The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost • Proper 9A

July 5, 2026 ✠ 10:00 AM

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*; Taylor Irwin, *Director of Children & Youth Ministries*; 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—Spirit of the living God — Malcolm Archer

Jeff Daniel, guest organist

Processional Hymn 525—The Church's one foundation — *Aurelia*

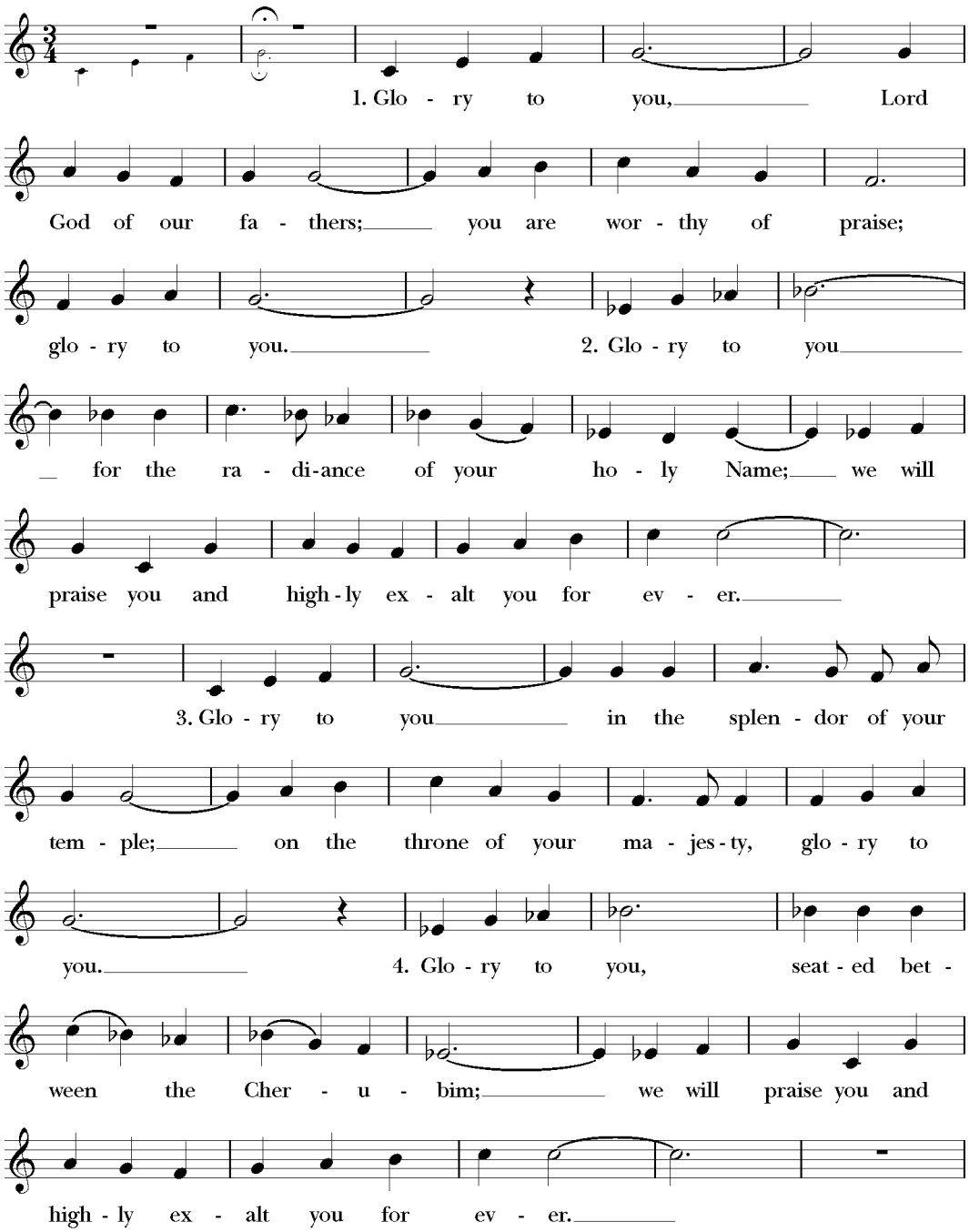
Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God

