



The  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
of the  
EPIPHANY

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*The Sixth Sunday of Easter • Youth Sunday*

May 5, 2024 ✠ 10:00 AM

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## WELCOME TO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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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](http://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.



**We are passing the plate,** but if you would prefer to virtually pass the plate today, use your phone's camera to scan this QR code. Visit [epiphany.org/ways-to-give](http://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 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.

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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**—Penelope’s Dream  
*Eva Brandon, piano*

Jamie Shaak

**Introit**—Sanctuary  
*Ann Davis & Virginia Davis*

John W. Thompson and  
Randy Scruggs

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for you. Spirit, fill me, help me see clearly, keep me near thee night and day. As I grow, Lord, and start my journey, keep me near thee, this I pray.*

**Processional Hymn 686**—Come, thou fount of every blessing

Nettleton

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

*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 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.

**O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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**

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new / **song**, \*  
for he has done marvelous / **things**.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy / **arm** \*  
has he won for himself the / **victory**.
- 3 The LORD has made known his / **victory**; \*  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the / **nations**.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to  
the house of / **Israel**, \*  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our / **God**.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you / **lands**; \*  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and / **sing**.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the / **harp**, \*  
with the harp and the voice of / **song**.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the / **horn** \*  
shout with joy before the King, the / **LORD**.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is / **in it**, \*  
the lands and those who dwell there-**in**.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their / **hands**, \*  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,  
when he comes to judge the / **earth**.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the / **world** \*  
and the peoples with / **equity**.

**The Second Lesson**

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

*Reader*      **The Word of the Lord.**

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*There is no Children's Chapel today. Children are invited to remain with their parent for Youth Sunday. Children's Chapel will return next week.*

**Sequence Hymn 529—In Christ there is no East or West**

McKee

**The Gospel**

John 15:9-17

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### The Sermon

Lily Brandon

*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**

**A Blessing for Graduates**—Riley Davis, Henry Gary, Willa Loftin, Jacob Barber, Christen Erskine

**A Thanksgiving for Ministry**—Linda Ryder Wolf

**Offertory Anthem**—With the help of the Spirit of the Lord

Jane Southwick Cool

*Junior Choir and Beginning Choristers*

*With the help of the Spirit of the Lord I will bring good news to the poor. With the help of the Spirit of the Lord I will heal the broken-hearted. With the help of the Spirit of the Lord I will set the captive free, help the blind to see, declare God's liberty; with the help of the Spirit of the Lord. I will comfort those who mourn, I will give them joy and gladness, I will give them songs of praise to sing, with the help of the Spirit of the Lord.*

**Presentation Hymn 348**—Lord, we have come at your own invitation

*O quanta qualia*

### **The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

*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

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The lyrics are: "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. 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.

*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 208, verse 1**

*Victory*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -  
 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph  
 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



## 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.

## Music during Communion—Ripple

Robert Hunter and

Sung by all

Jerome Garcia

*If my words did glow with the gold of sunshine and my tunes were played on the harp unstrung, would you hear my voice come through the music? Would you hold it near as it were your own? It's a hand-me-down, the thoughts are broken perhaps they're better left unsung. I don't know, don't really care, let there be songs to fill the air. Ripple in still water when there is no pebble tossed nor wind to blow. Reach out your hand, if your cup be empty, if your cup is full, may it be again. Let it be known there is a fountain that was not made by the hands of men. There is a road, no simple highway, between the dawn and the dark of night. And if you go, no one may follow; that path is for your steps alone. Reach out your hand, if your cup be empty, if your cup is full, may it be again. Let it be known there is a fountain that was not made by the hands of men.*

## 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.**

## 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 191—Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward raise**

*Lux Eoi*

## 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 four weeks. Contact the parish office if want them listed for another month.*

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**For members who are bidding our prayers:** Nan Ross • Jennie Richardson • Anne Bucey • Francis Lee • Johanna Hinman • Lisa Gray • Wayne Urban • Rob Godsall • Brett Boatright • Laura, John & Sarah Keys • Robin Hairston • Audrey Banfield • Beth Towers • Mary McCall Cash • Wende Crowe • Judy Jarady • Sally Brockington

**For friends and family:** Erin Bauslaugh, friend of Laura & John Keys • Charles Perrin, husband of Judy Jarady • Shannon Calverley, sister of Erin Braden • Jeff Smith and Dave Hunter, family of Liefy & George Smith • Eleanor Whitman, aunt of Noelle Reetz • Ronnie Mercer, friend of David Draper • Ricky Vanhoy, uncle of Makayla Stadler • Jerry Butler, friend of Barbara Ryder, Linda Ryder-Wolf and Julie Ryder & Terri Lawrence • Sherri Sharpe, cousin of Terri Lawrence & Julie Ryder • Gary Davis, father of Jeremy Davis • Diana Lawrence, niece of Terri Lawrence & Julie Ryder • Dave Tipton, brother of Pam Tipton • Isabel, granddaughter of Mike & Beth Towers

