



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

Amanda W. Borden, *Vestry Member*
 Kay Dickey, *Vestry Member*
 Jean Kerr, *Vestry Member*
 Maurice McCord, *Vestry Member*
 Mike Rallo, *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

Kay and Mike Dickey, *Ushers*
 Lavonne Hart, *Altar Guild*
 Sharon Cleary, *Lay Reader*
 Maurice McCord, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
 Esther Hart, *Pianist and Violinist*
 Everyone, *Refreshments*
 Mike Rallo and Mark Harris,
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.

Next Sunday!

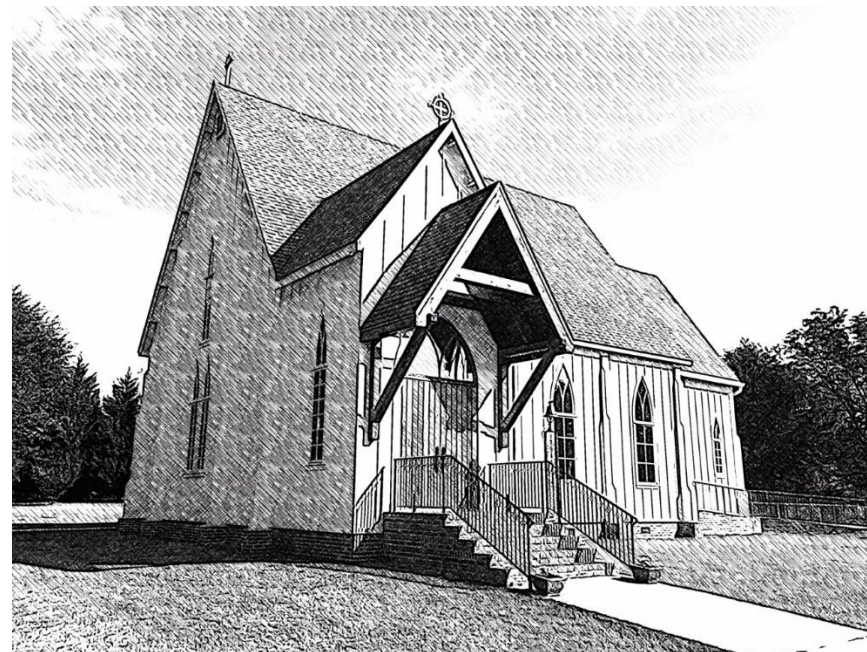
Father Wells is taking next Sunday off for a little rest and recovery. Between St. Dunstan's and Epiphany Church, he has officiated for 14 worship services. But he loves his work!

Lee and Amanda Borden have volunteered to plan and officiate the 10:30 am service of Morning Prayer on April 8, 2018.

But don't miss Lee's adult class at 9:30 am in the Little House on "Keeping the Marys Straight!"

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EASTER SUNDAY

A Festival Holy Eucharist

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

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

EASTER SUNDAY

A Festival 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 *He is Risen! He is Risen!*

Hymn 180

Easter Acclamation

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Glory to God *Gloria*

St. James

Salutation

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Collect of the Day

Scripture Sheet

The Word of God

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

Old Testament *Isaiah 25:6-9*

Scripture Sheet

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 *Confitemini Domino*

Scripture Sheet

Second Lesson *Colossians 3:1-4*

Scripture Sheet

Sequence *Now the Green Blade Riseth*

Hymn 204

Gospel Lesson *Mark 16:1-8*

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People, Form VI

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Confession of Sin and Absolution

The Peace

Announcements

Offertory

Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Presentation *Phos hilaron*

Hymn 26

Eucharistic Prayer B

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Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus*

St. James

Consecration of the Elements

Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

Fraction *Jesus, Lamb of God*

St. James

Communion

Post-Communion Prayer

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Blessing

Recessional *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

Hymn 207

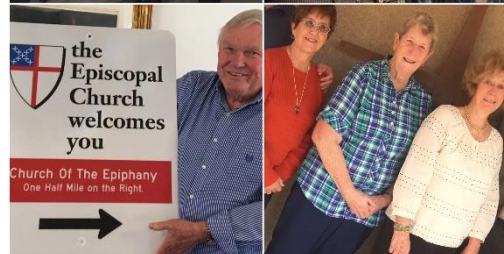
Dismissal

Postlude

Our Epiphany Family



The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany is more like a family than a cathedral. Our numbers are small, but our hearts are full and overflowing with love for one another.

