



**THE  
EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH**

WELCOMES YOU

### The Clergy

The Rt. Hon. & Most Rev. Justin Welby  
*105th Archbishop of Canterbury*  
The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry  
*27th Presiding Bishop*  
The Rt. Rev. John McKee Sloan  
*11th Bishop of Alabama*  
The Rev. Dr. John Wells Warren, *Priest*

### The Vestry

Michael Harber, *Senior Warden*  
Jimmy Weldon, *Junior Warden and Vestry Member at Large*  
Mike Rallo, *Vestry Member*  
Jean Kerr, *Vestry Member*  
Maurice McCord, *Vestry Member*  
Kay Dickey, *Vestry Member*  
Michael Williams, *Vestry Member*  
Betty Weldon, *Treasurer*  
Elizabeth Harber, *Clerk of the Vestry*

**SINCE 1994**, 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. If you need a priest, call or text Father Wells at (334) 332-3222, or email him at [wellswarren@msn.com](mailto:wellswarren@msn.com)

### Serving This Week

Mike and Charlene Rallo,  
*Ushers/Stewards*  
Cathy Jones, *Altar Guild*  
Kay Dickey, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*  
Esther Hart, *Pianist and Violinist*  
Pam and Jere Van Etten,  
*Refreshments*  
Mike Rallo and Jimmy Weldon,  
*Groundskeeping*  
Mike Rallo and Kay Dickey  
*Beans & Rice Shoppers*

### In Our Prayers

We pray for our companion dioceses of Alaska and the Virgin Islands and their bishops Mark and Ambrose.

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Bill Shell's wife Dolores, Michael Williams, and Eddie Harper's cousin Gary. We also pray for Braxton Hemmert; for John and Kathy's grandsons, Vincent and Dezel, and their parents, Amber and Jared. We pray for Jerry Van Etten's sister Doris; for Allison, Jeffrey, Macy, Julie, Martha, Mary Southern, Troy, Peggy, Elizabeth, Letha, Marsha, Carly, and Norma.

### Holy Baptism!

We will baptize Vincent Greyson Oliver, grandson of Kathy and John Haynie, on Sunday, September 3, 2017, at the 10:30 am service! Vincent's parents, Jared and Amber, live in Grover NC.



## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY EST. 1994



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## THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning  
The Twentieth Day of August  
In the Year of Our Lord 2017

*Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life.*

# THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

*The People are invited to observe a time of quiet prayer. We are using the St. James service music which can be found on the Narthex table as you enter.*

### Gathering of the People

Prelude	
Words of Peace	
Processional <i>Christ for the World We Sing!</i>	<i>Hymn 537</i>
Acclamation	Page 355, BCP
Collect for Purity	
Glory to God <i>Gloria</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Salutation	Page 357, BCP
Collect of the Day	Scripture Sheet

### The Word of God

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

Old Testament <i>Genesis 45:1-15</i>	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 133 <i>Ecce, quam bonum!</i>	Scripture Sheet
Epistle <i>2 Peter 1:13-21</i>	Scripture Sheet
Sequence <i>There's a Wideness in God's Mercy</i>	<i>Hymn 470</i>
Gospel Lesson <i>Matthew 15:21-28</i>	Scripture Sheet
The Sermon	Father Wells
Nicene Creed	Page 358, BCP
Prayers of the People, Form VI	Page 392, BCP
Confession of Sin	
Absolution	
The Peace	
Announcements	
Offertory	
Presentation <i>Phos hilaron</i>	<i>Hymn 26</i>

### Holy Communion

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table.*

Eucharistic Prayer A	Page 361, BCP
Holy, Holy, Holy <i>Sanctus</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Consecration of the Elements	
Lord's Prayer	Page 364, BCP
Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction <i>Jesus, Lamb of God</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Communion	
Post-Communion Prayer	Page 366, BCP
Blessing	
Recessional <i>O Zion, Haste, Thy Mission</i>	<i>Hymn 539</i>
Dismissal	
Postlude	

**We Give Away**  
**BEANS & RICE**



*Every Third Saturday of the Month  
From 9:00 to 11:00 am  
At the Little White House  
2602 Gilmer Avenue  
Tallassee, Alabama 36078*

## Feeding the Poor and Needy

Vestry Member Mike Rallo does a very good job of highlighting our ministries and areas of service. One of the main forms of Outreach by the people of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Tallassee is our once-a-month distribution of free food to the poor and needy in our area. Church members come on the Third Thursday to help unload and stock goods coming from the Montgomery Area Food Bank. And more of our good folks arrive on the Third Saturday at 8:30 am to help with the distribution. Learn more about Beans & Rice by talking with Lee Borden.



Join Leigh Warren for

# DISCOVERING DISCIPLESHIP

On Sunday Morning, September 10  
at 9:00 am in the Church!

Father Wells will provide  
**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**  
And we will take part in  
**CONVERSATIONS**  
about Discipleship.  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

## LESSONS FOR THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*August 20, 2017*

### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; 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 45:1-15*



Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, “Send everyone away from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my

father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

**Psalm 133** *Ecce, quam bonum!*

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \*  
when brethren live together in unity!  
It is like fine oil upon the head \*  
that runs down upon the beard,  
Upon the beard of Aaron, \*  
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.  
It is like the dew of Hermon \*  
that falls upon the hills of Zion.  
For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: \*  
life for evermore.

**Epistle** *Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32*

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

**Gospel** *Matthew 15:21-28*



Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.