

EPIPHANY†

Seattle



THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 AT 8:45 AM

Dear Epiphany,

Belonging is more important than believing. If there's a precept that could be called "dogma" at Epiphany, it's that; belonging is more important than believing—that's why we all have a place here, wherever we are on our spiritual journey.

Belonging is on my mind this week, and not just because we talked about it at RELATA on Wednesday. My citizenship anniversary is coming up soon, and this year, I'll be able to vote for a U.S. president for the first time in my life, so the question of what it means to belong here is even more pressing than usual.

What does it mean to belong in America? What does it mean to now have a voice in matters that have always impacted me and my family, sometimes directly, sometimes indirectly, but never with our consent? What does it mean to now have a voice that will impact billions who can't belong? These are the sorts of questions I'll be asking myself in the next few weeks.

You may not share these particular questions with me, so let me ask another question: What would America look like if belonging was more important than believing across our whole culture? Would anything change? Would everything change?

In many ways, Epiphany's "dogma" captures the very best of what American promises: a land of endless possibilities and freedom of conscience, *e pluribus unum*—out of a great and diverse many, one. But as we all know and the last few years have brought to the fore, the American dream has often been a nightmare to the many who have not been included in the one—who do not in their whole body and full spirit belong.

For many of us, church is a refuge from the stress and rancor of the outside world. Neither red nor blue, church is a safe space to come as we are and meet each other as we are known and loved by God. Neither red nor blue, we come to church to live as one out of many, and hopefully, like some vibrant shade of violet, be transformed.

And so, I wonder: is there something in Epiphany's ethos that might help us and the world at large when we step back out of these doors? What would our politics look like if we lived out belonging over believing like we truly meant it? Would anything change? Would everything change?

Here's what I think: America is my home now. I'm not the same person I was before I came here. But neither is America the same; America changes with every person who calls it home. That's what it means for me to belong. It means to affect and be affected. It means to transform and be transformed. It means to participate and, with God's help, to co-create.

Jad Baaklini

An induction loop is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users.
To use please switch your hearing aid to "T."

THE GATHERING

We invite you to help create the experience of silence before our service.
Our hope is to calm our hearts as we prepare to enter into an intensity of shared presence.
Thank you for turning off all electronic devices.

VOLUNTARY: Sonata IV in B-flat: I. Allegro con brio

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-47)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Give the Lord the honor due unto his name. Worship the Lord with holy worship. Amen, Amen.

At the sound of the bell, all rise as able.

HYMN 390: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation

Lobe den Herren

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
All **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE *sung by all*

William Mathias

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of



Presider The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

All O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The children depart for
SUNDAY SCHOOL

*All who would like to participate in Sunday School, please follow the Verger.
 You will return to the church at the Peace for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.*

All are seated.

THE LESSON: James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

The people stand to sing.

HYMN 551: Rise up, ye saints of God!

Festal Song

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long; Lord,
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system contains three lines of lyrics. The second system contains three lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

Words: William Pierson Merrill (1867-1954)

Music: William H. Walter (1825-93)

The people remain standing.

THE GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-50

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON: The Reverend Doyt L. Conn, Jr.

Reflective silence and stillness are kept after the sermon.

Sermon notes:

The people stand to say

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The intercessor and people pray responsively.

Intercessor Gathered in the Spirit of God, let us pray for all the needs of the world.

The people remain standing or kneel.

Intercessor For Michael, our presiding bishop, Sean, our presiding bishop-elect, Phil, our bishop, and for all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God, let us pray to the Lord.

All Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Intercessor For all believers who put their trust in the incarnate Son of God, let us pray to the Lord.

All Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Intercessor For the leaders of the nations and all in authority, and for peace and justice, let us pray to the Lord.

All Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Intercessor For all who struggle to establish greater peace upon earth, especially those who serve in the military, those on missions of hope and mercy, and their families, let us pray to the Lord.

All **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor For the sick and the suffering, especially Emily, William, Lee, Joey, Rosemary, Marshal, Kathy, Libby, Tom, Peggy, Ted, Thurston, and Amber, for the hungry and the oppressed, and for the dying and the dead, let us pray to the Lord.

All **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Intercessor For those on our hearts, offering intercession and solace, comfort and healing, praise and thanksgiving, for those we now name silently or aloud.

The people may add their own petitions.

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

All **Who put their trust in you.**

The Presider offers a concluding Collect.

God of healing and salvation, hear the prayers we offer this day, forgive us our sins, and receive us into your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Presider continues

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider We pray also for the forgiveness of our sins.

The people kneel. A moment of reflective silence is kept.

