

## The Vestry and Staff

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For 21 years,
the Episcopal Church
of the Epiphany has lived out its
mission and ministry to the Tallassee
area as a parish in the Episcopal
Diocese of Alabama, the Episcopal
Church USA, and the worldwide
Anglican Communion.

## Serving This Week

Pam and Eddie Harper, Ushers Jean Kerr, Altar Guild Jean Kerr, Lay Reader Maurice McCord, Lay Eucharistic Minister Caleb Hart, Pianist Esther Hart, Violinist Kay Dickey, Refreshments Pam and Jere Van Etten, Stewards

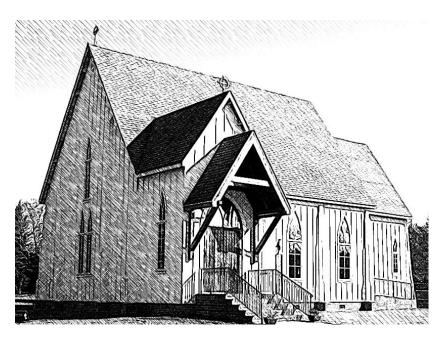
### In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Norm Kerr, Alan McCord, Barbara Trogdon, Norma Johnson, Rita Whitman, John Rand, Jim Rand, Bobby Dupree, Jimmy's niece Allison, Lynn Dubay, Eddie Harper, Lannon and Charlotte Poole, Robin and Clint Darby, and Randy Norris's mother Ronnie Taylor.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we remember St Matthias in Tuscaloosa; our companion diocese of Haiti and its bishops, Zaché and Oge; all parish administrators, members of parish vestries, and the General Convention of the Episcopal Church.



# EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



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# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist I Together with the Exhortation & Decalogue

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning
The Twenty-second Day of February
In the Year of Our Lord 2015

Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

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## Gathering of the People

The people enter in silence and observe a time of silent prayer. Please note that we are using service music from the Hymnal during the Season of Lent.

#### Piano Prelude

Words of Peace

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Processional Forty Days and Forty Nights	Hymn 150
An Exhortation The People are seated.	Page 316, BCP
The Decalogue All kneel.	Page 317, BCP
Penitential Acclamation	Page 323, BCP
Holy God Trisagion	Hymn S-102
Salutation (And with thy spirit)	Page 325, BCP
Collect of the Day	

## The Liturgy of the Word

We sit for the Lessons and the Psalm, and we stand for the Gospel.

Old Testament <i>Genesis 9:8-17</i>	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 25:1-9 Ad te, Domine, levavi	Scripture Sheet
Epistle 1 Peter 3:18-22	Scripture Sheet
Sequence Now Let Us All with One Accord	Hymn 147
Gospel Lesson Mark 1:9-15	Scripture Sheet
The Sermon	
The Nicene Creed	Page 326, BCP
Prayers of the People, Form I	Page 328, BCP
Confession of Sin	Page 330, BCP
Absolution and Comfortable Words	Page 332, BCP
The Peace	
Announcements	
Offertory	

## **Holy Communion**

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings The Doxology	<i>Hymn 380:3</i>
Eucharistic Prayer I	Page 333, BCP
Holy, Holy, Holy Sanctus	Hy <i>mn S-113</i>
Consecration of the Elements	
The Lord's Prayer Traditional	Page 336, BCP
The Breaking of the Bread	
O Lamb of God Agnus Dei	Hymn S-158
Communion All are welcome at the Lord's Table	
Post-Communion Prayer	Page 339, BCP
Blessing	
Recessional The Glory of These Forty Days	Hymn 143
Dismissal	
Piano Postlude	

## **Announcements**

Find Us Online with a new and improved web site (thanks to our web master Lee Borden) at http://epiphanytallassee.org/

Made Your Pledge? I'm hoping that those of us who have not yet made a financial pledge to Epiphany will continue to pray and plan about this. We have received 14 pledges to date, and the Vestry is helped greatly by being able to plan ahead with these commitments made.

**Father Wells's Sermons** are available on Epiphany's new and improved web site. Return to a message from previous weeks or months. Sometime this week, go to <a href="http://epiphanytallassee.org/">http://epiphanytallassee.org/</a> and click on Sermons.

Find Us on Facebook along with 80 members and friend. There are events, photographs, and words of encouragement available to you 24/7.

## The Lessons for the First Sunday in Lent

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### Old Testament Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

#### Psalm 25:1-9 Ad te, Domine, levavi

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \* let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; \* let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O LORD, \* and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, \* for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \* for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \* remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

Gracious and upright is the LORD; \* therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

He guides the humble in doing right \* and teaches his way to the lowly.

All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \* to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

#### **Epistle** 1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

### **Gospel** *Mark* 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."