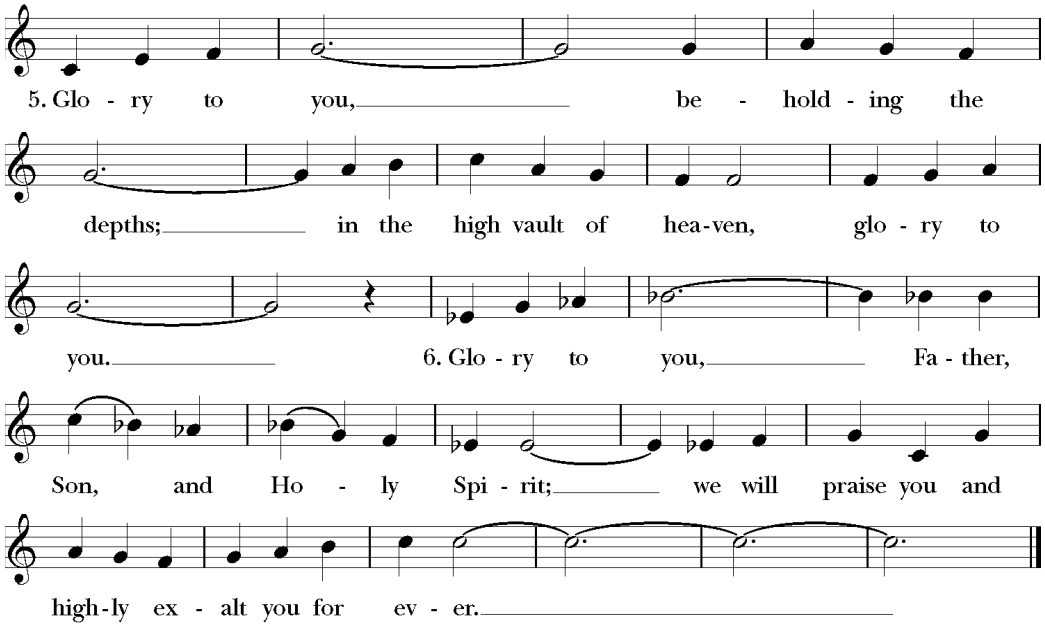
People **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

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





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Celebrant and People

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Collect for Independence Day

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant, we beseech you, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness and peace; 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 Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

The servant said to Laban, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

"I came today to the spring, and said, "O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, 'Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,' and who will say to me, 'Drink, and I will draw for your camels also'—let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.'

"Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left."

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

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

The Song of Solomon: Hymn 213—Come away to the skies *(verses 1-4)* *Middlebury*
Sung by all, seated

The Second Lesson Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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

Children's Chapel will return next week. Today, children are invited to remain with their parents for the remainder of worship.

Sequence Hymn 482—Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy *Slane*

The Gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon The Rev. Carmie McDonald
A period of silence is kept

Celebrant With Christians from across time and around the world, we say together the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed—*Celebrant and People*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

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

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

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

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

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

For the well-being of the earth; for its resources of water, air, light, and soil, that they may be tended for the good of all creatures; let us pray.
Hear us, good Lord.

For an end to prejudice throughout our country and the world; that we respect all people as precious children of God; and that racism, sexism, and all other forms of discrimination will be forever banished from our hearts, our society, and our laws; 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—God of the ages Arlen Clarke
Epiphany Summer Choir

God of the ages, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise. Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land with thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way. From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase; thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace. Refresh thy people on their toilsome way; lead us from night to never-ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

