew rack in front of you. Service music is noted by an S in front of the number and can be found in the front of The Hymnal 1982, before the hymns.

(The worship service is live-streamed. Streaming and recording conclude at The Great Thanksgiving. Holy Communion is not recorded.)

Prelude: Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky - C. S. Lang

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

THE ENTRANCE RITE

BCP 355

The people stand.

Processional Hymn: 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise

The people standing, the Priest-Celebrant joins the people in facing the Holy Altar and says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Priest-Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may

perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung by all, standing.

Hymnal S-280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Priest-Celebrant says to the people

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

The Priest-Celebrant faces the Holy Altar and says the Collect of the Day.

BCP 217

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be

People

strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE LESSONS BCP 357

The people sit.

The Lessons, as appointed, are read. A Psalm, hymn, or anthem may follow each Reading.

Reader A Reading from Exodus [24:12-18]

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Silence

Reader The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Reader The Psalm for today is Psalm 99.

We will read responsively by whole verse.

The LORD is King;

let the people tremble; * he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

The LORD is great in Zion; * he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; * you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down before his footstool; * he is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, * they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; * they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; * you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; * for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Reader A Reading from 2 Peter [1:16-21]

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Silence

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Song of Gladness

Tune: Hymn 559.

Words: Hymn 122 v. 1 as follows:

Alleluia, song of gladness, voice of joy that cannot die; alleluia is the anthem ever raised by choirs on high; in the house of God abiding thus they sing eternally. Repeat.

Then, all standing, the Priest-Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew [17:1-9].

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Silence

After the Gospel, the Priest-Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY Mtr. Kristin Wickersham

Silence

The people stand. The Priest-Celebrant and people say

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Intercessions for Year A

Church Publishing

The Intercessor and people pray responsively

Intercessor Let us go to the mountain of God's generosity, offering our prayers as we respond, "Hear us, God of Glory."

That we may offer ourselves to the refashioning hands of the Divine Potter, who centers, molds, and changes us into vessels of grace; let us pray.

People Hear us, God of Glory.

Intercessor That we may admit our faults, our desire to keep things as they are and to return to things that never were, so

that when Christ invites us into a transformed life, we may readily answer his call; let us pray.

People Hear us, God of Glory.

Intercessor For a vigorous spirit of mutual cooperation and unity, that we may treasure the common ground which we share with the whole Anglican Communion, and work together to share in the fruits of God's kingdom across our nations, cultures, tribes, and peoples; let us pray.

People Hear us, God of Glory.

Intercessor For the cessation of war, that armaments of destruction may be made into tools for development, and that resources spent on the fields of battle may instead support the basic necessities of life; let us pray.

People Hear us, God of Glory.

Intercessor For a commitment to a life of simplicity, that we may preserve for generations to come the beauty of land and seas and sky, and the complexity of every living creature; let us pray.

People Hear us, God of Glory.

Intercessor That those who have died may experience the blessed rest of everlasting peace; let us pray.

People Hear us, God of Glory.

Intercessor Continue to mold us into your perfect wholeness as we add to these prayers.

Silence

The people may add their own intercessions and thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

The Priest-Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

BCP 215

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with

you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 359

The Priest-Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel.

Silence is kept.

The Priest-Celebrant and people say

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest-Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

All stand.

The Priest-Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Priest-Celebrant and people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Priest-Celebrant says to the people

BCP 376

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

The people sit.

The people place their offerings and commitment/pledge cards into offering plates, which are brought to the altar as an offering to God, and blessed by the Priest-Celebrant.

Offertory Anthem: We Sing to You, O God - arr. T. Keesecker

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The people stand.
The Priest-Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Altar, the Priest-Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel.

Then the Priest-Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Priest-Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Priest-Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People AMEN.

The Priest-Celebrant continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

People and Priest-Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those

who trespass against us
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Priest-Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Priest-Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Priest-Celebrant and ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

How to Receive Communion and An Invitation to Baptism

All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion. If you do not wish to receive, you may come forward for a blessing, indicating this by crossing your arms over your chest. If you desire to be Baptized and thereby enter into membership in the mystical Body of Christ, the Church, please contact the Priest-in-Charge.

