



The
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
of the
EPIPHANY

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Fifth Sunday of Easter • Youth Sunday

May 3, 2026 ✠ 10:00 AM

WELCOME TO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Whether you just stopped in to visit, or you are looking for a place of belonging, we welcome you. In our worship, formation, fellowship, and community engagement work, we strive for justice and peace and to honor the dignity of every human being. Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey, we are glad you are here. We believe God loves you—no exceptions!

Communion of the People: All God's people are welcome to share in the Holy Eucharist. Communion is received either kneeling or standing at the altar rail or at the standing station on the floor level. At the altar rail you have the option to drink from the chalice, to hand your wafer to the Lay Eucharistic Minister to intinct for you, or to cross your arms after you receive the bread to indicate that you do not wish to receive the chalice. At the floor station, communion is received by intinction by the Priest. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, cross your hands across your chest; the priest will bless you. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

For the latest news and events at Epiphany, visit our website at epiphany.org or subscribe to our weekly newsletter. There are newcomer cards available in the pew in front of you and on the newcomer page of our website. We hope that you will fill one out while you're here and hand it to one of the clergy so we can welcome you personally.

Children of all ages are invited to participate fully in our liturgy. We welcome wiggles and giggles as signs of life and understand that sometimes children need to move about during worship. Children's bulletins and activity bags are available. Ask an usher to help you locate those near the entrance to the worship space.

If you do not have a nametag, please sign up on the clipboard on the welcome table in the Gallery. For today, there are stick-on nametags available.

Giving to Epiphany: If you would prefer to give electronically today, please scan this QR code. Visit epiphany.org/ways-to-give to learn about other ways to give to our parish or to make a pledge. You'll also find more information about Realm, our giving platform and secure online community.



Recording/Livestreaming may be in progress: Liturgies and meetings at Church of the Epiphany may be live-streamed and/or recorded so that we may include those who cannot be with us physically. If you prefer to sit in a location where you will be less visible to the camera, please let an usher, clergy, or staff person know.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, founded in 1898, is a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, The Right Rev. Robert C. Wright, Bishop.

Clergy: The Rev. Amy Dills-Wright, *Rector*; The Rev. Carmie McDonald, *Associate Rector*

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You are invited to enter in silence as you prepare for worship
Use the water in the font as a remembrance of your Baptism

Voluntary—Chorale Prelude on *Foundation*

Rebecca Groom te Velde

Processional Hymn 636—How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord

Foundation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

Hymn of Praise 174—At the Lamb’s high feast we sing

Salzburg

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 35:1-5, 15-16—sung by all

Jerome Webster Meachen

In te, Domine, speravi



- 1 In you O LORD have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your / **righteousness.**
- 2 Incline your ear to / **me;** *
make haste to de-/liver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my / **stronghold;** *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and / **guide me.**
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly / **set for me,** *
for you are my tower of / **strength.**
- 5 Into your hands I commend my / **spirit,** *
for you have redeemed me O LORD, O God of / **truth.**
- 15 My times are in your / **hand;** *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who / **persecute me.**
- † 16 Make your face to shine upon your / **servant,** *
and in your loving-kindness / **save me.**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Children (up to 3rd grade) are invited to gather at the cross by the Choir Loft during the last verse of the Sequence Hymn for the reading of the Gospel and Children's Chapel

Sequence Hymn 487—Come my Way, my Truth, my Life

The Call

The Gospel

John 14:1-14

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Ada Corcoran • Callaghan Finnegan • Leona Wierwille

A period of silence is kept

Celebrant With Christians from across time and around the world, we say together the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed—*Celebrant and People*

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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

Prayers of the People for Easter

God of love, we rejoice with angels, and all the host of heaven, as we celebrate the resurrection of your Son. Bless today's joyful celebration and turn our hearts to you with new delight and commitment.

We praise you, Almighty God.

Alleluia! Amen!

God of mercy, bring your church to new life. Awaken in us a faithfulness that manifests itself in joy, in dedication to the work of reconciliation in the world, in care for your creation, in awe of your glory.

We praise you, Almighty God.

Alleluia! Amen!

God of wholeness, bring those who suffer to new life. We pray for those who bear the burden of pain and anxiety, whose relationships are shattered, whose lives are full of despair. Lead us to find ways to be present with them and reflect your love for them.

We praise you, Almighty God.

Alleluia! Amen!