Presentation Hymn 413—New songs of celebration render *Rendez à Dieu*

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 1, Enriching our Worship

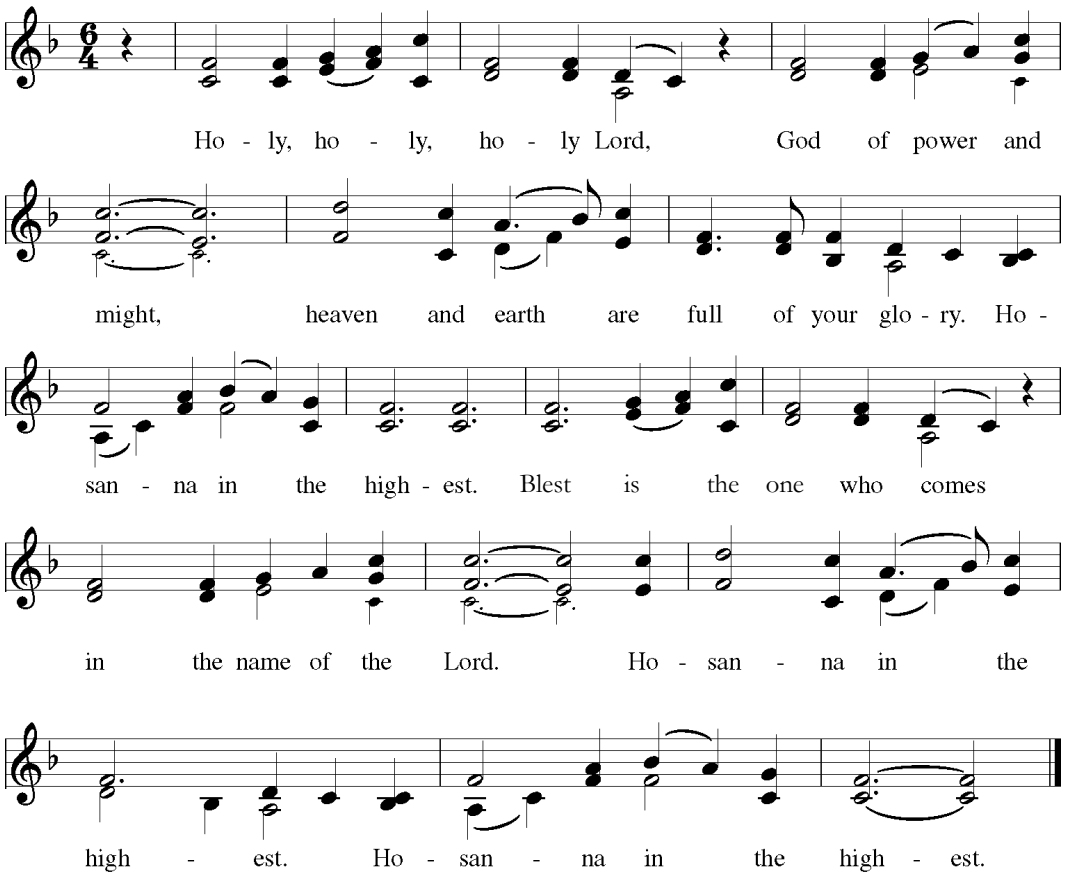
Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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