At the altar rail, to receive the bread, lay your right hand in your left hand, palm open. To receive the wine, as the priest brings the chalice to your lips, gently touch the base of the chalice and help guide it.

We do not allow the practice of intinction, or dipping the bread into the consecrated wine. If you do not wish to receive the consecrated wine, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Although we encourage reception in both kinds, the grace of God present in the holy sacrament is fully available in the bread or the wine alone.

If you would like communion brought to you in your pew, please tell an usher and the priest will come to you.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

BCP 365

Celebrant The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

Communicant Amen.

Celebrant The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

Communicant Amen.

The people join the choir in singing the hymns during Communion.

Hymns During Communion

Hymn 328 Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Hymn 542 Christ is the world's true Light

After Communion, the Priest-Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Priest-Celebrant and People

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest-Celebrant blesses the people.

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May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.

Post-Communion Hymn: 137 O wondrous Type!

THE DISMISSAL

The Priest-Celebrant dismisses the people.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: In the Cross of Christ, I glory - R. Nelson

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God in memory of George Baynes.

An Outline of the Faith commonly called the Catechism

The Church

- Q. What is the Church?
- A. The Church is the community of the New Covenant.
- Q. How is the Church described in the Bible?
- A. The Church is described as the Body of which Jesus Christ is the Head and of which all baptized persons are members. It is called the People of God, the New Israel, a holy nation, a royal priesthood, and the pillar and ground of truth.
- Q. How is the Church described in the creeds?
- A. The Church is described as one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.
- Q. Why is the Church described as one?
- A. The Church is one, because it is one Body, under one Head, our Lord Jesus Christ.

- Q. Why is the Church described as holy?
- A. The Church is holy, because the Holy Spirit dwells in it, consecrates its members, and guides them to do God's work.
- Q. Why is the Church described as catholic?
- A. The Church is catholic, because it proclaims the whole Faith to all people, to the end of time.
- Q. Why is the Church described as apostolic?
- A. The Church is apostolic, because it continues in the teaching and fellowship of the apostles and is sent to carry out Christ's mission to all people.
- Q. What is the mission of the Church?
- A. The mission of the Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.
- Q. How does the Church pursue its mission?
- A. The Church pursues its mission as it prays and worships, proclaims the Gospel, and promotes justice, peace, and love.
- Q. Through whom does the Church carry out its mission?
- A. The church carries out its mission through the ministry of all its members.

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The Vestry

Gray Corbett (Sr. Warden), Randy Holden (Jr. Warden), Becky Card (Register), Scott Blackwell, Cory Isemann, Stacy Mitchell, John Norris, John Sarvay, Jeri Townley

COMMUNICATION CARD February 18, 2023 Welcome! You have blessed us with your presence. Please tell us how we can best serve you by completing the Communication Card. Please place in the offering basket, hand it to an usher, or place on the table in the vestibule.		
☐ I'm looking for a church home ☐ I'd like to speak with a clergy member ☐ I'm ready to become a member ☐ I'm just visiting today		
Name & Address		
Phone		
Email		
Children's names and ages		
Please give me more information about: Children's / Youth Programs Social events Outreach opportunities Classes and Small Group Studies Baptism or Confirmation How I can get involved		
How did you hear about Epiphany?		
(over)		

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

New to the Prayer List: John Sarvay, Phyllis Lowell—Nancy Sonne sister, Tom Devol—friend of Cheryl Lineberry

<u>Parishioners:</u> Mike Young, Bob Jimerson, Fran LaVigne, Buddy Dunn, Milton Jenkins, Chip Dunn, Herb Williams, Marion Magruder, Martha Jenkins

