

# Church of the Epiphany

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
June 30, 2024  
10:30 a.m. Family Mass

## The Holy Eucharist Rite II

according to

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER 1979  
The Hymnal 1982  
Wonder, Love, and Praise: A Supplement to the Hymnal 1982

*Welcome to the Church of the Epiphany. The Anglican tradition values common prayer.  
Praying together shapes our faith, binds us together, and helps us grow closer to God.  
We invite you to pray with us today.*

*The mission of the Church is to restore all people to  
unity with God and each other in Christ.*

*You may wish to set your Prayer Book, Hymnals, and Bible before worship begins.  
The half-hour before the Mass is a time of quiet prayer and preparation.*

*Please silence or turn off your electronic devices.*

Prelude: If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee – G. Bohm

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation Rites

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Hymn 518 Christ is made the sure foundation, *Westminster Abbey*

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

*The following hymn is sung by All, standing*

Hymn S-280, *Gloria in Excelsis*

**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

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*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lessons

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*The people sit. The Lesson, as appointed, is read, the Reader first saying*

A Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon [1:13-15; 2:23-24]

For God did not make death, and takes no pleasure in the destruction of any living thing; he created all things that they might have being. The creative forces of the world make for life; there is no deadly poison in them. Death has no sovereignty on earth, for justice is immortal;

But God created man imperishable, and made him the image of his own eternal self; it was the devil's spite that brought death into the world, and the experience of it is reserved for those who take his side.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence.*

*Directions for Reciting the Psalter*

*The Psalm is read Responsively, the minister alternating with the congregation, verse by verse. An asterisk divides each verse into two parts. In reading, **a distinct pause should be made at the asterisk.** The pause is long enough to take a breath as one silently says the Name of Jesus. Commas in Psalms are not observed with a pause; a pause is observed at semi-colons. The Psalms are best able to be said when the readers both lower the pitch and volume of their voice.*

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*The people remain sitting.*

*Reader* The Psalm for today is  
Psalm 30, *Exaltabo te, Domine*

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- 1 I will exalt you, O Lord,  
because you have lifted me up \* *(pause)*  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 **O Lord my God, I cried out to you, \* *(pause)***  
**and you restored me to health.**
- 3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; \* *(pause)*  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

- 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; \* (pause)  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.**
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*  
his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, \* (pause)  
but joy comes in the morning.**
- 7 While I felt secure, I said,  
"I shall never be disturbed. \* (pause)  
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the  
mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face, \* (pause)  
and I was filled with fear.**
- 9 I cried to you, O Lord; \* (pause)  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to  
the Pit? \* (pause)  
will the dust praise you or declare your  
faithfulness?**
- 11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; \* (pause)  
O Lord, be my helper."
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; \* (pause)  
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me  
with joy.**
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \* (pause)  
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

*At the end of the Psalms is sung or said by all*

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**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 people remain sitting.  
The Lesson, as appointed, is read,  
the Reader first saying*

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians  
[8:7-15]

You are so rich in everything—in faith, speech, knowledge, and  
diligence of every kind, as well as in the love you have for us—

that you should surely show yourselves equally lavish in this generous service! This is not meant as an order; by telling you how keen others are I am putting your love to the test. You know the generosity of our Lord Jesus Christ: he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich.

Here is my advice, and I have your interests at heart. You made a good beginning last year both in what you did and in your willingness to do it. Now go on and finish it. Be as eager to complete the scheme as you were to adopt it, and give according to your means. If we give eagerly according to our means, that is acceptable to God; he does not ask for what we do not have. There is no question of relieving others at the cost of hardship to yourselves; it is a question of equality. At the moment your surplus meets their need, but one day your need may be met from their surplus. The aim is equality; as scripture has it, 'Those who gathered more did not have too much, and those who gathered less did not have too little.'