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

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

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

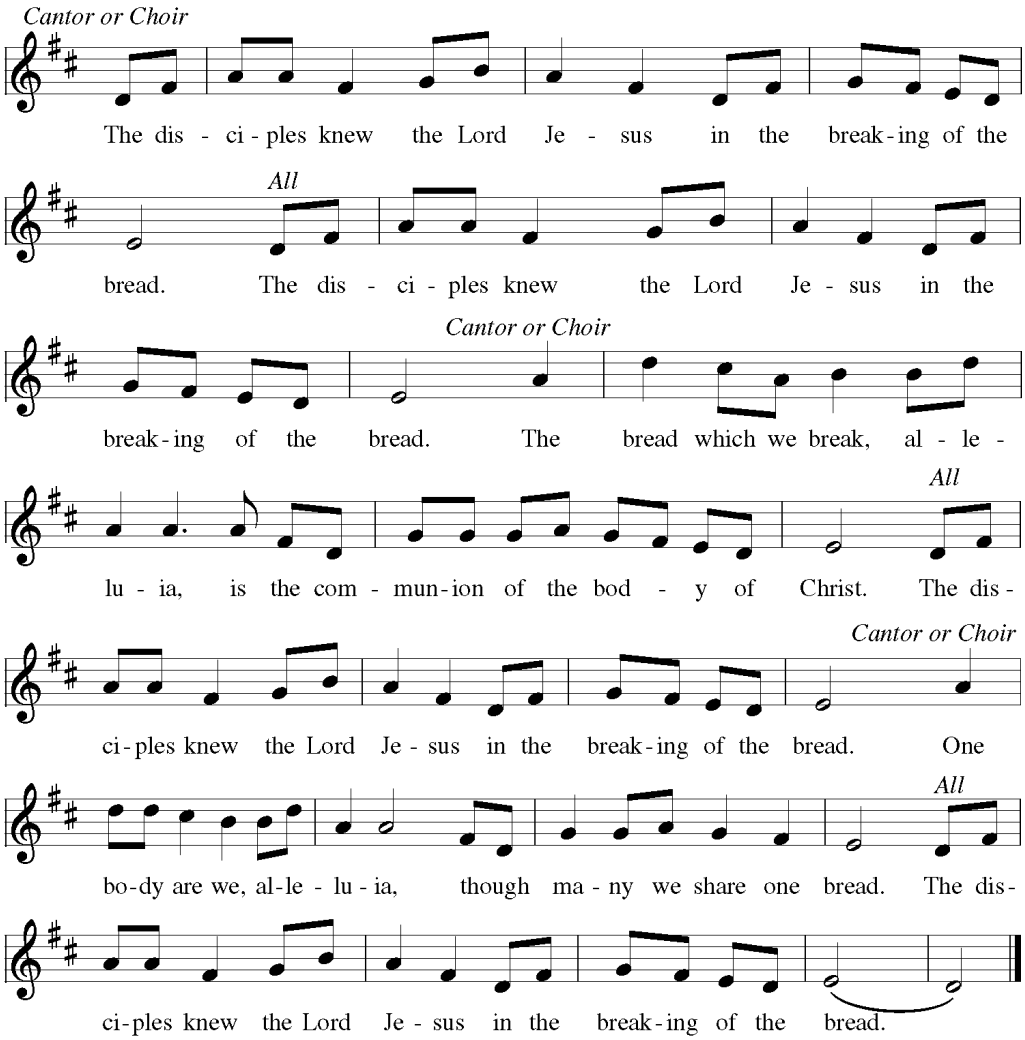
The Lord's Prayer—*traditional language*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus W877 Mark Sedio



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 719—O beautiful for spacious skies *Materna*
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 347—Go forth for God *Litton*

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary—Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan Johann Gottfried Walther

Prayers of the People

Names of friends and family are listed for a month. Contact the parish office if you would like them listed for another month.

For members who are bidding our prayers: Patrick Hanna • Michele MacLeod • Alix Janke • Jamie Hare & Caitlin Cox, Wally & Anna • Eloise Wierwille • Joy Boyden • George Ross • Lisa Gray • Richard Shirah • Larry Wilcox • Mike Curry • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Philip Anderson • Louise Bedrossian (wife of Bob Thompson) • Barbara Belcore • Esther Harbert • Veta Smith (mother of Cecilia Democko) • Sally Brockington

For friends and family: Briana, Ella, and Cora Woods-Jaeger, friends of Nancy Thompson • Anne, Joan, Glen, Eli, and Walt, cousins of Judy Jarady • Bob Hogg, brother of Liefy Smith • Rachel Williams, daughter-in-law of Susan &Loren Williams • Kay Harris, mother of Rebecca Webb • Danny Nodine, brother of Larry Nodine • Louise Peters, grandmother of Tristen Webb • Dave Tipton, brother of Pam Tipton • Isabel, granddaughter of Mike & Beth Towers

For members who desire our continuing prayers: Jewel Allen • Mary McCall Cash • Wende Crowe • Pat & Bill Graves • Bruce Fort • Esther Harbert • Robin Hairston • Rod MacLeod • Sally McClintock • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Ellen Mintzmyer • Ann Rowles • Pat Spivey • Beth Towers • Michael Towers, Jr. • Wayne & Judy Urban • Larry Wilcox • Wes, Kelly & Lillian Wright • Colleen

For those celebrating anniversaries the week of 7/5-11: Elena & Tad Braswell, Jr.

For those celebrating birthdays the week of 7/5-11: Virginia Davis • Amy Dills-Wright • Katrina Shoemaker • Rob Godsall • Kate Wierwille • Erin Democko • Ellen Wojcik • Mary Lou Bassett • Katie Teel

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

Did we miss your anniversary or birthday? Send the full date of your anniversary and/or your date of birth to the parish office at parishadmin@epiphany.org so that we can update our records.

