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The November 15 Beans & Rice distribution will be the largest one of the year! Please give to the cause, help with buying and stocking food, and help that Saturday!



FEED THE HUNGRY

Serving This Week

Jere and Pam Van Etten, *Ushers*
Jean Kerr, *Altar Guild*
Sharon Cleary, *Lay Reader*
Caleb Hart, *Pianist*
Esther Hart, *Violinist*
Lee Borden,, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
Amanda Borden, *Refreshments*
Debra and Maurice McCord,
Stewards

In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Dr. Jim Rand, Bobby Dupree, Betty's mother Louise, Jimmy's niece Allison, Lynn Dubay, Eddie Harper, and Lannon and Charlotte Poole.

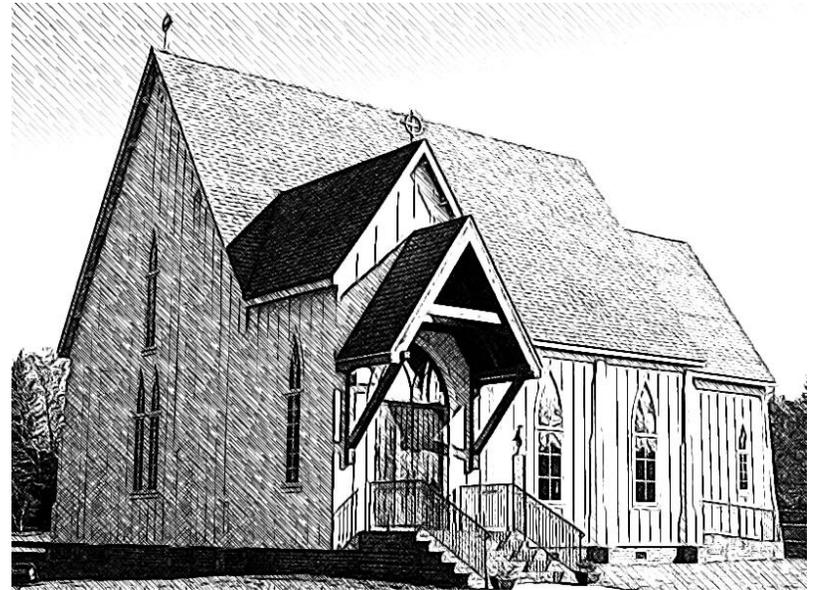
In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we remember Holy Cross in Uniontown and Saint Michael's in Faunsdale.

We pray for our companion diocese of Haiti and its bishops, Zaché and Ogé; and for the Commission on Spirituality and the Daughters of the King.

Beans & Rice

The Students and Friends of St. Dunstan's in Auburn have raised \$1,100 to purchase, package, deliver, and help to give out Thanksgiving Care Packages on Nov. 15.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning
The Ninth Day of November
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.

TWENTY-SECOND 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 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* Hymn 436

Acclamation Page 355, BCP

Collect for Purity

Glory to God *Gloria* St. James

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 *Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25* Scripture Sheet

Psalm 78:1-7 *Attendite, popule* Scripture Sheet

Epistle *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18* Scripture Sheet

Sequence *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* Hymn 324

Gospel *Matthew 25:1-13* Scripture Sheet

Sermon *Father Wells*

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

Presentation *Now Thank We All Our God* Hymn 396:1

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands, and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A Page 361, BCP

Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus* St. James

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord's Prayer *Traditional* Page 364, BCP

Breaking of the Bread

Lamb of God *Agnus Dei* St. James

Invitation

Communion

Post-Communion Prayer Page 366, BCP

Blessing

Recessional *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* Hymn 690

Dismissal

Piano Postlude

Announcements

Contact Pam Van Etten if you have someone to include in the Prayers of the People, or an event to announce in the bulletin. We want to be sure that we name those who are sick, recovering from illness or surgery, getting married, or preparing for baptism.

November 15 is our next Beans & Rice Saturday. This is *the largest need for our clients* during the year. The Students and Friends of St. Dunstan's have raised \$1,100 to provide a Thanksgiving "care package" of flour, cornmeal, gravy, cranberry sauce, and sweet potatoes. They will buy and deliver the food to Epiphany as they did last year. They enjoy being a part of Epiphany's outreach program!

The ACTS Christmas Box Program provides Christmas food for the needy in our area. The cost is \$30 for each box. Please write a check to Epiphany, and Betty will write one check to ACTS. The deadline for donations is Dec. 1, 2014.

Remember we are having Thanksgiving Dinner together after church on Christ the King Sunday, Nov. 23. Bring a dish to share!

Mark Your Calendar for These Coming Events ...

Christ the King Sunday

Last Pentecost Nov. 23, 2014

No Sunday School

Festival Holy Eucharist II-D at 10:30 am

Covered Dish Thanksgiving Dinner at 11:30 am.



1 Advent Nov. 30, 2014

Father Wells will lead four Conversations on Stewardship.

Christian Formation at 9:30 am

Holy Eucharist II-B at 10:30 am

Refreshments at 11:30 am.

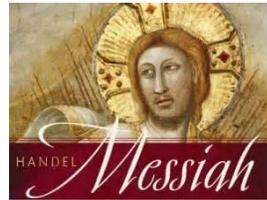


2 Advent Dec. 7, 2014 at 2 pm

Handel's Messiah

Sally Blackwell, choir director at First United Methodist Church in

Wetumpka, has graciously agreed to direct Messiah this year. *Singers needed!*



Christmas Eve Dec. 24, 2014 (Wednesday)

Carols of Christmas at 6 pm

Festival Holy Eucharist II-D at 6:30 pm

Christmas Eve Party following worship



Jan. 4, 2015

Feast of the Epiphany

Epiphany Sunday

No Sunday School.

Festival Holy Eucharist

Epiphany Sunday Dinner

Annual Church Meeting and Vestry Elections

Reports from Priest, Wardens and Treasurer.



The Lessons for the Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament *Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25*

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors--Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor--lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the LORD; for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the LORD!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Psalm 78:1-7 *Attendite, popule*

Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers
have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.

We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and
the power of the LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has done.

He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel, *
which he commanded them to teach their children;

That the generations to come might know, and the children yet
unborn; *
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;

So that they might put their trust in God, *
and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments.

Epistle 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."