God of light, bring those in authority to new life in the ways they lead their nations. Show them the path of integrity and truth that their people may live in peace, that all may have plenty.

We praise you, Almighty God.

Alleluia! Amen!

God of eternity, we give thanks for those who have gone before us and have entered into new and everlasting life in your presence.

We praise you, Almighty God.

Alleluia! Amen!

Celebrant's concluding collect

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Welcome

Honoring Graduates

Offertory—Chorale Prelude on *Truro*

Rebecca Groom te Velde

Presentation Hymn 182—Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Truro

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B, Expansive Language

Celebrant God 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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord S 125

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand during the Easter Season

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

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

The Lord's Prayer—*traditional language*

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

A period of silence is kept

Fraction Anthem Hymn 201, verses 1 & 4

Erschienen ist der herrlich Tag

1 On earth has dawned this day of days, where - on the
4 So let our songs to hea - ven wing, the vault with
faith - ful give God praise! For Christ is ris - en from the tomb,
al - le - lu - ias ring, in praise of Christ, our ris - en Lord;
and light and joy have con - quered doom. Al - le - lu - ia!
new life to all he doth af - ford. Al - le - lu - ia!

The Communion of the People

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The Healing Rite

During the Communion of the People, prayers for healing and anointing with oil are offered in the Chapel for those desiring them on their own behalf, or upon the behalf of another. All are welcome.

Communion Hymn 711—Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Seek Ye First

Sung by all

Eucharistic Visitation

Celebrant We, the church of Jesus Christ, send you forth bearing these holy gifts so that N. may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We who are many, are one body because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen

Celebrant Let us pray.

Postcommunion Prayer—*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. **Amen.**

Easter Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us heirs through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, bestow upon you the riches of divine blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 408—Sing praise to God who reigns above

Mit Freuden zart

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Names of friends and family are listed for a month. Contact the parish office if you would like them listed for another month.

For members who are bidding our prayers: Darwin Embser (partner of Larry Wilcox) • Lynda Smith • Joy Boyden • George Ross • Lisa Gray • Richard Shirah • Larry Wilcox • Mike Curry • Wes, Kelly & Lillian Wright • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Ellen Mintzmyer • Philip Anderson • Louise Bedrossian (wife of Bob Thompson) • Barbara Belcore • Esther Harbert • Veta Smith (mother of Cecilia Democko) • Sally Brockington

For friends and family: The McCord & Bloom families, relatives of Pam Tipton • Marshall Keys, brother-in-law of Laura Keys • Paul & Nan O'Conner, friends of Jewel Allen • Kelty Grace, friend of Linda Ryder-Wolf • The Morse Family, friends of Rod & Michele MacLeod • Brian Peacock, grandfather of Elli Peacock • Rachel Williams, daughter-in-law of Susan & Loren Williams • Kay Harris, mother of Rebecca Webb • Danny Nodine, brother of Larry Nodine • Louise Peters, grandmother of Tristen Webb • Dave Tipton, brother of Pam Tipton • Isabel, granddaughter of Mike & Beth Towers

For members who desire our continuing prayers: Jewel Allen • Mary McCall Cash • Wende Crowe • Pat & Bill Graves • Bruce Fort • Esther Harbert • Robin Hairston • Rod MacLeod • Sally McClintock • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Ann Rowles • Pat Spivey • Beth Towers • Michael Towers, Jr. • Wayne & Judy Urban • Larry Wilcox • Colleen

For those who have died: Mark McCord, cousin of Pam Tipton

For those celebrating anniversaries the week of 5/3-9: Erin & James Dunn • Kienan & Lindsay King

For those celebrating birthdays the week of 5/3-9: Lauren Davis • Randy Stewart • Michelle Moody • Lisa Stewart • Abigail Peacock-Marcewicz • Barbara Ryder • Elizabeth Walden • Nick Theyerl • Cody Chaffins • Sara Kathryn Wierwille • Pat Spivey

Did we miss your anniversary or birthday? Send the full date of your anniversary and/or your date of birth to the parish office at parishadmin@epiphany.org so that we can update our records.

TODAY AT EPIPHANY

TODAY IS YOUTH SUNDAY—a day where we recognize our youth for their many contributions to our community and their leadership in the worship service today.

