

The
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
of the
EPIPHANY

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2025 ✠ 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 altar rail you have the option to drink from the chalice, to hand your wafer to the Lay Eucharistic Minister to intinct for you, or to cross your arms after you receive the bread to indicate that you do not wish to receive the chalice. At the floor station, communion is received by intinction by the Priest. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, cross your hands across your chest; the priest will bless you. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

For the latest news and events at Epiphany, visit our website at epiphany.org 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 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.

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.

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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—Chorale Prelude on *Olivet*

Karl Osterland

The Procession—*The People stand*

A Penitential Order

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

Celebrant

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept

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 Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Holy God—S 100

David Hurd

standing

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63:1-8—Sung by all

Robert K. Kennedy

Deus, Deus meus



- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I / **seek you**; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no / **water**.
- 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your / **holy place**, *
that I might behold your power and your / **glory**.
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life it-/**self**; *
my lips shall give you / **praise**.
- 4 So will I bless you as long as I / **live** *
and lift up my hands in your / **Name**.
- 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and / **fatness**, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful / **lips**,
- 6 When I remember you upon my / **bed**, *
and meditate on you in the night / **watches**.
- 7 For you have been my / **helper**, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will re-/**joice**.
- 8 My soul clings to / **you**; *
your right hand holds me / **fast**.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.” We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Children (up to 3rd 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 648—When Israel was in Egypt’s land

Go Down, Moses

The Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

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

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

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

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 for Lent

O God, you are our God; eagerly we seek you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water. Guide us with your mighty hand and outstretched arm. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

We pray for your church throughout the world. Help us who bear your name to live with integrity, bringing forth fruit to nourish this hungry world. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

We pray for this nation, for all its leaders, and for all the nations of your world; wherever we are living in righteousness, strengthen us; wherever we have lost our way, guide us and make us repentant that we may find the way we should go. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

We pray for your creation that is fractured by greed and fear; through your Christ make us one with yourself and all creation, that we might be transformed into the righteousness of God. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

We pray for this city and all who have made this their home; create in us a spirit of true community where we, like you, would seek one another's safety and nurture. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

We pray for our family, friends, and neighbors who are laboring beneath burdens too heavy to bear: for refugees and immigrants, for those without homes or adequate employment, for respectable households concealing domestic violence or addiction; merciful God, open our eyes and hearts, and join our hands to yours as we minister to those who suffer. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

We pray for all those who have asked us to pray:

Forge for them a way through the wilderness; be for them a river in the desert. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

We pray for those who have died; may everything that has passed away be gathered into Christ's new creation, that all may see your goodness in the land of the living. Jesus Christ, Son of God,

Guide us in wisdom, truth, and love.

Celebrant's concluding Collect

Gracious God, our refuge and stronghold, the God in whom we put our trust; guide your people through our Lenten wilderness, have mercy on us and answer us as we call, though Christ the Lord of all, who is generous to everyone who calls upon him. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Welcome

Offertory Anthem—Lord, grant me a quiet mind

Arlen Clarke

Epiphany Choir

Lord grant Thou me a quiet mind, in depths of Thee and thought inclined. O gaze upon this wounded heart, and with Thy sweet and piercing Dart prick this soul with Love's embrace. And heal these wounds with saving grace. Lord grant Thou me a quiet mind, in depths of Thee and thought inclined. O gaze upon this wounded heart, and with Thy sweet and piercing Dart within my soul and heart reside and drown me in Thy healing tide. Amen.

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
 4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
 6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so

1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
 4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
 6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom

1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
 4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
 6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A, Expansive Language

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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:

Sanctus W850—Holy, holy, holy Lord

Jonathan Dimmock
 from *Missa Appalachia*

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, —
 hea-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. — Blest is the one who comes in the
 name of the Lord. — Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na,
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, the high - est. —

The people may stand or kneel

Holy and gracious God: 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 creator of all.

Jesus 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 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior: 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

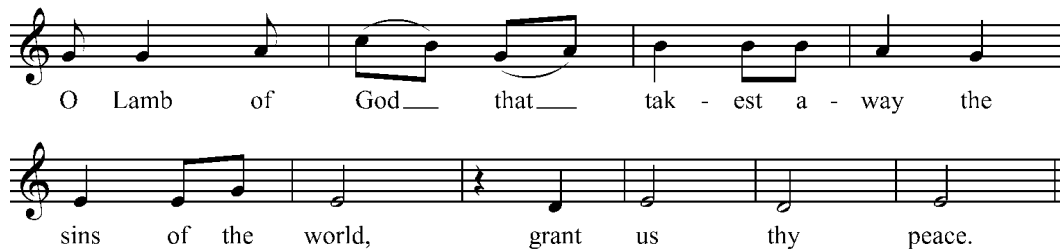
A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem MO43—O Lamb of God

Jonathan Dimmock
from *Missa Appalachia*

O Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

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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 Motet—All things bright and beautiful
Junior Choir and Beginning Choristers

Royal Oak

Communion Hymn 685—Rock of ages, cleft for me
Sung by all

Toplady

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 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.