**For members who desire our continuing prayers:** Jewel Allen • Rod MacLeod • Sally McClintock • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Tom Mundy • Pat Spivey • Ann Rowles • Shirley Sugden • Wayne & Judy Urban • Larry Wilcox • Kathy Walmsley • Colleen

**For those who have died:** Anne Robertson, mother of Paul Robertson • Mary Donovan, friend of Laura & John Keys

**For those in the armed forces:** Stewart Mundy

**For those celebrating anniversaries for the week 5/5-11:** Kienan & Lindsay King

**For those celebrating birthdays for the week of 5/5-11:** Michelle Moody • Lisa Stewart • Abigail Peacock-Marcewicz • Ashley Sali • Barbara Ryder • Elizabeth Walden • Nick Theyerl • John Wierwille • Cody Chaffins • Sara Kathryn Wierwille • Pat Spivey • Rita Warwick • Paul Welty

**For racial justice:** For the approximately 4% of children, over 2,000 students, in Atlanta Public Schools whose families do not have stable housing.

**For our endangered world:** The Sandhill Crane, which passes over Georgia while migrating on its way to rest in Tennessee.

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*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](mailto:parishadmin@epiphany.org) so that we can update our records.*

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## TODAY AT EPIPHANY

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**WE WELCOME OUR YOUTH** today **FOR YOUTH SUNDAY**—a day where we spotlight our youth and youth ministries by inviting youth member to fill the roles of preacher, acolytes, and readers.

### GRADUATION RECOGNITION | **Congratulation Class of 2023**

After the service on 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!

- [Jacob Barber](#) is graduating from Candler School of Theology at Emory University with a Master of Theological Studies.
- [Riley Davis](#) is graduating from Decatur High School and will be attending the University of South Carolina in the fall.
- [Christen Erskine](#) is graduating from Georgia State University (The College of Education and Human Development) with an Education Specialist Degree in School Psychology.
- [Henry Gary](#) is graduating from Decatur High School and plans to go to Kennesaw State University in the fall.
- [Willa Loftin](#) is graduating from Druid Hills High School and will be attending Sewanee: The University of the South in the fall.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES | Children's Chapel

Due to it being Youth Sunday today, there is NO Children's Chapel.

ADULT FORMATION | *Sundays at 11:30 a.m. • parish hall*

**We Have Seen the Lord! The Resurrection in All Four Gospels:** Join us this Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in the parish hall for Session One of a two-session adult formation series on finding meaning in Christ's passion, specifically the ways we interpret Jesus' path through suffering and death, to resurrection. This Sunday, Jacob Barber lays the groundwork, introducing us to various ideas and models, with a particular focus on Episcopal theologian Kathryn Tanner's version of an incarnational model of atonement.

CHILDREN & YOUTH FORMATION | *Sundays at 11:30 a.m. • locations vary*

Visit [epiphany.org/rsvp](http://epiphany.org/rsvp) to register your children and youth or check out the bulletin boards on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. **Room 205**—Godly Play children (3 years old through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade), **Room 206**—3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade, **Lower-Level Classroom** / Donut Den—Youth (6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Youth Group**

Tonight's Youth Group will meet at 5:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Parish for a joint youth meal at Coyote's Mexican Grill. Please send your youth with \$12-\$15, and plan to pick them up at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity.

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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](http://epiphany.org/rsvp) to reserve dates that have meaning for you.

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## THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

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WORSHIP | **Weekday Services**—visit [epiphany.org/worship-services](http://epiphany.org/worship-services) for details

- Weekday Morning Prayer—9:00 a.m. online
- Tuesday Morning Prayer (Holy Eucharist 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays)—7:00 a.m. in the side chapel
- **Please Note:** The Wednesday Noonday Service will NOT take place this week due to the funeral for the Rev. Ruth Healy at 11:00 a.m. this Wednesday, May 8.

