



Christ Church

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*A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey
and the worldwide Anglican Communion*

Service Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM Healing Mass
Thursday: 6:30 PM Mass
Friday: 5:30 PM Evening Prayer
Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
by appointment

Priest-in-Charge

The Rev. Lawrence Civale

Our Vestry

Senior Warden: Sarah Cranston
Junior Warden: Tara Mass
Treasurer: Mark Novalsky
Clerk: Gwen Simpson

Class of 2025
Sarah Cranston
David Hanson
Tom Phramphus
Sophie Seddon

Class of 2026
Doreen Mills
Gwen Simpson
Sherm Yeiter

Class of 2027
Jim Bathurst
Charles Lewis
Tara Mass

THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

January 6, 2025

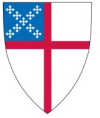


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The name “Epiphany” is derived from a Greek word meaning “manifestation” or “appearing.” Anglican Prayer Books interpret the word with an alternative title, “The Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles.” The last phrase, of course, is a reference to the story of the Wise Men from the East.

A Christian observance on January 6 is found as early as the end of the second century in Egypt. The feast combined commemorations of the visit of the Magi, led by the star of Bethlehem; the Baptism of Jesus in the waters of the River Jordan; and Jesus' first recorded miracle, the changing of water into wine at the marriage of Cana of Galilee — all thought of as manifestations of the incarnate Lord.



The Epiphany is still the primary Feast of the Incarnation in Eastern Churches, and the three-fold emphasis is still prominent. In the West, however, including Anglican Churches, the story of the Wise Men has tended to overshadow the other two events. Modern lectionary reform, reflected in the 1979 Prayer Book, has recovered the primitive trilogy, by setting the event of the Baptism as the theme of the First Sunday after the Epiphany in all three years, and by providing the story of the Miracle at Cana as the Gospel for the Second Sunday after the Epiphany in Year C.

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Prayer List

Pray for those who are sick or in any other adversity, especially: Pray for those who are in immediate need, especially: Jillian, Carroll, Jill, Amanda, Tara, Jackson, Joy, Joan, Jack, Ed, Jason, Lorie, Steve, Samuel, Michael, Alex, Paul, Allene, Baby Rick, Tom, Kathi, Mary, Bruce, Ivan, Andy

Pray for those with enduring needs: Sean, Maya, Miguel, Carl, Linda, Douglas, Alfred, Sally, Ariella, David, James, Téó and Peter, Pat, Anne, Josephine, Ronald, Tony, Jordan, Mason, David, Charles, Sue, Barbara, Michael, Gloria, Tyler and Laura, Marjorie, Jacob, Michele, Stephanie, Riley, Julia, Susan, June, Amy, Kathleen, Cora, Dottie, Debbie, Norman, Tracey, Ginger, Candi, Becky, Carter, Rose, Adam, Dick, Daniel, Michael, Brad and Susan, Kathi, Lynn, Ralph, Peggy, Audrey, Sissy, Averil.

**Please advise the Parish Office of any names that no longer need to be on this list.
Thank you.**

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Nick Mynyk's mother-in-law, Marlene Nawrocik. Please keep her and Nick and his family in your prayers. May the soul of Marlene and the souls of all the departed rest in peace.



Those Who Serve Today

Organist & Choir Director: Nick Mynyk

Master of Ceremonies: Jim Bathurst

Thurifer & Boat: Chris Cranston

Crucifer: Pauly Mass

1st Server: Riley Shomo

2nd Server: Cece Lyden

Torches: Daphne Rhodes & Joey Lyden

Acolyte Master: Robertta Shomo

Chalice Bearers: Ed Ferrell & Jim Bathurst

Lector I & Intercessor: Sarah Cranston

Lector II: Jean Lucas

Ushers: Mike Sanchez & Steve Rash

**CONTACT
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Priest-in-Charge

Fr. Lawrence Civalè

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Fr. Civalè tries to keep Monday as his Sabbath day.



Parish Office Business Hours

Monday: 9 AM - 1 PM

Tuesday: 9 AM - 3 PM

Wednesday : 9AM - 12 PM (NOON)

Friday: 9 AM - 3 PM

Additional hours by appointment.

Thank you Acolytes

A special thank you to the Acolytes for funding the restoration of the marquee. This parish ministry hosts the parish Strawberry Festival and Shrove Tuesday Suppers. Money collected is designated not only for vestments and acolyte functions. It is also used for activities around mission in the community and as in this case, special projects around the parish. We thank them for their dedication, service and ministry at the Altar of the Lord.

The Feast of the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist: Rite I

Prelude: *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BWV 739*J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The congregation stands when the bell is rung.

