

Prayer List

Members of the Congregation:

Mark Long, **Gayle** Beason, **Rodney** Beason,
Jean Holloway, **Sladen** Bradley, **Jim** Hipps,
Pat Rapp, **Craig** Thompson, **Tethi** Inman,
Garrett Rea, **Mary Lou** McBrien.

Friends and Loved Ones:

Todd Whatley, Becca's husband, travel/work safety
John Cooper, The Sieffert's friend, brain cancer
Peggy Clark, Kris O's' neighbor
Kerrie Duncan, blood cancer, Kathy M's friend
Baby **Charlotte**, Ann's great-granddaughter in utero
James Gaskin, James' Brother in law, colon cancer
Jan Holler, Pace Pope's friend, breast cancer
Renee, Carrie's friend, breast cancer
Earl Kraupe, Nichole's uncle, colon cancer
Christopher Eckert, Donna's brother in law
Kathy Schalekamp, heart surgery, Kathy M's friend
Val Morein, lung cancer, Kathy M's friend
Mary Patterson, Amelia's friend, cancer
Pam Jackson, Amelia's friend, terminal cancer
Sara Main and family, Carol Dalglish's sister
Catherine, **Hailey**, Rapps' Granddaughter
Sister **Tina** Francesca, Long and Duff families
Wilene Penley, Keith's mom
Kathy Lowry, former parishioner
Cathy Fiebergh, Kathy M's friend
Kaylie, Carrie's great niece
Eddie & Taywee, the Cotham's son/DIL
Fred & Pat Bowman, Cotham's DIL family
Mandy, Cheryl C's friend with cancer

And those you would like to name silently or
aloud.

For first responders and those in military service and their families, especially:

Julianne Moore (SRO Barry Tatum), **Anthony**
Sarago, (Amanda Pau's brother, Army, Hawaii),
Trevor Sanders (Beth Sander's son, Navy Seals,
San Diego), **Malerie** Bell (The Gipson's niece,
Coast Guard, Montauk, New York), **Sean** Vogel
(Kathy Vogel's son, Air Guard, Colorado),
Dalton Ogdon- **to be honorably discharged**
this month! (Linda Jones' grandson, Army
Reserve).

For those having birthdays this month:

Julianne Moore 10/3, **Heather** Hughes 10/8,
Keith Penley 10/8, **Shayla** Duff 10/15.

For all those having wedding anniversaries:

Christine and Marvin Willoughby 10/2, **Chris**
and Cynthia Seifert 10/17, **Bucky and**
Catherine Masters 10/19, **Brian and Pam**
Sieffert 10/29.

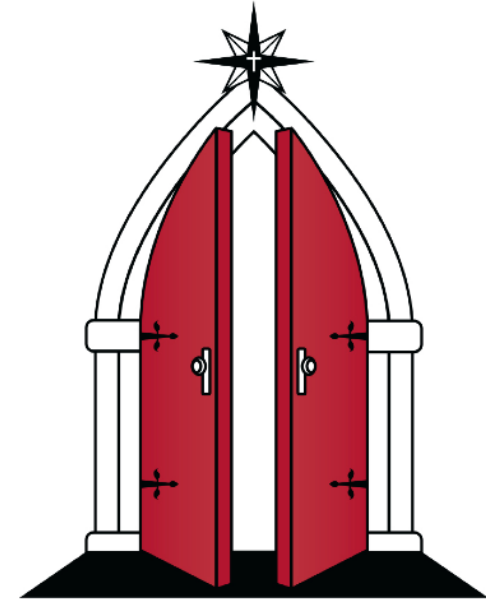
We pray for our outreach partners:

Byars Dowdy Elementary, Rest Stop Ministries,
All For Him Ministries, Compassionate Hands
and the people they serve.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for
Church of the Messiah, Pulaski.

Thanksgivings

In particular we thank you for
-Carmelo's mother doing well after cancer
treatment
- For Baby Charlotte doing well
- For Dalton's military service wrapping up this
month



The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26th, 2025 + 8:30AM + 10:30AM

In-person and Livestream

Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

Lebanon, Tennessee

Welcome!

“...For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all people...” Isaiah 56:7

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. 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.

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.

The Altar Flowers were given for the glory of God

and in honor of the Reverends Cynthia & Chris Seifert’s Wedding Anniversary.