Said by all

All **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The people stand.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The ministers and people greet one another in the name of Christ.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Presider This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.



The offertory is the time during the service when we give offerings to God, acknowledging that all we have comes from God. The choir offers their gift of music, and this is our opportunity to offer thanks to God through a monetary gift to support the ministries of Epiphany. Active Epiphany parishioners make an annual pledge commitment toward the vitality of our ministries. In some cases pledging parishioners also make a financial contribution at the offertory. Money placed in the hunger basket at Communion supports our outreach ministry of feeding those in need. You may use the QR code, either during the anthem or later at your convenience, or place your offering in the offering plate as it is passed.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *Cantique de Jean Racine*

Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Word equal to the All-High, our only hope of heaven,
Eternal Dayspring of the earth and sky,
We break the silent calm of the untroubled even:
Saviour divine, bend upon us thine eye.

Of thy triumphant grace pour over us the fire
That, when thou dost but speak, all hell confounds;
Dispel the lethargy of souls whose weak desire
Oft makes them of thy laws transgress the bounds.

O Christ, benignly view this faithful congregation,
Met now their edifice of praise to build;
Receive their proffered hymns, accept their true oblation,
And send them home with all thy bounty filled.

(Sung in French)

The people stand.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The people remain standing or kneel. Then the Presider continues.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and people

- Christ has died.**
- Christ is risen.**
- Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Presider and people

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Presider

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER *said by all*

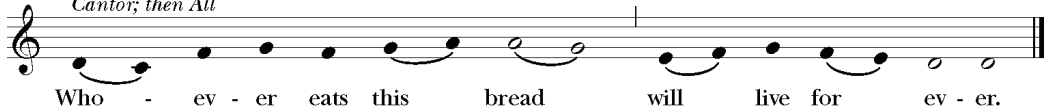
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

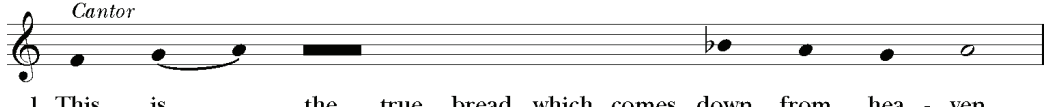
FRACTION ANTHEM: *Whoever eats this bread*

Antiphon
Cantor; then All



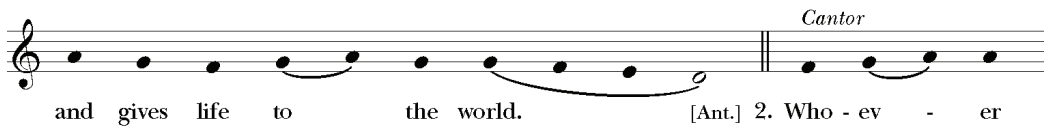
Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for ev - er.

Cantor




1. This is the true bread which comes down from hea - ven


Cantor



and gives life to the world. [Ant.] 2. Who - ev - er



believes in me shall not hun - ger or thirst, for the bread



which I give for the life of the world is my flesh. [Ant.]

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are invited to receive the Holy Communion. It is your choice as to whether you receive Holy Communion or a blessing. You may receive Communion or a blessing at the standing station in the front of the nave or proceed to the altar rail. The bread will be placed in your palm. You may consume the bread and then drink from the chalice (please grasp the bottom of the chalice firmly and guide it to your lips); or, you may leave the bread in your palm for the chalice bearer to dip it into the wine and place it on your tongue. Self-intinction is strongly discouraged by the Episcopal church. The people's response to receiving the bread and the wine is "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available. To indicate to the Eucharistic minister that you would like a gluten-free wafer, please present your hands palms down. Those who do not wish to receive Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Psalm 23 (Requiem)

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

The Lord is my shepherd:
 therefore can I lack nothing.
 He shall feed me in a green pasture:
 and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
 He shall convert my soul:
 and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
 Yea, thou I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
 thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:
 thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
 and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Hymn 321: My God, thy table now is spread

Rockingham

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
 2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
 3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - less
 4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
 well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
 num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
 world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
 va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
 Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
 all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-51); st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Music: melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1780

The people stand as able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Presider May God bless you and keep you. May God's face shine upon you, and be gracious to you. May God's countenance be upon you, and give you peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

HYMN 379: God is Love, let heaven adore him

Abbot's Leigh

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - jice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939)
 Music: Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-91)

DISMISSAL

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

*After the procession has led the way out of the church,
 we invite you to remain for the Voluntary or depart quietly.*