Introit: *Ecce advénit* *Mode IV*

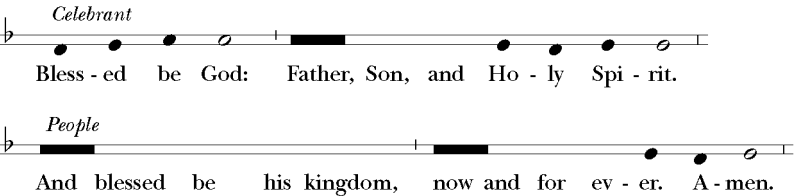
Ecce advenit dominator Dominus: et	Behold, he appeareth, the LORD and
regnum in manu eius, et potestas, et	Ruler: and in his hand the kingdom, and
imperium. Deus, iudicium tuum regi da: et	pow'r, and dominion.
iustitiam tuam Filio regis	

THE ENTRANCE RITE

the people standing

Processional Hymn 128 “We three Kings of Orient Are *Three Kings of Orient*
Vs.1 All, Vs.2-4 Choristers, Vs.5 All; Refrain always sung by All

Opening Acclamation:Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 323



Music: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991)
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The Collect for Purity BCP 323

Summary of the Law BCP 324

Kyrie S91 H. Willian (1880-1968) (*see service music supplement*)

Gloria S 202 Willan (*see service music supplement*)

Collect of the Day (The Epiphany):

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	<i>And with thy spirit.</i>
Celebrant	Let us pray.

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

the people are seated

The First Lesson Isaiah 60:1-6,9

Lector A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Lift up your eyes round about, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far, and your daughters shall be carried in the arms. Then you shall see and be radiant, your heart shall thrill and rejoice; because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Mid'ian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord. For the coastlands shall wait for me, the ships of Tarshish first, to bring your sons from far, their silver and gold with them, for the name of the Lord your God, and for the Holy One of Israel, because he has glorified you.

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

the people remain seated

Gradual Psalm 72: 10-19 *The Kings of Tharsis*W. Boyce (1711-1779)

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall give presents; *
 the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

Communion Sentence*Mode V*

We have seen his star in the East: and are come with offerings to worship the Lord.

Communion Motet *A New Year Carol*.....*Octavo*

Communion Hymn 497 “How bright appears the Morning Star” *Wie Schön Leuchtet*

The people kneeling

Post Communion PrayerBCP 339

Solemn Blessing for Epiphany

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only- begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. *Amen.*

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

the people standing

Dismissal:..... S174 Hymnal

Processional Hymn 117 “Brightest and best of the stars of the morning”.....*Morning star*

Postlude *Ave maris Stella*.....M. Dupré (1886-1971)

The people remain standing
The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II.....BCP 333
Sursum corda S112 Hymnal

Celebrant

People

The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant

People

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant

People

Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People

It is meet and right so to do.

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Sanctus et Benedictus qui venit.....S155 Willan (*See Service Music Supplement*)

The congregation kneels for the canon of the Mass.

The Great Amen..... S118 Hymnal

Celebrant

People

A-men.

The Lord's Prayer S119 Hymnal

Fraction S152 *Ambrosian*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Angus DeiS159 Willan (*See Service Music Supplement*)

Prayer of Humble Access.....BCP 337

Invitation to Communion.....BCP 338

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who are not baptized, or who do not wish to receive Communion, are invited to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by placing crossed hands over the chest.

All kings shall fall down before him; *
all nations shall do him service.
For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth; *
the needy also, and him that hath no helper.
He shall be favourable to the simple and needy, *
and shall preserve the souls of the poor.
He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong; *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.
He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia; *
prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.
There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: *
and they of the city shall flourish like grass upon the earth.
His Name shall endure for ever; his Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities, which shall be blessed in him; *
and all the nations shall praise him
Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel, *
which only doeth wondrous things;
And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever: *
and all the earth shall be filled with his majesty. Amen, Amen.

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; *
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, *
world without end. Amen***

The Second Lesson Ephesians 3:1-12

Lector A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles assume that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. When you read this you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; that is, how the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace which was given me by the working of his power. To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make all men see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places. This was according to the eternal purpose which he has realized in Christ Jesus our

Lord, in whom we have boldness and confidence of access through our faith in him.

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

the people standing
Alleluia and Verse *Mode V*

Cantors

All

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia

We have seen his star in the East: and are come with offerings to worship the Lord. **Alleluia.**

Sequence Hymn 135 “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” *Salzburg*

The Holy Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him.” When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet: ‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel.’” Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and

myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

the people are seated
The Sermon Fr. Civalè

the people standing
The Nicene Creed BCP 327

The Prayers of the People: Form IBCP 383

the people kneeling
Confession of Sin BCP 330

the people standing
The Peace:

Celebrant

People

The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.
And with thy spi-rit.

All are invited briefly to greet one another with a sign of peace.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence *Mode VI*

THE Kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents; the Kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts: all Kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall do him service.
Psalm 72:10-11

the people seated
Offertory Anthem: *Christmas Lullaby* J. Rutter (b. 1945)

The people seated until the Offering is brought forward.
Offertory Hymn 124 “What star is this, which beams so bright”*Puer nobis*