

Communion Anthem

Postcommunion Prayer

Prayer Book 365

A Blessing

Recessional Hymn: 690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Dismissal

No Postlude during Lent

The Church of the Epiphany



Mrs. Anita Williams, Music Director
Mrs. Lucy Whitlock, Parish Administrator
Mr. Timon Kenyi, Sexton

The Vestry

Gray Corbett, Senior Warden
Randy Holden, Junior Warden
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John Norris, Jeri Townley, Scott Blackwell

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

10:30 am

March 27, 2022

8000 Hermitage Road
Henrico, VA 23228
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Service of Holy Eucharist, Rite II

If this is your first time with us, welcome! Mask are optional! 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: Amazing Grace C. Callahan

The Word of God

Prayer Book 350

The Decalogue Prayer Book 350

Confession of Sins Prayer Book 352

Kyrie Hymnal S 91

The Collect of the Day Bulletin Insert

Please be seated for the readings

The First Lesson Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm Psalm 32

The Epistle 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Please stand if you are able

Sequence Hymn: 686 Come, thou fount of every blessing

The Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Please be seated

The Sermon Rev. Fred Huntington

Please stand as you are able

The Nicene Creed Prayer Book 358

Prayers of the People (Form 4) Prayer Book 388

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

Please stand as you are able

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy Lord Hymnal S129

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.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS



New to the Prayer List: Gayla Jones, Deb.—cousin of Jeri Anne Townley

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: Ray Hampton, Dot Hudson, Charlotte Lovelace, Ina Stickel

Family & Friends: 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, Kim Hyatt—Chris Tignor's sister, Mark Tignor—Chris Tignor's brother, Susan Williams and Jack Reeves—friends of Karen Holden, Linda Stansell—David Tuck's sister, Lisa & Johnny Hensen—friends of Cheryl Lineberry, Ellie Tuck's nephew, Johnny Jorstad—Martha Jenkins son & Marty Shephard & Sandy Tignor's brother, Buster & Janet Magruder—Marion Magruder's son & daughter-in-law, Karen Sheppard—daughter of Wayne & Lucy Whitlock, Carolyn Hall—friend of Kathy Jimerson, Linette—friend of Jeri Anne Townley, Lynn Selfe—friend of Gray & Frosine Corbett

Prayers for the departed:

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Weekly Worship

Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

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Today's Ministers

10:30 AM—Worship Service

Usher: Tad Blackburn

Acolytes: Camryn Whitlesey, Elliana Cloyes

Lessons: Cheri Blackwell

Prayers of the People: Cheri Blackwell

Sun. School Helper: Rejoice Pita

Altar Guild: Karen & Randy Holden

Coffee Hour: Diana Stone, Tad Blackburn

Counters: Gray Corbett, Carol Campus

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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: Joshua 5:9-12

The Old Testament reading tells of the first Passover kept by the Israelites after they had crossed over the Jordan River into the promised land. Now that they can eat the produce of the countryside, there is no longer need for the miraculous manna of the wilderness. This happens at Gilgal, a name meaning *wheel*, which suggests the wordplay as God declares the reproaches of the people to be rolled away.

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

In this passage Paul celebrates the new perspective that comes in Christ, and God's reconciling work in Christ that now makes its appeal to others through his disciples. Those who are united to Christ are part of a new order of creation. For our sake Christ experienced the consequences of human sin that we might have a right relationship with God. Now we are ambassadors of this message of reconciliation.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Our gospel is the parable of the prodigal son, his elder brother and their loving father. Hearers are meant to participate in the story by experiencing how it feels to be these individuals. One notices that the wastrel son thinks his father will only take him back if he promises to work hard and form a legalistic relationship with him. But what is the father to do when he sees his long-lost son coming down the road? How is the elder son to react to his brother's joyous welcome? The parable closes by leaving that last question to us.

On the Calendar and Coming up

Sun. Mar. 27th
10:30 am—Holy
Eucharist

7:30 pm—AA
Meeting in parish
hall

Tue. Mar. 29th
7 pm-JRRingers

Fri. April. 1st
7:30pm —AA
meeting in the
parish hall

Sat. April 2nd
8:30 am—Bag
lunches — The
Green Team

Sun. April 3rd
10:30 am—Holy
Eucharist

7:30pm —AA
meeting in the
parish hall

We welcome the Rev. Fred Huntington who is with us this morning for the Holy Eucharist and will be our supply priest for the next few weeks.

We will resume coffee hour as volunteers are able to sign up. This social time will provide us greater opportunity to reflect on our time apart, to reconnect and to share hopes for our common path forward.

Making bag lunches this Saturday, April 2, at 8:30 am is the **Green Team**: Team leader: Gray Corbett, 804 683-5419 or graycorb@gmail.com, Frosine Corbett, the Tuckers and (open)

Sunday School is asking for donated candy for the children's Easter Egg hunt on Sunday, April 17 and to leave it in the office by April 10th. Please, individually wrapped items only! Thank you!

Attendance: March 20, 2022

10:30 am 37

Opportunities to Serve



The **diaper ministry** continues to hold distribution on the third Saturday of every month from 10 am to 12:00 pm. On March 19th, 46 families attended, and we were blessed to have one of our youth, Eric Ludwig volunteer to help out and he also received volunteer points for school. The next diaper distribution will be held April 16th. One of our attendees, who has been coming for quite some time and always greets us with a smile, shared, "I want you to know what a true blessing this has been to us. There is no help with diapers, and this has truly been a blessing! God bless you all and thank everyone!" Through this ministry, we continue to share God's love and develop relationships with these families.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of this ministry, and donations of diapers and wipes. If anyone would like to donate diapers, sizes 4 through 6 continue to be the greatest need. A diaper drive is planned for Spring. Please, watch for further details. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Crystal Sarvay at epiphanyrvaparishnurse@gmail.com.

The **homeless lunches** are scheduled to be prepared and delivered by the Green team on Saturday, April 2nd. Thank you to everyone for supporting this ministry as well. If anyone is interested in participating in this ministry, please contact Mary Sam Abernathy (msabernathy88@gmail.com) or the team lead you are interested in being a part of. Additionally, donations of paper lunch bags, sandwich bags and napkins are also appreciated and can be dropped off at the church office. The homeless lunch schedule can be found on the bulletin board in the parish hallway if anyone would like a copy.

Care Notes Corner



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 epiphanyrvaparishnurse@gmail.com