VOLUNTARY: *Sonata IV in B-flat: IV. Allegro maestoso e vivace*

Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

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PARISH PRAYER LIST

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE BIRTHDAYS FALL BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 22 AND SEPTEMBER 28

Jonathan Roberts, Bob Friend, Luke Bisyak, Ellie Jaquet, Katie Ewing, Cliff Burrows, Stu Bishfield

WE PRAY FOR THOSE ON THE DIOCESAN

CYCLE OF PRAYER

Diocesan Council

Board of Directors

Standing Committee

WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE ILL OR GRIEVING

Eileen Riley, Lynn Manley, Alice Foreman, Barbara Lock,
Amber Gregory, Dennis Hogan, Jessica Khan, Janet Salisbury,
Thurston Roach, Libby Goldstein, Lisa Dilling, Nancy, Olivia, MaryJo,
Fr. Michael, Herb, Joan Marsh, Briggs Tinsley, Trent Pollard, Tom,
Faatima, Natalie, Judy, Michael, Jennifer, Sally, Mary Jane Anderson,
Bill Ingham, Lyn White, John Robinson, Alex S., Diane H., Rosemary Pancake,
Mike McClurg, James, Maggie, Ward Ewing, Megan, Nicole Forbes, Steve,
Kathy Mausshardt, Marshal McReal, Joey, Emily, William, Lee Peterson, Peggy Wilton

Are you or a loved one in need of some extra, tender loving care? Pastoral Care Ministries at Epiphany can reach out through a written prayer, a Eucharistic visit, a phone call, a greeting card, a bouquet of Epiphany flowers, a prayer shawl, and/or a meal delivered. Please contact Diane Carlisle at [**dcarlisle@epiphanyseattle.org**](mailto:dcarlisle@epiphanyseattle.org)

The Altar Flowers are
Given to the Glory of God
and in Remembrance of

Don Glad

from Cindy Glad

Introducing “Come As You Are” Eucharist
Sundays, Sept 15, Oct 20, Nov 17, Dec 15 at 4:00 pm in the Chapel
By the Rev. Kate Wesch

We are excited to announce a new worship opportunity this fall: the “Come as You Are” Eucharist, designed for people of all ages, but especially for families with children. Starting in September, join us on the third Sunday at 4:00 pm in the Chapel, followed by a potluck dinner in the Great Hall.

This service is different from our traditional Sunday morning offerings. “Come as you are” means exactly that—come in your gardening clothes, soccer uniforms, or jeans. We welcome everyone, especially children, to participate in a more casual, relaxed worship experience. The liturgy will be interactive, with music led by a piano or guitar, and prayer stations that invite movement during the Prayers of the People. Children and youth will be active participants and leaders in the service, learning by doing and engaging deeply with their faith. Unlike other services, there will be no Nursery—children of all ages are encouraged to attend, and their presence is celebrated.

We look forward to gathering with you in this new, Spirit-led worship experience, creating a space where everyone can encounter God together. Join us and see where this journey takes us!

Sunday School Reimagined: Fall 2024

By the Rev. Kate Wesch

8:45 am - Holy Eucharist & Sunday School | Church & Great Hall

10:00 am - Courtyard Kids Connect: Games and Snacks | Christie House Courtyard

Epiphany is excited to unveil its new fall programming for children, youth, and families, starting Sunday, September 15 and running through December. Building on feedback from our Family Gathering on August 25, we’ve designed a fresh approach to enhance our community’s experience.

Sunday School will now take place during the 8:45 am service. Families are encouraged to attend the service together, with the Verger guiding children and teachers to the Great Hall before the first lesson. At the peace, children will return to their families to join them for the Eucharist. Children of all ages are welcome to remain in church or attend Sunday School during the first half of the service. Families can decide what’s best for their children.

Following the service, children are invited to enjoy facilitated games and a snack in the Courtyard from 10:00 to 10:45 am. This time allows parents to attend the Adult Forum or connect casually with fellow parents in the Fireside Room.

Additionally, we are planning to introduce “pop-up” Youth Group sessions for middle and high school students later this fall during the 10:00 am hour. This new schedule is designed to create more opportunities for engagement and community building among our younger members.

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback or attended the Family Gathering. We value your input and look forward to evaluating these changes in December, with potential updates for the new year.

Weekly Offerings at Epiphany

Coffee Hour | Sundays | Following the Service | Great Hall (Continues for those who wish, in the Fireside Room at 10:00)

Join parishioners and visitors in the Great Hall for refreshments and fellowship.