Today at Epiphany

We welcome Jeff Daniel as our guest organist today. Jeff was previously the Director of Music and Organist at Church of the Holy Spirit in Cumming and was guest organist here in 2025.

Children's Ministries | Children's Chapel—*during the service*
Children's Chapel will not take place today. Children are invited to remain with their parents for the remainder of worship. Children's Chapel returns next week.

Parish Life | Expanded Coffee Hour—*Sign up for a Sunday*
While we do not have a sponsored coffee hour, please join us in the parish hall after the service for coffee and tea. Two Sundays are still without hosts: 8/9, 8/23. Groups or individuals are welcome to sign up to bring some simple breakfast items. Parish groups are welcome to set up displays, handouts, or fliers to promote their ministries. The sign up can be found at epiphany.org/rsvp.

Youth Ministries | Youth Group
There will be no youth group tonight in observance of the Holiday Weekend. Join us next week at 5:30 p.m. at Epiphany for Water Olympics!

The Arrangements at the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Craig Ryder, by Barbara Ryder.

The Sanctuary Light is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Alice & David Walker, who were married on July 5, 1942, by their daughter Sally Walker.

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.

Notice: The carpet in the offices, sacristy and AV Room will be replaced on Monday and Tuesday, July 6 and July 7. Access to those areas will be limited during that time. Please plan accordingly.

Parish Group | Men's Breakfast Group—*Tuesdays following the 7:00 a.m. service*
7/7—The Men's Breakfast Group gathers for breakfast and discussion following the 7:00 a.m. Tuesday service and are typically on their way by 8:00 a.m. Contact Dave Thompson through Realm to get on the email list.

Community Engagement | Gateway Center Meal Ministry—*meals served 2nd Fridays of the month*
7/8-10—Volunteers cook in the Epiphany kitchen and then serve the meal at Gateway Shelter once a month. To help prepare, cook, or serve the meal, visit epiphany.org/rsvp.

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

Formation | Contemplative Book Group—*Final Gathering this Thursday at 11:00 a.m. • Room 201*
PLEASE NOTE: The group will NOT meet in July 9. That last two meetings will be on July 16 and July 23. The week is the last discussion on Subversive Sabbath by A. J. Swoboda.

Upcoming Services & Events

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.

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Vacation Bible School (VBS)**—*Register Now!*
7/11 & 7/25—VBS "Neighbors" continues. The next Saturday date is July 11 at St. Luke's, then there is one more on Saturday, July 25 at Holy Trinity Parish. Children ages 3 years through rising 5th grade are invited to a morning filled with storytelling, music, crafts, and games. Families will then rejoin us in the afternoon for a service project and family Eucharist. For more information, contact Taylor Irwin at tirwin@epiphany.org.

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

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

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Blessing of the Backpacks**—*for anyone returning to school this fall.*
7/26—Are you or your children returning to school in the fall? We invite you to attend the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, July 26, and bring your backpack for a special backpack blessing!

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Playground & Popsicles**
7/26—All families with children are invited to join us on the Epiphany playground for a time of popsicles and play! Please RSVP to Taylor Irwin at tirwin@epiphany.org

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES | **Youth Group**
7/26—Our youth will meet downtown at Decatur Square to walk to Ice Cream. Youth are invited to RSVP to Taylor Irwin at tirwin@epiphany.org by casting their vote for the favorite Ice Cream shop

ART MINISTRY | **Calling All Creatives—Parishioner Art Show Coming Soon**
8/3 Deadline—Epiphany's Art Ministry is excited to invite our adult parishioner creatives to exhibit and sell work for the month of September in the Epiphany Gallery. Contact Page Love or Liefy by August 3 to reserve your place in the show. View the most recent newsletter for a link to the requirements.

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

UPCOMING PARISH GROUPS & ONGOING PROGRAMS

7/12—Contemplative Practice—2nd Sundays at 4:00 p.m. • Choir Loft
7/14—ECW—Sandwich Making 2nd Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. • Parish Hall/Kitchen
7/15—The Munch Bunch—3rd Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. • Thinking Man Tavern
7/21—Epiphany & Earth & Soul—3rd Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. • Room 201 | Zoom
7/21—Caregiver Support Group—3rd Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. • Zoom
7/27—Community of Hope's Circle of Care—4th Mondays at 6:00 p.m.