



## The Vestry and Staff

The Rt. Hon. & Most Rev. Justin Welby  
*105<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Canterbury*  
 The Most Rev. Katharine Jeffers Schori  
*26<sup>th</sup> Presiding Bishop*  
 The Rt. Rev. John McKee Sloan  
*11<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Alabama*  
 The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray  
*Assistant Bishop*  
 The Rev. Dr. John Wells Warren, *Priest*  
 Jere Van Etten, *Senior Warden*  
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 Amanda Welch Borden, *Vestry Member*  
 Nancy Dupree, *Vestry Member*  
 Mike Harber, *Vestry Member*  
 Michael Williams, *Vestry Member*  
 Pamela Van Etten, *Clerk*



## Serving This Week

Betty and Jimmy Weldon,  
*Ushers*  
 Elizabeth Harber, *Altar Guild*  
 Sharon Cleary, *Lay Reader*  
 Lavonne Hart, *Lay*  
*Eucharistic Minister*  
 Caleb Hart, *Pianist*  
 Esther Hart, *Violinist*  
 Lavonne Hart, *Refreshments*  
 Eddie and Pamela Harper,  
*Stewards*

## In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Norm Kerr, Alan McCord, Barbara Trogdon, Norma Johnson, Rita Whitman, John Rand, Jim Rand, Bobby Dupree, Jimmy's niece Allison, Lynn Dubay, Eddie Harper, Lannon and Charlotte Poole, and Ronnie Taylor.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we remember St. Joseph's on the Mountain in Mentone, and Holy Apostles in Hoover; our companion diocese of Haiti and its bishops, Zaché and Oge; the Department of Mission and Outreach; the Companion Diocese Commission; and the General Convention of the Episcopal Church.

# EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



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## FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

*A Celebration of Holy Eucharist I*

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning  
 The Fifteenth Day of March  
 In the Year of Our Lord 2015

*For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God--not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works.*

# FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

## *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist I*

### 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 the Hymnal during the Season of Lent.*

Piano Prelude

Words of Peace

Processional *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

*Hymn 691*

Penitential Acclamation

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Holy God *Trisagion*

*Hymn S-102*

Salutation *(And with thy spirit)*

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Collect of the Day

### The Liturgy of the Word

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

Old Testament *Numbers 21:4-9*

Scripture Sheet

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 *Confitemini Domino*

Scripture Sheet

Epistle *Ephesians 2:1-10*

Scripture Sheet

Sequence *Draw Nigh and Take the Body*

*Hymn 328*

Gospel Lesson *John 3:14-21*

Scripture Sheet

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People, Form I

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Confession of Sin

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Absolution and Comfortable Words

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The Peace

Announcements

Offertory

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings *Doxology*

*Hymn 380:3*

### Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer I

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Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus*

*Hymn S-113*

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord's Prayer *Traditional*

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The Breaking of the Bread

O Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

*Hymn S-158*

Communion *All are welcome at the Lord's Table*

Post-Communion Prayer

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Blessing

Recessional *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

*Hymn 690*

Dismissal

Piano Postlude

### Announcements

**Find Us Online** with a new and improved web site (thanks to our web master Lee Borden) at <http://epiphanytallassee.org/>



**Made Your Pledge?** There's still time for those of us who have not yet made a financial pledge to Epiphany to do so. We have received 16 family pledges to date, and the Vestry is helped greatly by being able to plan ahead with these commitments made.

**Father Wells's Sermons** are available on Epiphany's new and improved web site. Return to a message from previous weeks or months. Sometime this week, go to <http://epiphanytallassee.org/> and click on Sermons.

**Find Us on Facebook** along with 88 members and friends. There are events, photographs, and words of encouragement available to you 24/7.

## Upcoming Events in March and April ...



**March 22, 2015**

*5<sup>th</sup> Lent Sunday*

Sunday School at 9:30 am

(Amanda Borden & Nancy Dupree)

Holy Eucharist I at 10:30 am

Refreshments in the Little House

**March 29, 2015**

*Palm Sunday*

No Sunday School this day.

Liturgy of the Palms at 10:30 am

Holy Eucharist II-A

Refreshments in the Little House

**April 2, 2015**

*Maundy Thursday*

Holy Eucharist II-A at 9:00 am

Stripping of the Altar

**April 3, 2015**

*Good Friday*

Solemn Liturgy at 9:00 am

**March 29, 2015**

*Easter Sunday*

No Sunday School this day.

Festival Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am

## The Lessons for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

### The Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### Old Testament *Numbers 21:4-9*

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

### Psalms 107:1-3, 17-22 *Confitemini Domino*

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
*and his mercy endures for ever.*

Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim \*  
*that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.*

He gathered them out of the lands; \*  
*from the east and from the west,*  
*from the north and from the south.*

Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; \*  
*they were afflicted because of their sins.*

They abhorred all manner of food \*  
*and drew near to death's door.*

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, \*  
*and he delivered them from their distress.*

He sent forth his word and healed them \*  
*and saved them from the grave.*

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy \*  
*and the wonders he does for his children.*

Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
*and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.*

#### **Epistle** *Ephesians 2:1-10*

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.



#### **Gospel** *John 3:14-21*

Jesus said to Nicodemus, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."