



## 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*

**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](mailto:wellswarren@msn.com)

## Serving This Week

Jim Rand and Jimmy Weldon,  
*Ushers*  
Cathy Jones, *Altar Guild*  
Mark Harris, *Lay Reader*  
Kay Dickey, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*  
Esther Hart, *Pianist and Violinist*  
Maurice McCord, *Steward*  
John and Kathy Haynie,  
*Refreshments*

## In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Michael and Eddie Harper's cousin Gary. We also pray for Allison, Jeffrey, Macy, Dolores, Julie, Martha, Mary Southern, Billie, Troy, Vincent, Peggy, Elizabeth, Letha, Marsha, Carly, Norma, and Wells's mother Carolyn.

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



*Thanks to the People of Epiphany for your unselfish acts of kindness to our poor and needy neighbors. God bless Beans & Rice!*

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## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

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

*What does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

## *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

### Gathering of the People

Piano Prelude	
Words of Peace	
Processional <i>In the Cross of Christ</i>	<i>Hymn 441</i>
Acclamation	Page 355, BCP
Collect for Purity	
Glory to God <i>Gloria</i>	<i>Hymn S-280</i>
Salutation	Page 357, BCP
Collect of the Day	Scripture Sheet

### Liturgy of the Word

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

Old Testament <i>Micah 6:1-8</i>	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 15 <i>Domine, quis habitabit?</i>	Scripture Sheet
Epistle <i>1 Corinthians 1:18-31</i>	Scripture Sheet
Sequence <i>'Tis the Gift to be Simple</i>	<i>Hymn 554</i>
Gospel <i>Matthew 5:1-12</i>	Scripture Sheet
The Sermon	
The Nicene Creed	Page 358, BCP
Prayers of the People, Form III	Page 387, BCP
Confession and Absolution	
The Peace	
Announcements	
Offertory	
Presentation <i>O Gracious Light Phos hilaron</i>	<i>Hymn 26:1,3</i>

*O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ, in you the Father's glory shown.  
Immortal, holy, blest is he, and blest are you, his holy Son.  
Worthy are you of endless praise, O Son of God, Life-giving Lord;  
Wherefore you are through all the earth and in the highest heaven  
adored.*

### Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer C	Page 369, BCP
Holy, Holy, Holy <i>Sanctus</i>	<i>Hymn S-129</i>
Consecration of the Elements	
The Lord's Prayer <i>Contemporary</i>	Page 364, BCP
Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction <i>O Lamb of God</i>	<i>Hymn S-158</i>
Communion	
Post-Communion Prayer	Page 366, BCP
Blessing	
Recessional <i>Christ is the World's True Light</i>	<i>Hymn 542</i>
Dismissal	
Piano Postlude	



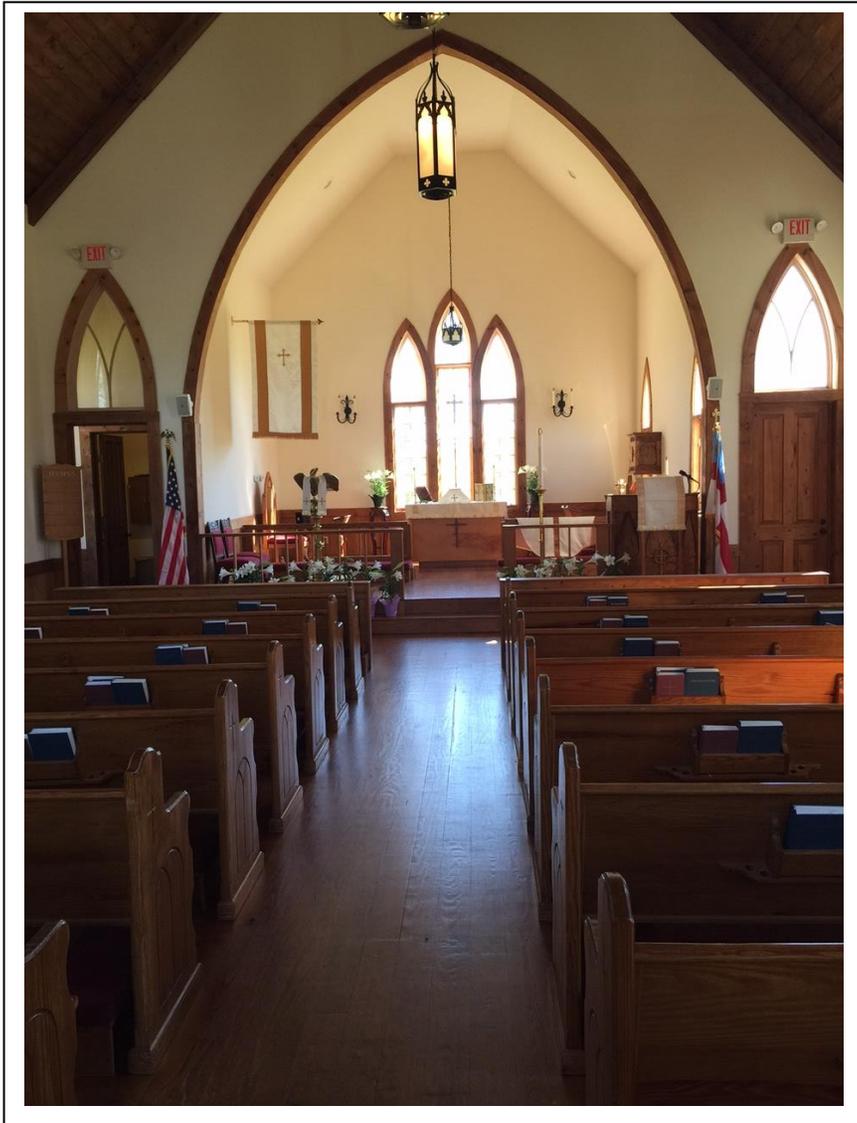
COMING SOON  
To an Episcopal  
Church near you!

Road Signs north  
and south of the  
Episcopal Church of  
the Epiphany!

At Wal-Mart, ½  
mile south of the  
Church!

At the Mexican  
Restaurant ½ mile  
north of the Church!

Thanks to Jimmy  
and Betty Weldon!



**The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany**  
EASTERTIDE 2016

## LESSONS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

*Jan. 29, 2017*

### The Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### Old Testament *Micah 6:1-8*



Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. “O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD. With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

**Psalm 15** *Domine, quis habitabit?*

LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \*  
*who may abide upon your holy hill?*

Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \*  
*who speaks the truth from his heart.*

There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; \*  
*he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.*

In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
*but he honors those who fear the LORD.*

He has sworn to do no wrong \*  
*and does not take back his word.*

He does not give his money in hope of gain, \*  
*nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.*

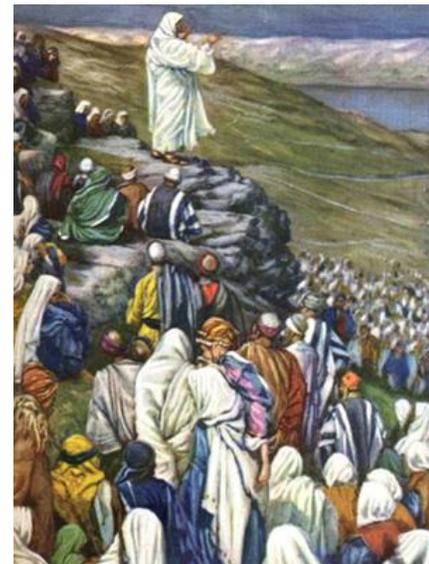
Whoever does these things \*  
*shall never be overthrown.*

**Epistle** *1 Corinthians 1:18-31*

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were

wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

**Gospel** *Matthew 5:1-12*



When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."