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of the
EPIPHANY

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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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!

Vestry Person of the Day: The photo pinned to the bulletin board as you entered today is of our “Vestry Person of the Day” or VPOD. In addition to ensuring that the coffee is brewed, the VPOD also coordinates with nursery staff and the greeters to ensure everyone has what they need to welcome all parishioners and visitors. They are also responsible for securing the church at days end. Most critically, however, the VPOD is responsible for serving as the point of contact in the event of a medical or other emergency and to coordinate any form of response that may be needed. If you need assistance—or need help getting someone else assistance—notify an usher or the VPOD.

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.

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.

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 *Nun danket alle Gott*

Georg Friederich Ksufmann

Processional Hymn 296—We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

Engelberg

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God
People Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant

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 S236—Glory to you

John Rutter

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the
 depths; _____ in the high vault of hea-ven, glo - ry to
 you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and
 high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Celebrant and People

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 20:7-13

O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Salvum me fac



- 8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, *
and shame has covered my face.
- 9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, *
an alien to my mother's children.
- 10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; *
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.
- 11 I humbled myself with fasting, *
but that was turned to my reproach.
- † 18 Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; *
in your great compassion, turn to me.
- 19 "Hide not your face from your servant; *
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.
- 20 Draw near to me and redeem me; *
because of my enemies deliver me."

The Second Lesson

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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. Parents are welcome to join.

Sequence Hymn 679—Surely it is God who saves me

Thomas Merton

The Gospel

Matthew 10:24-39

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

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

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!"

“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

“Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Carmie McDonald

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.

The Prayers of the People

We glory in God’s Name through the offering of our prayers and petitions, responding, “Hear us, good Lord.”

For the will to discover God’s Word dwelling in our hearts, finding expression through our lips, and revealing hope through our generosity; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

For a renewed commitment to righteousness and peace that we may join with the leaders of the nations in seeking ways to promote harmony in warring lands, and mutual respect across cultures, races, and languages; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

For creative ways to express the faith, drawing upon the jewels of our tradition and using our hearts and minds to proclaim Christ’s message to those of little faith or who have no faith at all; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

That the summer months may provide opportunities for rest and refreshment so that we may be rejuvenated for the challenges ahead; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

For the animals of the earth, wild and domestic, large and very small, that they may know the harmony of relationship that sustains all life; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

For the strength of heart and mind to look beyond ourselves and address the needs of our siblings throughout the world; for the rural and urban poor; for the rebuilding of our communities; and for an end to the cycles of violence that threaten our future; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

For those who have died and reside in the tomb of death, that Christ, who broke the chains of death, will bring them to eternal life; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

Ever increasing in our faith, we continue our prayers.

Celebrant's concluding collect

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Father's Day

Gracious and loving God, on this Father's Day, we give thanks to you for the divine gift of fatherhood. We ask your blessing upon all the fathers among us today; for our own fathers, those living and those who have died; for the fathers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all fathers who have lost children; and for all those who have fathered others in any way. We ask this in the name of the One who calls us together as children of God. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

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 our Savior 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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome

Offertory Anthem—Wondrous Love

Epiphany Summer Choir

Southern Harmony

Arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul. When I was sinking down, beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I am, while millions join the theme, I will sing!

Presentation Hymn 516—Come down, O Love divine

Down Ampney

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 1, Enriching our Worship

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 truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord W858

American folk melody, arr. Marcia Pruner

The musical score is written on five staves in a 6/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blest 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 score ends with a double bar line.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and 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 friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus W877

Mark Sedio

Cantor or Choir

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the
bread. *All* The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the
Cantor or Choir break - ing of the bread. The bread which we break, al - le -
All lu - ia, is the com - mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. The dis -
Cantor or Choir ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread. One
All bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia, though ma - ny we share one bread. The dis -
ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

The 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.

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 178—Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord!

