



THE
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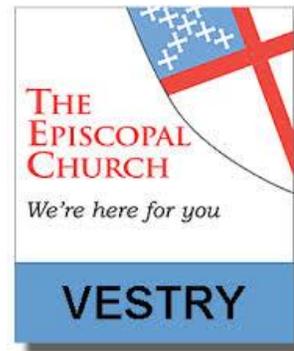
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SINCE 1994, the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany has lived out its mission and ministry to the Tallassee area as a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama, the Episcopal Church USA, and the worldwide Anglican Communion. If you need a priest, call or text Father Wells at (334) 332-3222, or email him at wellswarren@msn.com

Serving This Week

A.B. and Lulu Campbell,
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Betty Weldon, *Lay Reader*
Kay Dickey, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
Esther Hart, *Pianist and Violinist*
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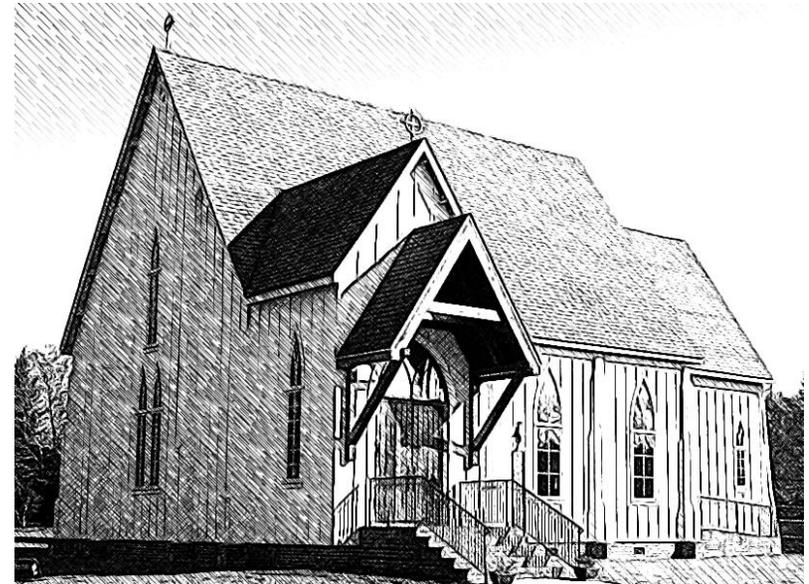


TODAY AT 12 NOON

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 Dezsél, and their parents, Amber and Jared. We pray for Allison, Jeffrey, Macy, Julie, Martha, Mary Southern, Troy, Peggy, Elizabeth, Letha, Marsha, Carly, and Norma.

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning
The Twenty-fifth Day of June
In the Year of Our Lord 2017

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness.

THIRD 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

Piano Prelude

Words of Peace

Processional *Praise to the Living God*

Hymn 372
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Acclamation

Collect for Purity

Glory to God *Gloria*

St. James
Page 357, BCP

Salutation

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 *Genesis 21:8-21*

Scripture Sheet

Psalm 86:1-10 *Inclina, Domine*

Scripture Sheet

Epistle *Romans 6:1b-11*

Scripture Sheet

Sequence *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

Hymn 524

Gospel Lesson *Matthew 10:24-39*

Scripture Sheet

The Sermon

Father Wells

Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People, Form VI

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Confession of Sin

Absolution

The Peace

Announcements

Piano Offertory

Presentation *Phos hilaron*

Hymn 26

Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus*

St. James

Consecration of the Elements

Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

Fraction *Jesus, Lamb of God*

St. James

Communion

Post-Communion Prayer

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Blessing

Recessional *Christ for the World We Sing*

Hymn 537

Dismissal

Piano Postlude

It's Time to Begin a New Journey to God.



Education for Ministry (EFM) is a remarkable opportunity for out-of-school adults to make what Saint Bonaventure called, "The Soul's Journey unto God," with a dozen of the closest friends you'll ever have.

EFM is a four-year program of Anglican worship, Bible study, and

Christian community based on the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles ... *they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, the breaking of the bread and the prayers.*

Offered one year at a time, from September through May, Education for Ministry is a series of weekly seminars hosted by Father Wells at St. Dunstan's. We gather in the McDowell Room on Wednesdays starting with Evening Prayer at 6:30 pm. Then we have a simple supper prepared by a member of the seminar group. From 7:30 to 9:00 pm, we share spiritual autobiographies, discuss weekly readings from texts that span the denominations of Christ's disciples and the Holy Bible, and practice "Theological Reflection" led by Father Wells. Tuition is \$375 per academic year, paid by check or credit card. First class meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017, at 6 pm.

the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”



THE YEAR OF DISCIPLESHIP, 2017-2018

LESSONS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *June 25, 2017*



The Collect of the Day

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament *Genesis 21:8-21*

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the

Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Psalm 86:1-10 *Inclina, Domine*

Bow down your ear, O Lord, and answer me, *
for I am poor and in misery.

Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; *
save your servant who puts his trust in you.

Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God; *
I call upon you all the day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant, *
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, *
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.

Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer, *
and attend to the voice of my supplications.

In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, *
for you will answer me.

Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord, *
nor anything like your works.

All nations you have made will come and worship you, O Lord, *
and glorify your Name.

For you are great; you do wondrous things; *
and you alone are God.

Epistle *Romans 6:1b-11*

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel *Matthew 10:24-39*

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like