

Sunday, May 28, 2023
Day of Pentecost and Memorial Day
8:00AM and 10:30AM Services Rite II



“KNOCK, AND HE’LL OPEN THE DOOR
VANISH, AND HE’LL MAKE YOU SHINE LIKE THE SUN
FALL, AND HE’LL RAISE YOU TO THE HEAVENS
BECOME NOTHING, AND HE’LL TURN YOU INTO EVERYTHING.”
— JALAL AD-DIN RUMI

Epiphany Episcopal Church

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and links to on-line worship.*

**We are a diverse community seeking to embody and share
the teachings and love of Jesus Christ for all people.**

The Rev. Anne Weatherholt, Interim Rector

Dr. Mark Hardy, Organist

Debbie Leonard, Director of Christian Education

Maryellen Polvino-Bodnar, Assistant for Pastoral Care

Welcome to Epiphany Episcopal Church

If you are a guest today, please sign the register and make yourself known to the people around you. The Episcopal Church welcomes everyone to the world-wide Anglican Communion, and to this historic WW I Chapel in the Diocese of Maryland. ***We are glad you are here*** and hope you will return! Please make yourself at home and if you need anything, just ask and someone will be glad to assist you. ***The restrooms*** are located through either door on the side of the fireplace at the back of the Church. There is a ***ramp*** for easy access on the side of the Church opposite the road. **Sign up for our weekly “E-News” delivered to your email by Constant Contact:** <https://epiphany-md.org/events/>.

Children and Youth, Toddlers-Teens, are invited to “Godly Play” on Sundays in the Conboy Center during the 10 AM service. The Mission of Godly Play is: To make meaning through story, wonder, and play and nurture spiritual lives by honoring the centrality, competency, and capacity of children. Children come into Church for Communion.

All baptized persons of any age are welcome to receive communion at our services. If you or a family member are not baptized and would like to know more about joining the Church and making a commitment to the Christian way of life, speak to the clergy or call the Church office. Holy Baptism is the initiation by which we become members of Christ’s body, the Church, and are invited to grow in love for God and service to others, supported by a spiritual family.

Health guidelines: Masks are encouraged, and hand sanitizer is provided on the literature tables. You may remove your mask briefly if you are a lector or receiving communion. You may intinct (“dip”) the consecrated bread in the small intinction bowl offered by the Celebrant, or drink from the chalice.

**We provide gluten-free wafers. Please inform the Priest
of your preference when you come forward to receive Holy Communion.**

The Rev. Anne O. Weatherholt, Interim Rector

Rector’s Cell: 301-491-5792

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Be sure to call the church office or the Interim Rector’s Cell Phone if you or a loved one is in the hospital or in need of a visit.

WORSHIP NOTES

The Liturgy is found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Hymns are found according to the following: H=Blue Hymnal;

S=front portion of the Blue Hymnal; LEVAS = Black cover, Lift every voice and sing.

The Hymns are omitted at the 8 AM service.

Names for today’s prayers may be added on the clipboard near the Altar.

Please turn off the Bluetooth feature on your digital devices. It interferes with our video.


We Gather in the Name of God

THE PRELUDE


THE PROCESSIONAL People of God



1 Peo - ple of God, ga - ther to - ge - ther, come, let us
2 Hear - ing God's word, heed - ing the mes - sage, come and re -
3 Bear - ing your gifts, en - ter God's pre - sence; come, let us
4 Peo - ple of God harm - on - y blend - ing; come swell the




sing on this glo - rious day. Shout - ing a - broad
joice as we an - swer the call. With one ac - cord,
share in the hea - ven - ly feast. Mend - ing all rifts,
cho - rus in lov - ing ac - cord. Rais - ing a - gain




praise to the Mak - er, come and with bo - dy and soul let us pray.
made in God's im - age, come in com - mu - ni - ty, wel - com - ing all.
heal - ing di - vi - sions, come and from sor - rows and hurts be re - leased.
thanks ne - ver end - ing, come to the God who is Wis - dom and Word.

Refrain



Come, let us join in the hea - ven - ly dance,



prais - ing in joy - ous ce - le - bra - tion.

Celebrant
All

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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

THE SONG OF PRAISE S - 280 Glory to God (*Powell*)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all those who serve in the armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

We Hear the Word of God

THE FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-11

Lector A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem.

⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own

native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

Lector The Word of the Lord!
All **Thanks be to God!**

THE PSALM: Psalm 33:12-15, 18-22

- ¹²Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!
- ¹³The LORD looks down from heaven, *
and beholds all the people in the world.
- ¹⁴From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze *
on all who dwell on the earth.
- ¹⁵He fashions all the hearts of them * and understands all their works.
- ¹⁸Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who fear him, *
on those who wait upon his love,
- ¹⁹To pluck their lives from death, * and to feed them in time of famine.
- ²⁰Our soul waits for the LORD; * he is our help and our shield.
- ²¹Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, * for in his holy Name we put our trust.
- ²²Let your loving-kindness, O LORD, be upon us, *
as we have put our trust in you.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:4-13

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Corinth.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all

baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God!**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

LEVAS 119 - Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart (vs. 1-2)

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:8-17

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint John.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ!**

“Rabbi,” Philip said, “show us Abba God, and that will be enough for us.” Jesus replied, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and still you don’t know me?” Whoever has seen me has seen Abba God. How can you say, ‘Show us your Abba’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in Abba God and God is in me? The words I speak are not spoken of myself; it is Abba God, living in me, who is accomplishing the works of God. Believe me that I am in God and God is in me, or else believe because of the works I do. The truth of the matter is, anyone who has faith in me will do the works that I do—and greater works besides. Why? Because I go to Abba God, and whatever you ask in my name I will do, so that God may be glorified in me. Anything you ask in my name I will do. If you love me and obey the command I give you, I will ask the One who sent me to give you another Paraclete, another Helper to be with you always – the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept since the world neither sees her nor recognizes her; but you can recognize the Spirit because she remains with you and will be within you.

(Text from the Inclusive New Testament)

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

LEVAS 119 - Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart (vs. 3-4)

We Respond to the Word of God

Please be seated at the invitation of the Preacher.

THE SERMON The Rev. Anne Weatherholt, *Interim Rector*

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Peace be with you, brothers and sisters. In wonder and gratitude, let us pray, saying, “You send forth your Spirit: *Come, Holy Spirit.*”

Holy God, by your Spirit you gave birth to your Church: may our many members be the one Body of Christ in this world. Give to each member of your Church the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

You send forth your Spirit: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

Holy God, you gave your disciples the ability to speak in the languages of the people: may we also speak about your deeds of power throughout the world, that all may know of your salvation.

You send forth your Spirit: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

Holy God, the earth is full of your creatures: may all who look to you be given food in due season. Open your hand in desolate places and fill the hungry with good things.

You send forth your Spirit: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

Holy God, you poured out your Holy Spirit in your Holy City Jerusalem: pour out your Spirit in our own city. Raise up prophets and dreamers; give us vision.

You send forth your Spirit: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

Holy God, you give the gift of healing by your Spirit: bring healing and wholeness to all those on our hearts and minds this day. You renew the face of the earth; bring renewal to those in need.

You send forth your Spirit: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

Holy God, we pray for our sisters and brothers who were baptized into the one body, who were made to drink of the one Spirit, and who now have died in Christ. May those who have called upon your name, O Lord, be saved forever.

You send forth your Spirit: *Come, Holy Spirit.*

The Lector adds petitions listed by the people on the clipboard at the front of the Church.

THE PRAYER FOR PEACE (Written by the Rev. Dr. Phebe McPherson)

Oh God, the Father and Mother of all, guide us into the ways of peace. Lead us from prejudice to truth; deliver us from hatred, cruelty, violence and mean spiritedness; fill us with generosity, hospitality, and love; and in your good time enable us all to stand reconciled before you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION **BCP p. 360**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

You are invited to offer each other a sign of peace as each is comfortable.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Give Thanks to God

THE OFFERTORY

O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.

Revelation 4:11

THE ANTHEM **The Epiphany Choir**

THE PRESENTATION HYMN **H 380 - From All that Dwell below the Skies**

From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise!

Let the Redeemer's Name be sung through every land, by every tongue!

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord, and truth eternal is thy word:

thy praise shall sound from shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A **BCP p. 361**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. 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:

THE SANCTUS **LEVAS 255 - Holy, Holy, Holy**

The Celebrant continues on page 362.

THE LORD'S PRAYER **BCP p. 364**

We Break the Bread of Life

A moment of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is Sacrificed for us!
All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM **LV 149 - In Remembrance of Me (Vs 1 only)**

THE SPIRITUAL COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Said at 10:30 on behalf of those viewing this service online.
From the Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces.*

In Union, O Lord with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and the life to come. Amen.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

We Share the Gifts of God

Everyone who comes to this Holy Table is welcome.

