

THE
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH

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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.

Serving This Week

Kara Shea and Jim Davis, *Ushers*
Betty Weldon, *Altar Guild*
Lannon Poole, *Lay Reader*
Kara Shea Davis, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
Caleb Hart, *Pianist*
Esther Hart, *Violinist*
Sharon Cleary, *Refreshments*
Laura Williams and Cathy Jones, *Stewards*

In Our Prayers

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including 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, Robin and Clint Darby, and Randy Norris's mother Ronnie Taylor.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we remember Saint Stephen's in Huntsville, and Saint Stephen's in Smiths Station; our companion diocese of Haiti and its bishops, Zaché and Oge; for Episcopal Relief and Development; and for the work and witness of Episcopal missionaries throughout the world.



EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning
The Eighth Day of February
In the Year of Our Lord 2015

*Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!*

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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 <i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>	<i>Hymn 423</i>
Acclamation	Page 355, BCP
Collect for Purity	
Glory to God <i>Gloria</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Salutation	Page 357, BCP
Collect of the Day	Scripture Sheet

Liturgy of the Word

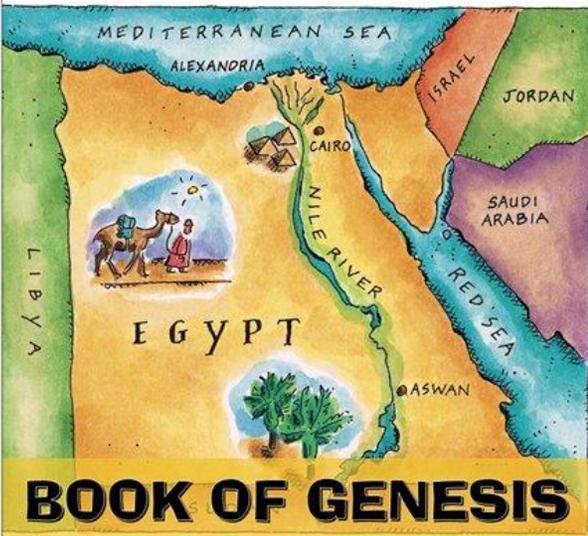
We sit for the Lessons and Psalm, and we stand for the Gospel.

Old Testament <i>Isaiah 40:21-31</i>	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 147:1-12, 21c <i>Laudate Dominum</i>	Scripture Sheet
Epistle <i>1 Corinthians 9:16-23</i>	Scripture Sheet
Sequence <i>Songs of Thankfulness and Praise</i>	<i>Hymn 135</i>
Gospel <i>Mark 1:29-39</i>	Scripture Sheet
The Sermon	
The Nicene Creed	Page 358, BCP
Prayers of the People, Form VI	Page 392, BCP
Confession and Absolution	
The Peace	
Announcements	
Offertory	

Presentation <i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	<i>Hymn 396:1</i>
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 B	Page 367, BCP
Holy, Holy, Holy <i>Sanctus</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Consecration of the Elements	
The Lord's Prayer <i>Traditional</i>	Page 364, BCP
Breaking of the Bread	
Fraction <i>Jesus, Lamb of God</i>	<i>St. James</i>
Communion	
Post-Communion Prayer	Page 366, BCP
Blessing	
Recessional <i>Thine Arm, O Lord, in Days of Old</i>	<i>Hymn 567</i>
Dismissal	
Piano Postlude	



Sunday School for Adults

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the Little House for Close Reading of the Book of Genesis led by Father Wells.

Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

ALL ARE WELCOME!

The Book of Genesis is "fraught with background." Join us next Sunday at 9:30 am!

Announcements



have received 14 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 web site. Return to a message from previous weeks or months. Sometime this week,



Find Us on Facebook along with 80 members and friends who stay in touch at <https://www.facebook.com/EpiphanyTallassee> There are events, photographs, and words of encouragement available to you 24/7.



FEED THE HUNGRY

We Come to the End of the Season of Epiphany next Sunday, Feb. 15. In order to prepare for the Season of Lent, please join us for the Ash Wednesday liturgy on Feb. 18, at 9:00 am.

Made Your Pledge? I'm hoping that those of us who have not yet made a financial pledge to Epiphany will continue to pray and plan about this. We

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go to <http://epiphanytallassee.org/> and click on Sermons.

Beans & Rice is the major outreach project of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany. Each year, we give away \$5,000 in food to the hungry, needy, and poor of this area. Come on the third Saturday of the month at 8:30 am to help stock, keep records, and distribute free food to the least among us.

If you need a priest, call or text Father Wells at (334) 332-3222, or email him at wellswarren@msn.com

The Lessons for 5 Epiphany

The Collect of the Day

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament *Isaiah 40:21-31*

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Psalms 147:1-12, 21c *Laudate Dominum*

Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.

He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.

Great is our LORD and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.

The LORD lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.

He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;

He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.

He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.

He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favor. Hallelujah!

Epistle 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my

reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.



Gospel Mark 1:29-39

Jesus left the synagogue at Capernaum, and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.