

The **EPISCOPAL CHURCH** of the

EPIPHANY

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The 25th Sunday after Pentecost • Proper 27B

November 10, 2024 ★ 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!

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 <u>altar rail</u> 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 <u>floor station</u>, 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 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 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 livestreamed 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.

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

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Voluntary—Chorale Prelude on Thaxted

David Blackwell

Processional Hymn 665-All my hope on God is founded

Michael

Celebrant Blessed be the one holy and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

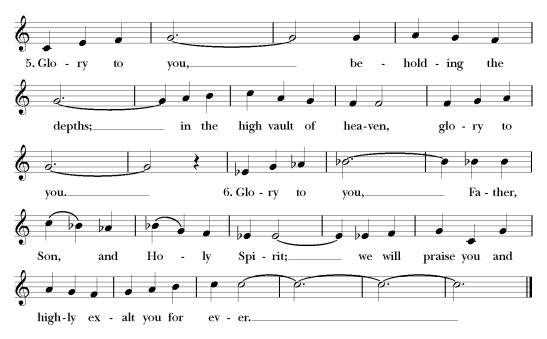
Celebrant

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.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do." She said to her, "All that you tell me I will do."

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

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

Psalm 127—Sung by all

Robert Knox Kennedy

Nisi Dominus



- 1 Unless the LORD builds the / house, * their labor is in vain who / build it.
- 2 Unless the LORD watches over the / city, * in vain the watchman keeps his / vigil.
- 3 It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so / late; * vain too to eat the bread of toil, for he gives to his beloved / sleep.
- 4 Children are a heritage from the / LORD, * and the fruit of the womb is a / gift.
- 5 Like arrows in the hand of a / warrior * are the children of one's / youth.
- 6 Happy is the man who has his quiver / full of them! * he shall not be put to shame when he contends with his enemies in the / gate.

The Second Lesson

Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

Children (up to 3^{rd} grade) are invited to gather at the cross by the Choir Loft during the last verse of the Sequence Hymn for the reading of the Gospel and Children's Chapel

Sequence Hymn 605—What does the Lord require

Sharpthorne

The Gospel Mark 12:38-44

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Teaching in the temple, Jesus said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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

Beloved God, we thank you for giving power through your Spirit to reveal your life to the world; strengthen, bless, and guide us to make you known by word and example.

We are your Church, O God.

Guide us in your grace.

We thank you for your creation, and pray for the earth you have given us to cherish and protect; nourish in us your love for all you have made.

We are your Church, O God.

Guide us in your grace.

Guide and bless us in our work and in our play, and shape the patterns of our political and economic life, that all people may share in the fulfillment of your creative work.

We are your Church, O God.

Guide us in your grace.

Awaken our hearts to your presence in all people; in those we love easily and those with whom we struggle, in those different from us and those familiar to us.

We are your Church, O God.

Guide us in your grace.

We thank you for calling us to a glorious heritage as your holy people. Free us from lack of vision, from inertia of will and spirit. By your life-giving Spirit, lead us out of isolation and oppression, redeem and restore us. We are your Church, O God.

Guide us in your grace.

We thank you for the gift of life, with all its blessings and sorrows. Shield the joyous, comfort and strengthen those in any need or trouble. Bless those who will be born today and those who will die, that joining with the company of all your saints we may rejoice in one unending song of praise.

We are your Church, O God.

Guide us in your grace.

Celebrant's concluding collect

God of peace, we pray for those who have served our nation and laid down their lives to protect and defend our freedom, asking that we remember their sacrifice and make right use of our liberty. We pray for those who still bear the scars of their service, asking for healing for them in mind, body, and spirit. We pray for those who serve us now, especially for those in harm's way, asking that you shield them from danger and bring them home in safety. We pray for all those who govern, asking that you turn their hearts and minds to the work of establishing a peace born of justice and equity. We pray for all those who are caught up in conflict around the globe this day, civilians and peace-keepers and the poor who have no escape, asking that we have the courage to defend the defenseless, make room for those who flee for safety, and look to that day when we will train for war no more. May the peace you gave us, the peace that passes all human understanding, be the peace that guides and sustains us. We offer these our prayers and thanksgivings to you, O God, the source of all that is true and holy, now and for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is kept

Celebrant and People

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.

