

THE  
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CHURCH  
WELCOMES YOU

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### Serving This Week

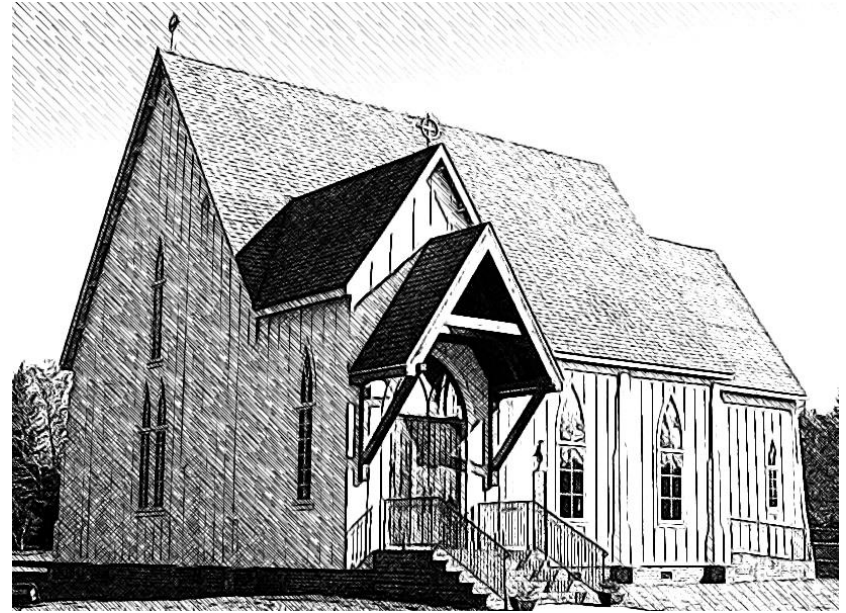
Mike and Charlene Rallo,  
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Hugh Thompson, *Lay Reader*  
Laura Williams, *Lay Eucharistic*  
*Minister*  
Caleb Hart, *Pianist*  
Elizabeth Harber, *Refreshments*  
Sharon Cleary and Hugh  
Thompson, *Stewards*

### In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Nancy Jones, Mary Southern, Randy Norris, Michael Williams, Virginia Nordon, Rita Whitman, Lannon Poole, Charlotte Poole, Pamela Harper's mother Billie, Rachel Russo, Troy Warlick, Ethleen Bazzell, and Kimberly Gordon. And we pray for those who have died: Sharon's friend, Mike Gutterman.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we remember our companion diocese of Haiti and their bishops, Zaché and Oge. We pray for grace and guidance as the dioceses of Alabama, Alaska, and the Virgin Islands develop our new companion relationships; and we pray for Diocesan Convention; for St. Paul's parish churches in Greensboro, Lowndesboro, Minter, and Selma; and for St. Timothy's in Athens.

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



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

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning  
The Thirty-first Day of January  
In the Year of Our Lord 2016

*Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;  
you are my crag and my stronghold.*

# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

## *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

### Gathering of the People

*You are invited to enter in silence and observe a time of prayer before the service begins.*

Piano Prelude

Words of Peace

Processional *God of the Prophets*

*Hymn 359*

Acclamation

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Collect for Purity

Glory to God *Gloria*

*Hymn S-280*

Salutation

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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 *Jeremiah 1:4-10*

Scripture Sheet

Psalm 71:1-6 *In te, Domine, speravi*

Scripture Sheet

Epistle *1 Corinthians 13:1-13*

Scripture Sheet

Sequence *O Love, How Deep, How Broad*

*Hymn 448*

Gospel *Luke 4:21-30*

Scripture Sheet

The Sermon

Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People, Form VI

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Confession and Absolution

The Peace

Announcements

Offertory

### Holy Communion

Presentation *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

*Hymn 657:1*

Eucharistic Prayer B

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Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus*

