



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 (New) Vestry

Mike Rallo, *Vestry Member*
 Jean Kerr, *Vestry Member*
 Maurice McCord, *Vestry Member*
 Kay Dickey, *Vestry Member*
 Amanda W. Borden, *Vestry Member*
 Jere Van Etten, *Vestry Member*
 Betty Weldon, *Treasurer*
 Elizabeth Harber, *Clerk of the Vestry*

SINCE 1994, 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 Anglican Communion. If you need a priest, call or text Father Wells at (334) 332-3222, or email him at wellswarren@msn.com

Serving This Week

Pamela and Eddie Harper, *Ushers*
 Laura Williams, *Altar Guild*
 Betty Weldon, *Lay Reader*
 Lee Borden, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
 Esther Hart, *Pianist and Violinist*
 Pamela Harper, *Refreshments*

In Our Prayers

We pray for our companion dioceses of Alaska and the Virgin Islands and their bishops Mark and Ambrose. We remember the sick and those recovering from illness or surgery, including Barbara, Jere, Jimmy, Vincent and Diezel, Kay, Jean, and Lulu.



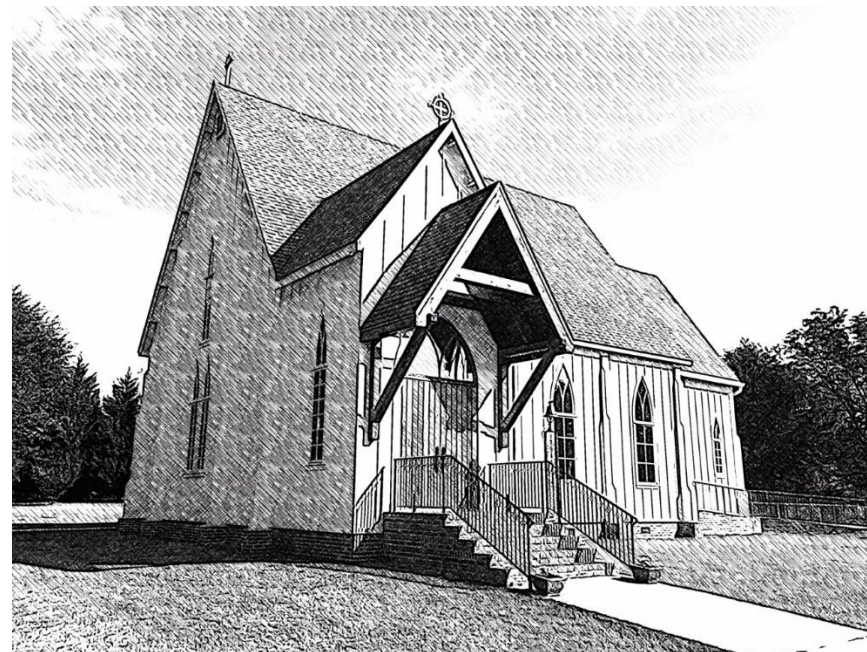
The Lazybirds

The benefit at *The Bottling Plant* in Opelika last weekend for St. Ursula's Episcopal Church raised \$440 for Hurricane Relief.

Plus, the MLK offering at St. Dunstan's netted another \$144 for Hurricane Relief and \$144 for Beans & Rice!

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning
 The Twenty-eighth Day of January
 In the Year of Our Lord 2018

*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
 those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
 his praise endures for ever.*

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A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Gathering of the People

The People are encouraged to observe a time of quietness and prayer. We will ring the bells for the beginning of worship.

Prelude

Words of Peace

Processional *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* *Hymn 493*

Acclamation *Page 355, BCP*

Collect for Purity

Glory to God *Gloria* *Hymn S-280*

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 *Deuteronomy 18:15-20* *Scripture Sheet*

Psalm 111 *Confitebor tibi* *Scripture Sheet*

Epistle *1 Corinthians 8:1-13* *Scripture Sheet*

Sequence *Deck Thyself My Soul with Gladness* *Hymn 339*

Gospel *Mark 1:21-28* *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 *O Gracious Light Phos hilaron* *Hymn 26*

Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Eucharistic Prayer A *Page 361, BCP*

Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus* *Hymn S-129*

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord's Prayer *Contemporary* *Page 364, BCP*

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction *O Lamb of God* *Hymn S-158*

