

EPIPHANY †

— *Seattle* —



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

HOLY EUCHARIST

JANUARY 14, 2024 AT 11:00 AM

Dear Epiphany,

I am so excited to be with you this morning. For those whom I haven't had the pleasure of meeting, I served as the Associate Rector at Epiphany from 2009 to 2017. After leaving Epiphany, I served as the rector of St. John the Baptist in West Seattle. For the past few years, I have been serving as rector of St. John's in Essex, Connecticut.

Many of you are participating in our *Year in the Bible* program. Doyt and I dreamed this up together one year ago and it has been a delight to see it come to life. Epiphany and St. John's, Essex, have been working our way through the Bible since September and rediscovering the Old Testament together. A highlight of my week is co-teaching the Thursday Bible Study on Zoom with Lisa Ozaeta. I have greatly enjoyed this opportunity to reconnect with many of you.

When I reflect on my time at Epiphany, there are so many wonderful memories. My husband Joel and I were with you during the birth of both of our children. Our sons, Avery (13) and Myles (10), were baptized here and their early formation happened in these Sunday School classrooms and worship spaces.

It was here that I had the opportunity to work alongside Doyt, but also Tom and Carol Foster, Diane Carlisle, Elizabeth Walker, Laura Sargent, and others. We rebuilt the Sunday School program, helped launch Epiphany Preschool, created a robust network of small groups, renovated the campus, and so much more. I will be forever grateful for the tremendous amount I learned from each of you during those years. Thank you again for all that you gave me and for affording me the opportunity to join you today.

In grace and peace,

Kate Wesch +



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: *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

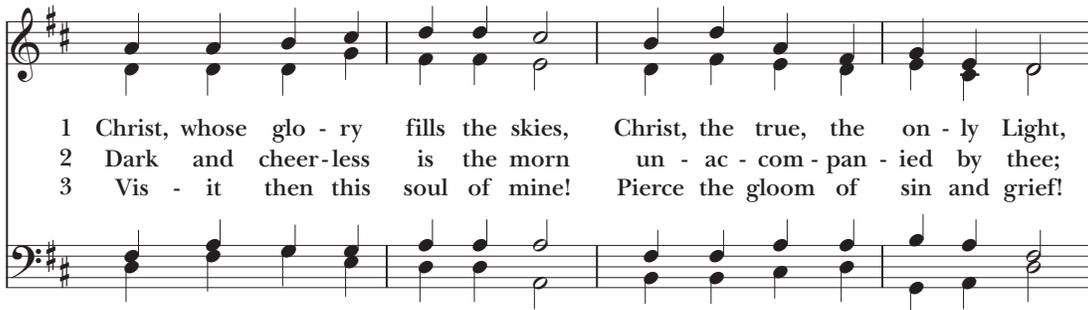
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT All the earth bows down before you, O God, and sings to you, sings out your Name, O Most High.
Ps. Be joyful in God, all you lands: sing the glory of his Name: sing the glory of his praise.

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

HYMN 7: Christ, whose glory fills the skies

Ratisbon



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Music: melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1534

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

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

GLORIA sung by all

Healey Willan



Glo-ry be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will to all. We praise thee,



we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give



thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God



the Fa - ther Al - migh - - - ty.



O Lord, the on - ly - be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,



Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the



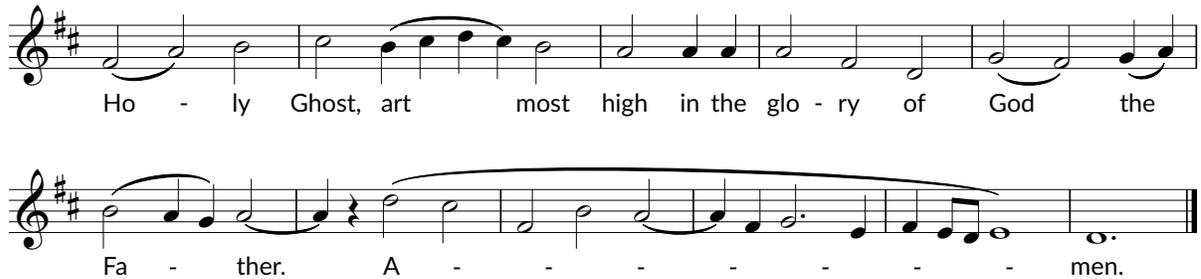
world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of



God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art



ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ, with the



Presider The Lord be with you.
All **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *(said by all)*

All **Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All are seated.