Homebound: Ray Hampton, Dot Hudson, Joyce Melton, Ina Stickel, and Irene Morris

Family & Friends: Lynn Selfe—friend of Gray & Frosine Corbett, David Thabet, Elizabeth Mickel,—relatives of Denise Russell and Sandy Ruder, Kelly & Steve Schaaf, Emily, Karen Rood—Jeri Anne Townley's sister, Melissa Matthews — friend of Kim Ludwig, Jack Nance, friend of Cheryl Lineberry, Judy Watson—Martha Jenkins niece & Marty Shephard & Sandy Tignor's cousin, Janie Dunnlevy—friend of Lucy & Wayne, Billy Callahan—friend of Karen Holden, Joanita Senoga—friend of Jeri Townley, Joan Church—Gail Wood's stepmother, Jean McDonough—Kim Ludwig & Karen Tucker's aunt, John, Marchelle Clarke—April Craver's mother, Donna Ludwig—Dwight Ludwig's mom, David Muse, Johnny Jorstad—Martha Jenkins son & Marty Shephard & Sandy Tignor's brother

Pravers for the departed:

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Weekly Worship

Sundays at 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.

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Tuesday—Thursday 9am-12noon www.epiphanyepiscopal.com

Today's Ministers 10:30 PM-Worship Service

Ushers: Kim Ruder, Gray Corbett

Acolytes: Maura Whitlock, Elli Cloves

Lessons: Crystal Sarvay

Prayers of the People: Crystal Sarvay

Chalice: Crystal Sarvay

Sun. School Helper: Stephanie Norris Altar Guild: Crystal & John Sarvay Coffee Hour: Sandy & Kim Ruder

Counters: Carol Cullinan, Diana Stone

The Church of the Epiphany **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Last Sunday after the Epiphany February 19, 2023

Welcome—we are glad you are here! Know that whoever you are, and where ever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place here. If you are new, or haven't yet given us your contact information, please complete the attached communication card and place it in the plate so that you can learn more about Epiphany's community.

Introducing the Lessons

1st Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

In the Hebrew scripture lesson Moses is called up to Mount Sinai, and the glory of the Lord appears. There he is to receive the commandments written on stone tablets. The Lord's presence is essentially indescribable, but it is known in the cloud and fire. The cloud both hides and reveals the Lord's glory, and the scene suggests the awesome majesty of a volcanic mountain.

2nd Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

This lesson presents the apostle Peter as he recalls his vision of Jesus is I mis iesson presents the apostle Peter as he recalls his vision of Jesus is majesty on the holy mountain and the heavenly voice that announced this was God's beloved Son. Peter was among those who were eyewitnesses to this revelation. It makes more sure the prophetic message that is like a lamp for us. But no one should make this prophecy a matter solely of their own interpretation, for is has come through the Holy Spirit.

The Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Our gospel is the story of Jesus' transfiguration. The narrative is richly woven with themes and symbols drawn from Israel's past and is hopes for the future. Moses and Elijah represent the law and the prophets, whose promises Jesus fulfills. The chosen disciples see divine glory reflected in Jesus' human person. They hear a voice from the cloud declaring that he is the beloved Son.

On the Calendar and Coming up

<u>Sun. Feb. 19th</u> 8:15 am Holy Eucharist 10:30am—Holy Eucharist

7:30 pm—AA Meeting in parish hall

Mon. Feb. 20th
Office Closed—Presidents' Day!

<u>Tue. Feb. 21st</u> 5:30 –7:30 pm—Pancake Supper 6:00 pm—Vestry Mtg. 7:00 pm—JRRingers

Wed. Feb. 22nd
12:00 noon —Ash
Wednesday Service
6:00 pm—Ash Wednesday
Service

Thur. Feb. 23rd 6:15 pm—Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm— Handbell Re-

Fri. Feb. 24th
7:30 pm —AA meeting in the parish hall

Sat. Feb. 25th 10:00 am—Altar Guild Mtg. with lunch

Sun. Feb. 26th 8:15 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am—Holy Eucharist

7:30pm —AA meeting in the parish hall

News from the kitchen:

On Tuesday, Feb. 21st we will be having our pancake supper. It will include pancakes and sausage. We will also have juice and coffee available. We will begin serving around 5:30 and serve until about 7:30.

