

Prayer List

Members of the Congregation:

Craig Thompson, **Donna** Eckert, **Ron** Schnieder, **Linda** Jones, **Amelia** and **Jim** Hipps, **James** Jordan, (*Last three, caregiving for parents.*)

Friends and Loved Ones:

Claudette Morrison (Amelia Hipp's mother)

Virginia Jordan (James Jordan's mother)

Fred Walther (Brenda's husband, illness)

Alicen and **Hailey** (Del and Pat's Granddaughters)

James Brown (Jeff Brown's father)

Sharon Dauberman (Donna Eckert's sister)

Linda Samand and **Barbara** Anderson (Ron Schneider's sisters)

Karen (Carrie's friend with cancer)

Kevin Hutchinson (Amelia's friend with cancer)

Hal Richardson (Kathy McLallen's friend who is in hospice)

Fulton Johns (Church neighbor, illness)

Leah Lisowski (Susan Johnston's contact, toddler with cancer)

Kim Buchanan (Susan's friend with liver cancer)

Rob Erdman (Amelia's contact, beginning of kidney failure)

Melinda Roell (Amelia's contact, second battle with colon cancer that has spread)

Beth Bradfield Wright (Amelia's contact, 10+ year fight with cancer)

_____ *Added prayers from the clipboard in entryway*

And those you would like to name silently or aloud.

Those in long term care: **Kathy** Lowery, **Wilene** Penley, **Betty** Kirk, **Caroline** Robertson, **Lois** Phillips, **Margery** Allard.

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

Jonathan McBrien (Mary Lou's grandson, Air Force, Alaska) **Trevor** Sanders (Beth Sander's son, Navy, Italy),

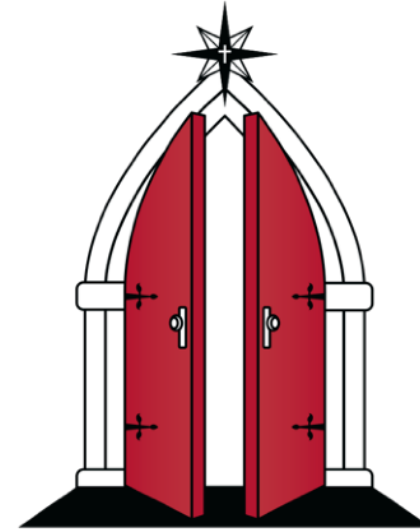
Malerie Bell (The Gipson's niece, Coast Guard, Cape May, New Jersey), **Sean** Vogel (Kathy Vogel's son, Air Guard, Colorado), **Dalton** Ogdon (Linda Jones' grandson, Army Reserve).

For those having birthdays this month: **Kenny** Daniel (9/1), **Shanna** Puels (9/5), **Kathy** Vogel (9/6), **Lois** Phillips (9/7), **Carrie** Johnson (9/13), **Ann** Hill (9/15), **Pace** Pope (9/18), **Craig** Thompsen (9/26).

For all those having wedding anniversaries: **Evan and Susan** Johnston (9/1), **Jim and Amelia** Hipps (9/7).

For all those connected to our partner school, Byars-Dowdy Elementary.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Ann's, Nashville.



The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 25, 2022 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...”

We are delighted to welcome our guests and visitors who have joined us for worship 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. It helps to know that Episcopalians generally stand to sing, kneel (or sit) to pray, and sit to listen.

If you were baptized in your home church of any denomination, you are welcome to take communion with us! If you are not baptized, and are interested in being baptized let us know. At the altar rail, anyone who wants to can cross their arms over their chest to receive a prayer of blessing instead of the bread and wine.

Please sign our guest book, receive a visitor’s bag and join us downstairs for coffee and refreshments after the service.

Announcements

Epiphany 101 at 9:30AM, continues through November. This class welcomes everyone into the life of Church of the Epiphany to help equip us to carry out the work of Christ in the world. Each session is a “stand alone” class so that you can attend one, or all or something in between.

October 2nd, One Service at 10:30AM and Potluck Luncheon, Stewardship Sunday! Pledges for 2023 are welcome at anytime.

