

Sixth Sunday in Easter



May 10, 2026

10:00 a.m.

**The Episcopal Church
of the Epiphany
Crestview, Florida**

Hymns used in today's service come from the red 1982 Hymnal.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Prelude

Entrance Hymn 405 All things bright and beautiful

The Word of God

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ 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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray together.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward 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 Lessons (insert)

The First Lesson: Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:7-18

The Second Lesson: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Gospel Hymn 711 Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 14:15-21

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 (Form VI)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who
are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world; and in the
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, the Atmore Community Work Center,
Atmore, Alabama.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the
needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Russell our Bishop, David our
Vicar; and all bishops and other ministers; and in the Diocesan
Cycle of Prayer, St. Michael's Chickasaw, and St. Michael's,
Ozark, Alabama.
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence (The People may add their own petitions.)

For Addice, Addison, Amelia, Amy, Anthony. Barbara, Betty, Bill,
Brenda, Buni, Carol, Charlotte, Debbie, Dennis, Donna, Eddie,
Florie, Herselie, Jeff, Jim, Judy, Kerrie, Lester, Linda, Lynn, Mary,
Melanie, Mindy, Mitzi, Nancy, Nikole, Phyllis, Richard, Rocky,
Sharon, Stacy, Susan, Ward, Yisrael and those serving in the
Armed Forces.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially our
mothers, grandmothers and those women who were like mothers in
our lives.

Silence (The People may add their own thanksgivings.)

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

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

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. *Amen.*

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 your Son 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.*

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *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 428 O all ye works of God now come

Blessing of the Gifts

People sing

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him all creatures here below,
praise him above ye Heavenly Host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharist Prayer C

Celebrant 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.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus S-125 *sung*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are 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. The Celebrant continues.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *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.

The Invitation

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

All are invited to share in the Holy Eucharist. You may receive both the bread and the wine or only one if you choose. You may also drink from the cup or intinct (dip) the bread in the wine and receive both that way. If you choose not to receive either but would like a blessing from the priest, cross your arms over your chest to let the priest know.

Communion Hymns 656 Blest are the pure in heart
344 Lord dismiss us with Thy blessing

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray,
Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

May the Peace of God that surpasses all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and his son our savior 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 680 O God our help in ages past

The Dismissal

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia

Postlude

*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.*

Please remember in your prayers:

Addice Thomas, Addison Hendrix, Amelia Gorman,
Amy & Anthony Lehatto, Barbara Procino, Betty Schwartzkopf,
Bill Jones, Brenda Faulkner, Buni O'Brien, Carol McCartney,
Charlotte Boutwell, Charlotte Green, Debbie Evans,
Debbie and Jim Larson, Dennis Jackson, Donna Andrews,
Eddie Stevens, Florie Angelini, Herselie Hendrix, Jeff Evans,
Judy Tinsley, Kerrie Schwartzkopf, Lester Taylor, Linda
Williams, Lynn Smith, Mary Meehan, Melanie East, Mindy Post,
Mitzi Purvis, Nancy Delierre, Nikole Webb, Phyllis Alles,
Richard Mazerat, Rocky Robinson, Sharon Lundy, Stacy
Burlson, Susan Cole, Ward Hendrix and Yisrael Goldman

Announcements

- Mother's Day
- Vestry meeting today
- Bible study on Friday 10 a.m.
- Choir/Hymn practice on Wednesday (6 p.m.)
and Friday (12 noon)
- Birthday kits
- The May Clarion and Forward Day-by-Day
- Sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall
- Yoga on second and fourth Tuesdays
- Quilting Guild (first and third Tuesdays, 5-8 p.m.)
- Altar Guild on Fridays at 9:30 a.m.

Serving today

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. David M. Clothier

Lay Eucharist Minister: Christine Wakayama

First Reader: Missy Jones

Second Reader: Michele Dennis

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Janice Tyler, Altar and Flower Guild

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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.