Celebrant

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

David Thorne

Epiphany Choir

Christ is our cornerstone on him alone we build. The stone which the builder rejected has become our cornerstone. Alleluia!

Presentation Hymn 288—Praise to God, immortal praise

Dix

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.

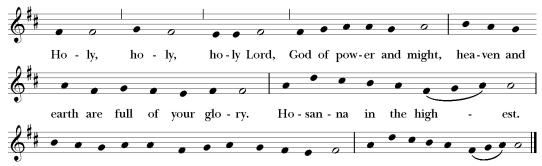
Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 S124

New Plainsong; David Hurd



Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel

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

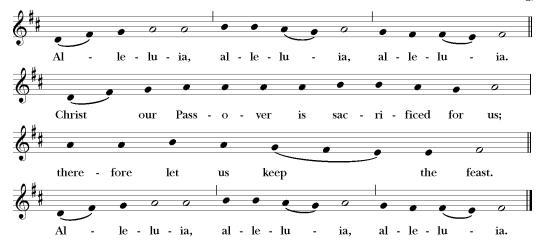
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the 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 S154—Christ our Passover

New Plainsong; David Hurd



The Communion of the People

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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 579—Almighty Father, strong to save *Sung by all*

Melita

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 594-God of grace and God of glory

Cwm Rhondda

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary—Chorale Prelude on Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott

Johann Pachelbel

OUR VETERANS

Philip Anderson, U.S. Army, Vietnam

Brett Boatright, U.S. Marine Corps, Desert Storm

J. P. Boulée, U.S. Army, 101st Airborne 1997-2001

George Councill, U.S. Army, Vietnam

Lucy Davidson, U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Officer

Peter J. Dodge, U.S. Army, Vietnam

John Keys, U.S. Navy, Vietnam

Terri Lawrence, U.S. Army

Bruce Maclachlan, U.S. Navy, Cold War

Rod MacLeod, U.S. Air Force, Korean War

Jeff McGrath, U.S. Army, Vietnam

Randall Moody, U.S. Navy

Thomas G. Mundy, Jr., U.S. Army, World War II

Eric Olson, U.S. Navy, Korean War

Dick Price, U.S. Army 1967-68, GA Army National Guard/U.S. Army Reserve 1977-2000

Jim Rabb, U.S. Navy, Vietnam

George Smith, U.S. Navy, 1973-1993

Mike Towers, U.S. Marine Corps, 1962-65

Jerry J. Wall, U.S. Army

Jason Wiles, U.S. Army

The Rt. Rev. Rob Wright, U.S. Navy, 1982-87, Search & Rescue Diver

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: Kathy Corcoran • Susie Boyko • Marion Curry • Pam Hall • Jerry Wall (husband of Lucy Davidson) • Clove Wroe • Barbara Belcore • Esther Harbert • Veta Smith (mother of Cecilia Democko) • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Chris Belcore • Brandon Laird • Anne Warner • Kim Boswell • Eric Olson • Francis Lee • Brett Boatright • Laura, John & Sarah Keys • Robin Hairston • Beth Towers • Mary McCall Cash • Wende Crowe • Sally Brockington

For friends and family: Sandy Miller, relative of Sharon Burrow • Chris & Korb Korbesmeyer, sister & brother-in-law of Nan Ross • Carrell Burton, friend of Nancy Thompson, Johanna Hinman, and Lisa Carlson • Sara & John Quinn, mother and stepfather of Amy Shipp • Joshua Moore & Elle Lu, son and daughter-in-law of Amy Dills-Wright • Rosalie Shipp, stepmother of Amy Shipp • Louise Peters, grandmother of Tristen Webb • 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 • Ann Rowles • Pat Spivey • Michael Towers, Jr. • Wayne & Judy Urban • Larry Wilcox • Colleen