Alleluia No. 1

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**

Postcommunion Prayer—*Celebrant and People*

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

Blessing—*Celebrant*

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

Foundation

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary—Chorale Prelude on *Lobe den Herren*

Johann Gottfried Walther

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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: Carol Fuller • Alix Janke • Jamie Hare & Caitlin Cox, Wally & Anna • Eloise Wierwille • Joy Boyden • George Ross • Lisa Gray • Richard Shirah • Larry Wilcox • Mike Curry • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Philip Anderson • Louise Bedrossian (wife of Bob Thompson) • Barbara Belcore • Esther Harbert • Veta Smith (mother of Cecilia Democko) • Sally Brockington

For friends and family: Bob Hogg, brother of Liefy Smith • Paul & Nan O'Conner, friends of Jewel Allen • Allie Harrison, friend of Jarrod Moody • Andy & Amy, friends of Barbara Ryder • 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 • Ellen Mintzmyer • Ann Rowles • Pat Spivey • Beth Towers • Michael Towers, Jr. • Wayne & Judy Urban • Larry Wilcox • Wes, Kelly & Lillian Wright • Colleen

For those celebrating anniversaries the week of 6/21-27: Susan & Rick Montgomery • Esther & Jon Harbert • Andrea Strahan & Noah Tobin • Ellyn & Michael Bryan • Brandon & Tracey Laird

For those celebrating birthdays the week of 6/21-27: John Corcoran • Anna Democko • Meg Shearon • Sparrow Thompson • Keri Geiger • Laurel Hanna • Audrey Thompson • Eli Brush • Shelle Bryant • Lenora Robertson • Rick Day

For Amy, our rector, who is on sabbatical. She will return to the office on Monday, July 13.

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

WE WELCOME the Rev. Emily Elder as our celebrant today. Emily was ordained to the sacred order of priests yesterday at St. Philip's Cathedral.

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.

PARISH LIFE | Expanded Coffee Hour—*Sign up for a Sunday*

Please join us for cake in the parish hall as we celebrate the ordination of the Rev. Emily Elder. There are THREE Sundays still available for groups OR individuals to sign up to host. Anyone is welcome to bring some simple breakfast items. Individuals and families may bring a dish or groups can sign up. Parish groups are welcome to set up displays, handouts, or fliers to promote their ministries. The sign up can be found at epiphany.org/rsvp.

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | VBS Volunteer Training—*after the service at 11:30 a.m.!*

Volunteer and youth counselor training will be held today after the service upstairs in Room 201.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Youth Group

There will be no youth group tonight. Join us next week in Dunwoody for a Game Show Battle Night with Holy Trinity Parish! **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS TODAY.** Visit epiphany.org/rsvp.

<p>THE MEADOW IS OPEN! Blueberries are coming in. There are new figs to check out. The Monarda (bee balm) is very red and tall. Visit and wander. Bring a cup for picking blueberries.</p>

THE ARRANGEMENTS AT THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in memory of her father, Lionel Belcore, by Barbara Belcore.

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.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | June DEAM Pantry Drive

Epiphany stocks the pantry at the Decatur-area Emergency Assistance Ministry (DEAM) twice a year in January and June. For the month of June, we are collecting canned vegetables (especially greens), canned soup, and multi-packs of peanut butter crackers. We hope to collect 75 of each. Wooden bins for your donations are in the gallery by the front door. Also, we collect travel toiletries year round.

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.

PASTORAL CARE | The Community of Hope's Circle of Care—4th Mondays • parish hall

6/22—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 GROUP | Men's Breakfast Group—Tuesdays following the 7:00 a.m. service

6/23—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 through Realm to get on the email list.

PARISH GROUPS | Epiphany Trivia Group—Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. • Universal Joint in Oakhurst

6/24—All are invited to join the Epiphany Trivia Group on Wednesdays at Universal Join in Oakhurst. Trivia begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends by 9:00 p.m. Contacts: Edie Brush or Jacob Geiger.

FORMATION | Contemplative Book Group—Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. through July 9 • Room 201

6/25—This time the group will be exploring *Subversive Sabbath* by A. J. Swoboda, for five weeks starting June 11. We'll be looking at Sabbath as both a spiritual practice and a form of resistance to the prevailing culture of productivity, distraction, and anxiety, both individually and for our communities. Swoboda proposes that "God may actually do more when we do less." Drop-ins are welcome as together we seek to live into the creative, abundant life God desires for us. Register at epiphany.org/rsvp.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Letters to Camp Mikell

Thank you to everyone who contributed to helping our youth attend Camp Mikell this summer! You can continue to encourage our campers while they are away by sending a care package or a letter. For more details, please contact Taylor Irwin at tirwin@epiphany.org

UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | Vacation Bible School (VBS)—Register Now!