Solemn Prayer—*Celebrant*

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn 149—Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church

Old 124th

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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: Ellen Mintzmyer • Jerry Kinnane • Philip Anderson • Bruce & Ann Fort • Joey Saavedra • Kim Boswell • Louise Bedrossian (wife of Bob Thompson) • Mary Katharine Williamson • John Wyman • Pam Hall • Jerry Wall (husband of Lucy Davidson) • Barbara Belcore • Esther Harbert • Veta Smith (mother of Cecilia Democko) • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Brandon Laird • Anne Warner • Francis Lee • Brett Boatright • Laura, John & Sarah Keys • Robin Hairston • Beth Towers • Sally Brockington

For those awaiting the birth of a child: Bekka & Freyja DePew

For friends and family: Ford Phillips, family of George Ross • Amy McAlister, daughter of Mary Lou Bassett • Louise Peters, grandmother of Tristen Webb • Sherri Sharpe, cousin 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 • Mary McCall Cash • Wende Crowe • Pat and Bill Graves • Rod MacLeod • Sally McClintock • Chris Miller & Ron Hutcheson • Tom Mundy • Ann Rowles • Pat Spivey • Michael Towers, Jr. • Wayne & Judy Urban • Larry Wilcox • Colleen

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

For those celebrating anniversaries the week of 3/23-29: Holly & Charlie Slater

For those celebrating birthdays the week 3/23-29: Bert Bender • Evelyn Stewart • Laura Gary • Will Lutz • Feivel Ackerly • Alex Bender • Robert Woodrum • Eric Jacobs • Cindy Lamons

For our Haitian siblings and the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti.

For racial justice: For those with influence in our government that they will work to uphold justice and equity for those most in need.

For our fragile and beautiful Earth: Bats, our friends in controlling pests, pollinating plants, and dispersing seeds. They are suffering from a fungal disease and loss of habitat.

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 | Adult Formation—Sundays at 11:30 a.m. • locations vary

- **Seeking Shalom:** Often translated “peace,” the biblical word *shalom* entails far more than just the absence of war and conflict. *Shalom* describes God’s grand and beautiful dream for a world in which wholeness and healing are cultivated at the level of just societies and flourishing communities. This five-part study offers an in-depth exploration of the biblical concept of shalom, including its various spiritual, social, and economic dimensions. Emphasis will be placed on how we can respond to the call to shalom through the ministries of the church and our own lives of faith. Presented by Dr. Ryan Bonfiglio, Founding Director of the Candler Foundry. *Dates: March 23 and 30 in the Parish Hall*
- **Faithful Families:** Parents of children and youth are invited to join others on the parenting journey for a five-part book study that began on March 9. We will read and reflect on *Raising Self-Reliant Children in a Self-Indulgent World: Seven Building Blocks for Developing Capable Young People* by H. Stephen Glenn. Facilitated by Cristin & Jeremy Davis. *Dates: March 23, 30 and April 6 upstairs in the Music Suite*

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

- Godly Play—Ages 3 - 3rd grade, Room 203
- Youth Formation—4th - 8th Grade, Donut Den
- High School Coffee Hour—9th - 12th Grade, Room 201

MUSIC & FORMATION | The Bach/Biber Project—Sunday, March 23 at 4:00 p.m. • Nave

3/23—Join us for the fourth in a series of 6 performances of the Bach/Biber Project. Violinist Judith Cox and organist Julie Ryder will present J.S. Bach’s Partita No. 2 in D minor for Violin Solo, BWV 1004, and H.I.F. Biber’s Rosary Sonatas: IX. Jesus Carries the Cross and X. Crucifixion. Donations welcome. For more information, visit Bach/Biber Project at bachbiberproject.com.

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Youth Group

Youth Group meets tonight at 5:00 p.m. in the donut den. We will be watching two short episodes of the documentary series "The Way Home," and discussing factors that influence homelessness in America, in preparation for our trip to Common Ground next week.

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

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in honor of the Epiphany Book Group, by Jeff & Wallace McGrath.

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, request the login link from the parish office.
- Tuesday Morning Prayer (Holy Eucharist 1st Tuesdays)—7:00 a.m. in the side chapel
- Wednesday Noonday Prayer—in the side chapel; a Healing Service and Eucharist follows at 12:15 p.m.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | **Non-Food Pantry Drive**—During the month of March

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) sponsor a pantry drive twice a year for Emmaus House for items not covered by the SNAP Program. This time for the month of March, we are collecting collect bar soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes with a goal of 75 donations for each item. Bins for donations are in the gallery.

