

Church of the Epiphany

Feast of the Circumcision
and Holy Name of Jesus, Year A
January 1, 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: Of the Father's Love Begotten – W. Held

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

THE ENTRANCE RITE

BCP 355

The people stand.

Processional Hymn: 93 Angels, from the realms of Glory

The people standing, the Priest-Celebrant faces 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, 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.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Priest-Celebrant faces the Holy Altar and says the Collect of the Day.
BCP 213

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

BCP 357

The people sit. The Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

Reader A Reading from Numbers [6:22-27]

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be
gracious to you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give
you peace.

So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Silence

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

BCP 592

Reader The Psalm for today is Psalm 8.
We will read the psalm responsively by whole verse.

O Lord our Governor, *

how exalted is your Name in all the world!
Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
When I consider your heavens, the work of your
fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their
courses,
What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
You have made him but little lower than the angels;*
you adorn him with glory and honor;
You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Reader A Reading from Philippians [2:5-11]

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Silence

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

Gradual Hymn. Christmas Alleluias

Luke Mayernik

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to Luke [2:15-21].

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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

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**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 Plant within our hearts, O Lord, the love of our
 Savior, as we lift our voices in prayer, responding to
 each petition by saying, “Holy is your Name.”

Silence

O Key of David, unlock our greed and love of materials
 goods, that we may be generous to the hungry, poor,
 unemployed, and homeless; for this we pray.

People **Holy is your Name.**

Intercessor O Emmanuel, God with us, visit us in the dark season of the year, revealing your everlasting light, and making us beacons of your grace and integrity in the world about us; for this we pray.

People **Holy is your Name.**

Intercessor O Prince of Peace, send your Spirit upon the face of the earth, changing weapons of war into resources for peace, revealing the gift of new life when hope has dimmed, and uniting peoples of every language, race, nation, and tribe; for this we pray.

People **Holy is your Name.**

Intercessor O Savior of the world, reach down from your heavenly throne and grasp our imaginations, that we may bring freshness and vitality to age-old problems, revealing to others the reality of your kingdom; for this we pray.

People **Holy is your Name.**

Intercessor O Root of Jesse, help us to honor the traditions of our Church and nation, learning from the past to welcome the future with openness and expectancy; for this we pray.

People **Holy is your Name.**

Intercessor O Give of life, reveal your eternal promises to those who have died as followers of Jesus, and look with compassion upon those whose faith is unknown or uncertain; for this we pray.

People **Holy is your Name.**

Intercessor O Cup of Salvation, we thank you for this Eucharistic Feast which we share this day; may the bread we break reveal our participation in the Body of Christ; for this we pray.

People **Holy is your Name.**

Intercessor Finding our strength in the Holy Name of Jesus,
we join with all the apostles and saints in continuing our
prayers and thanksgivings.

Silence

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

The Priest-Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

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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 HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

BCP 361

The Priest-Celebrant says to the people

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.

Offertory Anthem: Ding, Dong, Merrily on High – B. Wallace:

The Priest-Celebrant blesses the offerings

Celebrant Bringing you these offerings from what your
bounty bestows on us, we pray, O Lord, that, just as you
have given to Christ, obedient even until death, the Name that

saves, so you may grant us protection by its power.
Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
Eucharistic Prayer B
BCP 367

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 you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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:

Priest-Celebrant and People

Sanctus
S-130

Hymnal

**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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Priest-Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Priest-Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,
O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this
bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon
these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of
Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your
Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him,
being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time,
put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to
that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and
all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your
sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn
of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our
salvation.

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,

People and Priest-Celebrant

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**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
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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

Hymnal 644 How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds

Hymnal 82 Of the Father's love begotten

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.

May God, the source and origin of all blessing,
grant you grace,
pour out his blessing in abundance,
and keep you safe from harm throughout the year.

People **Amen.**

May he give you integrity in the faith,
endurance in hope,
and perseverance in charity
with holy patience to the end.

People **Amen.**

May he order your days and your deeds in his peace,
grant your prayers in this and in every place,
and lead you happily into eternal life.

People **Amen.**

And may 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 87 Hark! The herald angels sing

The Priest-Celebrant dismisses the people.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice - W. Held

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of
God by Joyce Melton in loving memory of her husband, Herman
D. Melton, Jr..*

An Outline of the Faith
commonly called the Catechism

God the Son

- Q. What do we mean when we say that Jesus is the only Son of God?
- A. We mean that Jesus is the only perfect image of the Father, and shows us the nature of God.
- Q. What is the nature of God revealed in Jesus?
- A. God is love.
- Q. What do we mean when we say that Jesus was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and became incarnate from the Virgin Mary?
- A. We mean that by God's own act, his divine Son received our human nature from the Virgin Mary, his mother.
- Q. Why did he take our human nature?
- A. The divine Son became human, so that in him human beings might be adopted as children of God, and be made heirs of God's kingdom.
- Q. What is the great importance of Jesus' suffering and death?
- A. By his obedience, even to suffering and death, Jesus made the offering which we could not make; in him we are freed from the power of sin and reconciled to God.
- Q. What is the significance of Jesus' resurrection?
- A. By his resurrection, Jesus overcame death and opened for us the way of eternal life.
- Q. What do we mean when we say that he descended to the dead?
- A. We mean that he went to the departed and offered them also the benefits of redemption.
- Q. What do we mean when we say that he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father?
- A. We mean that Jesus took our human nature into

heaven where he now reigns with the Father and intercedes for us.

- Q. How can we share in his victory over sin, suffering, and death?
- A. We share in his victory when we are baptized into the New Covenant and become living members of Christ.
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COMMUNICATION CARD
January 1, 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 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?