6/27—Vacation Bible School is NEXT Saturday at Epiphany. Our theme this year is "Neighbors." Children ages 3 years through rising 5th grade are invited to a morning filled with storytelling, music, crafts, and games. Families will then rejoin us in the afternoon for a service project and family Eucharist. For more information, contact Taylor Irwin at tirwin@epiphany.org

6/27—When we host at Epiphany on June 27, it would be wonderful for our children to see familiar faces! To sign up for a volunteer shift, please visit epiphany.org/rsvp.

MUSIC | Sing in the Summer Choir—Contact Julie Ryder at music@epiphany.org

The Summer Choir is open to adults and youth; we rehearse one anthem on Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. and

then sing it during the 10:00 a.m. liturgy (no vestments, no weekday commitment, lots of fun and fellowship). Join us upstairs in the Music Suite each Sunday.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Game Show Battle Room

6/28—Epiphany Youth and their parents are invited to a night of game-show show downs at the Game Show Battle Rooms in Dunwoody! Members of the Epiphany and Holy Trinity Parish (HTP) youth group will meet at 4:30 p.m. at HTP to carpool to the event. Our game slot begins at 5:00 p.m. and we will wrap up with dinner, returning to HTP by 7:00 p.m. Visit epiphany.org/rsvp to register—**THE DEADLINE IS TODAY.**

ART MINISTRY | Calling All Creatives—Parishioner Art Show Coming Soon

6/30 Deadline—Epiphany's Art Ministry is excited to invite our adult parishioner creatives to exhibit and sell work for the month of September in the Epiphany Gallery. Contact Page Love or Liefy by June 30 to reserve your place in the show. View the most recent newsletter for a link to the requirements.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Water Olympics

7/12—Epiphany Youth are invited to test their skills at the Epiphany & Holy Trinity Water Olympics on Sunday, July 12! The evening will feature a variety of field-day-style water games and competitions, along with dinner and fresh watermelon. Please register at epiphany.org/rsvp by July 5 so that we can get an accurate head count for dinner.

FORMATION & PARISH LIFE | Summer Movie Series

Join us for our second film in the series, *Hamnet*. We will gather at 5:30 p.m. for pizza and popcorn. The show will start at 6:00 p.m. as we watch the film projected onto a 120-inch screen in surround sound in the parish hall. Visit epiphany.org/rsvp to register for each screening.

- Sunday, July 12 - *Hamnet*
- Sunday, August 9 - *Wake Up, Dead Man*

PARISH LIFE | Parish Retreat—Save the Date

9/18-20—SAVE THE DATE! The Annual Parish Retreat will take place at The Mountain in Highlands, NC the weekend of September 18-20.

UPCOMING PARISH GROUPS MEETINGS & ONGOING PROGRAMS

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

7/2—The group meets online each month for a healing and faith-based conversation around grief and loss. It is led by trained psychotherapist, Nancy Thompson. Please contact Nancy before attending for the first time.

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

7/8-10—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.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | Lunch Bags for Neighbors—after the service • parish hall

7/12—The Community Engagement committee invites everyone to participate in a service project we're calling "Lunch Bags for Neighbors" following the service on July 12. We'll pack 200 lunch bags for DEAM (Decatur-area Emergency Assistance Ministry) to distribute to local people experiencing food insecurity. Nancy Garrison, DEAM volunteer and member of Holy Trinity, will be joining us and will share information about DEAM with Epiphanyites who want to know more. Other community engagement ministry teams will contribute delicious treats for that morning's Summer Breakfast. All are invited to join in.

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

7/12—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 | The Episcopal Church Women (ECW)—2nd Tuesdays at 10:30 • parish hall

7/14—During the summer, the ECW monthly meeting program goes on hiatus, however the ladies continue to meet to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. Please join us in the kitchen on second Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for the months of June, July, and August.

PARISH GROUPS | **The Munch Bunch**—3rd Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. • *Thinking Man Tavern*

7/15—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.

PARISH GROUPS | **Epiphany Earth & Soul**—3rd Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. • *Hybrid*

7/21—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*

7/21—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. Use Realm to contact Nancy to join this group.

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

8/6—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. Please RSVP at epiphany.org/rsvp and sign up to bring drinks or snacks. Use Realm to Kathy Corcoran or the Rev. Carmie McDonald. NOTE: No gathering in July.

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. 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.