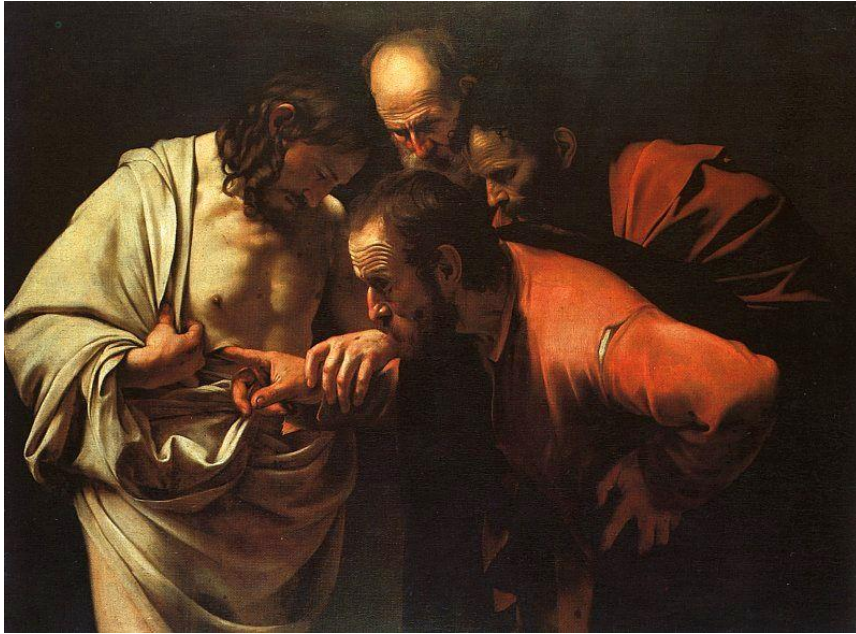


When someone is sick or has surgery, we pray for them and visit whenever we can. We love the Episcopal Church, and we believe in it.



We also love our neighbors, especially the poor and those in need. Our monthly Beans & Rice program serves 60+ families a ton of food each month.

Now we need a new building to house our Outreach programs at Epiphany! We are awaiting word on a \$25,000 grant. (No photo yet!)



Do You Believe in the Resurrection of Jesus?

The central belief of Christianity everywhere is that Jesus was raised from the dead.

We come face to face with the most remarkable event in all of the Scriptures —the resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth three days after his Crucifixion at the hands of the Roman government.

Many scholars and skeptics have struggled to interpret the resurrection of Jesus as a hoax, a fraud, a body-snatching, a piece of fiction. Some theologians see Christ's resurrection only in spiritual terms, and scientists often scoff at the very idea of a bodily resurrection.

Saint Paul wrote that if there was no resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth, then we Christians are a people “most to be pitied.” Saint Thomas (pictured above) said he would not believe unless he saw the scars on Jesus' body. “Do not doubt, but believe,” said Jesus. Here is what I believe: This is little or no certainty in life; however, the life of faith is the way of truth. I can live in no other way. Wells+

THE LESSONS FOR EASTER SUNDAY

April 1, 2018

Collect of the Day

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament *Isaiah 25:6-9*

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain

the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.



Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24 *Confitemini Domino*

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."

The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.
There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.

The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

"This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD'S doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Lesson *Colossians 3:1-4*

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.



Gospel *Mark 16:1-8*

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.