



The
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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*

Staff: Julie P. Ryder, *Organist & Choirmaster*; L. Shea McNutt, *Parish Administrator*; Edie Brush, *Interim Director of Children’s Ministry*; Tristen Webb, *Interim Director of Youth Ministry*; Susie Boyko, *Bookkeeper*; Jason Sullivan, *Facilities Manager*; Anna Democko, *Childcare Worker*; Jessica Tirado, *Childcare Worker*; Sierra Jamison, *Childcare Worker*

Assisting Priests: The Rev. Barbara Ryder, The Rev. Bobbi Patterson

Wardens: Jordan Moody, *Senior Warden*; Jacob Geiger, *Junior Warden*



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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—Andante

Adolph Hesse

Processional Hymn 371—Thou, whose almighty word

Moscow

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.

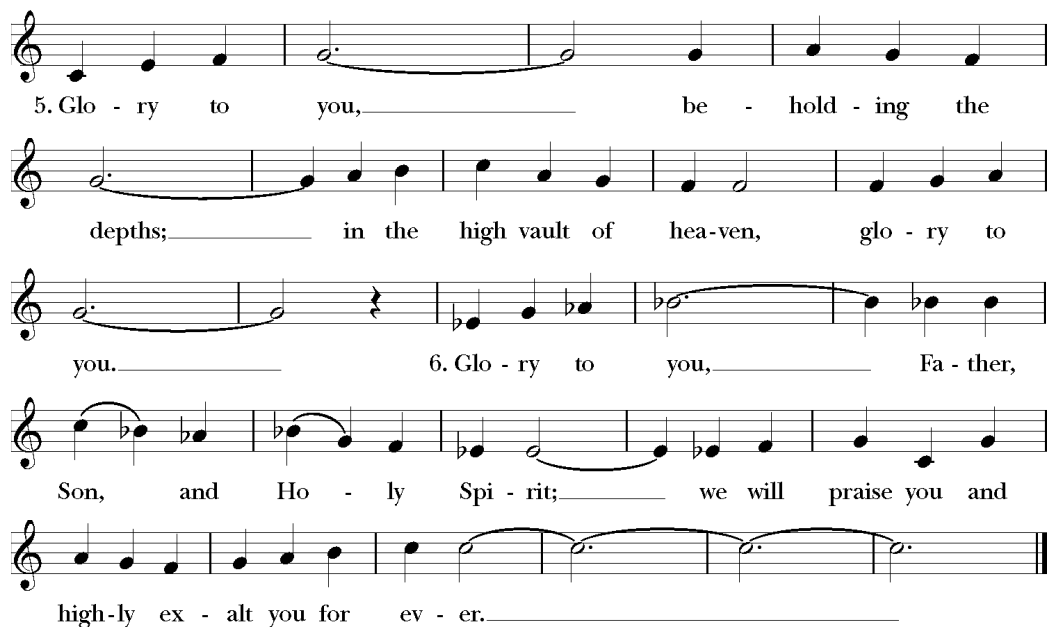
3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your

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.



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



- 1 Oh how good and pleasant it / **is**, *
- when brethren live together in / **unity**!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the / **head** *
- that runs down upon the / **beard**,
- † 3 Upon the beard of / **Aaron**, *
- and runs down upon the collar of his / **robe**.
- 4 It is like the dew of / **Hermon** *
- that falls upon the hills of / **Zion**.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the / **blessing**: *
- life for ever-/**more**.

The Second Lesson

Romans 11:1-2, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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 677—God moves in a mysterious way

New London

The Gospel

Matthew 15:21-28

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

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

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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.

For the mineral and energy resources of the planet, that we may learn sustainable consumption and sound care of the environment from which they come; let us pray.

Hear us, good Lord.

For medical persons who volunteer their services in foreign lands and amongst the most needy of the world, that we may lift our voices in praise for the good news they bring to others; 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.**

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—There's a wideness in God's mercy

Holy Manna

Epiphany Summer Choir

Arr. Mark Schweizer

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in His justice, which is more than liberty. There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good; there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in His blood. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in Heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head. For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we should take Him at His word; and our lives would be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

Presentation Hymn 333—Now the silence

Now

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 for a single melodic line in treble clef, 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is a simple, folk-like tune with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. 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."

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high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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:

Celebrant and People

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.

Cantor or Choir

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break-ing of the

All

bread. 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 685—Rock of ages, cleft for me

Toplady

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 539—O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling

Tidings

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary—Angelic Songs

Mark Sedio

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Names of friends and family are listed for one month. Contact the parish office if you would like extend the listing.

For members who are bidding our prayers: Nick Theyerl • Patrick Hanna • Dianne Osborne • Michele MacLeod • Alix Janke • Joy Boyden • Lisa Gray • Larry Wilcox • Mike Curry • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Philip Anderson • Louise Bedrossian (wife of Bob Thompson) • Barbara Belcore • Esther Harbert • Sally Brockington

For friends and family: Kephart family, relatives of Kay Kephart • Steve Graf, father of Audrey Thompson, grandfather of Noah and Sparrow Thompson • Margaret Miller, relative of Larry Wilcox • Tara McKinnie, friend of Pam Tipton • Rachel Williams, daughter-in-law of Susan & Loren Williams • Kay Harris, mother of Rebecca Webb • 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 who have died: The Rev. Allan Sandlin, retired Diocesan priest

For those celebrating anniversaries the week of 8/16-22: Theresa Milazzo & John Pierson • Julie Ryder & Terri Lawrence • Bill & Pat Graves

For those celebrating birthdays the week of 8/16-22: Ann Rowles • Joel Fowler • Hannah Wiggers • Henry Wagner • Lila Hanna • Jen Yeager • Edie Brush

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

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY | 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

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) are hosting today's expanded coffee hour. Please join us in the parish hall after the service for goodies, and coffee, tea, and juices. Next Sunday, August 23, is the LAST Expanded Coffee Hour and it is in need of host. Groups OR individuals are welcome to sign up to bring some simple breakfast items. Sign up at epiphany.org/rsvp.