YOUTH PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE: **Preachers:** Ada Corcoran • Callaghan Finnegan • Leona Wierwille; **Verger:** Henry Van Ness **Acolytes:** Gregg Sheffield • Phoebe Sheffield • Leona Wierwille; **LEMs:** Brady Davis • Henry Van Ness; **Readers:** First Lesson: Ann Davis • Second Lesson: Wally Hare; **Prayers of the People:** Scott Sheehan; **Ushers:** Brendan Rickell • Ian Rickell; **Greeters:** Eloise Wierwille • Zoe Price; **Healing Station:** Lulu Torre

GRADUATION RECOGNITION | **Congratulation Class of 2025**

After the service we'll have a cake in the Parish Hall during coffee hour to celebrate our graduates. We invite you to join us and to congratulate our graduating members!

- Erin Braden graduated in December from Georgia State University College of Law and passed the Georgia Bar this spring.
- Ian Perry Boswell is graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Plant Biology from the University of Georgia.
- Ada Corcoran is graduating from Decatur HS and will be attending the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.
- Brady Davis is graduating from Decatur HS and will be attending the University of Central Florida, majoring in Mechanical Engineering.
- Callaghan Finnegan is graduating from Paideia and will be attending Smith College in Massachusetts.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES | **Children's Chapel**—*during the service*

Children up to 3rd grade are invited to gather at the cross by the Choir Loft during the last verse of the Sequence Hymn and follow the cross to chapel after the reading of the Gospel. They return at the Peace. Parents are welcome to join them.

FORMATION | **Adults** | **Sabbath**—*Sundays at 11:30 a.m. through May 17 • parish hall*

Join us for this six-part course as we explore the biblical concept of Sabbath and what it means to embrace God's rest in the midst of our busy lives and restless world. In doing so, we will come to understand the ancient idea of Sabbath as more than just downtime on the weekend. Rather, we will discover Sabbath as a disruptive and life-giving invitation to think differently about our priorities, the pace of our lives, and what it means to be created in the image of a God who rests. Each week will consist of a video presentation by Dr. Ryan Bonfiglio followed by conversation facilitated by Epiphany clergy and lay leaders.

FORMATION | **Children**—*Sundays at 11:30 a.m. • locations vary*

Visit epiphany.org/rsvp to register your children and youth for formation.

- Room 206—Godly Play for children 3 years old through 2nd grade.
- Room 205—Children in 3rd through 5th grade—a lectionary based curriculum for older children

FORMATION | **Youth**—*Sundays at 11:30 a.m. • lower-level classroom / donut den*

The Youth (6th - 12th grade) curriculum, *Current: Seeking God Together*, explores 13 spiritual practices that can deepen and transform our relationship with God and others using interactive, age-appropriate strategies to help children and youth connect with God and the church as whole.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Youth Group**—*Tonight at 4:00 p.m.*

Tonight our youth group is invited to the Diocesan Graduation Ceremony at Epiphany. The service will begin at 4:00 p.m. followed by a reception.

PARISH LIFE | **Diocesan Graduation Ceremony**—*Sunday, May 3 at 4:00 p.m.*

5/3—This year Epiphany will be hosting the Diocesan graduation! Graduates and their families are invited to the service which takes place at 4:00 p.m. The service will feature youth musicians, readers, and preachers and Bishop Wright will officiate the Eucharist. A dessert reception will be held afterwards in the parish hall. Please register at epiphany.org/rsvp.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | **Free Micah 6:9 Yard Signs**—while supplies last

One of our neighbors, weary of all the negativity in the world now, made a yard sign with a quote from Micah for neighbors, family, and friends. He has offered them to us for our parishioners as well. They are located in the gallery. If they run out and you would still like one, use QR Code posted in the gallery or email the office at parishadmin@epiphany.org to request one.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | **Art Ministry**—now showing for the month of May

Epiphany's Art Ministry welcomes paintings by local artist, Phyllis Kalu for the month of May. Phyllis is a contemporary visual artist specializing in acrylic painting, known for her vibrant and expressive works that bridge community, creativity, and spirituality. Remember, 25% of all sales benefits Epiphany. Please use the Art Ministry QR code to pay. Learn more about the artist and the art ministry at epiphany.org/epiphany-gallery.

THE ARRANGEMENTS AT THE ALTAR AND THE SANCTUARY LIGHT ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

Altar Arrangements & the Sanctuary Light can be given in honor of an anniversary, birthday, or in memory of a loved one. Visit epiphany.org/rsvp to reserve dates that have meaning for you.

THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

Due to persistent scams, parishioner contact information is not published. Please use the parish directory in Realm.

WORSHIP | **Weekday Services**—visit epiphany.org/worship-services for details

- Weekday Morning Prayer—9:00 a.m. online, request the login link from the parish office.
- Tuesday Morning Prayer (Holy Eucharist 1st Tuesdays)—7:00 a.m. in the side chapel.

PARISH GROUP | **Men's Breakfast Group**—Tuesdays following the 7:00 a.m. service

5/5—The Men's Breakfast Group gathers for breakfast and discussion following the 7:00 a.m. Tuesday service and are typically on their way by 8:00 a.m. Contact Dave Thompson with any questions.

PARISH GROUPS | **Trivia Group**—Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. • *Wild Heaven in Avondale Estates*

5/5—All are invited to join the Epiphany Trivia Group on Tuesdays at Wild Heaven in Avondale. Trivia begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends by 9:00 p.m. Contacts: Edie Brush or Jacob Geiger.

MUSIC | **Choirs for Adults & Youth**—Wednesdays

5/6—Our all-volunteer Epiphany Choir rehearses from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m. in the Music Suite.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | **Gateway Center Meal Ministry**—meals served 2nd Fridays of the month

5/6-8—Volunteers cook in the Epiphany kitchen and then serve the meal at Gateway Shelter once a month. To help prepare, cook, or serve the meal, visit epiphany.org/rsvp.

FORMATION | **Contemplative Book Group**—Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. through May 21 • *Room 201*

5/7—The Contemplative Book Group is reflecting on *Fully Alive – Tending to the Soul in Turbulent Times* by Elizabeth Oldfield on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. through May 21 in Room 201. Oldfield's book provides a framework for exploring ways we can stay "fully alive," resilient, kind, open, generous, and brave, in these turbulent times. Register at epiphany.org/rsvp.

PASTORAL CARE | **The Grief Pastoral Care Group**—1st Thursdays at 12:00 p.m. • *Zoom*

5/7—The group meets online each month for a healing and faith-based conversation around grief and loss. It is led by parishioner and trained psychotherapist, Nancy Thompson. Please contact Nancy before attending for the first time.

PARISH GROUPS | **Fireside Sit & Sip**—monthly at 7:00 p.m. • *Courtyard*

5/7—The Fireside Sit & Sip group is for women primarily in their 40s, 50s, and 60s to come together just as you are. Bring a camp chair and join us around the fire pit in the courtyard to sit, sip, and enjoy conversation. Questions? Contact Kathy Corcoran or the Rev. Carmie McDonald. Sign up to bring drinks or snacks at epiphany.org/rsvp.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES | **Potluck for Families with "Littles"**—Friday, May 8 at 5:30 p.m. • *Chaffin's Home* 5/8—We invite all families with "littles" (newborn through kindergarten + any siblings) to a potluck dinner at the Chaffin family's house on Friday, May 8 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. The main dish is included. Please bring a side item to share. There will be games, chalk, bubbles, and the Epiphany bouncy house! Please register at epiphany.org/rsvp and sign up to bring a side dish or dessert.

YOUTH MINISTRIES/PARISH LIFE | **Annual Youth Car Wash**—Saturday, May 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 5/9—Join us for our annual Car Wash to support the youth trip to Camp Mikell! Swing by on Saturday to get your car sparkling clean and support a great cause. This also makes for a great Mother's Day gift. Youth—especially those going on the trip to Camp Mikell together—are encouraged to come help wash cars. Everyone is invited to come get their car washed and cheer on our hardworking crew!

UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

PARISH LIFE | **Parish Picnic**—join us after the service

5/24—Please join Parish Life for a picnic style lunch served after the service. Joel Fowler and his crew will be grilling beef tenderloin, hot dogs, and veggie burgers. Please sign up to bring a table ready dessert or side dish to share. Parish Life will provide beverages (tea, lemonade, and water). Cost for the tenderloin is \$10 and \$3 for the hot dogs and veggie burgers. Family maximum cost is \$35. Register by Wednesday, May 20 using the link at epiphany.org/rsvp. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets. Intergenerational field games will take place in the meadow.

PARISH LIFE | **Intergenerational Field Day**

5/24—Intergenerational field games will take place in the meadow during the parish picnic. Adults and children of all ages are invited to participate. You may want to bring a change of clothes and some comfortable shoes for this event. Bring lawn chairs to watch the games!

