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Patron Saint of Animals

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*Will you help with  
Beans & Rice?*

### Serving This Week

Maurice and Debra  
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Caleb Hart, *Pianist*  
Esther Hart, *Violinist*  
Tom Bray, *Lay Eucharistic  
Minister*  
Lavonne Hart,  
*Refreshments*  
Pam and Jere Van Etten,  
*Stewards*

### In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are  
sick and recovering from  
illness or surgery, including  
Lynn Dubay, Ramona Heil-  
Norris, and Charlotte Poole.

In the Diocesan Cycle of  
Prayer, we remember St.  
Michael's in Fayette; St.  
Michael's & All Angels in  
Anniston; and St. Michael's  
& All Angels in Millbrook.  
We pray for our companion  
diocese of Haiti and its  
bishops, Zaché and Ogé;  
and for the ministry of all  
church musicians and choir  
members; and the Diocesan  
Department of Liturgy and  
Music.

*Third Saturday of the  
month, 9-11 am.*

# EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning  
The Twenty-first Day of September  
In the Year of Our Lord 2014

*For 20 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.*

# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

### 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 All Saints' Chapel in Sewanee, published by St. James Press.*

Piano Prelude	
Words of Peace	
Processional <i>Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven</i>	<i>Hymn 410</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

### Liturgy of the Word

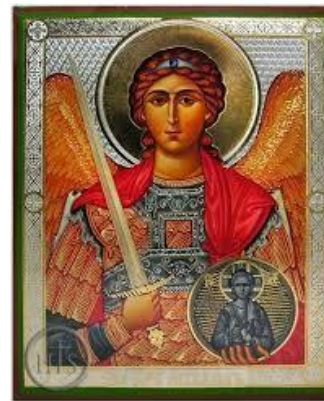
*We sit for the Lessons and the Psalm, and we stand for the Gospel.*

Old Testament <i>Exodus 16:2-15</i>	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 <i>Confitemini Domino</i>	Scripture Sheet
Epistle <i>Philippians 1:21-30</i>	Scripture Sheet
Sequence <i>Singing Songs of Expectation</i>	<i>Hymn 527</i>
Gospel <i>Matthew 20:1-16</i>	Scripture Sheet
Sermon	<i>Father Wells</i>
The Nicene Creed	Page 358, BCP
The Prayers of the People, Form IV	Page 388, BCP
Confession of Sin and Absolution	Page 360, BCP
The Peace	
Announcements	
Offertory	

### Holy Communion

Presentation <i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	<i>Hymn 396:1</i>
Eucharistic Prayer A	Page 361, BCP
Holy, Holy, Holy <i>Sanctus</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Consecration of the Elements	
The Lord's Prayer <i>Traditional</i>	Page 364, BCP
Breaking of the Bread	
Lamb of God <i>Agnus Dei</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Invitation	
Communion	
Post-Communion Prayer	Page 366, BCP
Blessing	
Recessional <i>Come, Labor On</i>	<i>Hymn 541</i>
Dismissal	
Piano Postlude	

### Upcoming Events



ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

**St. Michael and All Angels** (also known as *Michaelmas*) will be celebrated on Sunday, Sept. 28, (16 Pentecost) with a Festival Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am.

**St. Francis of Assisi** and the Blessing of the Animals will be celebrated on Sunday, Oct. 5, (17 Pentecost) with an Outdoor Eucharist at 10:30 am. We will have Gospel Bluegrass and Dinner on the Ground. Bring your pet on a leash!

**Father Wells** will be away on 18 Pentecost Sunday, Oct. 12, to celebrate a wedding in Pine Mountain, Georgia. Father Larry Sharpton will be our guest celebrant and preacher that Sunday.

**Contact Pam Van Etten** if you have someone to include in the Prayers of the People, or an event to announce in the bulletin.

vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

## **ACTS Christmas Program**

*by Lee Borden*

ACTS is conducting its Christmas Program starting Monday, September 22nd through Thursday, October 16th. They are asking for volunteers to take the Christmas applications. Contact Barry Adair @ 283-6750 to help with this ministry. The Christmas Food Boxes will be \$30 this year regardless of the cost to ACTS. They will need help distributing the boxes and toy bags to take the burden off the regular volunteers. The dates are Tuesday, Dec. 16th and Wednesday, Dec. 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. If you would like to help please call Barry Adair @ 283-6750. We want to invite all our members to help with this local ministry. Here at Epiphany, Cathy Jones will be in charge of our donations to the ACTS Christmas Program.

## **Casserole Gift Program**

*by Pam Van Etten*

I wanted to remind you about our ongoing "casserole gift program" for our church family. We are putting frozen casseroles in the freezer to take to people who need a "hug" and support from their church family. Pam and Eddie took food to Charlotte and Lannon Poole, and Jere and I are taking Dr. Dubay some food on Thursday of this week. Remember that Lynne is having another surgery.

## **The Lessons for 15 Pentecost**

### **Collect of the Day**

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **Old Testament Exodus 16:2-15**

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him-- what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'" In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost

on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

**Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45** *Confitemini Domino*

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Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; \*  
*make known his deeds among the peoples.*

Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
*and speak of all his marvelous works.*

Glory in his holy Name; \*  
*let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.*

Search for the LORD and his strength; \*  
*continually seek his face.*

Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
*his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,*

O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
*O children of Jacob his chosen.*

He led out his people with silver and gold; \*  
*in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.*

Egypt was glad of their going, \*  
*because they were afraid of them.*

He spread out a cloud for a covering \*  
*and a fire to give light in the night season.*

They asked, and quails appeared, \*  
*and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.*

He opened the rock, and water flowed, \*  
*so the river ran in the dry places.*

For God remembered his holy word \*  
*and Abraham his servant.*

So he led forth his people with gladness, \*  
*his chosen with shouts of joy.*

He gave his people the lands of the nations, \*  
and they took the fruit of others' toil,

That they might keep his statutes \*  
and observe his laws.  
Hallelujah!

**Epistle** *Philippians 1:21-30*

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

**Gospel** *Matthew 20:1-16*

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the