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence.*

*The people stand for the Gospel procession*

Hymn    707    Take my life and let it be *Hollingside*

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
According to Mark [5:21-43]

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

As soon as Jesus had returned by boat to the other shore, a large crowd gathered round him. While he was by the lakeside, there came a synagogue president named Jairus; and when he saw him, he threw himself down at his feet and pleaded with him. 'My

little daughter is at death's door,' he said. 'I beg you to come and lay your hands on her so that her life may be saved.' So Jesus went with him, accompanied by a great crowd which pressed round him.

Among them was a woman who had suffered from hemorrhages for twelve years; and in spite of long treatment by many doctors, on which she had spent all she had, she had become worse rather than better. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak; for she said, 'If I touch even his clothes, I shall be healed.' And there and then the flow of blood dried up and she knew in herself that she was cured of her affliction. Aware at once that power had gone out of him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and asked, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing round you and yet you ask, "Who touched me?"' But he kept looking around to see who had done it. Then the woman, trembling with fear because she knew what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace, free from your affliction.'

While he was still speaking, a message came from the president's house, 'Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any more?' But Jesus, overhearing the message as it was delivered, said to the president of the synagogue, 'Do not be afraid; simply have faith.' Then he allowed no one to accompany him except Peter and James and James's brother John. They came to the president's house, where he found a great commotion, with loud crying and wailing. So he went in and said to them, 'Why this crying and commotion? The child is not dead: she is asleep'; and they laughed at him. After turning everyone out, he took the child's father and mother and his own companions into the room where the child was. Taking hold of her hand, he said to her, 'Talitha cum,' which means, 'Get up, my child.' Immediately the girl got up and walked about—she was twelve years old. They were overcome with amazement; but he gave them strict

instructions not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev'd Kristin Wickersham

*Silence.*

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray in the words our Savior Christ has taught us.

*The people stand.*

*There follows, said by all*

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  
*The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom*

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*The Celebrant introduces the Prayers with a sentence of invitation.*

*Celebrant*

Out of the depths, we call to you, **O Lord**;  
**Lord**, hear our voice and let your ears consider well the  
voice of our supplication.

*Silence.*

*The Intercessor and people pray responsively*

*Intercessor* In confidence, we offer our prayers to the Lord, saying:  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For the peace from above and for the salvation of our  
souls, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For the peace of the whole world, for the stability of the  
holy churches of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the  
Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For this holy house and for those who enter it with faith,  
reverence, and the fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.



*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For pious and orthodox Christians, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For our Bishop, Mark, for the honorable priesthood, for the diaconate in Christ, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For our country, the president, all those in public service, and for our armed forces everywhere, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For the Holy and Great Church of Christ, for The Episcopal Church, for our Diocese, for this city and parish, for every city and land, and for the faithful who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For those who travel by land, sea, and air, for the aged and infirm, the sick, the suffering, the captives, and for their salvation, especially Ray, Dot, Milton, Martha, Fran, Marion, Joyce, Mike, Shirley, Dottie, Chris, John Henry, Johnny, Caitlin, Kyle, Judy, John, Dan, Donna, Bill, Marie, Jean, Derek, Cosette, Melissa, Rayetta, Granvilleen, Suzanne, Melanie, Ed, R.J., Karen, and Cathy, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and distress, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* Help us, save us, have mercy on us, and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

*Intercessor* In the communion of the Holy Spirit, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with the Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, Irenaeus of Lyons, and with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

*People* **To you, O Lord, our God.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Confession of Sin

*The people kneel.*

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*Minister and People*

**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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, 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

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*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord*

### *About the Passing of the Peace*

*Having made peace with God, the congregation is now instructed to reconcile with each other before taking communion together. Healing wounds, hurts, and broken relationships is a difficult task, but it was the task of the Cross. Each time we make peace with each other, we point that that triumph of love.*

*This is not a greeting and conversation time. You will do that at coffee hour after the service. This is a time devoted to quietly passing the peace of God to those immediately around you, or going and reconciling with your neighbor about a specific wound or hurt, so that you will be prepared to receive Communion.*

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with some sentence of Scripture.*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

### *About the Offertory*

*At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically in the Bread and Wine and in the money we give. An offering is received to support Epiphany's ministry of sharing God's love. All are invited to make a thank offering as the plate is passed. The offerings are then brought to the altar to be blessed by the priest.*

*The people sit*

Voluntary: It is Well With My Soul – arr. G. Lanier

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented.*

Hymn 493 O for a thousand tongues to sing *Azmon*  
(vv. 1,2,3, and 6)

*The people remain standing.  
The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest,  
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 Table, the 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.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in 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:

*The Sanctus hymn is sung, all standing*

Hymn WLP-850 *Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus*

*Celebrant and People*

**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 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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The 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. **AMEN.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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

*People and 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 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.**

*In addition to the preceding, a Fraction Hymn is sung.*

Hymn WLP-875

*Choir* Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread.

*All* **Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread.**

*Choir* The bread which we break, alleluia,  
is the communion of the body of Christ.

*All* **Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread.**

*Choir* One body are we, alleluia,  
for though many we share one bread.

*All* **Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread.**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*While the people are coming forward to receive Communion, the Celebrant receives the Sacrament in both kinds. The bishops, priests, and deacons at the Holy Table then communicate, and after them, the people.*

#### THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians who come seeking the Body and Blood of Christ, who earnestly repent of their sins, are in love and charity with their neighbors, and intend to lead a new life following the commandments of God are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*All are welcome to come to the altar rail and receive a blessing from the priest. Indicate this at the rail by crossing both arms over your chest.*

*The Sacrament is celebrated using wheat bread and fermented grape wine.*

*We do not permit the practice of intincting the Holy Sacrament, or dipping the bread into the consecrated wine. If, for any reason, you do not wish to receive the bread or the wine, please cross your arms as the minister approaches. Although we encourage reception in both kinds, the grace of God present in the Holy Sacrament is fully available in the Body or Blood alone.*

*You may stand or kneel to receive Communion. The Body of Christ is received in the hand, the right hand laid flat and placed on top of the left. To receive the Blood of Christ, grasp only the base of the chalice and guide the chalice to your lips.*

*If you would like Communion brought to you in your pew, please inform an usher.*

*If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.*

*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.**

*During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung by all.*

Hymn   WLP-791   Peace before us

**Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet.  
Peace within us, peace over us, let all around us be peace.  
Love before us, ...  
Light before us, ...  
Christ before us, ...  
Alleluia, alleluia ...  
Peace before us ...**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.**



**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.***

*A hymn may be sung before or after the postcommunion prayer.*

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*The people stand.*

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest may bless the people.*

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Westminster Abbey – M. Archer

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An Outline of the Faith  
commonly called the Catechism

The New Covenant

Q. What is the New Covenant?

A. The New Covenant is the new relationship with God given by Jesus Christ, the Messiah, to the apostles; and, through them, to all who believe in him.

Q. What did the Messiah promise in the New Covenant?

A. Christ promised to bring us into the kingdom of God and give life in all its fullness.

Q. What response did Christ require?

A. Christ commanded us to believe in him and to keep his commandments.

Q. What are the commandments taught by Christ?

A. Christ taught us the Summary of the Law and gave us the New Commandment.

Q. What is the Summary of the Law?

A. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

- Q. What is the New Commandment?  
A. The New Commandment is that we love one another as Christ loved us.
- Q. Where may we find what Christians believe about Christ?  
A. What Christians believe about Christ is found in the Scriptures and summed up in the creeds.
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## **Church of the Epiphany**