WORSHIP | Baptism, Confirmation, and Reception—Contact clergy by August 16

8/16 Deadline—On November 1, All Saints Day, we look forward to having our bishop, The Rt. Rev. Rob Wright, as our preacher and celebrant. At the bishop's visitation it is customary to also have baptisms and confirmations. If you desire baptism, or if you or your youth are interested in being confirmed or received, please reach out to Amy or Carmie by August 16 so we can arrange for the appropriate formation ahead of the bishop's visit.

YOUTH MINISTRY | Youth Group

8/16—There will be no youth group this week because of our summer schedule.

THE ARRANGEMENTS AT THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and by Jacob & Keri Geiger in celebration of their anniversary, and in memory of George Ross by his brother, Pete Ross.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS 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

8/18—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 to get on the reminder email list.

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

8/18—The group is not meeting this month. Their next meeting will take place September 16.

PASTORAL CARE | Caregiver Support Group—3rd Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. • Zoom

8/18—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 | The Munch Bunch—3rd Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. • Thinking Man Tavern

8/19—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 Trivia Group—Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. • Universal Joint in Oakhurst

8/19—All are invited to join the Epiphany Trivia Group on Wednesdays at Universal Joint in Oakhurst. Trivia begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends by 9:00 p.m. Contacts: Edie Brush or Jacob Geiger.

UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in serving with Epiphany's Children and/or Youth during the 2026-27 school year? If so, please reach out to Edie Brush at children@epiphany.org and/or Tristen Webb at youth@epiphany.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY | Have a popsicle with Edie!

Meet Edie at the church playground or a local park for a sweet treat and a chance to get to know one another before the formation year begins. Email Edie at children@epiphany.org to sign up for a time.

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. Summer Choir concludes on August 30.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY | Potluck for Families with "Littles"

8/21—We invite all families with "littles" (newborn through kindergarten + any siblings) to a potluck dinner at

the home of the Rev. Amy Dills-Wright on Friday, August 21 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Please register at epiphany.org/rsvp and sign up to bring a salad or side dish. Contact: Edie Brush / children@epiphany.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY | Youth Group—Play Mini-Golf

8/23—Youth are invited to a night of Mini-Golf on Sunday August 23 at the Puttshack in Dunwoody. We will meet there at 5:00 p.m. for dinner first (please bring \$15-\$20 cash for dinner). After that, we'll play until 7:00 p.m. Cost to play is \$25 per person. **NOTE: Registration has ended. Contact Tristen Webb at youth@epiphany.org to be added to the registration.**

PARISH LIFE | Welcome Back Lunch—after services August 30 • parish hall

8/30—Please join Parish Life for a “Welcome Back” Lunch to celebrate the beginning of a new program year in our parish. Parish Life will arrange for fried chicken from Publix and drinks. Parishioners are invited to bring ready-to-serve salads, sides, and desserts. Lunch will take place in the parish hall after the service. Cost is \$5 per person for chicken, \$20 max for families. Please RSVP and list what you plan to bring at epiphany.org/rsvp. We look forward to seeing you there!

PARISH GROUPS | Young Adults Gathering—Potluck & Planning

8/30—The Young Adults group is open to all at Epiphany in their 20s and 30s (including those with children!) who are interested in gathering for fellowship. The group will gather on Sunday, August 30 at 7:00 p.m. for Potluck and Planning in the Parish Hall. We will enjoy a meal together, plan our monthly activities for the upcoming year, and close with compline. The group stays in touch between meetings using a Discord chat; see a young adult at church if you're not in the chat and would like to be.

MUSIC | Epiphany Choir Rehearsals Resume

9/2—Join the Epiphany Choir! Our all-volunteer choir provides musical leadership for the 10:00 a.m. liturgy and feast days with rehearsals on Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m. The first rehearsal of the season is September 2. Membership is open to adults and high school youth. Contact: Julie Ryder / music@epiphany.org.

PARISH LIFE | Parish Retreat—September 18-20, 2026

9/4 Registration Deadline—Join us at The Mountain in Highlands, NC the weekend of September 18-20 for the Annual Parish Retreat. For those who are interested in coming up earlier on Friday before the retreat begins that evening, Amy will offer a Quiet Day Friday morning from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Email Amy at adillswright@epiphany.org if you are interested in participating or for more information. Visit epiphany.org/rsvp to register.

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | Formation Begins

9/6—Our 2026 - 2027 Formation year for children and youth begins on September 6. For more information and to register your child for formation, visit epiphany.org/rsvp.

NOTICE | Office Closure

9/7—The Office will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | Harvey Fund Grant Application Cycle—September 10 to October 10

9/10-10/10—The Catherine D. Harvey Legacy Fund grant application cycle opens on September 10. Applications must be received by Monday, October 10. If you are aware of an organization that might qualify, please share the application found at <https://www.epiphany.org/communityengagement>. Questions? Email the Harvey Fund Advisory Board at harveyfundadvisory@epiphany.org.

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

9/13—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.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Youth Group Cookout

9/13—Middle and High School students are invited to join us for our first regular youth group of the school year - a cookout! We'll be serving up hamburgers and hot dogs in the parish hall starting at 5:00 p.m. After dinner, we'll play some "Minute-to-Win-It" games. St. Bart's and Holy Trinity's youth groups will join us as well. Vegan options will be provided. Please RSVP at epiphany.org/rsvp.