

The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

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Our Mission Statement

The mission of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany is to offer a home for all those who are seeking God's unconditional love.

Fifth Sunday of Easter



May 15, 2022

10:00 a.m.

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Hymns used today come from the 1982 Hymnal or the blue Epiphany Songbook (indicated with the prefix BB).

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Prelude God Himself is with us, by Joachim Neander

Processional Hymn 583 O Holy city seen of John

The Word of God

Celebrant Alleluia! The Lord has risen!

People The Lord has risen indeed! Alleluia!

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Gloria S-280

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Please remember in your prayers:

Adley Hipwell, Amy & Anthony Lehatto, Brenda Montgomery, Debra Evans, Dennis Jackson, Donna Andrews, Janice Tyler, Jeff Evans, Katie Furby, Marion Hudson, Mary Meehan, Michele Dennis, Nicole Webb, Nina Gault, Pam Phillips, Phil Lukert, Steve & Buni O'Brien, Sue Reaves, Sybil King, Tom and Hilda Maroney, and Yvonne Hudson.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Christ Church Parish, Pensacola; United Thank Offering; and Atmore Community Work Center, Atmore, Alabama

Announcements

- Birthdays & Anniversaries
- United Thanks Offering
- Healing service this morning
- Christian education class on prayer today
- Fundraising for fire victims
- Memorial Day
- Communion rail/intinction
- Friday morning fellowship each week: Altar Guild at 10 a.m. and hymn practice at 10:30 am. (All are also invited to join in the choir rehearsal each Sunday at 9:30 am.)

Your presence is a blessing to the Church of the Epiphany! We hope you will experience the grace and love of God here with us, whether you have been a part of our church for years, or are walking through our doors for the first time.

The Invitation

These are the gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you
and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymns **BB-49** Love is flowing
BB-50 O how He loves you and me
BB-59 Day by day

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray,
People Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

May the peace of God that passes all understanding keep your heart
and mind in the knowledge and love of God and his son Jesus Christ
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

The Procession into the World

Hymn 529 In Christ there is no east or west

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the
Holy Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

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

The Lessons (insert)

The First Lesson: Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

The Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6

Hymn BB-123 They'll know we are Christians by our love

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.
The Gospel: John 13:31-35
Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. David M. Clothier

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Written by the summer campers at Camp Beckwith

We give you thanks for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the richness of forests, and bayous, for the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers. Increase our reverence for the beauty and the mystery of life; give us new insight into your purposes for us as stewards of your creation, and give us wisdom and determination in making provision for its future in accordance with your will.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

For all the leaders of the people of the world, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move their hearts and guide their actions, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Sanctus S-130 *sung*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

For our diocesan family, that we may grow in love for one another and for all people. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

For our teenagers who are claiming their lives, for our children who are beginning their lives. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

O God, in the course of this busy life, thank you for times of refreshment and peace; grant that we may so use our leisure to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds, that our spirits may be opened to the goodness of your creation.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

For all people who have no time for leisure, for the poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the sick and suffering, and all who have none to care for them. We pray especially for refugees and those who are for them.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

This hour we turn to you, O Lord, in full knowledge of our frailty, our vulnerability, and our great need as your mortal creatures. We cry to you, as one human family, unsure of the path ahead, unequal to the unseen forces around us, frightened by the sickness and death that seem all too real to us now. Stir up your strength and visit us, O Lord; be our shield and rock and hiding place! Guide our leaders, our scientists, our nurses and doctors. Give them wisdom and fill their hearts with courage and determination. Make even this hour, O Lord, a season of blessing for us, that in fear we find you mighty to save, and in illness or death, we find the cross to be none other than the way of life.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

(The People may add their own petitions.)

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For
Adley, Amy, Anthony, Brenda, Buni, Debbie, Dennis, Donna,
Hilda, Janice, Jeff, Katie, Marion, Mary, Michele, Nicole, Nina,
Pam, Phil, Steve, Sue, Sybil, Tom, and Yvonne.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in
your eternal kingdom.

Silence

(The People may add their own petitions.)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The celebrant concludes with

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you;
my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith
of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that
heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live
and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an
offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Hymn BB-124 All are welcome

Blessing of the Gifts

Celebrant

We receive these gifts that they be used to further the Kingdom of
God in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People sing All things come of thee O Lord, and of thine own
have we given thee.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharist Prayer A

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-
where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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: