

Prayer List

Members of the Congregation:

Gayle Beason, **Jean** Holloway, **Sladen** Bradley, **Jim** Hipps, **Pat** Rapp, **Craig** Thompson.

Friends and Loved Ones:

Becky Duff, Duff girl's mom, leg surgery
Brian M. Carrie's friend, cancer treatment
Charlene Comer, Carrie's friend
Christopher Eckert, Donna's brother in law
Josalyn Tigelman at the loss of her baby, Heather's friend
Kim K., Annie's friend, stage four brain cancer
Wanda Chavers, The Cotham's friend
Eddie and **Taywee**, the Cotham's son and daughter in law
Fred and **Pat** Bowman, Cheryl C's daughter in law's family
Mandy, Cheryl C's friend with cancer
Ed, on the loss of his wife, Don C's brother
Ken Bird, Don C's friend, lung cancer.
Janice Robertson, Ashli Jordan's grandmother (James' daughter in law)
Margaret Long, Mark's mom
Kathy Schalekamp, heart, Kathy M's friend
Tony Talens, Kathy M's friend
Val Morein, Kathy M's friend
Mary Patterson, Amelia's friend, cancer
Pam Jackson, Amelia's friend, terminal cancer
Sara Main, Carol Dalglish's sister
Earl Krampe, Nichole Pruneda's uncle
Alicen and **Hailey**, Rapps' Granddaughters
Sister **Tina** Francesca, Long and Duff families
Wilene Penley, Keith's mom
Kathy Lowry, former parishioner
And those you would like to name silently or aloud.

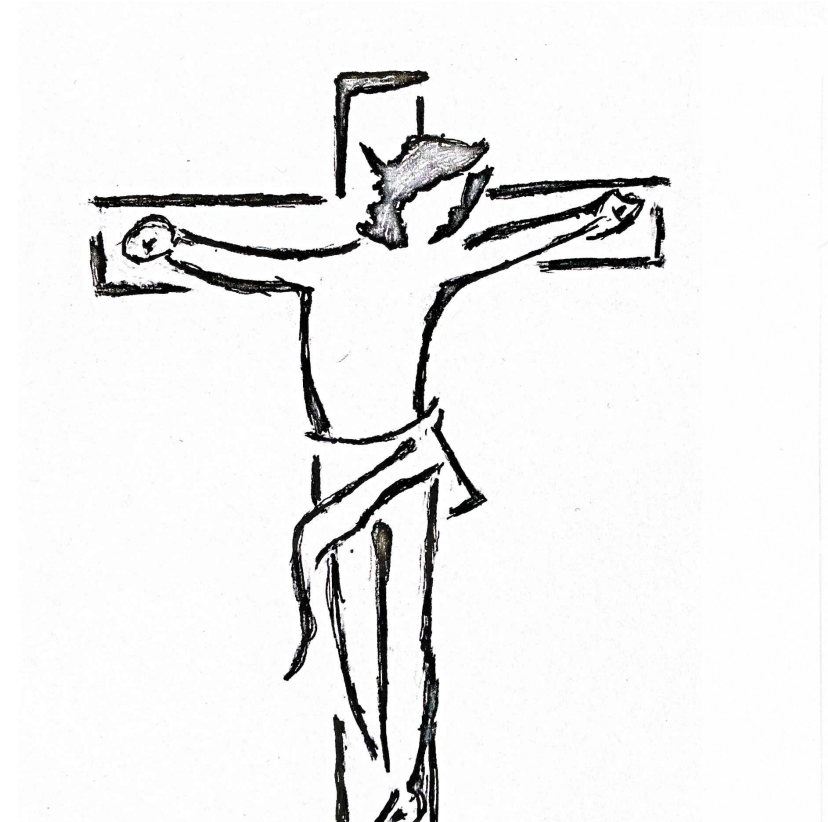
For first responders and those in military service and their families, especially, **Julianne** Moore, **Anthony** Sarago, **Trevor** Sanders, **Malerie** Bell, **Sean** Vogel, **Dalton** Ogdon.

For those having birthdays this month: **Rodney** Beason 3/9, **Amelia** Hipps 3/9, **Ashli** Jordan 3/17, **Katie** Rea 3/18, **Lynn** Danielson 3/19, **Evan** Johnston 3/27, **Matt** Nicks 3/29

For those having anniversaries: **Bill and Joan** Bryson 3/20.

We pray for our outreach partners
Byars Dowdy Elementary, Joseph's Storehouse and Compassionate Hands and the people they serve.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Grace Church, Spring Hill.



The First Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2025 + 8:30AM + 10:30AM

Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

Lebanon, Tennessee

Welcome!

Guests and friends, we are delighted to welcome you today. We hope you will enjoy the service and feel the presence of the Holy Spirit in praise and prayer. Everything you need to participate in today's service is included in this order of service bulletin. Episcopalians generally stand to sing, kneel (or sit) to pray, and sit to listen.

Baptized Christians of any denomination are invited to take communion. At the altar rail, if you'd like to receive a prayer of blessing instead of the bread or wine, indicate by crossing your arms over your chest. **Gluten free wafers are available.**

Please sign our guest book, receive a visitor's bag and join us downstairs for refreshments after the service. Our child care workers, Evie and Chloe, are available downstairs from 8-12PM.

Announcements

Epiphany 101 a class for newcomers and long-timers begins next week, Sundays 9:40-10:10 through April. Each session is a "stand alone" class so that you can attend one, or all or something in between.

Lenten Wednesday Soup Suppers; 5:30-7pm, sign up to bring soup or bread; program: "The Seven Last Word of Jesus" on the cross, with Compline.

We have **cancelled Thursday Lenten Lunches** because of scheduling conflicts.

Youth Event on March 23rd after the 10:30AM service.

Ongoing events:

- *First Sunday, Opportunity for **Healing Prayer** in the Eucharist
- *First Sunday, **Daughters of the King**, 12:15PM See Pat Rapp
- *Second Saturday, **Men's Breakfast, 8:30AM** Parish Hall, See Jim Hipps
- *Second and Fourth Sunday, **Choir Practice**, 9:30AM
- *Wednesdays, **Choir Practice**, 4:30PM
- *Third Monday, **Vestry Meeting**, 6PM
- *Third Thursday, **Lunch Bunch Social 11:30AM (Olive Garden, Mt Juliet, 3/20)**
- *Fourth Sunday, **Food Pantry** Collection for Joseph's Storehouse
- * **Youth Group Sunday School** 9:45AM

	8:30AM	10:30AM
Ushers	Ann & Wayne Hill	Mark Long & Jean Newbell
Lector/Reader	Susan Johnston	Jeff Brown
Prayers of the People	Carol Dalglish	Cheryl Cotham
Eucharistic Minister	Susan Johnston	Carrie Johnson
Acolytes	Richie Watson	Lori Cameron
Livestream on Ipad	NA	Del Rapp
Altar Guild	Jean Newbell & Mary Lou McBrien	
Opener/Closer		Tracy Mitchell
Organist	James Jordan	James Jordan
Deacon and Preacher	The Rev. Cindy Long	The Rev. Cindy Long
Celebrant	The Rev. Cynthia Seifert	The Rev. Cynthia Seifert

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Hymn 688 *A mighty fortress is our God*

1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood, of mortal ills prevailing;
for still our ancient foe, doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

2 Did we in our strength confide, our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing:
dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his Name, from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.

3 And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us;
we will not fear, for God hath willed, his truth to triumph through us;
the prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure,
one little word shall fell him.

4 That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth:
let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,
his kingdom is for ever.

The Dismissal Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

The First Sunday in Lent

The Organ Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
The Great Litany

(Book of Common Prayer page 148)

S 91 **The Holy Eucharist I**

Lord, have mercy upon us *Kyrie*

Setting: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

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

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (26:1-11)

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Lector The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (*Let us read it responsively by half-verse*)

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *

abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *

my God in whom I put my trust."

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *

and the Most High your habitation,

10 There shall no evil happen to you, *

neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *

to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands, *

lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *

2 you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

The Prayer of Humble Access (*From Rite I, BCP page 337*)

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as

to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.

But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy.

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,

and to drink his blood,

that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Baptized believers from all traditions are invited to participate in communion. The ushers will direct when to come forward. Present your hands to receive a blessed wafer; leave it for the chalice bearer to dip and give back to you, unless you'd like to receive from the cup. If so, help by guiding the cup to your lips. Cross your arms to indicate you'd like the wine to pass you by or receive a prayer of blessing instead of communion.

Communion Music

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you

as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**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. 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.

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 say,

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

The Fraction: Breaking of the Bread

Hymnal S-164 *Agnus Dei*

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us,
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us,
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,
give us your peace, give us your peace

14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; *

I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *

I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, *

and show him my salvation.

A Reading from Romans (10:8b-13)

"The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Lector The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Hymn *Speak, O Lord, as we come to You*

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You; To receive the food of Your holy Word
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today; In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us; All Your purposes for Your glory

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke (4:1-13)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ**

Hymn *Speak, O Lord, as we come to You*

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time; That will echo down through eternity
And by grace, we'll stand on Your promises; And by faith, we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built; And the earth is filled with Your glory

The Sermon *The Children's Sermon and Dismissal to Children's Church (10:30AM)*

The Nicene Creed *(Standing)*

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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.

(There is no General Confession on this day because of the Great Litany.)

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you

People

And also with you

The Offertory Sentence and Music

The Presentation, Oblations of Bread and Wine, Doxology

Celebrant

All things come of Thee O Lord

People

And of thine own have we given Thee.

The Holy Communion, Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus *(Hymnal Service Music S-125)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

(The people kneel (or sit) or stand.)

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.