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*Summer Office Hours:*

*Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*

### Clergy and Staff

The Rt. Rev'd E. Mark Stevenson, D. Min. *h.c.*, Bishop Diocesan  
The Rev'd Kristin P. R. Wickersham, SCP, Priest-in-Charge  
The Rev'd Canon John F. Rice, D. Min., Priest Associate  
Mrs. Anita Williams, Director of Music Ministries  
Mrs. Lucy Whitlock, Parish Administrator  
Mrs. Crystal Sarvay, R.N., Parish Nurse  
Mr. Timon Kenyi, Sexton  
Marty Shephard, Treasurer

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Mthr. Kristin Wickersham, Presider  
Mr. Randy Holden, ('25), Sr. Warden  
Mr. Billy Tucker ('26), Jr. Warden  
Mr. Scott Blackwell ('25)  
Ms. Jeri Townley ('25)  
Mrs. Mirendy Smith ('26)  
Mr. Billy Tucker ('26)  
Mr. Robert Steele ('27)  
Mrs. Diana Stone ('27)

### Ministers

The ministers of the Church are all lay people, bishops, priests, and deacons.

**COMMUNICATION CARD**  
June 30, 2024

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

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**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Children's names and ages**

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**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:** Cathy Carter—friends of Kim & Sandy Ruder and Denise Russell 

**Parishioners:** Ray Hampton, Dot Hudson, Martha & Milton Jenkins, Fran LaVigne, Marion Magruder, Joyce Melton, Mike Young, Shirley Hughson, Dottie Strabley, Chris Tignor

**Family & Friends:** John Henry Rice—son of Fr. John & Mackie Rice, Johnny Jorstad—Martha Jenkins son & Marty Shephard & Sandy Tignor's brother, Caitlin & Fr. Kyle Bomare & their family, Judy Watson—cousin of Marty Shephard & Sandy Tignor, John Burkhardt — Brother-in-law of Chris & Sandy Tignor, Dan & Donna Ludwig—Dwight Ludwig's parents, Bill McCarty—brother of Ann Poates, Marie Patterson— Crystal Sarvay's mother, Jean Stone— John Stone's mother, Derek Anderson & Cosette Leonard—friends of Karen & Billy Tucker, Melissa Matthews—friend of Kim Ludwig, Rayetta Barnhardt—friend of Diana Stone, Melanie Goodpasture— Carol McElhinney's daughter, Ed Morrow —friend of Kathy Jimerson, Granvilleen — sister of Mary Goodwin, Suzanne O'Donnell—friend of Mthr. Kristin, Karen Rood— sister of Jeri Townley, RJ Carr & family — son-in-law of Karen Whitlock Sheppard

**Prayers for the departed:**

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**CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY**

**Today's Ministers**

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

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**Prayers of the People:** Carol Cullinan  
**Chalice:** Stacy Mitchell  
**Sun. School Helper:** Kathy Jimerson  
**Altar Guild:** Cheri & Scott Blackwell  
**Coffee Hour:** Gray & Frosine Corbett

**The Church of the Epiphany**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**June 30, 2024**



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 Lesson**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15; 2:23-24

In our first lesson the author of the Wisdom of Solomon meditates on the fact of death in a world created by a loving God. God has brought us into life for incorruption, and the generative forces of the world are manifestly good. Death does not come from God, but is a consequence of trespass and evil, here personified in the figure of the devil.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

In this New Testament lesson the apostle Paul encourages the Corinthians to be generous in their contributions to a collection he has been gathering for the relief of the church in Jerusalem. It seems the Corinthians had begun to raise money for this cause in the previous year but have not completed the project despite the means available to them. In sharing from their abundance with those in need, these new disciples will be following in the way of the Lord Jesus who, though rich, became poor that the Corinthians might become rich.

The Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

The gospel tells of the healings of a woman with hemorrhages and of the daughter of Jairus, an official of the local synagogue. Here are two remarkable stories of healing, one told within the other. As Jesus is responding to Jairus's plea for his sick daughter, a woman who has suffered with hemorrhage for twelve years reaches out in faith, and is healed and given new life. By the time Jesus reaches Jairus's house, the twelve-year old daughter is seemingly dead, but Jesus raises her to new life.

