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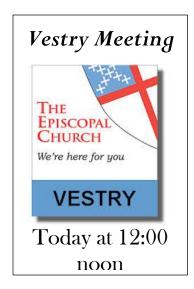
FOR 21 YEARS, the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany has lived out its mission and ministry to the Tallassee area as a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama, the Episcopal Church USA, and the worldwide Anglican Communion. If you need a priest, call or text Father Wells at (334) 332-3222, or email him at wellswarren@msn.com

Serving This Week

Pamela and Eddie Harper, Ushers
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Mike Harber, Lay Reader
Lee Borden, Lay Eucharistic
Minister
Esther Hart, Pianist
Lavonne Hart, Refreshments
Maurice McCord, Steward
Maurice McCord and Jere Van
Etten, Grounds

In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Dolores, Julie, Michael, Mary Southern, Pamela Harper's mother Billie, Troy, Vincent, Peggy, Elizabeth, Letha, and Marsha. We pray for our companion dioceses of Alaska and the Virgin Islands and their bishops Mark and Ambrose.



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY EST. 1994



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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning The Eighteenth Day of September In the Year of Our Lord 2016

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly.



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Gathering of the People

Piano Prelude

Words of Peace

VV OLUS OL I CACC	
Processional Praise to the Lord	Hymn 390
Acclamation	Page 355, BCP
Collect for Purity	
Glory to God Gloria	St. James
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 Jeremiah 8:18-9:1	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 79:1-9 Deus, venerunt	Scripture Sheet
Epistle 1 Timothy 2:1-7	Scripture Sheet
Sequence There is a Balm in Gilead	Hymn 676
Gospel <i>Luke 16:1-13</i>	Scripture Sheet
The Sermon	
Nicene Creed	Page 358, BCP
Prayers of the People, Form VI	Page 392, BCP
Confession of Sin	
Absolution	
The Peace	
Announcements	
Offertory	
Presentation Lord of All Hopefulness	Hvmn 482:3-4

Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Eucharistic Prayer B	Page 367, BCP
Holy, Holy, Holy Sanctus	St. James
Consecration of the Elements	
Lord's Prayer Contemporary	Page 364, BCP
Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction Jesus, Lamb of God	St. James
Communion	
Post-Communion Prayer	Page 365, BCP
Blessing	
Recessional Holy Father, Great Creator	Hymn 368
Dismissal	
Piano Postlude	

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed I have a goodly heritage.



The Sycamore tree at the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Tallassee.

fifty.' Then he asked another, `And how much do you owe?' He replied, `A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, `Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Start Cycling!



The Third Annual Chief Ladiga Century Cycle is set for Saturday, Oct. 29. Cost per person is \$25 for the Beans & Rice outreach program of Epiphany Church in Tallassee.

THE LESSONS FOR THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 18, 2016

The 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 Jeremiah 8:18-9:1



My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger

with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Psalm 79:1-9 Deus, venerunt

O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple; * they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, *

and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.

They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, * and there was no one to bury them.

We have become a reproach to our neighbors, * an object of scorn and derision to those around us.

How long will you be angry, O LORD? * will your fury blaze like fire for ever?

Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you * and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.

For they have devoured Jacob * and made his dwelling a ruin.

Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; *

for we have been brought very low.

Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; * deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

Epistle 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.



Gospel Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, `What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, `What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, `How much do you owe my master?' He answered, `A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, `Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it