Saying Goodbye.

We gather today as a parish family to celebrate Holy Eucharist and say goodbye to Leigh and Wells Warren after five years of service to our Church.



23 Pentecost Sunday Holy Eucharist II-A together with a Litany of Farewell at 10:30 am.

Followed by a Parish Luncheon in the Little House at 11:30 am.

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. Wells Warren, Priest

The Vestry

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

Serving This Week

Lavonne Hart and Jimmy Weldon, Ushers Elizabeth Harber, Altar Guild Lulu Campbell, Lay Reader Jere Van Etten, Lay Eucharistic Minister Elizabeth Harber, Refreshments

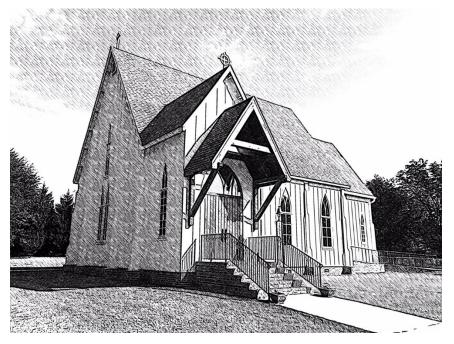
And We Pray For

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for our companion dioceses of Alaska and the Virgin Islands, and their bishops Mark and Ambrose. We pray for the people of St. Ursula's Episcopal Church in the US Virgin Islands, and their recovery and restoration.

We pray for those who are sick and recovering from illness or surgery, including Brian Hudson, Jere Van Etten, Jean Kerr, Greg Dubay, Barbara Trogdon, and Elizabeth's niece, Nicole. And we remember in our prayers Chris Barlow, stepson of Dana Barlow.

We pray for our congregation and the calling of a new Priest to serve the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Tallassee. And we pray for Leigh and Wells in their retirement from active full-time ministry.

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

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

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The People are invited to observe a time of quiet prayer. We are using the St. James service music which can be found on the Narthex table as you enter.

Gathering of the People

Piano PreludeWords of PeaceProcessional O for a Thousand Tongues to SingAcclamationCollect for PurityGlory to God GloriaSalutationCollect of the DayScripture Sheet

The Word of God

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

| Old Testament Jeremiah 31:7-9 | Scripture Sheet |
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| Psalm 126 In convertendo | Scripture Sheet |
| Epistle Hebrews 7:23-28 | Scripture Sheet |
| Sequence Father, We Thank Who Has Planted | Hymn 302 |
| Gospel Mark 10:46-52 | Scripture Sheet |
| Our Final Holy Conversation | |
| Nicene Creed | Page 358, BCP |
| Prayers of the People, Form VI | Page 392, BCP |
| Confession of Sin | |
| Absolution | |
| A Litany of Farewell | |
| The Peace | |
| Announcements | |
| Offertory | |
| Holy Communion | |

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

| Presentation The Doxology | Hymn 380:3 |
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| Eucharistic Prayer A | Page 361, 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 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven | Hymn 410 |
| Dismissal | |
| Piano Postlude | |

Announcements

We Give Thanks for the marriage last week of Elizabeth Jenks and Allen Williams—Mr. and Mrs. Allen Michael Williams—here at the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany!

We Remember our friends in the US Virgin Islands who continue to struggle with rebuilding their homes, businesses, and churches more than a year after Hurricanes Maria and Irma devastated the islands.

We Also Pray for those who were in the path of Hurricane Michael and are working to rebuild the Gulf Coast.

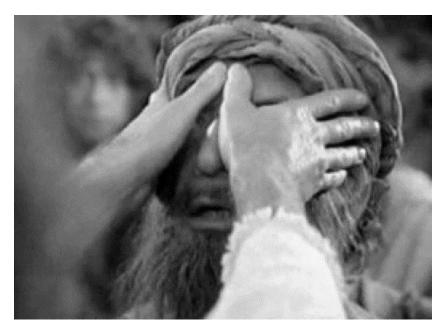
We Said Farewell to Jean Kerr, founding member of Epiphany, Sunday before last. Jean's parents and husband Paul are buried at the Columbarium. We will always look back on Jean's dedication and love with grateful hearts and fond memories.



Mike Harber continues his path to the Episcopal priesthood—an important meeting with Bishop Kee in November and, with God's help, three years at Sewanee's School of Theology before ordination. (The photo is from Mike and Elizabeth's 25th anniversary.)

Gospel Mark 10:46-52

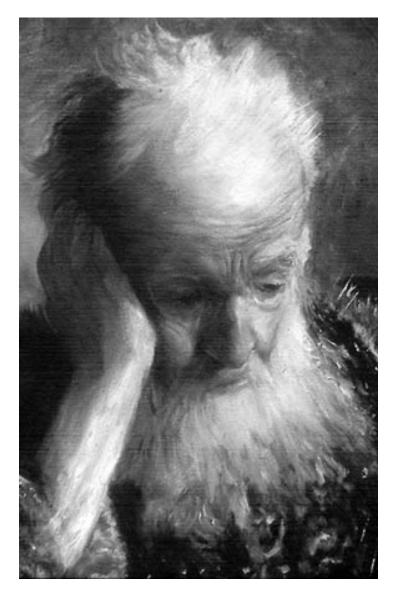
Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.



Take heart; get up, he is calling you!

LESSONS FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST October 28, 2018



Old Testament Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Psalm 126 In convertendo (We will recite in unison)

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, * "The Lord has done great things for them."

The Lord has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, * like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves



Epistle Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.



A LITANY OF FAREWELL TO LEIGH AND WELLS WARREN

LET US PRAY for the saving presence of the living God.

In this world: *Christ is risen.* In the Episcopal Church: *Christ is risen.* In this Christian community: *Christ is risen.* In the hearts of all faithful people: *Christ is risen.*

LET US GIVE THANKS now for the five-year ministry of Leigh and Wells at the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany.

For expectations not met: *Lord have mercy.* For grievances not resolved: *Lord have mercy.* For wounds not healed: *Lord have mercy.* For anger not dissolved: *Lord have mercy.* For gifts not given: *Lord have mercy.* For promises not kept: *Lord have mercy.* For their pilgrimage which they made with us in this place: *Thanks be to God.* For friendships made, celebrations enjoyed, and for moments of nurture: *Thanks be to God.* For wounds healed, expectations met, gifts given, and promises kept: *Thanks be to God.* For trust and confidence shared; times of good humor and moments of gentle leadership: *Thanks be to God.* For the grace and mercy of Our Lord Jesus Christ: *Thanks be to God.*



AND SO, TO CONTINUE IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST with

other members of the family of Christ: Go in peace.

To continue the journey with new friends and new adventures, new gifts to give and receive: *Go in peace.*

To offer wisdom and experience, competence and compassion, in the ministry to which we are called: *Go in peace.*

With whatever fears, whatever sadness, whatever excitement may be ours: *Go in peace.*

With our faith, our hope, and always our love for each other: *Go in peace.*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you; *and also with you.* **AMEN**.