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

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: John Yntema

MUSIC | **Choirs for Adults & Youth**—Wednesdays • *Music Suite upstairs*

- The Epiphany Ringers rehearse from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Loft.
- Our all-volunteer Epiphany Choir rehearses from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m. in the Music Suite.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | **The Feeding Ministry**—meals served 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays of the month

5/8-12—Volunteers cook in the Epiphany kitchen and then serve the meal at Gateway Shelter on 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays. To help prepare, cook, or serve the meal, visit [epiphany.org/rsvp](http://epiphany.org/rsvp).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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PARISH GROUPS | **Epiphany's Young Adults are Going Camping!**—May 17 - May 18

5/17-5/18—Join us for a time of campfire camaraderie and outdoor appreciation! We are camping at Paynes Creek Campground and will arrive on Friday evening and return Saturday afternoon. Register at [epiphany.org/rsvp](http://epiphany.org/rsvp) and email Emily Elder / [eelder@epiphany.org](mailto:eelder@epiphany.org) with any questions.

WORSHIP | **Taizé Prayer**—Monday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m.

5/20—Please join us in the nave for a Taizé Prayer service on Monday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m. Taizé Prayer is a distinctive style of meditative prayer characterized by sung and chanted prayers, meditation, periods of silence, liturgical readings, and the use of icons. Come for prayer, quiet and music.

MUSIC | **Summer Choir**—Begins June 2

6/2—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 beginning Sunday, June 2.

PARISH GROUPS | **ECW Ladies Luncheon for the Women of the Parish** • 11:30 a.m.

6/2—The Epiphany chapter of the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) would like to treat all the women of the parish to lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 2 following the service. Not a potluck, no program, or agenda, just a chance to visit and meet other women who attend Epiphany. A gluten-free option will be offered. So that we know how many to prepare for, please RSVP at [epiphany.org/rsvp](http://epiphany.org/rsvp) by Friday Morning (9:00 a.m.), May 31.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | **Our Quarterly Wednesday Dinner for Holy Comforter**

6/5—Holy Comforter is a unique worshipping community in the heart of Atlanta. About 60% of this congregation lives with mental illness. We will prepare a meal during the afternoon and take the meal to the church, leaving at 6:00 p.m., prepare to serve after the 6:30 p.m. service. After serving, the volunteers join the parishioners for dinner. Sign up to participate at [epiphany.org/rsvp](http://epiphany.org/rsvp). Contact: Jeanette Hanson.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Youth Pilgrimage**—Registration is NOW LIVE

6/24-28—Registration is now LIVE for our Summer Youth Pilgrimage to Asheville, NC. Holy Trinity youth will join us for a time of exploration, service, prayer, and play in this wonderful mountain town. We hope you'll join us from Monday, June 24 to Friday, June 28. Visit the Epiphany RSVP page to sign up.

PARISH LIFE | **Parish Retreat**—Save the Date

9/20-22—SAVE THE DATE! The Annual Parish Retreat will take place at The Mountain in Highlands, NC the weekend of September 20 - 22.

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS & ONGOING PROGRAMS

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PARISH LIFE | **Expanded Coffee Hour**—Starting June 9

We hope you will join us after the service on Sundays for an Extended Coffee Hour during the summer. 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.

FORMATION | **Contemplative Practice**—2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at 4:00 p.m. • choir loft

5/12—In May, the meeting time returns to 4:00 p.m. Come gather with us 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, Elizabeth Ura and Amy Dills-Wright. Contact: The Rev. Amy Dills-Wright.

PARISH GROUPS | **Epiphany Book Group**—2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays at 7:00 p.m. • parish hall, sometimes Zoom

5/13—All are welcome to join the Epiphany Book Group on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. This month they will meet in the parish hall. Contact Linda for the meeting link. Their book selection for May is *Cover Her Face*, by P. D. James. Contact: Linda Ryder-Wolf.

PARISH GROUPS | **The Episcopal Church Women (ECW)**—2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays of the month

5/14—The ECW meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays in the parish hall at 10:30 a.m. This month, we are eating in, so please bring your lunch. All women of Epiphany are invited to attend.

PARISH GROUPS | **The Munch Bunch**—3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month • 1:30 p.m.

5/15—Give yourself a mid-week-treat and join friends and friends-to-be for lunch at 1:30 p.m. at the Thinking Man Tavern on Howard Street in Decatur. No agenda. No reservation needed. Just fun. This month is our first-time meeting. Contact Laura Keys with any questions.

PARISH LIFE | **Parish Picnic**—in the meadow after services

5/19—Please join Parish Life for a picnic style lunch served after the service. We will gather in the Meadow, so bring your lawn chairs or blankets. 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. Beverages (tea, lemonade, and water) will be provided. Cost for the tenderloin is \$10 and \$3 for the hot dogs and veggie burgers. Family maximum cost is \$35. Register by May 15 using the link at [epiphany.org/rsvp](http://epiphany.org/rsvp). Hope to see you there.

PASTORAL CARE | **The Community of Hope's Circle of Care**—Last Mondays at 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. • parish hall

5/27—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.

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