

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

Laura Williams and Barbara Trogdon, *Ushers* Elizabeth Harber, *Altar Guild* Lulu Campbell, *Lay Reader* Jean Kerr, *Lay Eucharistic Minister* Esther Hart, *Pianist and Violinist* Laura Williams, *Refreshments* Jimmy and Betty Weldon, *Lawn and Gardens*

In Our Prayers

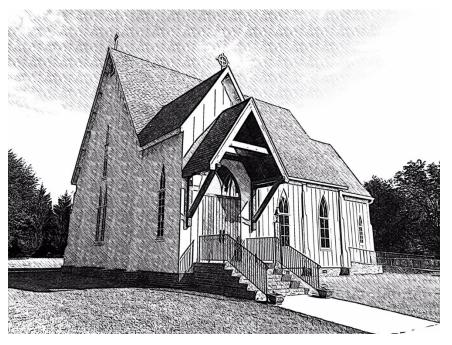
We pray for our companion dioceses of Alaska and the Virgin Islands and their bishops Mark and Ambrose. We pray especially for St. Ursula's Episcopal Church, our Parish Partner in the USVI.

We pray for Jean Kerr, Eddie Harper, Greg Dubay, our Beans & Rice clients, and the family of Barbara Dennis. Remember to bring items for that household recovering from fire.

Pastoral Care

The death of our dear friend Jim Rand has hit us all hard. We are blessed to know that Pastoral Care is the work of all our people. Kay Dickey is our coordinator for Pastoral Care, and she is assisted by many including Lee and Amanda Borden, Maurice McCord, Mike Rallo, Mike Harber, and others. Thanks to all who have supported the Rand family in their grief and loss. Peace and blessings, Wells+

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Ten-thirty on Sunday Morning The Sixth Day of May In the Year of Our Lord 2018

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises.

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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 All Creatures of Our God and King	Hymn 400
Easter Acclamation	Page 355, BCP
Glory to God Gloria	St. James
Salutation	Page 357, BCP
Collect of the Day	Scripture Sheet

The Word of God

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

First Lesson Acts 10:44-48	Scripture Sheet
Psalm 98 Cantate Domino	Scripture Sheet
Second Lesson 1 John 5:1-6	Scripture Sheet
Sequence Where Charity and Love Prevail	- Hymn 581
Gospel Lesson John 15:9-17	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 Phos hilaron Eucharistic Prayer B Holy, Holy, Holy Sanctus

Consecration of the Elements Lord's Praver Page 364, BCP Breaking of the Bread Fraction Jesus, Lamb of God St. James Communion **Post-Communion Prayer** Page 366, BCP Blessing Recessional Come. We that Love the Lord Hymn 392 Dismissal Postlude

Announcements

THE YEAR OF DISCIPLESHIP



We have come to the conclusion of our YEAR OF DISCIPLESHIP at the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany. Together we discovered that discipleship is more than admiring Jesus of Nazareth or coming to church once in a while. We must be committed to Jesus as the Way and the Truth and the Life. We must follow him and seek to serve him. We know that in Jesus, we have found ourselves, our better selves.

The next meeting of the Vestry is scheduled for May 20. Talk with them about your interests and ideas for the future of our Church! Remember that Leigh and Wells will be on vacation in July.

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Worship in the Weeks Ahead

7 Easter

May 13, 2018 Last Sunday School til Sept. at 9:30 am Holy Eucharist II-B at 10:30 am Refreshments at 11:30 am

FEAST OF PENTECOST

May 20, 2018 Holy Eucharist II-D at 10:30 am Refreshments at 11:30 am Vestry Meeting at 12:00 noon

TRINITY SUNDAY

May 27, 2018 Holy Eucharist II-D at 10:30 am Refreshments at 11:30 am

2 Pentecost

June 3, 2018 Holy Eucharist II-A at 10:30 am Refreshments at 11:30 am

3 Pentecost

June 10, 2018 Holy Eucharist II-A at 10:30 am Refreshments at 11:30 am

4 Pentecost

June 17, 2018 Holy Eucharist II-A at 10:30 am Refreshments at 11:30 am

5 Pentecost

June 24, 2018 Holy Eucharist II-A at 10:30 am Refreshments at 11:30 am Vestry Meeting at 12:00 noon

LESSONS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 6, 2018

The Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson Acts 10:44-48



While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling

God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Psalm 98 Cantate Domino

Sing to the LORD a new song, * *for he has done marvelous things.*

With his right hand and his holy arm *has he won for himself the victory.*

The LORD has made known his victory; * *his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.*



He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, * *and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.*

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; * *lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.*

Sing to the LORD with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn * *shout with joy before the King, the LORD.*

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * *the lands and those who dwell therein.*

Let the rivers clap their hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to judge the earth.

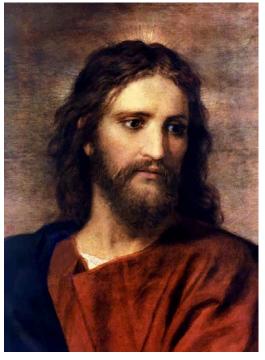
In righteousness shall he judge the world * *and the peoples with equity.*



Second Lesson 1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel John 15:9-17



Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that vou love one another as I have loved vou. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I

command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."