Choral Evensong | Sundays | 5:30–6:30 pm | Church and YouTube

Sung at the close of day in cathedrals and churches throughout the world, Choral Evensong is a service of Evening Prayer, derived from the ancient offices of Vespers and Compline. The choir sings the traditional evening prayers of the church that have been offered for centuries, while the congregation listens, joins in the hymns, and adds their own prayers to those of the choir.

Chapel Open | Monday through Friday | 9:00 am–4:00 pm | Chapel

The chapel as a place for prayer is open during the week. Come by and sit in this sacred space. Occasionally the chapel will be closed for other events; during these times we will open the church.

C. S. Lewis Minyan | Thursdays | 8:40–9:40 am | Christie House Library and Zoom

Jonathan Roberts

The C. S. Lewis Minyan will resume on Thursday, September 26 at 8:40 am. The Minyan meets in the Christie House Library, and people can attend via Zoom. The first book discussed will be *The Horse and His Boy*. After we visit Narnia, we'll spend a little time with T. S. Eliot with a set of readings curated by Kari Glover. If you would like to join the Minyan, please email Jonathan Roberts at Jonro@rprime.com.

All Threads Together | Thursdays | 10:00–noon | Christie House Library

Bring your latest needle craft project to our weekly meetings of fellowship and fun. We work on individual projects as well as prayer shawls and hats for local ministries. All are welcome!

Bible Study | Fridays | 10:30–11:30 am | Christie House Library and Zoom

The Rev. Doyt Conn, Jr. and the Rev. Kate Wesch

The Bible is the core document that defines the framework in which followers of Jesus live. And so, this class is not just about becoming familiar with the Bible, it is about unpacking it and pulling it apart, and seeking out links and allusions and associations between different parts of the Bible. This Bible study is a journey into words and meaning and characters, and the context behind them. We do not rush things in this class, and furthermore, because of the slow pace and our theological orientation, you can drop in and quickly find your way, even if you haven't been attending the class. Come be part of this biblical quest of Christian meaning, understanding, and relevance with the Rev. Doyt Conn. All are welcome. Contact Diane Carlisle at verger@epiphany-seattle.org for information and the Zoom link.

ADULT FORMATION

Next Sunday, September 29, at 10:00

Regina Carter, Principal of Madrona School

Regina Carter grew up in the neighborhood. Today as the principal of Madrona Elementary School, she is a visionary leader dedicated to fostering an inclusive and nurturing educational environment. With a wealth of experience in education and a deep commitment to student success, she works tirelessly to ensure that every child has the opportunity to thrive. Regina is known for her collaborative approach, engaging with teachers, parents, and community members to create a supportive and dynamic learning community. Madrona Elementary School is a neighbor that brims with co-creative possibility that may emerge through the deepening relationship with Epiphany Parish.

***Adult Formation TODAY: AI Summit at Epiphany
The Rev. Doyt Conn and The Rev. Kate Wesch***

“We stand at the cusp of a new era, marked by the rapid development and integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in our daily lives and societal structures. As we navigate through this unprecedented technological advancement, it becomes imperative for the church to reflect on the theological, ethical, and societal implications it harbors. AI & The Church Summit aims to foster a profound dialogue in and among The Episcopal Church, Presbyterian Church (USA), and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) on the role of AI in our world and the church’s involvement in shaping its trajectory.”

The above quote comes from the invitation for theologians and priests to apply to be part of the AI and church summit that took place this summer at Epiphany. It was a time of significant conversation around what some claimed to be the most important topic facing humanity today. Both Doyt and Kate attended this conference and will share what they learned from their experience.



Men's Retreat | St. Andrew's House | October 4–6, 2024

Dear Men of Epiphany,

Don't miss the 2024 Men's Retreat at St. Andrew's House on the Hood Canal. We're proud to announce this year's facilitator will be Jeff Vancil, Executive Director of Leadership Development Seminars. A dynamic speaker and communicator, Jeff has served in vocational ministry for over 30 years. Prior to his current post, Jeff was the Regional Director of Young Life for the Western Washington region. Many remember Jeff and his wife Marilyn from their time spent in the life of Epiphany Parish. Since 2020, Jeff and Marilyn have lived in Spokane, WA.

There are only 26 spaces available for the retreat at St. Andrew's House. Last year, the weekend sold out.

Price: \$295, but cost shouldn't preclude fellows from attending; scholarship funds are available.