October 9th, Blessing of the Animals, 8:30AM regular service, no animals, 10:30AM Pavilion; Bring your leashed dogs, crated cats and/or other critters for our St. Francis Day service.

Vestry Member Phone Calls: Expect soon someone from the vestry will call to see how you are and what prayer requests you may have. These will be offered at a special service of prayer for Epiphany on Tuesday, September 27th, Soup at 6pm, Evening Prayer with intercessions at 6:30pm.

Coming Events:

September 27th, 6pm Soup, 6:30pm Evening Prayer with intercession for Epiphany
October 2nd, Ingathering of the Pledges, **One Service at 10:30am with Potluck Lunch to follow**
October 6th, Feeding the Homeless at Compassionate Hands, Pace Pope coordinating this one.
October 9th, Blessing of the Animals at 10:30am Holy Eucharist in the Pavilion
October 22nd, Bonfire at Don and Phyllis Johnsons

Ongoing events:

*First Sunday, Opportunity for Healing Prayer
*Third Sunday, Vestry Meeting after church
*Fourth Sunday, Food Pantry Collection

The altar flowers today were given to the glory of God.

Private Prayer before communion: Prayer of Humble Access on Book of Common Prayer 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.

Participants	8:30AM	10:30AM
Ushers	Don and Phyllis	Carrie Johnson
Livestream	N/A	Carl Puels
Lector	Jim McConnell	Keith Penley
Intercessor	Amelia Hipps	Kathy Vogel
Crucifer	NA	Scott McConnell
Eucharistic Minister	Amelia Hipps	Keith Penley
Altar Guild	Pace Pope	Pace Pope
Vestry Person	Judy Peary	Judy Peary

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Prayer of Humble Access is on the next page and may be used for private prayer before communion. The ushers will indicate when to come forward. If you receive communion in your home church you are welcome to take it with us. You may cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine.

Communion Hymn 711 *Seek ye first*

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have 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 you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen

The Blessing

Hymn 372 *Praise to the living God!*

1 Praise to the living God! All praised be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.
The one eternal God, ere aught that now appears:
the first, the last, beyond all thought, his timeless years!

3 His Spirit floweth free, high surging where it will:
in prophet's word he spake of old: he speaketh still.
Established is his law, and changeless it shall stand,
deep writ upon the human heart, on sea, on land.

4 Eternal life hath he, implanted in the soul;
his love shall be our strength and stay, while ages roll.
Praise to the living God! All praised be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be, for aye the same.

The Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II | 8:30am & 10:30am Service

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Hymn 362 *Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!*

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Opening Sentences

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **BCP 355**
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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

The Gloria (*Hymnal Service Music S-280*)

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 the Prophet Amos (6:1a, 4-7)

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.
Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Reader The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 146 (*Let us read the psalm responsively by half-verse.*)

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! *
**I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the stranger; *

The Holy Communion, 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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... (*Seasonal Proper Preface added here.*) 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 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. 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.**

The Celebrant concludes with a collect.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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.**

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you

People **And also with you**

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Music

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.

**he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

9 The Lord shall reign for ever, *

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

A Reading from St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy (6:6-19)

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Hymn: *Wonderful Merciful Savior*

1 Wonderful merciful Savior, Gracious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a lamb could, Rescue the souls of men?
Oh you rescue the souls of men

2 Counselor Comforter Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have, Hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way

(chorus) You are the One that we praise, You are the one we adore
You give the healing and grace, Our hearts always hunger for
Oh our hearts always hunger for

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke (16:1-13)

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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

Hymn *Wonderful Merciful Savior*

3 Almighty infinite Father, Faithfully loving Your own
 Here in our weakness You find us, Falling before Your throne
 Oh we're falling before Your throne (Chorus)

(chorus) You are the One that we praise, You are the one we adore
 You give the healing and grace, Our hearts always hunger for
 Oh our hearts always hunger for

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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

4 he came down from heaven:

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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.

Prayers of the People, Form III

(The people sit or kneel.)

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed (especially _____) eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

I ask your prayers for our church prayer list found on the back page of your bulletin.

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