For those who have died: Jim Bennett, Uncle of Stephanie Thompson • Jan Scholer, friend of Loren Williams • Sam Obenschain, friend of Dave Thompson • Mark Hoptroff, friend of David Draper • Sue Allmon, aunt of Alix Janke

For all those serving in the armed forces, especially: Stewart Mundy

For those celebrating anniversaries for the week of 11/10-16: Cindy Lamons & Marc Wisniewski • Barbara Nama & Edward Rosenzweig

For those celebrating birthdays the week of 11/10-16: Joey Saavedra • Collier Chaffins • Jeff McGrath • Ellen Mintzmyer • Nancy Chandler • Mary Beth Nelson • Eliza Neel • Callie Finnegan • Elliott Boswell • James Bryan • Dick Price • Marjorie Timmer

For our Haitian sisters & brothers and the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti.

For all who are displaced, distraught, and devastated by Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

For racial justice: May the food we share with neighbors through Emmaus House this Thanksgiving be an expression of Christ's love and a reminder to us of the table we all share.

For our fragile and beautiful Earth: The Ogeechee River – the most polluted river in Georgia

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

TODAY AT EPIPHANY

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES | Children's Chapel—during the service

Children up to 3rd grade are invited to gather at the cross by the Choir Loft during the last verse of the Sequence Hymn and follow the cross to chapel after the reading of the Gospel. They return at the Peace. Parents are welcome to join them.

FORMATION | Adults—join us at 11:30 a.m. • parish hall

Join us in the parish hall as we continue our discussion on "Idolatry in the Bible & Beyond." This series is led by guest speaker Caitlin Hubler from the Candler Foundry — an initiative of Emory's Candler School of Theology. "Idolatry" is a frequent sin in the Old Testament, but what exactly is it, and why is it so bad? This course explores the nature of idolatry in the Old Testament with special attention to how conceptions of idolatry shifted over time in ancient Israel. Through this close attention to the ancient context of the Bible, we can be empowered as readers to discern and respond to idolatry in our contemporary contexts.

FORMATION | Children & Youth—Sundays at 11:30 a.m. • locations vary

- Room 205—Godly Play (children 3 years old through 3rd grade)
- Room 206—Searching the Scriptures (4th and 5th grade)
- Lower-Level Classroom / Donut Den—Youth Formation (6th through 12th grade)

FORMATION | Contemplative Practice—2nd Sundays at 4:00 p.m. • choir loft

11/10—Come gather with us at 4:00 p.m. for a time of reflection, meditation instruction, and gathering with others seeking a more grounded way of being in the world. Led by Bobbi Patterson, Elizabeth Ura and Amy Dills-Wright. Contact the Rev. Amy Dills-Wright at rector@epiphany.org if you have any questions.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Youth Group

Tonight the Youth Group will meet at 5:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Parish (515 E Ponce de Leon Ave, Decatur, GA 30030) for a joint youth meal at Coyote's Mexican Grill. Please send your youth with \$12-\$15 (cash is preferable), and plan to pick them up at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity.

PARISH GROUPS | Young Adults—Sunday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m. • parish hall

11/10—The Young Adults Group (20ish-40ish) will gather tonight in the parish hall at 7:00 p.m. for potluck and planning. Bring a dish to share and ideas about programming or events you would like to see the group do in the coming months.

THE ARRANGEMENTS AT THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in memory of her beloved husband Ellery McClintock, who died one year ago today, by Sally McClintock.

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

WORSHIP | Weekday Services—visit epiphany.org/worship-services for details

- Weekday Morning Prayer—9:00 a.m. online
- Tuesday Morning Prayer (Holy Eucharist 1st Tuesdays)—7:00 a.m. in the side chapel
- Wednesday Noonday Prayer—12:00 p.m. in the side chapel, a Healing Eucharist follows at 12:15 p.m.