THE LESSON: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

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

THE GOSPEL: *John 1:43-51*

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

All **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON: *The Reverend Kate Wesch*

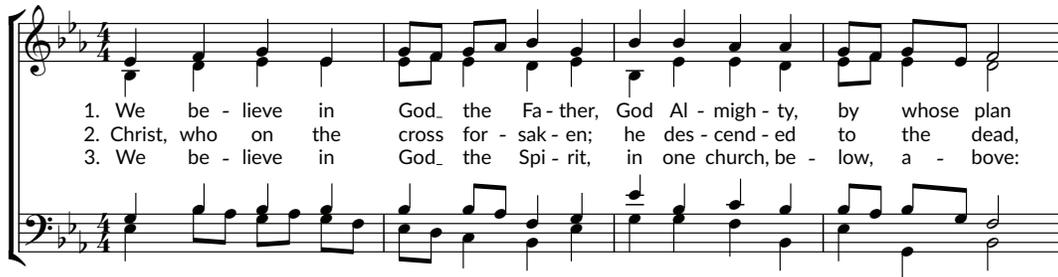
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Sermon Notes

The people stand as able and sing.

THE CREED

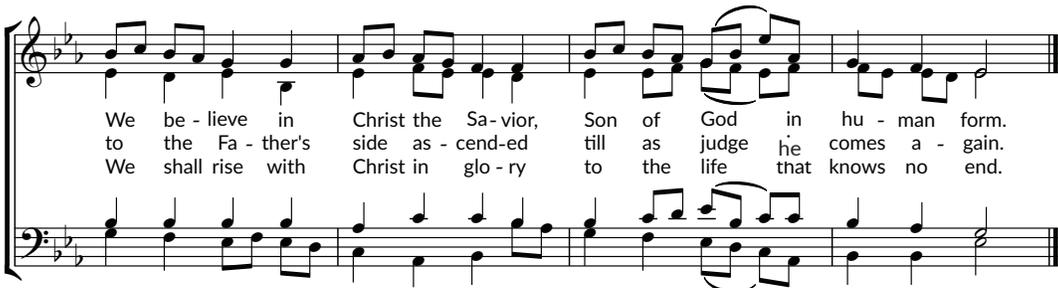
Grafton



1. We be - lieve in God the Fa - ther, God Al - migh - ty, by whose plan
2. Christ, who on the cross for - sak - en; he des - cend - ed to the dead,
3. We be - lieve in God the Spi - rit, in one church, be - low, a - bove:



earth and heav - en sprang to be - ing, all cre - a - ted things be - gan,
We be - lieve in Je - sus ri - sen, heav - en's King to rule and reign,
saints of God in one com - mun - ion, one in ho - li - ness and love.



We be - lieve in Christ the Sa - vior, Son of God in hu - man form.
to the Fa - ther's side as - cend - ed till as judge he comes a - gain.
We shall rise with Christ in glo - ry to the life that knows no end.

Words: adapt. Zachary Hemenway (b.1983)

Music: melody from *Chants ordinaires de l'Office Divin*, 1881

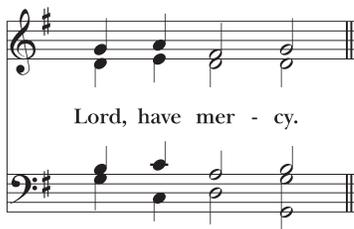
The people remain standing or kneel.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor As Jesus calls on us to follow him. Let us call on Jesus for the needs, concerns, and hopes of all peoples.

Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.

Sung by all at the conclusion of each petition.



Lord, have mer - cy.

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Intercessor Guide our leaders as they walk beside us, supporting us in our journey of faith. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Melissa, our Bishop Provisional, our priests, and all who minister in your holy church.... (*silence is kept*)

Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor Give those in authority an imagination and determination for peace between peoples, plenty for all, and justice for everyone, even those who are forgotten. We pray this morning especially for peace in Ukraine and in Israel/Palestine *(silence is kept)*

Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor Lead us to a place of wholeness and make each of us an agent of healing in the world. We pray for Mary Jo, Kris, Michael, Lex, Tate, Bill, Don, Karen, Joanna, Marjorie, John, Amber, and Cheryl, for those close to us, for those who have asked for our prayers today, and for those we now name silently or aloud.... *(silence is kept)*

Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for those who are born today as well as those who are being welcomed home to your eternal kingdom, especially Rose Chimo and Marylyn Vincent. May your will for all your children be fulfilled here on earth and in the life to come.... *(silence is kept)*

Cantor Let us pray to the Lord.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The Presider offers a concluding Collect.

