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For More Information

Our Church Calendar is now available on the web site: www.epiphanytallasseec.org
Look on the left side for "Epiphany Calendar."

Reach the Church during the week by telephone at (334) 252-8618 or online at www.epiphanytallasseec.org

Reach Father Wells if you have an emergency while he is on vacation by telephone at (334) 332-3222 or by email at wellswarren@msn.com

Updates and News

Please send your updates, corrections, and changes to the Prayers of the People, as well as church events and news, before Wednesday of each week to Pam Van Etten pjv_gma@yahoo.com



FEED THE HUNGRY

Beans & Rice

We need your help to unload and stock on third Thursdays at 3 pm. And third Saturdays to give out food from 9-11 am.

The EPISCOPAL CHURCH of the EPIPHANY



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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *A Celebration of Holy Eucharist*

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning
The Thirteenth Day of July
In the Year of Our Lord 2014

This year, the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany celebrates 20 years as a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama, the Episcopal Church USA, and the worldwide Anglican Communion.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Gathering of the People

The people enter in silence and observe a time of silent prayer

Piano Prelude

Words of Peace

Processional *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus!*

Hymn 460
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Acclamation

Collect for Purity

Glory to God *Gloria*

Hymn S-280
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Salutation

The Collect of the Day

Scripture Sheet

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament *Genesis 25:19-34*

Scripture Sheet
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Psalms 119:105-112 *Lucerna pedibus meis*

Epistle *Romans 8:1-11*

Scripture Sheet
Hymn 392

Sequence *Come, We That Love the Lord*

Gospel Lesson *Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23*

Scripture Sheet
Father Larry

Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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Page 388, BCP

The Prayers of the People, Form IV

We are using a different form of the Prayers of the People for the summer.

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Peace

Announcements

Offertory *Supplemental Hymn*

Holy Communion

Presentation *The Doxology*

Hymn 380:3
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Eucharistic Prayer A

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 *Jesus, Lamb of God*

Hymn S-164

Invitation

Communion *Supplemental Hymn*

Post-Communion Prayer

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Blessing

Recessional *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Hymn 686

Dismissal

Piano Postlude

July Supply

The following is our schedule of services while Father Wells is on vacation in the month of July. The celebrant for these services will be the Rev. Larry Sharpton. Please support Father Larry and your church by attending and giving faithfully.

5 Pentecost

Sunday, July 13

Holy Eucharist II-A

6 Pentecost

Sunday, July 20

Holy Eucharist II-A

7 Pentecost

Sunday, July 27

Holy Eucharist II-A



Announcements

We Pray for those who are ill or recovering from surgery, including **Joe Vendetti** (Jere Van Etten) and Lynne Dubay (Dr. Greg Dubay). Lynne has been in a leg cast and wheelchair for 10 weeks due to eight fractures in her left foot.

Are You Interested in helping with the Work of the People? Email Lee Borden at lee@divorceinfo.com and let him know if you wish to be a lay reader, prepare refreshments, or serve at the Table.

Our Musicians, Caleb Hart and Esther Hart, are playing for worship at St. Dunstan's this Sunday and next! Nancy Jones, St. Dunstan's organist and pianist, will be attending the Summer Music Conference at Sewanee: The University of the South.

LESSONS FOR 5 PENTECOST

Collect of the Day

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Genesis 25:19-34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, 'If it is to be this way, why do I live?' So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, 'Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger.' When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterwards his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, 'Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!' (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.' Esau said, 'I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?' Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.' So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then

Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Psalm 119:105-112

Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.

I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.

I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.

Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.

My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.

The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.

Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.

Romans 8:1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set

their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!' 'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears

fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Praying for the Church



Each Sunday, we pray for the Church—the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church—and its leaders. We remember the Rt. Hon. & Most Rev. Justin Welby, who is the (new) 105th Archbishop of Canterbury and President of the Anglican Communion; the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, our 26th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church USA; the Rt. Rev.

John McKee Sloan, the 11th Bishop of Alabama (photo above); and the Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, our Assistant Bishop. It is important for us to pray for the Church, and wouldn't you know, the Book of Common Prayer has just such a prayer ...

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. *Amen.*

Of equal importance is the need we have to pray for the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Tallassee. What would you pray for our church? An increase in membership? The return of those who have left us? The construction of a Parish Hall? Expansion of our outreach efforts through Beans & Rice?

Perhaps if we prayed for the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we would both discern and realize what God wants for our church. St. Paul tells the Galatians that these gifts are wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, strength, faith, and holy fear. If we receive these spiritual gifts, then we will come to understand God's will for our church.