PARISH GROUPS | Epiphany Book Group—2nd Mondays at 7:00 p.m. • location varies

11/11—The Epiphany Book meets on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. See listing below for location. All are welcome. Log into Realm to Linda Ryder-Wolf if you have any questions.

- November 11: Democracy Awakening, by Heather Cox Richardson (Zoom)
- December 9: Appetizers & Dessert at 5:30 p.m. and pick books for 2025 (Epiphany)
- January 13: Still Fooling 'Em, by Billy Crystal (Zoom)

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

11/12—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. Log into Realm to contact John Yntema with any questions.

PARISH GROUPS | The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) -2^{nd} Tuesdays at 9:30/11:00 a.m. • parish hall 11/12—The ECW meets on the 2^{nd} Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. The meeting and program begins at 11:00 a.m. in the parish hall. Afterwards, we will adjourn to Melton's App & Tap for lunch. All women of Epiphany are invited to attend.

MUSIC | Choirs for Children & Youth—Tuesdays • Music Suite upstairs

- 11/12—<u>Beginning Choristers</u> (pre-K-2nd grade) meet from 5:00 5:30 p.m.
- 11/12—<u>Junior Choir</u> (3rd grade-unchanged voices) meet from 5:30 6:15 p.m.

WORSHIP | Family Eucharist Service & Service Project—all activities in the parish hall

11/12—Join us for a Family Eucharist (6:15 p.m.) after choir practice or the Family Service project. Arrive by 6:00 p.m. if you'd like to eat pizza together, or come at 5:00 p.m. to take part in the Family Service Project. RSVP for the pizza at epiphany.org/rsvp.

PARISH GROUPS | Trivia Group—Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. • Wild Heaven in Avondale Estates 11/12—All are invited to join the Epiphany trivia group on Tuesdays at Wild Heaven in Avondale Estates. Trivia begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends by 9:00 p.m. Log into Realm to contact Edie Brush or Jacob Geiger if you have any questions.

MUSIC | Choirs for Adults & Youth-Wednesdays • music suite

- 11/13—<u>The Epiphany Ringers</u> rehearse from 5:30 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Loft.
- 11/13—Our all-volunteer Epiphany Choir rehearses from 6:45 8:30 p.m. in the Music Suite.

FORMATION | Contemplative Book Group: A Fresh Look at the Hope of Advent—starting November 14 11/14—On Thursday November 14 at 11:00 a.m., the Contemplative Book Group will begin a study of the book The First Advent in Palestine by Kelley Nikondeha, led by Paul Hinson and Suzanne Yoder. Nikondeha puts the story of Godwithus into its original embodied context, provoking comparisons to our own, in a beautiful narrative spanning scripture and experience. Visit epiphany.org/rsvp to register.

PARISH GROUPS | Chez Epiphany Cooking Class—Thursday, November 14 • parish hall 11/14—The next cooking class with chef-in-residence Joel Fowler will be from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. on November 14. The topic for this session is Fried Pies! We'll make savory and sweet fried pies from two different types of dough. No pastry skill or experience is needed. The cost is \$30 per person, which includes the class and the dinner we have together from what we cook. Visit epiphany.org/rsvp to register.

UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | Thanksgiving at Home–Bags are due by 1:00 p.m. Sunday, November 17 NOW through 11/17—Every year Epiphany seeks donations of canvas bags filled with the ingredients for families to make all their favorite side dishes while Emmaus House provides the turkeys and other items. Visit epiphany.org and click the button on the home page for the list of ingredients and other instructions. Log into Realm to contact Suzanne Yoder if you have any questions.

MEMBERSHIP | Newcomers' Dessert—Sunday, November 17 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. • Courtyard 11/17—Epiphany's membership committee invites all newcomers and visitors, both individuals and families, to a dessert reception on Sunday from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Old-timers are welcome too! The committee is providing the desserts. This social gathering will be a time to get to know one another and learn more about our parish, programs, and ministries from clergy and parishioners. Please RSVP at epiphany.org/rsvp.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & ONGOING PROGRAMS

GIVING | Provide Donuts for the Youth Formation Hour!