**On the Calendar and Coming up**

**Sun. June 30<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:15 am — Holy Eucharist, Rite 1  
 9:30 am — Children's Sunday School  
 10:30 am — Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

7:30 pm — AA Meeting in parish hall

**Thur. July 4<sup>th</sup>**  
 Office Closed

**Fri. July 5<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:30 pm—AA meeting in Parlor

**Sat. July 6<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:30 am—Outreach Bag Lunches—Vestry Team

**Sun. July 7<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:15 am — Holy Eucharist, Rite 1  
 9:30 am — Children's Sunday School  
 10:30 am — Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Blood Pressure Screening after the 10:30 service

7:30 pm — AA Meeting in parish hall

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Carol McElhinney in memory of her husband, Edward W. McElhinney.*

For the next couple of weeks, we are in the process of re-keying the locks to the church and parish hall. So, if you need to get in, please call to see that someone is here to let you in. If you have an old key you can turn it back in to the office.

**We need you to sign up for Coffee Hour:** There is a new schedule up in the hall by the kitchen door. Stop by and check it out to see when you would like to help us out by taking a Sunday. All is needed is make the coffee & lemonade and put out some cookies! We all enjoy this time of fellowship!

"Stewardship isn't a subcategory of the *Christian life*. Stewardship is the *Christian life*. After all, what is stewardship except that God has entrusted to us life, time, talents, money, possessions, family, and his grace? In each case, he evaluates how we regard what he has entrusted to us and what we do with it". Randy Alcorn

Attendance: June 23, 2024  
 9:15 am 6  
 10:30 am 43

**Outreach Opportunities**

The **diaper ministry** continues to hold diaper distribution on the third Saturday of every month from 10 am to 12 noon. This inspirational ministry has been touching families lives in our community since 2018 and continues to welcome new families each month. **All Saints Episcopal Church** has recently partnered with our church in this ministry to support our community. The next diaper distribution will be on **July 20<sup>th</sup>**. A sign-up sheet is on the outreach board in the parish hallway for anyone interested in volunteering. Donations of diapers (sizes 4 through 6) and wipes are also appreciated. Thank you again to everyone for your continued support of this ministry!

**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 Vestry Team on Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>**. The homeless lunch schedule for 2024 is up on the outreach board. **Donations of paper lunch bags, sandwich bags and napkins** are always welcomed 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](mailto:crystalsarvay@gmail.com)).

**Lambs Basket** continues to need donations of food items, particularly cereals, peanut butter, jams, jellies, and canned foods. Please, bring in your donations and leave them in the parish hallway in the red wagon. Thank you for your continued support!

Our "**Little Library**" is now up. Please, see Ezra Axelle or Rosemary Arneson with questions regarding books being collected and placed for the community, or check out the list of suggested books on the outreach board. There is a basket in the hallway for book collections.

The "**Blessing Box**" has been installed across from the "Little Library" at the entrance to the church. This will be another great way to support our community. A list of suggested items has been placed on the outreach board. Some of the suggested items are non-perishables such as canned tuna, canned goods, rice, dried box pasta, granola bars, pasta sauce, personal items such as toothbrushes, & toothpaste, soap, school supplies, small toys, books, etc. You can place donations in the basket in the hallway or in the Blessing Box itself. If you have any questions, please contact Crystal Sarvay.



Prior to the pandemic, the **parish nurse ministry** held blood pressure screenings monthly in the parlor. We are happy to offer this again, the first Sunday of every month. The next date will be July 7<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 am worship service, so come and have your blood pressure checked! The mission of the parish nurse ministry is 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 health professionals in the congregation who are interested in being part of the this ministry, please contact Crystal Sarvay.

*The love and kindness that our parish shares is beyond amazing!*

Love lives here!

**COMMUNICATION CARD**

June 30, 2024

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**