You may be seated or kneel as you are able before and after receiving Holy Communion.

If you wish to receive Holy Communion, come forward to receive the bread and wine.

You may receive the consecrated bread and either intinct (“dip”) it in the small intinction bowl or drink from the Chalice offered by the chalice.

If you have never been baptized, you are invited to explore with us what this entrance to the Christian Faith is like. Prayers for healing are offered at each service.

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

LEVAS 118

Spirit Song

LEVAS 120

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

H 719

America the Beautiful

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER BCP p. 365

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

If you have a birthday or anniversary during this past or coming week, you are invited to come forward as the community offers a prayer.

Birthday Prayer BCP p. 830

THE PENTECOST BLESSING

May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. **Amen.**

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

H 579 – Almighty Father Strong to Save

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ, to live as a diverse community seeking to embody and share the teachings and love of Jesus Christ for all people! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God!! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Offering your gifts

Gifts of time and talent are welcome! Please speak to the Interim Rector or a Vestry member for areas of need where you can offer your interests and abilities.

Gifts of “Treasure” are welcome! You may give in cash, check or online (see below).

The basket offering for today is designated for the purchase of flowers for the altar.

Online Gifts



If you wish to give on-line, use the QR code to link to the “give” page on the Church website or go to <https://epiphany-md.org/giving/>.

Text Epiphany1918 to 73256 to link to the online giving form. If you include a dollar amount after the word “Epiphany1918” the form will be filled in with that dollar amount for you.

You may also sign up for recurring gifts, as well as update or add your Church information by joining REALM, our new Church database. <https://epiphany-md.org/giving/>. With REALM, your gifts and personal information are secure, and you control who may have access. You can view your giving record on-line and make special gifts as desired. The Epiphany volunteers who keep our records and produce mailings will thank you!

The Shared Life of the Community of Faith

SUNDAY, MAY 28, PENTECOST AND MEMORIAL DAY

Please stay after Church to celebrate Pentecost and enjoy the Annual Strawberry Festival! A great way to remind us of the great gift of the Holy Spirit!

NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 4, TRINITY SUNDAY

The summer Sunday schedule begins! Services are held at 8 am and 10 am.

Rev. Anne will be out of town at her 50th Class reunion at St. Olaf College and visiting family in Minnesota.

The Walking Tour of the Epiphany Cemetery, sponsored by the Epiphany Women's Group will take place June 4, after the 10 AM service. Everyone in the congregation is invited!

OUTREACH

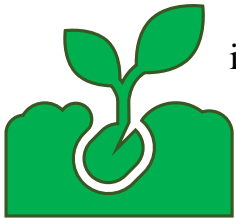
The featured items for the CAP food pantry in May are peanut butter and pasta sauce. Place your donations on the pew inside the front door of the Church for pickup! Thank you!

EPIPHANY NEWS

You are invited to sign up to give flowers for the Church using the clipboard on the literature table in the Church. You may choose whether to purchase, arrange, or bring something from your own garden. If you wish to place the flowers in the Church before Sunday, please contact Marian Vernon, 216-392-0754, vernonpm@aol.com.

Sunday morning Bible study resumes! Beginning June 4, join your fellow members in the Conboy Center for a study of the Lectionary lessons for the coming Sunday, **9-9:45 AM** – (so choir members may participate and still have time for rehearsal!). New member Jessica Clark has volunteered to coordinate the Bible study! **BYOB** - Bring your own Bible!

To our Epiphany gardeners!



We have three plots left in our community garden for the summer. Each plot is \$50; first come, first served. If you would like to reserve a plot, please email Catherine Clair at catherine.ann.clair@gmail.com. The plots are located behind the playground.

COMING UP

"An Epiphany Summer Feast."

"It is not a feast because of the food we eat.

It is a feast because of the people who eat it together."

Please join us on **Sunday, June 11 after the 10 AM service** for a special "Epiphany Summer Feast." We'll kick off the coming season featuring food, fellowship and festivities, and host a short, **special ceremony to "burn the mortgage."** Please sign the form on the clipboard "floating around" today, respond to the Sign up genius or contact Joe Gill at jgill84@comcast.net, or text him at (410) 299-2965 and he will sign-you up. (You can even do so during church services – Rev.d Anne won't mind!)