Help sweeten up Sunday mornings for our youth by providing donuts for their Formation Hour (11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.). Visit epiphany.org/rsvp if you would like to take a turn provide the donuts.

PARISH GROUPS | The Munch Bunch—3rd Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. • Thinking Man Tavern 11/20—Give yourself a mid-week-treat and join friends and friends-to-be for lunch at 1:00 p.m. at the Thinking Man Tavern on Howard Avenue in Decatur. No agenda. No reservation needed. Just fun. Log into Realm to contact Laura Keys if you have any questions.

PASTORAL CARE | The Community of Hope's Circle of Care—Last Mondays at 6:00 p.m. • parish hall 11/25—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 login to Realm to contact Ann Fowler.

PASTORAL CARE | The Grief Pastoral Care Group—1st Thursdays at 12:00 p.m. • Zoom 12/5—The group meets online each month for a healing and faith-based conversation around grief and loss. It is led by parishioner and trained psychotherapist, Nancy Thompson. Please log into Realm to contact Nancy before attending for the first time.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | Gateway Center Meal Ministry—meals served 2nd Fridays of the month 12/11-13—Volunteers cook in the Epiphany kitchen and then serve the meal at Gateway Shelter on 2nd Fridays. To help prepare, cook, or serve the meal, visit epiphany.org/rsvp.

PASTORAL CARE | Caregiver Group—2nd Fridays at 11:45 p.m. • Zoom

12/13—Epiphany's Caregiver Group meets on the second Friday of each month, from 11:45-12:45 on Zoom. Parish members who are caring for a loved one, or who are anticipating caring for a loved one, gather to talk about their experience of caregiving and support one another. The group is facilitated by Epiphany parishioner Nancy Thompson, a Georgia-licensed psychologist, and is co-facilitated by parishioner Anne Bucey, who is trained as a spiritual advisor. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Nancy Thompson to express your interest. You can find her contact information in the Epiphany directory in Realm. She can answer any questions you have, and help you determine if the group is right for you.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS – 40 words or less – are due by <u>NOON on Wednesdays</u>. Longer versions may run in the *Friday eNews*. Email submissions to parishadmin@epiphany.org.

LITURGICAL & EVENT CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 10 Veterans' Recognition 10:00 a.m. service
- 12 Family Dinner & Eucharist (dinner rsvp) 6:15 p.m.
- 14 Chez Epiphany (rsvp) 6:00 p.m.
- 17 Newcomers' Gathering (rsvp) 4:00 p.m.

DECEMBER

- 1 Advent 1 10:00 a.m.
 - Advent Wreath-Making (rsvp)
- 6 Nativities Collection goes on display
- 7 Advent Cookie Baking Event 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.
- 8 Advent 2 10:00 a.m.
 - ECW Bake Sale 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
 - St. Nicholas Event 11:15 a.m.
 - Advent Lessons & Carols 5:00 p.m.
 - Lessons & Carols Reception 6:00 p.m.
- 10 Family Dinner & Eucharist (dinner rsvp) 6:15 p.m.
- 19 ECW Luncheon for the Emmaus House Seniors 12:00 p.m.
- 15 Advent 3 10:00 a.m.
- 22 Advent 4 10:00 a.m.
 - Service of Light 6:00 p.m.
- 24 Christmas Eve Services
 - Festival Eucharist 4:00 p.m.
 - Music Prelude 7:30 p.m.
 - Festival Eucharist 8:00 p.m. (incense will be used)
- 25 The Nativity of Our Lord 10:00 a.m.
- 29 Christmas Lessons and Carols 10:00 a.m.

JANUARY

5 Feast of the Epiphany & Epiphany Pageant • 10:00 a.m. Feast Day Feast • 11:30 a.m.

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