Announcements

- **Confirmation/Reception/Reaffirmation of Faith Classes** will be on Sundays, starting November 2nd, Noon-1:30PM. Want to become a “Confirmed Episcopalian”? If you are interested, please let Rev. Cynthia know and we’ll sort out the best time to meet for class.
- **Thanksgiving Baskets** | Shop for families in need at Byars Dowdy School for Thanksgiving Dinner. Sign up on the narthex door and pick up a shopping list. Bags are due back to church by 11/16.
- **Epiphany 101** at 9:45AM in the parish hall downstairs. All are welcomed.
- **The Daily Office Morning Prayer on Mondays at 9:30AM and Wednesdays at 8AM.** All are welcome.
- **Advent Lessons and Carols Preparation** has begun! If you would like to sing with the choir on December 21st, see Keith or Ginger Penley for more information.
- Our Congregation’s **Diocesan Delegates** for 2025 were elected by the Vestry this past week and include Keith Penley, Susan Johnston and Bill Florescu; alternates are Bunky Williamson, Garrett Rea and Kathy Vogel.
- **Our next Baptism Day** is January 4th with the Bishop’s Visitation. Speak to Rev. Cynthia for more information.
- **Pledge Campaign Results** were 46 pledges, \$136,894! We will ask the diocese for \$17,500 down from \$20,000. We have six new family units pledging this year. Thank you and welcome!
- **Learn discernment** at the Listening Session for the Bishop’s Search, 10-11AM, Saturday, December 6, 2025
- Help us help the community and make money for the church with our **Clothing Shed!** Take a 30 minute sorting time one day this week! Some items stay in Lebanon and some we move along.

Ongoing events

*Monday Daily Office Morning Prayer 9:30AM; Wednesday 8:00AM

*Monday Bible Study, Noon-1PM

*Thursday Choir Practice, 5PM

*First Sunday, Opportunity for Healing Prayer in the Eucharist

*First Sunday, Daughters of the King

*Second Saturday, Men’s Breakfast 8:30AM, contact Bunky Williamson

*Second Monday, Outreach Committee, 10:30AM

*Second Sunday, Choir Practice 9:30AM

*Third Monday, Vestry Meeting, 6PM

*Fourth Sunday, Food Pantry Collection

Make an offering to the Lord using the offertory plate or by using the Realm App or by Text "EPIPHANYEC" to 73256

Or Scanning this QR code



	8:30AM	10:30AM
Ushers	Ann & Wayne Hill	Bill Florescu & Jean Newbell
Lector/Reader	Carol Dalglish	Bill Florescu
Prayers of the People	Susan Johnston	Kathy Vogel
Eucharistic Minister	Susan Johnston	Katie Rea/Keith Penley
Acolytes	Debbie Hayes	Brennan & Caleb Murray, Rory Duff
Livestream on Ipad		TBD
Altar Guild	Carol Dalglish, Pace Pope & Lori Cameron	
Opener/Closer	TBD	Lori Cameron
Organist	James Jordan	James Jordan
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Long	The Rev. Cindy Long
Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Cynthia Seifert	The Rev. Cynthia Seifert

Save the Dates

Fall Tea for the church by the Daughters of the King, November 9th

Thanksgiving Dinner Potluck, November 23rd

Listening Session, Bishop’s Search Committee, Saturday, December 6th 10AM

Blessing of the Newcomers, December 7th

Lessons and Carols, December 21st 3PM

Christmas Eve Service, December 24th, 3PM

Annual Bishop’s Visitation, January 4th

Hymn 490 *I want to walk as a child of the light*

I'm looking for the coming of Christ, I want to be with Jesus
When we have run with patience the race, We shall know the joy of Jesus (Refrain)

Refrain: In Him there is no darkness at all; The night and the day are both alike
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed *(standing)* **(BCP page 358)**

Prayers of the People, Form VI *(kneeling if able or standing)* **(BCP page 383)**

Absolution **(BCP page 360)**

The Peace

Offertory Music Choir Anthem “Be *Thou My Vision*” arr. Richard Shephard (10:30 only)

The Presentation and the Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise him all creatures here below!
Praise him above the heavenly host! Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer C **(BCP page 369)**

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

The Lord’s Prayer

Fraction Anthem **(Hymnal S-154)**

Communion Music

Post Communion Prayer **(BCP 365)**

The Blessing

Hymn 423 *Immortal, Invisible, God only wise*

The Dismissal **(BCP 366)**

Response: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

The Organ Prelude

Welcome

Hymn 390 *Praise to the Lord*

Opening Acclamation **Book of Common Prayer 355**

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Gloria **(BPC Hymnal page S-280)**

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Book of Joel (2:23-32)

O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the Lord your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.
The threshing floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.
I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.
You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again
be put to shame.

Then afterward

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;

your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.
Even on the male and female slaves,
in those days, I will pour out my spirit.
I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

Reader The Word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God

Psalm 65 (Let us read responsively by half verse)

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

A Reading from Paul’s Second Letter to Timothy (4:6-8,16-18)

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Hymn 490 I want to walk as a child of the light

I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to follow Jesus
God sent the stars to give light to the world, The star of my life is Jesus

Refrain: In Him there is no darkness at all; The night and the day are both alike
The Lamb is the light of the city of God; Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus

I want to see the brightness of God, I want to look at Jesus
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path, And show me the way to the Father (Refrain)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke (18:9-14)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you Lord Christ