MUSIC & FORMATION | **The Bach/Biber Project**—NEW DATE: Sunday, May 31 at 4:00 p.m. • *Nave*

5/31—Join us for the 6th and final performance of the Bach/Biber Project with violinist Judith Cox and organist Julie Ryder. Donations welcome, and a reception in celebration of this 3-year cycle will follow. For more information, visit Bach/Biber Project at bachbiberproject.com.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Youth Trip to Camp Mikell**—June and July

This year, our youth are invited to attend Camp Mikell's Intermediate Camp (June 16–22 for rising 7th–9th graders) and Work Camp (July 12–18 for rising 10th graders through recent graduates). Money raised during youth fundraisers in the coming months will help offset registration costs, and we will travel together to and from Toccoa. Taylor will join students for check-ins and some evening meals. Visit campmikell.com to register and experience the Mikell magic this summer!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES | **Vacation Bible School**—June 27, July 11, July 25

This year's VBS will take a new shape! Families with children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to gather for three Saturdays this summer for a shared experience of storytelling, service, and Sacrament. Join us on June 27, July 11, and July 25, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information about youth counselors and adult volunteer opportunities.

PARISH GROUPS & ONGOING PROGRAMS

FORMATION | **Contemplative Practice**—2nd Sundays in the Choir Loft at 4:00 p.m.

5/10—Come gather with us on second Sundays at 4:00 p.m. for a time of reflection, meditation instruction, and gathering with others seeking a more grounded way of being in the world. Led by Bobbi Patterson and Amy Dills-Wright. Contact Amy if you have any questions.

PARISH GROUPS | **Epiphany Book Group**—2nd Mondays at 7:00 p.m. • *Parish Hall for May & June*

5/11—The Epiphany Book meets on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. **For May:** *A Woman of No Importance: The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II*, by Sonia Purnell. **For June:** June 8th: *Deacon King Kong* by James McBride. All are welcome. Contact Linda Ryder-Wolf.

PARISH GROUPS | **The Episcopal Church Women (ECW)**—2nd Tuesdays at 9:30/11:00 a.m. • *parish hall*
5/12—The ECW meets monthly at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. The meeting and program begin at 11:00 a.m. in the parish hall. Afterwards, they will adjourn to Melton’s App & Tap for lunch. All women of Epiphany are invited to attend.

PARISH GROUPS | **Epiphany Earth & Soul**—3rd Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. • *Hybrid*
5/19—This group focuses on practicing Celtic Spirituality, where we gather to discuss and experience the beauty of nature and celebrate the divine in all creatures, including ourselves. Led by the steering group of Carol Bartlett, Nan Ross, and April Maa. Contact April for more information, to be placed on the email list, or to receive a link to the virtual meeting. In-person meetings are in Room 201. To learn more about Celtic Spirituality in general, one resource is www.earthandsoul.org.

PASTORAL CARE | **Caregiver Support Group**—3rd Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. • *Zoom*
5/19—The Caregiver Support Group meets monthly over Zoom. Parish members who are caring for a loved one gather to talk about their experience and support one another. The group is co-facilitated by parishioner Nancy Thompson, a Georgia-licensed psychologist. Contact Nancy if you are interested in joining this group.

PARISH GROUPS | **The Munch Bunch**—3rd Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. • *Thinking Man Tavern*
5/20—Give yourself a mid-week-treat and join friends and friends-to-be for lunch at 1:00 p.m. at the Thinking Man Tavern on Howard Avenue in Decatur. No agenda. No reservation needed. Just fun. Contact: Laura Keys.

PASTORAL CARE | **The Community of Hope’s Circle of Care**—4th Mondays • *parish hall*
5/25—Members gather to pray, learn, and provide each other with mutual support as they reflect on their emotional and spiritual responses to pastoral encounters. If you or a loved one would like to receive a pastoral visit or home communion by one of the trained caregivers, please contact Ann Fowler.

PARISH GROUPS | **Social Justice Action Group**—*Virtual Only Group*
This social advocacy group promotes social and cultural change. The group identifies community events in which we can participate, and provides a curated list of local community happenings via Realm Groups. If you’d like to be part of this group, join via Realm Groups to view current opportunities of social justice action in our area.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS — 40 words or less — are due by NOON on Wednesdays. Longer versions may run in the *Friday eNews*. Email submissions to parishadmin@epiphany.org.