Presider God of mystery, lover of all, hear the prayers of your people and keep us ready always to serve as prophets and apostles of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Presider continues

CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The people kneel as able.

Silence may be kept.

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

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

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Presider Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”



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: *Christ whose glory fills the skies*

T. Frederick Candlyn (1892-1964)

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
Till thy mercy's beams I see;
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine;
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, Radiance divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

The people stand as the thurifer comes to the top of the chancel steps. The thurifer bows to the people and the people bow to the thurifer. The thurifer censens the people, and then all bow again.

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for all, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his life, blessed passion, and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

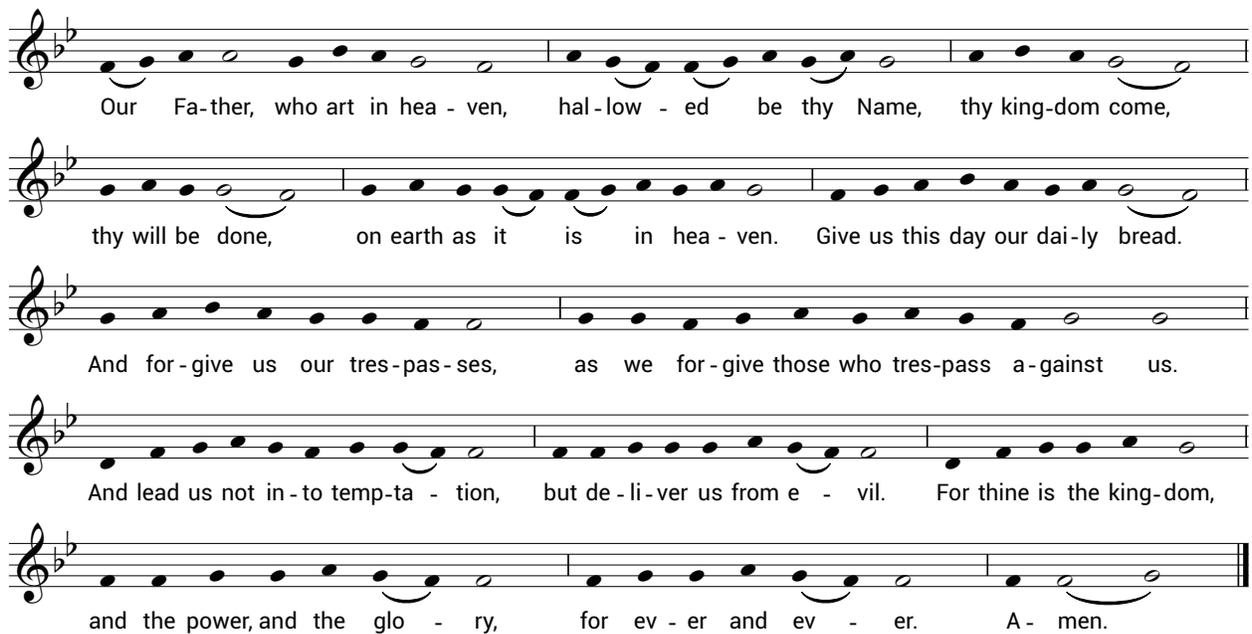
And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful God, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O God Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER *sung by all*



Our Fa-ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed be thy Name, thy king - dom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread.
And for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us.
And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - li - ver us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom,
and the power, and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

Communion Proper

Andrew said to Simon his brother, "We have found the Messiah, who is called the Christ," and he led them to Jesus.

God be in my head

John Rutter (b. 1945)

God be in my head, and in my understanding;
 God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;
 God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
 God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
 God be at mine end, and at my departing.

The people stand as able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, who hast graciously accepted us as living members of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve thee with gladness and singleness of heart; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Presider May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN 535 *Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim*

Paderborn

1 Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
2 God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save;
3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne!
4 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad his won - der - ful Name;
and still he is nigh: his pres - ence we have.
Let all cry a - loud, and hon - or the Son.
All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

the Name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol:
The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,
The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
and hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver all.
as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.
fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the Lamb.
and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Paderborn*, melody from *Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch*, 1765; harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947).