We will not have a Second Sunday lunch during the Lenten Season. Our next Second Sunday lunch will be the third Sunday of April, the week after Easter. We will be having a Brunch Lunch this day. We look forward to having you join us. We always have plenty of food, so invite your friends and family to join us that day.

The Woman's Breakfast will be on Sunday, May 7th. Mother's Day is the 14th and will have our Congregational meeting on the 21st.

June 11th will be our church picnic. Weather permitting, we will have tables and chairs set up outside. We will have hamburgers and hotdogs with sides.

Our Second Sunday lunches will then resume on Sept. 10th.

Please take a moment and sign up for a coffee

Tuesday, Feb. 21 -- Pancake Supper from 5:30 to 7:30 April 16 -- Brunch lunch May 7 -- Women's breakfast May 14 -- Mother's Day, no coffee hour May 21 -- Congregational meeting

Lamb's Basket is in need of Jelly & Jams!

June 11 -- Church picnic

Attendance: February 12, 2023 8:15 am 6 10:30 am 64

Outreach Opportunities

The diaper ministry continues to hold diaper distribution on the third Saturday of each month from 10 am to 12:00 noon. This inspirational ministry has been touching families lives in our community since 2018 and continues to welcome new families each month. This ministry offers the parish an outreach opportunity to share God's love and develop relationships within our community. The most recent diaper distribution was held on February 18th. The next diaper distribution day is on March 18th. A sign-up sheet is on the outreach board in the parish hallway for anyone interested in volunteering. Donations of diapers (sizes 5 & 6) and wipes are also appreciated. Thank you again to everyone for your continued support of this ministry!

A copy of the 2023 homeless lunch schedule is available on the bulletin board in the parish hallway if anyone would like a copy and a BIG thank you to the Greeen team for volunteering to take on the last month of 2023 for the homeless lunches. If team for volunteering to take on the last month of 2023 for the homeless lunches. If anyone is interested in taking part in this ministry, ALL are welcome! Contact Mary Sam Abernathy (msabernathy88@gmail.com) or the team lead, for the team you are interested in helping. The next lunches are scheduled to be prepared and delivered by the Red Team on March 4th. Thanks and gratitude goes out to Chapters 4 4.8 5 for preparing and delivering lunches on February 4th. A huge THANK YOU to everyone who continues to support this ministry that is currently in the 24th year! Donations of paper lunch bags, sandwich bags and napkins are always welcome as well and can be dropped at the church office. Additionally, if you have further questions or concerns, I am always available to answer any questions. Crystal Sarvay, Outreach Coordinator (crystal

There are currently some needs within our elementary schools. They are requesting these items for their clinics for those students who may come in and find a special need during the day, which oftentimes does occur. These items include **boys** and girl's pants with elastic waists, sizes 5 through 14 (sweat pant type) and **children underwear sizes 5 through 14.** If anyone would like to donate any of these items, I will have a box in the parish hallway for them. These can be donated up through February 28th. Thank you so much!

Additionally, if anyone has found more coats since our coat drive that they would like to give away, please bring them in to church to donate. There are many children in need of warm coats within our county schools who would greatly appreciate them. Thank you so much!

> The love and kindness that our parish share is beyond amazing: Love live here!



COMMUNICATION CARD

February 19, 2023 Our Communication Card is for all people at The Church of the **Epiphany** so that you can share your thoughts and prayers, and request information.

If you are new, please complete the opposite side so we also have your

contact information.		
□ I'd like more information about an upcoming event or program □ I am RSVPing or signing up for:		
☐ I am interested i about how to be p following ministrie	art of the	
☐ Music	☐ Greeters	
☐ Altar Guild	☐ Pastoral	
☐ Office help	Care	
☐ Christian Ed	Readers	
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