

#### 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 Vestry

Maurice McCord, Senior Warden Mike Rallo, Junior Warden Amanda W. Borden, Vestry Member Kay Dickey, Vestry Member Jean Kerr, 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

A.B. and Lulu Campbell, Ushers Pam Van Etten, Altar Guild Mike Harber, Lay Reader Jere Van Etten, Lay Eucharistic Minister Esther Hart, Pianist and Violinist Cathy Jones, Refreshments Jimmy and Betty Weldon, Lawn and Garden

#### In Our Prayers

We pray for our companion dioceses of Alaska and the Virgin Islands and their bishops Mark and Ambrose. We pray for Jean Kerr, Jim Rand, Eddie Harper, Greg Dubay, our Beans & Rice clients, and the family of Barbara Dennis. Remember to bring items for that household recovering from fire.



#### **Vestry Meeting**

The Vestry of our church provides lay leadership in finance and administration, in planning for the future, and through the sixfold ministry of Stewardship, Worship, Education, Evangelism, Pastoral Care, and Service.

Today following refreshments in the Little House, our Vestry will meet beginning at 12 noon.

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# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning The Fifteenth Day of April In the Year of Our Lord 2018

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God!

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

# A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

#### Gathering of the People

The people enter in silence and observe a time of silent prayer. Please note that we are using the St. James music sheet available in the narthex.

Prelude

Words of Peace

Processional Christ is Alive!

Easter Acclamation

Glory to God Gloria

St. James

Salutation

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Scripture Sheet

#### The Word of God

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

First Lesson Acts 3:12-19	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 4 Cum invocarem	Scripture Sheet
Second Lesson 1 John 3:1-7	Scripture Sheet
Sequence Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God	Hymn 711
Gospel Lesson Luke 24:36b-48	Scripture Sheet
The Sermon	
The Nicene Creed	Page 358, BCP
Prayers of the People, Form VI	Page 392, BCP
Confession of Sin and Absolution	
The Peace	
Announcements	
Offertory	

#### **Holy Communion**

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Presentation <i>Phos hilaron</i>	Hymn 26
Eucharistic Prayer B	Page 367, BCP
Holy, Holy Holy Sanctus	St. James

Consecration of the Elements

Lord's Prayer Page 364, BCP

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Jesus, Lamb of God St. James

Communion

Post-Communion Prayer Page 366, BCP

Blessing

Recessional Good Christians All Rejoice and Sing Hymn 205

Dismissal Postlude

#### An Internship at St. Michael & All Angels

Epiphany family,

Today is my last Sunday with you until August.

As I mentioned last week, I will be serving an internship at St. Michael and All Angels in Millbrook under their care and the direction of their rector, the Rev. Mark Waldo. I met with Mark and a few parishioners this week and I am so excited to be working with such a warm and inclusive group. I told Mark I wanted to be involved just short of being annoying and he was excited



to roll me into their parish life as soon as possible. He has already made plans for me to assist at the altar, preach, and wants me to develop a Taize and instructed eucharist service. I am very much looking forward to the challenge.

The internship process is an intentional time for physical separation of candidate and home parish. But you will always be with me. A few of you know my entire spiritual journey. Suffice it to say, it took me quite a while to get to this point. However, I would not have the strength to be where I am if I were alone on my journey. Your love, prayers, laughter, and hope strengthen Elizabeth and me both beyond words. Thank you all.

Peace and Love,

Mike



#### The Great Fifty Days of Easter

We will be experiencing the Resurrection of Jesus Christ many times over the Great Fifty Days of Easter. On Easter Day, our Lord was not in the tomb. The two men said that he had been raised. Last Sunday, the Risen One appeared to the disciples in the upper room. Today, he comes to eat a meal with them. Fourth Easter is a little different. Jesus speaks of being the Good Shepherd. The Sunday after, he tells them that he is the Vine and they are the Branches. Next he gives them the Great Commandment. And at the last, our Lord prays for them all.

Now do you believe?

### LESSONS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 15, 2018

#### Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### First Lesson Acts 3:12-19



Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you

handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him.

But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

#### Psalm 4 Cum invocarem

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \* you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \* how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods."

Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; \* when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

Tremble, then, and do not sin; \* speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Offer the appointed sacrifices \* and put your trust in the LORD.

Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \* Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.

You have put gladness in my heart, \* more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \* for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Second Lesson 1 John 3:1-7



See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are

God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

#### Gospel Lesson Luke 24:36b-48



Iesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me

and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."