*Hymn S-129*

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord's Prayer *Traditional*

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Breaking of the Bread

Fraction *O Lamb of God*

*Hymn S-158*

Communion

Post-Communion Prayer

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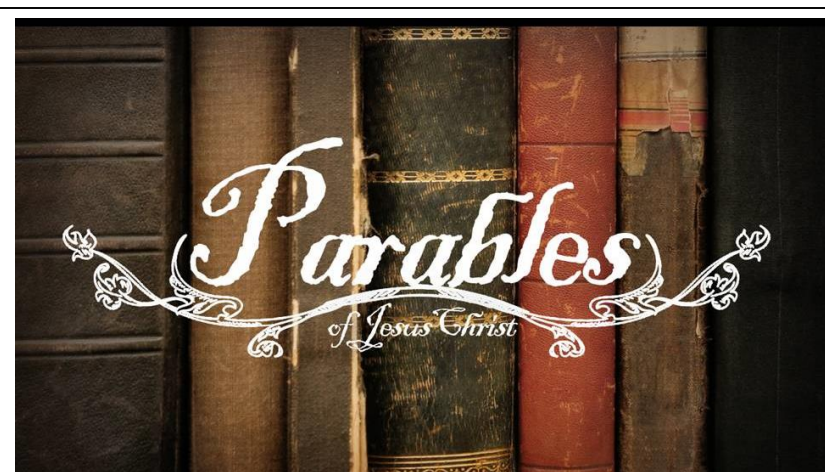
Blessing

Recessional *Lord Christ, When First Thou Cam'st*

*Hymn 598*

Dismissal

Piano Postlude



## SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:30 am

### In the Little House

**Join Us** at 9:30 am on Sunday morning as scheduled in the Little House for an open discussion of the Parables of Jesus. Jesus spoke a great deal in parables. A parable is an illustration, a story that is designed to teach a lesson. Jesus used them frequently (more than 50 in all!) and cited the common culture, norms, and situation of the time He taught his listeners in terms they would understand. You will really enjoy this time with your Church Family!

## In the Month of February

**Feb. 5-7** **Diocesan Convention** at Camp McDowell for the first time in history. Our delegates are Jimmy and Betty Weldon, alternates are Jere and Pam Van Etten; and Father Wells and Leigh go as clergy delegate and spouse.

**Feb. 7** Our Senior Warden, Mike Harber, will lead **Morning Prayer** and preach the homily at 10:30 am. No Sunday School this day.

**Feb. 10** **Ash Wednesday** solemn liturgy with the imposition of ashes at 9:00 am in the Church.



**Feb. 14** **First Sunday in Lent** with Sunday School at 9:30 am, and the Exhortation and Decalogue and Holy Eucharist I at 10:30 am.

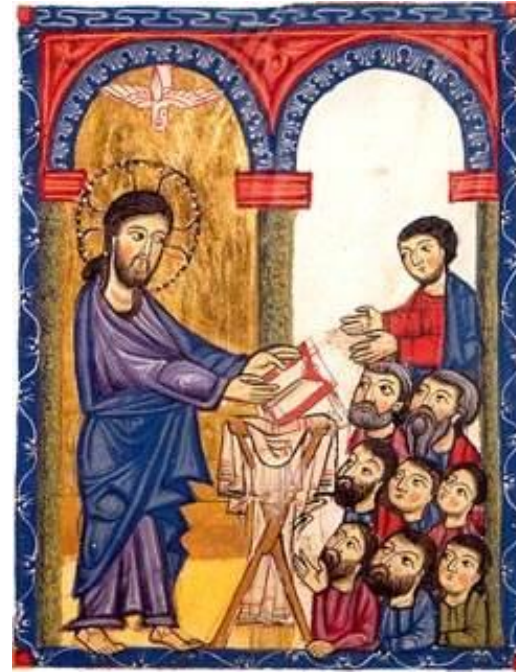
**Feb. 18** **Beans & Rice** shopping in the morning at the Montgomery Area Food Bank by Mike and Kay Dickey, followed by unloading and stocking at the Little House in the afternoon. Please come and help!

**Feb. 20** **Beans & Rice** from 8:30 to 11:30 am in the Little House. We feed 60 families each month, giving away a ton of free food.  
**Vestry Retreat** begins at 12:00 noon with Soup & Salad Lunch, followed by meeting with the Rev. Rob Morpeth on the Little House and Parish Hall.

**Feb. 21** **Second Sunday in Lent** with Sunday School at 9:30 am and Holy Eucharist I at 10:30 am.

**Feb. 28** **Third Sunday in Lent** with Sunday School at 9:30 am and Holy Eucharist I at 10:30 am.

## LESSONS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



### The Collect of the Day

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 *Jeremiah 1:4-10*

The word of the LORD came to me saying,  
"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."  
Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."  
But the LORD said to me,  
"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you,  
Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD."



Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,  
"Now I have put my words in your mouth.  
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant."

### **Psalm 71:1-6** *In te, Domine, speravi*

In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; \*  
*let me never be ashamed.*

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*  
*incline your ear to me and save me.*

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
*you are my crag and my stronghold.*

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
*from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.*

For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, \*  
*my confidence since I was young.*

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
*my praise shall be always of you.*

### **Epistle** *1 Corinthians 13:1-13*

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am

nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

### **Gospel** *Luke 4:21-30*

In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus read from the book of the prophet Isaiah, and began to say, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.