

January 19, 2025
Second Sunday after the Epiphany
The Feast of Saint Martin Luther King, Jr.
8:00AM and 10:30 AM, The Holy Eucharist, Rite II



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

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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 10:30 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 becoming a Christian, speak to Rev. Josh. 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.

At the time of Communion, you may intinct (“dip”) the consecrated bread in the small intinction bowl of wine offered by the Celebrant, or drink from the chalice of wine.

Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are offered by the Priest when you come forward to receive Holy Communion.

For Pastoral Care, please Contact Rev. Joshua Rodríguez-Hobbs
rector@epiphany-md.org - 443-931-9989 by call or text.

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.

The Word of God

THE PRELUDE

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN LEVAS 1 - Lift Every Voice and Sing

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE LEVAS 219 - This Is the Day

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING: **Exodus 3:7-12**

Lector A reading from the book of Exodus.

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.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God!**

THE PSALM: Psalm 77:11–20

The Psalm is said responsively by whole verse at 8:00 AM and sung at 10:30 AM.

- 11 I will remember the works of the LORD, *
and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts *
and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; *
who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who works wonders *
and have declared your power among the peoples.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, *
the children of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God;
the waters saw you and trembled; *
the very depths were shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water;
the skies thundered; *
your arrows flashed to and fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world; *
the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea,
and your paths in the great waters, *
yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a flock *
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

THE SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

Lector A reading from the book of Ephesians.

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God!**

SEQUENCE HYMN L117 - I'm Goin'-a Sing when the Spirit Says Sing

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-36

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

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

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners,

to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE HYMN L117 - I'm Goin'-a Sing when the Spirit Says Sing

THE SERMON *Rev. Canon Randy Callendar*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form IV BCP p. 388

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 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

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM The Epiphany Choir

THE PRESENTATION HYMN LEVAS 164 - Do Lord, Remember Me

The Holy Communion

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B BCP p. 367

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... 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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly
ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high -

est, ho - san - na in the high - est

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP p. 364

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is Sacrificed for us!

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

THE FRACTION ANTHEM LEVAS 149 - In Remembrance of Me

1. In re - mem - brance of me,
2. (In re -)mem - brance of me,

1. eat this bread. — In re - mem - brance of me, drink this wine. — In re -
2. heal the sick. — In re - mem - brance of me, feed the poor. — In re -

1. mem - brance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is
2. mem - brance of me, o - pen the door and let your broth - er

1. done. — In re -
2. in, Let him in. —

Take, eat, and be com - fort - ed; drink and re - mem - ber

too. — That this in my bod - y and pre - cious blood shed for

you, — shed for you. — In re - mem-brance of me

search for truth. — In re - mem-brance of me al-ways love. — In re-

mem-brance of me, don't look a - bove, but in — your heart —

— look for God. — Do this in re - mem-brance of me. —

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.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion. Gluten free wafers and alcohol-free wine are available. You may receive the consecrated wine by drinking from the common cup or dipping your host into the cup held by the priest. If you wish to

receive a blessing instead, cross your arms across your chest. Prayers for healing are offered at the rear of the chapel.

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

LEVAS 191 - His Eye Is on the Sparrow

LEVAS 226 - We Shall Overcome

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

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING *Book of Occasional Services p. 214*

Grant, O God, in your compassion, that N. and N., having taken each other in marriage, and affirming again the covenant which they have made, may grow in forgiveness, loyalty, and love; and come at last to the eternal joys which you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN LEVAS 208 - We've Come This Far by Faith

THE DISMISSAL

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!

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

Offering Our Gifts



Use the QR Code to link to the “giving” page on the Church website: <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. See your YTD giving, as well as update or add your Church information by joining

REALM, our Church database. Send an email request to realm.admin@epiphany-md.org or treasurer@epiphany-md.org.

- Pick up a brochure about REALM on the literature table to find out how to join the Church REALM community.
- Use a credit card for online giving and check to make sure the name & address you enter in REALM matches those on your credit card account billing profile.

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

The Shared Life of the Community of Faith

The Flower donation chart has plenty of space!

There is a list of dates on the literature table. Sign up to donate flowers for our Sunday morning worship. You will get a call to remind you when it is your turn to bring flowers to decorate our Sanctuary! You may donate in the name of a loved one or occasion.

The flowers this week are given by Maryellen Polvino-Bodnar.

Donations for the CAP Food Bank are needed.

This month and next, CAP is requesting beans - canned beans and dry beans, any flavor, any kind. Ready-to-eat meals in rip-top cans are especially helpful to those who don't have access to kitchens or can openers.

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study meets at 9am in the Conboy Center.

1/19: Canon Randy Callendar presents on Truth & Reconciliation Ministries

1/26: Exodus 1:8-22, 2:1-5, 3:1-20, 4:1-31, 7:14-24, 11:4-10, 12:1-32, 50-51

Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26 following the 10:30 AM Worship service. See your bulletin insert for more information.

Livestream Volunteers Needed!

Our livestream ministry is looking for new volunteers to help run the Sunday livestreams. This ministry allows us to share our Sunday services with those who otherwise may not be able to make it to church in person. You don't need to be a tech whiz to run the livestream - we can teach anyone! Our goal is to have enough people available to volunteer so that each person only needs to cover one Sunday a month. If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to Sarah Kleinwechter at sarah.kleinwechter@gmail.com.

2024 Giving Statements

Annual giving statements for 2024 are available on the welcome table in the Chapel. Please pick yours up following services on Sunday. They will be in the chapel through February 2.