DISMISSAL

Minister Let us bless 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: *Wir glauben all an einen Gott, BWV 680*

Bach

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Dear Epiphany,

It is with mixed emotions that we announce the departure of Will Brothers from the vestry. Will has accepted a wonderful job in Denver, and he, his wife Bailey, and their kids Maria and Bishop are off to a new home and a new adventure. We are happy to say they found a great Episcopal Church in Golden, Colorado, where they have settled. During their years here in Seattle, we at Epiphany saw Will and Bailey meet, and then get married. We celebrated the births of Maria and Bishop and had the privilege to baptize them as well. And we were blessed by the significant energy and leadership that Will and Bailey brought to Epiphany. They will be missed.

Fortunately, Epiphany has a deep pool of leaders, and Lee Anderson-Brooke has accepted the vestry appointment to fill out Will's term. Please read his bio below.

Our common life at Epiphany is filled with each other's comings and goings. We celebrate these walks with a sense of hope built on the ground of love.

Yours in Christ,

Doyt Conn+
Rector

Kelli Martin
Senior Warden

Lee Anderson-Brooke



Lee and his wife Debbie started attending Epiphany after casually introducing themselves to parishioner Susan Phinney at a Benaroya Hall event and somehow getting into a conversation about local churches—a bold and unusual topic of conversation for strangers in downtown Seattle. Lee only became a Christian when he was 40, after meeting Debbie and realizing she wouldn't date him otherwise. Born and raised in England, he was living in Finland when they met, and the Anglican church in downtown Helsinki was the only church offering services in English—which proved handy because it meant he was familiar with the Episcopal service and already knew when to sit and stand by the time they walked into Epiphany. Over the last four years, Epiphany Seattle has proven pivotal in Lee and Debbie's spiritual journeys and both of them consider themselves incredibly fortunate to be part of this community.

Offerings at Epiphany

Adult Formation | Sundays (except First Sundays, when there is a brunch) | 10:00 am | Great Hall

Join others for an hour of learning. Topics vary each week from spiritual formation, human interest, current affairs, and more.

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

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

Jonathan Roberts

The C. S. Lewis minyan is reading *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. This minyan meets in person and online. If you would like to be on the email distribution list and receive notes each week or you would like the Zoom link 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!

Zoom Bible Study | Thursdays | 11:00–noon | Zoom

Join other parishioners from Epiphany and parishioners from St. John's in Essex, Connecticut, for a Zoom-only study class on the Bible. This class will look in depth at some of the stories from the previous week's reading from the *Year in the Bible*. Please contact Lisa Ozaeta at lisa@epiphanyseattle.org for information and the Zoom link.

Bible Study | Fridays | 10:30–11:30 am | Great Hall and Zoom

The Rev. Doyt Conn, Jr.

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 will be looking at stories that align with our *Year in the Bible* readings. 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 dcarlisle@epiphanyseattle.org for information and the Zoom link.



Choral Evensong & Have a Heart *Epiphany's annual outreach fundraiser* SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 5:30 PM

*Epiphany's presence
in a wounded world*



Epiphany's Service & Outreach Team invites you to the Church at 5:30 PM for a short video program followed by the beautiful service of Choral Evensong. Then join us in the Great Hall for a festive reception. *No need to register or RSVP!*

YEAR OF THE BIBLE

Readings for the Week of January 14–January 20

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|------|-----------|-------|
| 1/14 | Isaiah | 65-66 |
| | Psalm 121 | |
| 1/15 | Hosea | 1-5 |
| | Psalm 122 | |
| 1/16 | Hosea | 6-10 |
| | Psalm 123 | |
| 1/17 | Hosea | 11-14 |
| | Psalm 124 | |
| 1/18 | Joel | 1-3 |
| | Psalm 125 | |
| 1/19 | Amos | 1-5 |
| | Psalm 126 | |
| 1/20 | Amos | 6-10 |
| | Psalm 127 | |

PARISH PRAYER LIST

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE BIRTHDAYS FALL BETWEEN JANUARY 14 AND JANUARY 20

Lynn Frink, Bryan Fiehler, Kevin Crispin-Alfieri, Alex Wang, Miles Christensen, Nancy, Bain,
Allison Sander, Audrey Rossow, Barbee Crutcher, Mary Anne Howard, Grace Clarke

WE PRAY FOR THOSE ON THE DIOCESAN

CYCLE OF PRAYER

Good Shepherd, Federal Way
St. Columba's, Kent

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

Cheryl Morgan, Eileen Riley, The Osterlind Family, Steve, Lynn Manley,
Alice Foreman, Thomas, John Kirkpatrick, Barbara Lock, Amber Gregory,
Dennis Hogan, Jessica Khan, Arthur Sullivan, Linda Baker, Bill Hess, Jane Hess,
Jeremy Bacon, Miah, Janet Salisbury, Norma Lorenzana, Janet Hoehne, Bill Ingham, Cooper Sayer,
Kathleen Balducci, Lisa Robertson, Ava Hall, Diane, Mary Magee, Ruth Hurt, John,
Marjorie Bunday, Joanna Reams, Karen Forbes, Lex Lindsey, Tate Mason, Bill,
Don Mullins, The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Mary Jo, Kris, Fr. Michael

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Rose Chimo, Marylyn Vincent

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 verger@epiphanyseattle.org

Vestry Candidates' Biographies



Wendy Sefcik is a life-long Episcopalian and was baptized in the faith as an infant at a family ceremony with her cousins in Los Angeles. In 1968, she moved from Denver to Bellevue with her family and attended St. Thomas Episcopal Medina. Wendy went to college at UCLA where she joined All Saints Beverly Hills. In 1986, she moved back to Seattle to earn her MBA at UW. She and her husband Steve raised two daughters, Taylor and Spencer, and were members of St. Stephens Laurelhurst. Wendy co-chaired the Sunday School, was part of Altar Guild and chaired the Finance Committee. Wendy and Steve moved to Epiphany Parish in 2015. She was thrilled to join this dynamic community of people. She is part of the Teen Feed crew, ushers at the 11am service, is Treasurer for the Service & Outreach committee, and is on the Pew Torch ministry. She is honored to be asked to be on the Vestry and looks forward to serving the Parish in this faith-filled way. Outside of Epiphany, Wendy is a VP for a Swiss-based firm and looks forward to semi-retirement in 2024 to pursue her long list of 'To Dos' including welcoming her first grandchild.



John Cary was born in Seattle, raised in Spokane, and after school out of state and a job on Capitol Hill, returned to Seattle in 1973 and began practicing law. Sue and John have lived in the Mount Baker neighborhood since 1974. They have two children and four grandchildren, ranging in age from 5 to 15, in whom they take great delight. While Sue and John have traveled overseas extensively, They especially enjoy the water and mountains of the Pacific Northwest - hiking, camping, skiing and sailing.

Sue (a cradle Episcopalian) and John joined Epiphany about 1980 when their kids were at the age to learn the true meaning of Christmas and Easter. He has served in a number of roles at Epiphany, including the Vestry, search committees, and host for Overnight Watch, but the most substantial was nearly 20 years as Chancellor, the church's lawyer.

Sue and John participate enthusiastically in Epiphany's pilgrimages, beginning with the Holy Land to walking the Pilgrim's Way to Canterbury this summer. They love the Music Program and attend as many musical events as They can. This summer they became choir groupies and followed them to services at St. Paul's and Durham Cathedrals. Epiphany has become one of the center points of their lives and their home community.

John has been especially drawn to Doyt's teaching and has participated in the Minyan from its beginning and in as many forums and classes as he can. He is now a part of the crew undertaking to read the Bible in a Year. Taking to heart Doyt's injunction to pray the Hour by Hour services, he belongs to the Marco Polo group that reads daily lessons. He grew up in a non liturgical church - Presbyterian - but was drawn to the Episcopalian service at St. John the Divine during graduate school. At Epiphany John has come to an appreciation of the richness of the liturgy and how it connects us with our souls. Epiphany has become his spiritual home. He would be greatly honored to serve Epiphany as a member of the Vestry.



George Brumder was born and raised in Pasadena, California. After graduating from college in the Pacific Northwest, he lived in Boston, San Francisco, and Manhattan before settling in Seattle with his bride in 2003. Despite an inclination to continue a peripatetic lifestyle, once children came and attendant friendship groups formed, Seattle was quickly deemed the perfect place to raise a family -- George and his wife, Jean, have two children: George (19) and Greta (16)... Growing up, George attended All Saints Church (of Pasadena, not Beverly Hills) and was a junior acolyte for a number of years. Church attendance vanished in college, but was reinvigorated at the stunningly beautiful Trinity Church in Boston then the lovely Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin in San Francisco. Church attendance again fell by the wayside in New York City, but upon moving to Seattle, George quickly began auditioning Episcopal churches. He thinks he tried nearly every one in town (but curiously not Epiphany) and just hadn't found his home when his friend, Alex Polson's, funeral was held at Epiphany in 2021 -- Doyt presided over a beautiful service and the rest is history. He's scarcely missed a Sunday since. George serves on the Board of the College Club Seattle

and works in the equipment leasing industry as the Pacific Northwest sales manager for CSI Leasing.



Barbara Cairns lives in Leschi, and Epiphany has been her neighborhood church for 12 years. She was drawn by two invitations on the website: 1) "Wherever you are on your spiritual journey you have a place at Epiphany." *Understanding. Respectful. Intriguing.* 2) There was guided meditation on offer. *This I know how to do.* Doyt asked at their first meeting, "What are you looking for?" *Ah, a serious priest. This ain't bean bag.* She understood the Buddhist framework; she knew the experience of equanimity occasioned by practice. She said, "I miss devotion, belonging, love. I am feeling pulled here, but I don't understand the Christian construct, the story. Are there practices?" *Oh, Lamb.* Since then, Barbara has taken almost every class on offer and taught a few—on Mysticism, Thomas Merton, George Herbert, St. Paul, Noah, Climate Change. *The day job peeks through on occasion.* She's taught Sunday School, delivered a homily,

constructed Taize altars, lectored, ladled soup, polished brass, and helped design, write, and produce a new website. *There's that job again.* She is deeply grateful for the beauty of Epiphany's interior spaces, its gardens, its music. For friendships that endure. For being called to account. Too, for the intelligence of its sermons, the reliable surprises in its weekly liturgy, the chiropractic mental adjustment afforded her each week as she gathers with two or more of you and helps constitute the body of Christ. She is placing her bets on Doyt's belief that the neighborhood church is the hope of the world, because she has experienced the hope and joy that comes from deep connection over time and sustained personal change for the better. At present, Barbara is a regular attendee of the Rector's Bible Study, Evensong, and the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Eucharist. She is at once honored and humbled by the invitation to serve on the Vestry of Epiphany Parish. *See, that wasn't so hard; could have been worse.*

Parish Staff

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| The Rev. Doyt L. Conn, Jr. | <i>Rector</i> |
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| 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> |
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| Zachary Hemenway | <i>Director of Music</i> |
| Dani Lugotoff | <i>Campus Care Manager</i> |
| The Rev. Lisa Ozaeta | <i>Associate Rector</i> |
| Julian Petrallia | <i>Assistant Director of Music</i> |
| Gieth Phou | <i>Sexton</i> |
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| Laura Sargent | <i>Music Department Coordinator</i> |
| The Rev. Pam Tinsley | <i>Associate Priest</i> |

Volunteer Ministry Leaders

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| 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> |
| 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> |
| Robin Mondares | <i>Chaplain Aegis</i> |
| Nancy Morrow | <i>Parkshore Ministry</i> |
| Laurel Nesholm | <i>Art Guild</i> |
| Elizabeth Roberts | <i>Women's Retreat Group</i> |
| Jonathan Roberts | <i>C. S. Lewis Minyan</i> |
| Lorelle Shearer | <i>Meals Ministry</i> |
| Trish Stone | <i>All Threads Together</i> |

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Volunteer Professionals

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| Bill Forbes | <i>Buildings and Grounds</i> |
| Thomas Foster | <i>Director of Music Emeritus</i> |
| Doug Marshall | <i>Treasurer</i> |
| Mary McGuire | <i>Children's Sermon</i> |
| Doug Oles | <i>Chancellor</i> |
| Susan Pitchford | <i>Off-site Anchorite</i> |

Vestry

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| Kelli Martin - Senior Warden | |
| Barb Marshall - Junior Warden | |
| Eleanor Nelson - Member at Large | |
| Vernon Barback | Will Brothers |
| Mary Kimball | Ron Lee |
| Jodi Markus | Alvin Moseberry |
| Dwayne Shearer | Lesa Sroufe |
| Alec Williamson | |

Serving this day

Rector The Reverend Doyt L. Conn, Jr.
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Assistant Director of Music Julian Petrallia
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Eucharistic Minister Kelli Martin
Thurifer John Starbard
Usher Dawn Friend
Parish Life Minister Amanda Eap
Flowers Bobbie Spaeth
Altar Guild Sally Clarke