

Service of Holy Eucharist, Rite II

If this is your first time with us, welcome! We kindly request that you please wear a mask while in the building. Please be mindful of where people are seated and consider sitting with a more even distribution throughout the pews. Thank you for doing your part in keeping the church safe.

Prelude: Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Calling M. Archer

The Word of God

Prayer Book 355

Processional Hymn 76 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Trisagion: Holy God (Sing 3 times) Hymnal S 102

The Collect of the Day Bulletin Insert

Please be seated for the readings

The First Lesson Baruch 5:1-9

Canticle 16: The Song of Zechariah

The Epistle Philippians 1:3-11

Please stand if you are able

Sequence Hymn: 56 O come, O come, Emmanuel (stz. 1, 2 & 3)

The Gospel Luke 3:1-6

Please be seated

The Sermon Father Andrew Reinholz

Please stand as you are able

The Nicene Creed Prayer Book 358

Prayers of the People Form V Prayer Book 389

Please kneel as you are able

The Confession of Sin and Absolution Prayer Book 360

Please stand as you are able

The Peace Prayer Book 360

During this time, share as you, and others, are comfortable

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Prayer Book 361 Eucharistic Prayer A

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy Lord Hymnal S 129

The people stand or kneel

The Breaking of the Bread Prayer Book 364

The bread will be distributed from the bottom of the altar steps. Please follow the usher's guidance. All baptized Christians are invited to receive. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing. If you are not able to come forward, or are joining the service virtually, you may use this prayer for spiritual communion:

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Anthem

Postcommunion Prayer

Prayer Book 365

A Blessing

We ask that you please wear a mask if you wish to join in the singing

Recessional Hymn 65 Prepare the way, O Zion

Dismissal

Postlude: Comfort, Comfort Ye My People C. Callahan

The Rev. Andrew Reinholz, Rector
Mrs. Anita Williams, Music Director
Mrs. Lucy Whitlock, Parish Administrator
Mr. Timon Kenyi, Sexton

The Vestry

Carol Cullinan, Senior Warden
Herb Williams, Junior Warden
Marty Shephard, Treasurer
Gray Corbett, Register
Dwight Ludwig, Becky Card, Cory Isemann,
Stacy Mitchell, John Sarvay, John Norris

The Church of the Epiphany



The Second Sunday of Advent

10:30 am

December 5, 2021

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COMMUNICATION CARD

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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 Please update

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: Johnny Jorstad—Martha Jenkins son & Marty Shephard & Sandy Tignor's brother, Buster & Janet Magruder—Marion Magruder's son & daughter-in-law

Parishioners: Dottie Strabley, Mike Young, Bob Jimerson, Irene Morris, Jan Lawrence, Fran LaVigne, Buddy Dunn, Milton Jenkins, David Skinner, Chip Dunn, Herb Williams, Marion Magruder, Martha Jenkins

Homebound: Sarah Fore, Ray Hampton, Dot Hudson, Charlotte Lovelace, Connie Neal, Ina Stickel

Family & Friends: Dave Holsapple—Stacy Mitchells friend, Joyce Matchunis—Irene Morris' daughter-in-law, Mydina Thabet, David Thabet—cousins of Denise Russell and Sandy Ruder, Dave Schulte—friend of Wayne & Lucy Whitlock, Nancy Baynes Rojas—daughter of George & Joy Baynes, Craig & Bonniejean Baggess—friends of Kim Ludwig, Kim Hyatt—Chris Tignor's sister, Mark Tignor—Chris Tignor's brother, Susan Williams and Jack Reeves—friends of Karen Holden, Randall Fegley—Father Andrew's step- father, Linda Stansell—David Tuck's sister, Karen Rood—Jeri Townley's sister, Lisa & Johnny Hensen—friends of Cheryl Lineberry, Ellie Tuck's nephew

Prayers for the departed:

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Today's Ministers

10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist

Weekly Worship

Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday at noon: On Line Noon Day Prayers found on Facebook

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Prayers: Tad Blackburn

Sun. School Helper: Rejoice Pita

Altar Guild: Jean Riddick, Melba Schumaker

Counter: Gray Corbett, Lucy Whitlock



**The Church of the Epiphany
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Second Sunday
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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: Baruch 5:1-9

This reading offers a tender message of encouragement to Jerusalem, a vision of the gracious Lord bringing the people home from exile and leading them in glory. Although this prophecy is said to be written by Baruch, a friend of the prophet Jeremiah, it actually comes from a period nearer to New Testament times and is included in writings known as the Apocrypha. Its imagery of hope and joy is timeless, however, and points to God's ultimate work of salvation.