DJ Dance Party | Sunday | October 6 | 3:00-5:00 pm | Great Hall

**All ages, friends & family DANCE PARTY with DJ Roc & Games!
Epiphany's Great Hall!**



Another great excuse to be together simply with emphasis on Fun. Fall Pumpkin theme, baby hats, team sports activities, and birthday celebrations! Please come with a board game you might share with neighborhood kids who attend. Audrey & Bob are hosting. For more information please contact Amanda at amanda@epiphanyseattle.org or Audrey Seale at audreyjseale@gmail.com.

First Sunday Brunch | Sunday | October 6 | 10:00 am | Great Hall



On the first Sunday of every month (October through May), join us in the Great Hall for brunch during **Everybody Hour at 10 am**. Sunday's brunch will be hosted by **The Children, Youth, & Families Ministry!!** If you would like your ministry to host a First Sunday Brunch please contact Amanda at amanda@epiphanyseattle.org.

Blessing of the Animals | Sunday | October 6 | 11:00 am | Church

Cake and treats for Animals and Their Owners Following the Service



Bring your pets, large and small, to the 11:00 service for a blessing. Dogs must be on a leash. All others must be in cages or carriers. There will be cake for their owners and friends and treats for our furry (and feathered or scaled) friends.

Parish Staff

The Rev. Doyt L. Conn, Jr.	<i>Rector</i>
Jad Baaklini	<i>Director of Communications</i>
Karen Berry	<i>Parish Administrator</i>
The Rev. Lex Breckinridge	<i>Assisting Priest</i>
Diane Carlisle	<i>Exec. Assistant to the Rector and Director of Worship</i>
Pam Demian	<i>Business Administrator</i>
Amanda Eap	<i>Parish Life Minister</i>
Bryan Fiehler	<i>Audio Visual Minister</i>
John Garlid	<i>Music Administrator</i>
Zachary Hemenway	<i>Director of Music</i>
Dani Lugotoff	<i>Campus Care Manager</i>
Gieth Phou	<i>Sexton</i>
Laura Rodde	<i>Chief of Staff</i>
Laura Sargent	<i>Music Department Coordinator</i>
The Rev. Pam Tinsley	<i>Associate Priest</i>
The Rev. Kate Wesch	<i>Parochial Vicar</i>

Volunteer Ministry Leaders

Ann Beck	<i>YWCA Cleanup & Teen Feed</i>
	<i>Chaplain Mirabella</i>
Diana Bender	<i>Discernment</i>
Susan Bisyak	<i>Altar Guild</i>
Holly Boone	<i>Service & Outreach</i>
Terry Carlisle	<i>Operation Nightwatch</i>
Phil Carter	<i>Ushers</i>
Valerie Conn	<i>Women's Retreat Group</i>
Jenny Cummins	<i>Tiny Homes</i>
Karen Forbes	<i>Women's Retreat Group</i>
Alice Foreman	<i>Flower Ministry</i>
Michael Fraas	<i>Chaplain Parkshore</i>
Sherman Griffin	<i>Music at Epiphany</i>
Clip Kniffin	<i>Men's Ministry</i>
Pete Melin	<i>Tiny Homes</i>
Bethany Miller	<i>Chaplain Washington Park Tower</i>
Nancy Morrow	<i>Parkshore Ministry</i>
Laurel Nesholm	<i>Art Guild</i>
Jonathan Roberts	<i>C. S. Lewis Minyan</i>
Lorelle Shearer	<i>Meals Ministry</i>
Trish Stone	<i>All Threads Together</i>

To find out more about all of our ministries go to
epiphanyseattle.org/engage.

Volunteer Professionals

Bill Forbes	<i>Buildings and Grounds</i>
Camille Hayward	<i>Sunday School</i>
Doug Marshall	<i>Treasurer</i>
Doug Oles	<i>Chancellor</i>
Susan Pitchford	<i>Off-site Anchorite</i>
Karen Wrang	<i>Sunday School</i>

Vestry

Dwayne Shearer - Senior Warden	
Mary Kimball - Junior Warden	
Ron Lee - Member at Large	
Lee Anderson-Brooke	George Brumder
Barbara Cairns	John Cary
Jodi Markus	Barb Marshall
Wendy Sefcik	Lesa Sroufe
Alec Williamson	

Serving this day

Rector The Reverend Doyt L. Conn, Jr.
Parochial Vicar The Reverend Kate Wesch
Director of Worship Diane Carlisle
Director of Music Zachary Hemenway
Epiphany Choir
Vergers Sabrina Reyes
Eucharistic Ministers Margaret King, Scott Robertson
Lector Tom Holford
Ushers Valerie Conn, Jenny Cummins, Mary Anne Howard, Alec Williamson
Parish Life Minister Amanda Eap
Altar Flowers Bobbie Spaeth
Altar Guild K Robinson