GIVING | **United Thank Offering (UTO)**—make a practice of thank offerings during Lent

In 1889, two Episcopal women envisioned a way to collect small thank offerings in homes as a personal expression of gratitude. Today, UTO contributions from Episcopalian around the world support more than 5,300 Episcopal missions and ministries. UTO boxes/envelopes are in the Gallery. Make checks out to The Episcopal Church Women, noting UTO in the memo. Ingathering will be Sunday, April 27.

PASTORAL CARE | **The Community of Hope's Circle of Care**—Last Mondays of the month • parish hall

3/24—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.

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

3/25—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.

MUSIC | **Choirs for Children & Youth**—Tuesdays • Music Suite upstairs • Julie Ryder / music@epiphany.org

- 3/25—Beginning Choristers (pre-K - 2nd grade) meet from 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.
- 3/25—Junior Choir (3rd grade-unchanged voices) meet from 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.

PARISH GROUPS | **Trivia Group**—Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. • Wild Heaven in Avondale Estates

3/25—All are invited to join the Epiphany Trivia Group on Tuesdays at Wild Heaven in Avondale. Trivia begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends by 9:00 p.m. Questions? Log into Realm to contact Edie Brush or Jacob Geiger.

MUSIC | **Choirs for Adults & Youth**—Wednesdays • Julie Ryder / music@epiphany.org

- 3/26—The Epiphany Ringers rehearse from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Loft.
 - 3/26—Our all-volunteer Epiphany Choir rehearses from 6:45 - 8:30 p.m. in the Music Suite.
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UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

WORSHIP | **Church of the Common Ground**—Worship with the youth 3/30 at 11:30 a.m. in Woodruff Park

3/30—Join the Epiphany Youth Group to worship at Church of the Common Ground, the "church without walls" in Downtown Atlanta. We will gather after the 10 a.m. service to eat lunch and carpool and should return to the church by 3:00 p.m. This is an outside event so please dress accordingly and be sure to register on Realm.

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

4/1—Join us for a Family Eucharist at 6:15 p.m. 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.

SAVE THE DATE | A Quiet Day Lenten Journey with Etty Hillesum presented by the Rev. Lynnsay Buehler, Sunday, April 6, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Registration information coming soon.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS | Parish Workday—*from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.*

4/12—Please save the date for a work day that we will have on Saturday, April 12 from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. We hope you will be able to join your fellow Creation Caregivers of the Earth Guild and the Buildings & Grounds Committee as we spruce up our lovely grounds and interior spaces before Holy Week. All ages and all skill levels are welcome! We will provide snacks and beverages, but you will want to bring your reusable water bottle so we can avoid single-use plastics. If you have them, bring your work gloves, pruning shears, loppers, spades, clippers, and garden shovels.

WORSHIP | Palm Sunday

4/13—The narrative account of Jesus' last days is read at the service. We will gather over in the meadow, the grassy area off the paved parking lot, and process to the nave with our palms. Visit epiphany.org/rsvp if you would like to read part of the passion.

GIVING | Easter Flowers & Music Sign up is NOW LIVE

You are invited to make an offering for Easter Flowers and/or Music in thanksgiving or memory of a loved one. Visit epiphany.org/easter-flowers-and-music to list your intention. You can choose to pay online from a link on that page, or mail a check to the church. Submissions received by 9:00 a.m. Monday, April 14 will be listed in the Easter Bulletin.

PARISH EVENT | Easter Candy Donations

Please consider donating a bag of candy to Epiphany for our Easter Egg Hunt. You can drop off candy at Epiphany during regular office hours or on Sunday mornings, in the bin beside the front entrance. We need all candy by Tuesday, April 15. NO CANDY WITH NUTS OR PEANUT BUTTER, PLEASE!

YOUTH MINISTRIES | Vacation Bible School: June 16 - 20 at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

This year's VBS theme is Be Loved. Be Kind. Be You. We will explore compassion for others, ourselves, and the world through a variety of activities and service projects. Children ages rising pre-K through 5th grade are invited to register as participants, and all youth rising 6th recently graduated are invited to register as counselors. The registration link is located at epiphany.org/rsvp.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & ONGOING PROGRAMS

PASTORAL CARE | The Grief Pastoral Care Group—*1st Thursdays at 12:00 p.m. • Zoom*

4/3—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.

PARISH GROUPS | The Episcopal Church Women (ECW)—*2nd Tuesdays at 9:30/11:30 a.m. • parish hall*

4/8—The ECW meets on the 2nd 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.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | Our Quarterly Wednesday Dinner for Holy Comforter

4/9—Holy Comforter is a unique worshipping community in the heart of Atlanta. About 60% of this congregation lives with mental illness. We will prepare a meal during the afternoon and take the meal to the church, leaving at 6:00 p.m., prepare to serve after the 6:30 p.m. service. After serving, the volunteers join the parishioners for dinner. Sign up to participate at epiphany.org/rsvp. Contact: Jeanette Hanson.

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