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS



New to the Prayer List:

Parishioners: Dottie Strabley, Mike Young, Bob Jimerson, Fran LaVigne, Buddy Dunn, Milton Jenkins, David Skinner, Chip Dunn, Herb Williams, Marion Magruder, Martha Jenkins, George Baynes, Nancy Sonne, Jeannie Riddick

Homebound: Ray Hampton, Dot Hudson, Charlotte Lovelace, Joyce Melton, Ina Stickel, Betty Van Valkenburg, and Irene Morris

Family & Friends: Joyce Matchunis—Irene Morris' daughter-in-law, Dave Schulte—friend of Wayne & Lucy Whitlock, Nancy Baynes Rojas—daughter of George & Joy Baynes, Johnny Jorstad—Martha Jenkins son & Marty Shephard & Sandy Tignor's brother, Buster & Janet Magruder—Marion Magruder's son & daughter-in-law, Carolyn Hall—friend of Kathy Jimerson, Lynn Selfe—friend of Gray & Frosine Corbett, Deb—cousin of Jeri Anne Townley, David Thabet, Elizabeth Mickel,—relatives of Denise Russell and Sandy Ruder, Christian Devol—friend of Cheryl Lineberry, Easton Guyer—Cheryl Lineberry's grandson, Mike Marcial—friend of Cory Isemann, Kelly & Steve Schaaf, Emily, Stephen Bruke—son of Scott Blackwell's friend, 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—friend of Gail Wood, Jean McDonough—Kim Ludwig & Karen Tucker's aunt, Sandra — friend from community

Prayers for the departed:

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Today's Ministers
10:30 PM—Worship Service

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

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The Church of the Epiphany
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ
January 1, 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: Numbers 6:22-27

In our opening lesson Moses, by God's command, instructs those set aside for priestly ministry to bless Israel, putting God's own name upon them. These words have come to be known as the "Aaronic blessing", as they were first entrusted to Aaron and his sons. Because there is a threefold form to the blessing, Christians have often here perceived intimations of faith in the triune God.

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

From one of the earliest Christian hymns we hear how Christ Jesus accepted the condition of a servant, was obedient even to the point of death, and was then given the name above every name. It is possible that this poem was adapted by Paul or another disciple from the hopes for a savior of a people who did not yet know Jesus. Jesus has fulfilled humanity's dream of one who will share fully in the mortal condition before his exaltation. To him every knee shall bow and every tongue confess the great name of the Lord now known in person, Jesus.

The Gospel: Luke 2:15-21

Our gospel tells how the shepherds, after the angelic vision which announced the Savior's birth, come to Bethlehem to see for themselves the child who is to be named Jesus. They share with Mary and Joseph the words of the angels. In this little infant, laid in a manger, the shepherds perceive the fulfillment of the song of the heavenly hosts. After eight days, in accordance with the law, the baby is then circumcised and given the promised name.

On the Calendar and Coming up

Sun. Jan. 1st
New Years Day
 8:15 am Holy Eucharist
 10:30am—Holy Eucharist

7:30 pm—AA Meeting in parish hall

Tue. Jan. 2nd
 7:00 pm—JRRingers

Thur. Jan. 5th
 No Choir or Handbell Rehearsals

Fri. Jan. 6th
 7:30pm —AA meeting in the parish hall

Sat. Jan. 7th
 8:30 am— Outreach bag lunches — Yellow Team

Sun. Jan. 8th
 Celebrating Epiphany
 8:15 am Holy Eucharist
 10:30am—Holy Eucharist

7:30pm —AA meeting in the parish hall

There is still time to turn in your pledge card and if you have lost or misplaced yours there are some on the table in the narthex.

News from the kitchen:

Jan 1: No coffee hour

Jan. 8: Feast of the Epiphany, this is a pot luck event. Bring your favorite dish to share. The church will provide chicken tenders.

Feb. 5: Pasta Bar—This is a change due to Big Night Out

Feb. 12: Big Night Out

Feb. 21: Pancake Supper

There will not be a Second Sunday Lunch during Lent. The next Second Sunday Lunch will be the third Sunday of April, or April 16.

No Chancel Choir or Handbell choir rehearsals during January. The next rehearsal will be Chancel Choir on February 5 @ 6:15 pm.

I have the 2023 Envelopes and if you want to pick yours up please let me know in the office and I can get them for you.

Attendance: December 24, 2022
 4:00 pm 77
 10:30 pm 60

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 December 17th. The next diaper distribution day is on **January 21st**. 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. 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 Yellow Team on January 7th**. The year 2023 will be the 24th year that our parish has taken part in the homeless lunch ministry! A big THANK YOU to everyone who continues to support this ministry. Donations of paper lunch bags, sandwich bags or 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 (crystalsarvay@gmail.com).



Thank you all so much to everyone who donated to the Salvation Army Angel tree, to the "Coats for Kids" drive, brought in the "warm and fuzzies" for our annual warm and fuzzy tree and for the clothing and toy items donated to the three families in our community who requested clothes for their children during this special season! Our outreach projects have been a blessing to so many families and are truly a special gift sent into our community from our parish!



There are some needs within our elementary schools currently. 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!

The love and kindness that our parish shares are beyond amazing!
Love lives here! ♡

COMMUNICATION CARD

January 1, 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 in learning more about how to be part of the following ministries or programs:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Guild | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office help | <input type="checkbox"/> Readers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Ed | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> Ushers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chalice Bearer | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Prayer Requests / Comments
