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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

Mike Rallo and Hugh Thompson,
Ushers
 Jean Kerr, *Altar Guild*
 Mark Harris, *Lay Reader*
 Jean Kerr, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
 Esther Hart, *Pianist and Violinist*
 John and Kathy Haynie,
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.

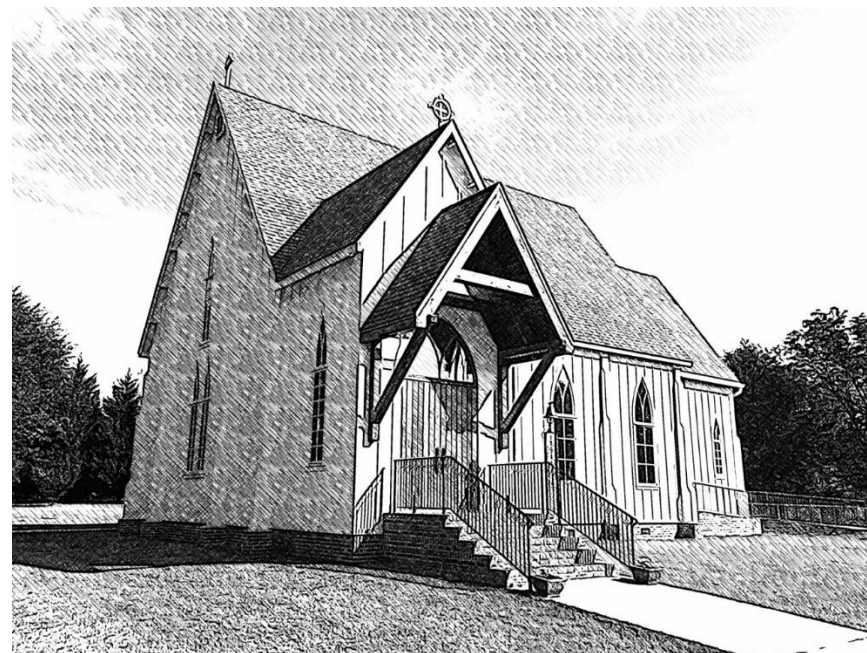


ASH WEDNESDAY
 and the Imposition of
 Ashes will be observed
 on Wednesday, Feb.
 14, 2018, at 9:00 am.

Remember that you are
 dust and to dust you
 shall return.

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LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Six o'clock on Sunday Evening
 The Eleventh Day of February
 In the Year of Our Lord 2018

This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!

LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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 *Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

Hymn 7

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 *2 Kings 2:1-12*

Scripture Sheet

Psalm 50:1-6 *Deus deorum*

Scripture Sheet

Epistle *2 Corinthians 4:3-6*

Scripture Sheet

Sequence *Christ Upon the Mountain Peak*

Hymn 129

Gospel *Mark 9:2-9*

Scripture Sheet

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People, Form III

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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

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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 *O Wondrous Type!*

Hymn 137

Dismissal

Postlude

ASH WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14th



The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, and follows for forty days leading to the Week of the Passion. Lent is a time of self-reflection, dedication, and self-discipline. We will change to the traditional language of Rite One in our Celebration of Holy Eucharist beginning on the First Sunday in Lent, February 22, 2015.

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, that we may remember that it is only by your gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

A FULLNESS OF TIME

Certainly among the pivotal events in the life of Jesus Christ, the Transfiguration is a “fullness of time.” Others we may know better and recall more quickly, such as the Nativity, the Presentation, the Baptism at the River Jordan, the Temptation in the Wilderness, the Crucifixion, the Resurrection, and Ascension.

But the Transfiguration seems to capture our imagination in a particular way that the other events do not. Jesus goes up the Holy Mountain with Peter, James, and John; they know him to be the Son of God, the Messiah—but they are still puzzled and confused about his relationship with the Father and his purpose on earth. They are told, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” The voice of God is urgent, compelling, and the command is clear—listen to him!

Walking the Jerusalem Road, these three and the other disciples hear the Lord explain: “I must go to the City. I will be arrested. I will be crucified. On the third day, I will rise from the dead.” He says words to this effect several times, and each time it seems too much for them to bear.

Consider now the cost of their Discipleship: they have given up everything to follow Jesus, only to witness his suffering and death. Consider the cost of your own Discipleship.

Who are you when everything you have accomplished, and all you have learned has come to ruin? Who are you when all your friends, everyone around you, has deserted you? Life will never be the same.

LESSONS FOR THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 11, 2018

The Collect of the Day

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament *2 Kings 2:1-12*

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.” Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.” Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am

taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Psalm 50:1-6 *Deus deorum*

The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.

He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.

"Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.

Epistle *2 Corinthians 4:3-6*

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out

of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.



Gospel *Mark 9:2-9*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses,