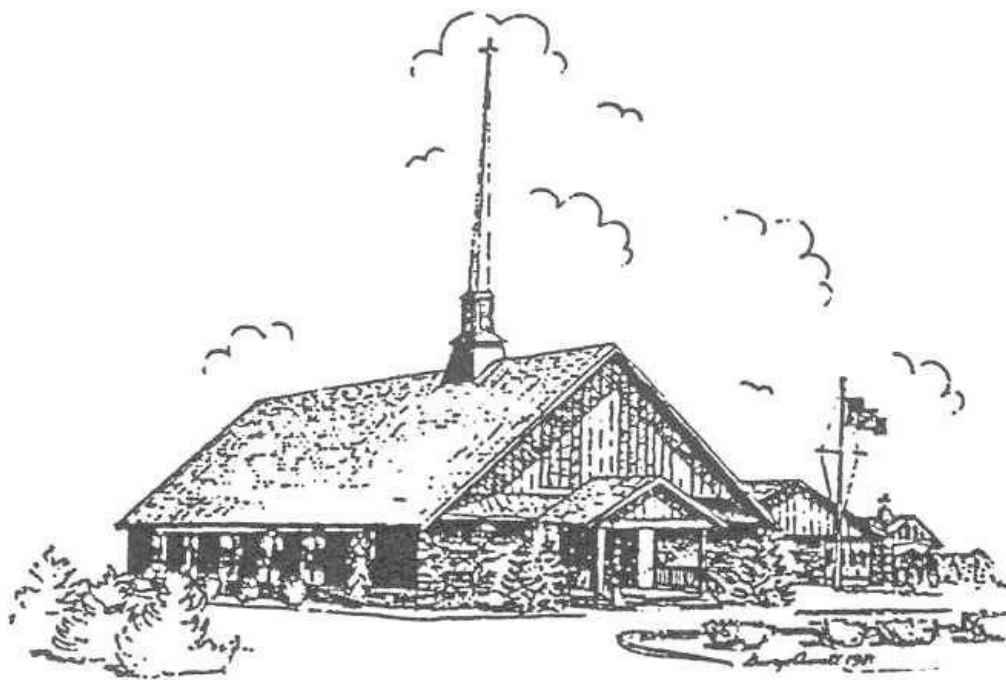


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Fourth Sunday after The Epiphany



*The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents
in the Borough of Beach Haven, New Jersey
28 January, 2024 ~ 9:30 AM*

Welcome! In The Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. BCP means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book). You'll find the BCP and Hymnals in the pew rack in front of you. Please join us for Coffee Hour following the service!

** Indicates to stand as you are able*

Prelude

Lyric Echoes

Steven Scott

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn #288 *Praise to God, Immortal Praise*

DIX

Opening Acclamation

BCP, p. 355

Gloria in excelsis S-280 (All sing)

Robert Powell (1932)

The Collect of the Day:

BCP, p. 215

The First Lesson

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 111

BCP, p. 754

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #189 (LEVAS) *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** (*All are seated*)

The Sermon

The Very Rev. Dr. Caroline Carson+

*The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

*The Prayers of the People: Form VI (*The people may stand or kneel*)

BCP, p. 392

Celebrant Let us offer our prayers to God.

Silence

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For Nancy our Mayor, Philip our Governor, and Joseph our President; for this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Sally our Bishop; for Judith our Deacon, for Caroline, our Rector and for all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially remembering all victims of climate change, and for the poor. We also remember all those mentioned in our Parish Prayer List: the sick, the shut in, and the grieving; those serving in the military and other dangerous professions, and for our enemies, that all hearts may be turned to peace.
(The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud at this time.)

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life; for the beauty of your creation; for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week, and all the Saints.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *(Deceased loved ones and friends may be mentioned at this time.)*

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**

Celebrant O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

BCP p. 360

***The Peace** (*All stand*)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn #566 *From Thee All Skill and Science Flow*

THE CHURCH'S DESOLATION

***Presentation of the Gifts** (*All stand*)

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee

***The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

BCP, p. 367

Sanctus S-129 (*All sing*) *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

Robert Powell (1932)

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: S-154 (*All sing*) *Christ Our Passover*

David Hurd (b. 1950)

(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion.)

Music During Communion

At Prayer

James Southbridge

***Postcommunion Prayer** (*Please stand*)

BCP, p. 366

Blessing

The Parish Notices

Hymn #493 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

Dismissal

BCP, p. 366

Postlude Great is Thy Faithfulness Carolyn Hamlin/William Runyan (1870-1957)

Thank you to Barbara Wheeler for playing organ for us while Ellen was away!

Coffee Hour is held EVERY SUNDAY - Please join us in Martin Hall!

Serving Today: Crucifer ~ John Wall Lector ~ Rob Meyer

Ushers ~ Melissa Wall, Sue Hughes Chalice Bearer ~ Rob Meyer

Parish Prayer List – January 28, 2024

PLEASE NOTE: This is the last Sunday in January. All names will be removed from the prayer list unless you have requested to leave them on. If you need to add a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, January 31st.

Judy Contreras
Mary Ann Crewdson
Connie Anderson
Susan F.
Dayton
Bob Hendricks
Kathy & Walter
Priscilla
Chris C.
Barry Longenbach
Tony
Elliott
Dennis Hickey
Laura
Rebecca
Bob
Sophia
Jim Darling
Greg Melega

Lara Sparks Deitz
Dennis
Christian Balint
Cheryl
Jason
Christine Hendricks
Ron & Kenny
Judy & Al
Pierro Family
Robert
Aleen
Anne
Rosanne & Bob
Lovas Family
Fiona
Sue
Joseph
Charles Sullivan
Rachel

Joan Connolly
Mary Timmerman
Barney H.
Diane D.
Kirsten Angelozzi
Andy
Jeannine
Joan & Linda Kelly
David D'Ambrosia
Mike
Jan
Karen & DJ
Juli & Dave
Debbie & Joe Reising
Graham
Melanie
Paris
Warren Lamon
Louise Muth

Teri Keller
Hunter Gideon
Frank M.
Joey
Patty August
Sue P.

Gia
Vic Hughes
Ray M.
Diane Dreby
Hank Henninger

Cora
Rick & Becky Johnson
Kate White
Cameron Sanders
Canon Don Muller

Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Joseph Alexander, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall, Brandan White

Birthdays: Jonathon Goddard (01/30), Maria Mack (02/02), Kim Sparks (02/02)

Anniversaries: Howard & Edith Dumhart (01/30)

Altar Flowers: This week's Altar Flowers are by given by Richard and Jeanne Cashel in memory of their mothers and to the Glory of God.

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR January 29 – February 2

29 - Mon	Morning Prayer (FB)	9:00 AM
30 - Tues	Evening Prayer (FB)	6:00 PM
31 - Wed	AA in Kitchen	6:00 PM
01 - Thurs	Book Study at Church	2:00 PM
	Compline (FB)	9:00 PM
02 - Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed, CANDLEMAS service</i>	6:00 PM

UPCOMING – FEB. 6 ECW, FEB. 7 Sandwich Min, FEB. 13 Mardi gras Pancake Fundraiser!, FEB. 14 Ash Wednesday, FEB. 20 Birding!, FEB. 21 Prayer Ministry!

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