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

In this lesson Paul greets the new disciples in the town of Philippi, gives thanks for their sharing in the gospel, and prays that they may be found without fault on the judgment day of Christ. It is likely that this message of affection and appreciative joy was written toward the latter part of Paul's ministry, perhaps while he was in prison. He expresses great confidence that the work of grace begun by God in his converts will be brought to fruition.

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

The gospel of Luke sets the prophetic ministry of John the Baptist in the context of its time in history. It was customary during this era to date events with reference to the lives of rulers and well-known public figures. Within this history the word of God comes to John as he preaches his baptism of repentance. His ministry is in fulfillment of the words of Isaiah concerning the one who prepares the way of the Lord.

**On the Calendar
and Coming up**

Sunday Dec. 5th
10:30 am—**Sunday School**
10:30 am—**Holy Eucharist**

7:30 pm—AA Meeting in parish hall

Tuesday Dec. 7th
7:00 pm—JRRingers

Wed. Dec. 8th
12:00 noon—On Line Noon Day Prayers which can be found on our FaceBook page.

Fri. Dec. 10th
7:30 pm—AA meeting in the parish hall

Sat. Dec. 11th
9am — 12:30 pm—Leaf raking

Sunday Dec. 12th
10:30 am—**Sunday School**
10:30 am—**Holy Eucharist**

7:30pm —AA meeting in the parish hall

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God for our Epiphany family.

Annual Leaf Raking: We'll be having our annual leaf raking on Saturday, **December 11** from **9:00—12:30**. Volunteer adults are needed and we're offering to pay any youth who would like to come out and help. If you have any questions, please call Scott Blackwell at 804 868-6489.

The Children of Epiphany would like to invite everyone to a special evening to celebrate Christ's birth. On Saturday, December 18th at 5:00 pm we would love to have you join us in the Parish Hall to be a part of a fun evening of crafts and fellowship culminating with the telling of the Christmas story. It isn't required—but feel free to bring a Christmas treat to share with everyone. We will have a small reception with drinks provided and look forward to celebrating with you! Please contact Stephanie Norris if you have any questions at snorris@henrico.k12.va.us

Flowers: We have started back with putting flowers on the altar each Sunday. The cost is \$37.00. Please email me or call the office and let me know if anyone is interested in a special Sunday.

Poinsettias for Christmas! Time to place your order for a poinsettia to help decorate the church. Please give me who they are in memory of or in thanksgiving for. Cost is \$15.00

Attendance: November 28, 2021

10:30 am 42

Opportunities to Serve



On November 20th the parish held the most recent diaper distribution. During the distribution 47 families were served. The diaper ministry continues to observe the CDC guidelines set regarding social distancing and have been excited that opportunities for volunteers are again extended. This is a wonderful ministry and offers our parish the opportunity to demonstrate God's love to our community, for which the community continues to appreciate.

The diaper ministry continues to be held the third Saturday of every month from 10 am to 12 noon. The next diaper ministry is scheduled for December 18th. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer, please contact Crystal Sarvay at epiphanyrvparishnurse@gmail.com. Thank you do everyone who continues to donate diapers and wipes to support the ministry. If anyone would like to donate diapers or wipes, you may drop them off at the church office or let Crystal Sarvay know and she would be happy to pick them up. Currently, sizes 4 through 6 are of the greatest need. Thank you all so much for your continued support of this ministry.

The 'Warm-Fuzzy Tree' is up in the hall and waiting to be decorated with your donations of mittens, caps, gloves, scarves, socks, etc. These items will be given to an organization that provides for the needy. This is an outreach project that we all can participate in. Let's cover the tree! Deadline for bringing items for the tree is Sunday, December 12th.



The Influenza Vaccine

Those who are considering their Flu vaccine this year are encouraged to schedule their vaccine as soon as possible. Typically, the influenza virus is most common in the U.S. during the late fall season through the early spring (CDC, 2021). The vaccine can provide protection for those ages 6 months on up, however discussing with your primary care provider is recommended prior to receiving any vaccine. Flu vaccines can be scheduled through your pharmacy or your physician's office in most cases. In most cases the Flu vaccine can be scheduled simultaneously with the COVID vaccine, however, check with your primary care provider or pharmacist for further details regarding your personal health situation. Additional information regarding receiving the flu vaccine during the pandemic can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pandemic-guidance/index.html>.

The parish nurse ministry continues to promote a healthier faith community through spiritual support and healthier life choices, while supporting ministries already in place within the church. If there are, any special needs that can be accommodated through the parish nurse ministry please contact Crystal Sarvay, MSN, RN at epiphanyrvparishnurse@gmail.com

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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 in learning more about how to be part of the following ministries or programs:

- Music
- Altar Guild
- Office help
- Christian Ed
- Outreach
- Ushers
- Chalice Bearer
- Greeters
- Pastoral Care
- Readers
- Prayer Team
- _____

Prayer Requests / Comments