Communion

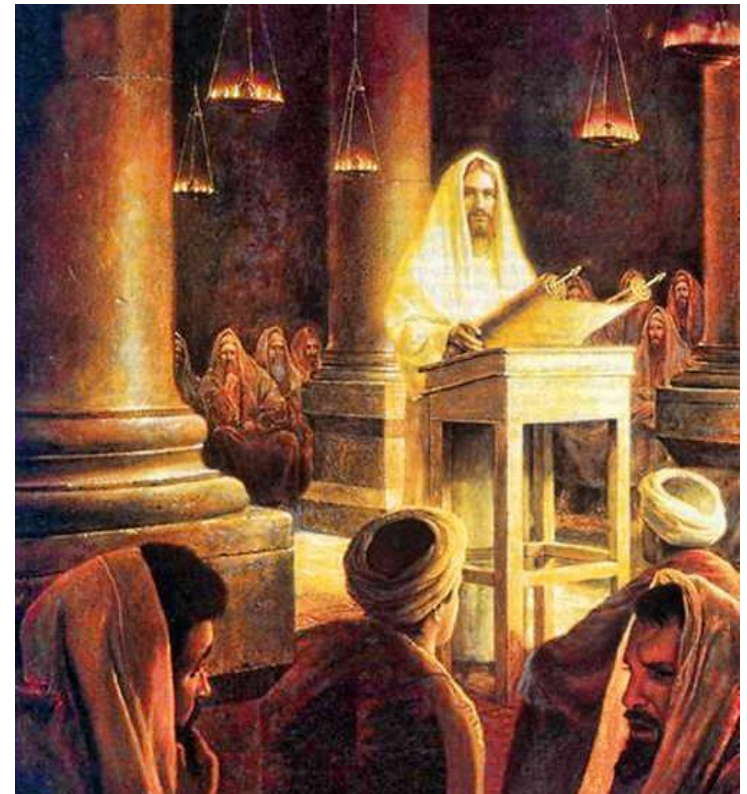
Post-Communion Prayer *Page 366, BCP*

Blessing

Recessional *O Zion, Haste* *Hymn 539*

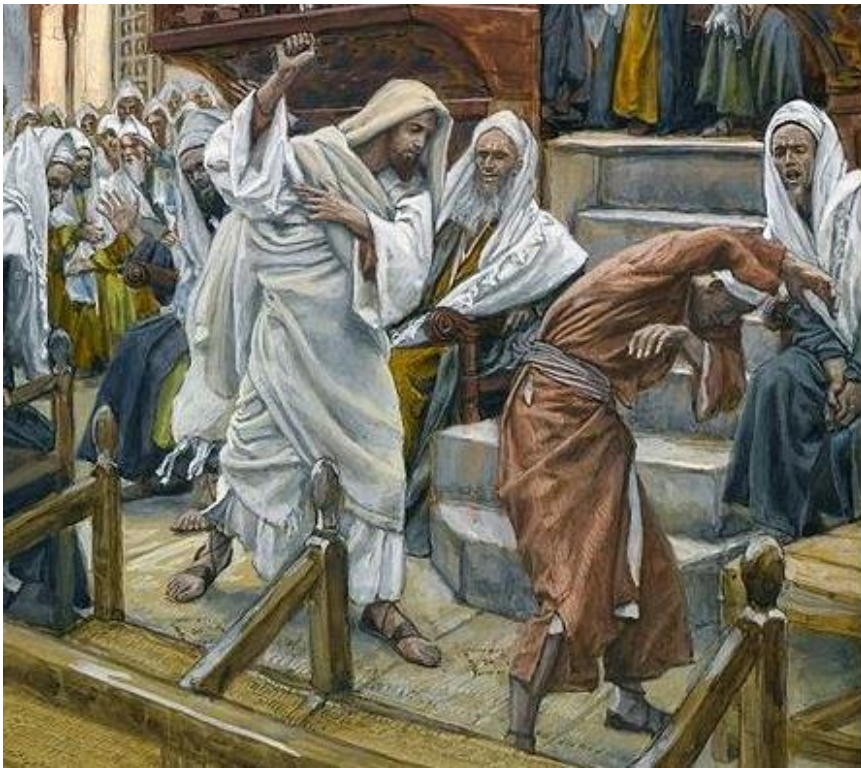
Dismissal

Postlude



Gospel *Mark 1:21-28*

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.



LESSONS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 28, 2018

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 *Deuteronomy 18:15-20*

Moses said: The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."



Psalm 111 *Confitebor tibi*

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the LORD! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

Epistle *1 Corinthians 8:1-13*

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as



to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.