

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

January 28, 2024

WELCOME TO OUR HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE
HYMNALS AND THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER ARE LOCATED IN THE PEWS.
YOU ARE INVITED TO SAY ALOUD THE ITEMS PRINTED IN BOLDFACE.

-Voluntary	Prelude in G Major – Felix Mendelssohn
-Opening Hymn	H-530
-The Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity	BCP 355
- Gloria	S-278
-The Collect of the Day	See Insert
-The First Reading	Deuteronomy 18:15-20 See Insert
-The Psalm	(Chanted by Choir) Psalm 111– See Insert
-The Second Reading	1 Corinthians 8:1-13 – See Insert
-Sequence Hymn	H-567
-The Gospel	Mark 1:21-28 -See Insert
-The Homily	The Rev. Jerry Lasley
-The Nicene Creed	BCP 358
-The Prayers of the People	

The People stand as they are able during the prayers. The Leader and People pray responsively.

Leader: We gather in your name, Jesus, because we know who you are. You know our deepest needs and weaknesses, and we look to you in hope. **People: Hear our prayers, Holy One of God.**

Leader: The world is hurting and restless for you, Lord. The earth is stressed and cries out for protection. Its peoples cry out in hunger and fear. We turn to you in need of deliverance. **People: Hear our prayers, Holy One of God.**

Leader: We pray for your Church as it walks your Way of Life, your Way of Love. May your people and their leaders know deeply your loving, liberating life-giving presence. **People: Hear our prayers, Holy One of God.**

Leader: We pray for those who govern all over the world, that they may pursue justice and practice peace. Equip them with the courage and resources to respond to the needs of their people. **People: Hear our prayers, Holy One of God.**

Leader: For those who have lost their freedom to addiction, for those who wrestle with worry, for those who struggle with mobility, communication, and relationships. For those who are ill and facing surgery or treatments. For those who will soon give birth, and those who have lost a pregnancy. We look to you for care of all these to give them hope through your presence. We especially pray for Tom, Susan, Kay, Tammie, Crystal, John, Amy Jo, Mike, Rae, Gwen, Annie, Bob, Marge, Debbie, Kay, Susan, Steve, Annette, Bob, Cindy, Peggy, Barry, Brooke, Sharol, Dale, Howard, Janell, Barb, Ed, Ron and Marianne. We also pray for the Standing Committees of both Eastern and Western Michigan dioceses. We thank you for the presence of your Holy Spirit in our congregation and in the lives of our siblings in our partner congregation, Trinity of Three Rivers. **People: Hear our prayers, Holy One of God**

Leader: We commend to you the souls of those who have died and ask you to comfort those whose hearts ache with grief. **People: Hear our prayers, Holy One of God.**

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

All: Amen

-The Confession & Absolution BCP 360

The Peace BCP 360

The Offering Plates will be passed at this time.

-Offertory	Eternal Light - Sowerby
-Doxology	H -380, Verse 3
-The Holy Eucharist	Prayer A- BCP 361
- Sanctus	S-128
-The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
-The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 364
-Agnus Dei	S-165
-Communion Hymn	H-339
-Post-Communion Prayer	BCP 365
-The Blessing	
-Closing Hymn	H-535
-The Dismissal	
-Voluntary	Toccata in Seven – John Rutter

THIS WEEK:

Principal Payoff Challenge (PPC)

The mortgage to the bank is \$0

The loan from the Diocese is \$0

WE ARE DEBT FREE!

Flowers:

The flowers that decorate our church this morning were given in loving memory of Scott's birthday from his husband, Jerry.

Healing and Eucharist Service

The next Healing and Eucharist Service will be held Friday, February 2, 2024 at Noon. Please join us.

Men's Group: The next men's breakfast will be held on February 10, 2024 at 9 am. Location to be determined. Please sign up at the kiosk.

Ladies' Luncheon: The next Ladies' Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, February 7th at 11:45 am at Antonio's Coney Island, 5485 Fenton Road, Flint, MI 48507. There is a sign-up sheet on the kiosk. Thank you.

Bi-diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

January 28th

Grace, Lapeer – Sarah Parks, Priest-in-Charge

Emmanuel, Petoskey – Kay Houck, Priest

Next Week

February 4th

Camp Chickagami/EYC & Plainsong Farms, for all staff, campers & volunteers

St. John's, Otter Lake – Ministry Team: Joanne St. Pierre

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Sunday, 28 January 2024: 4th Sunday of Epiphany Septuagesima. The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Monday 29 January 2024: The Diocese of Calabar – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Tuesday 30 January 2024: The Diocese of Calcutta – The Church of North India (United)

Wednesday 31 January 2024: The Diocese of Caledonia – The Anglican Church of Canada

Thursday 1 February 2024: The Diocese of Calgary – The Anglican church of Canada

Friday 2 February 2024: The Presentation of Christ in the Temple. The Diocese of California – The Episcopal Church

Saturday 2 February 2024: The Diocese of California – The Episcopal Church

Serving Today

LEM/Lector: Annual Meeting following service
Ken Duck (9:30 am)

Ushers/Greeters:

Becky Stermer/Flo Gjerstad (9:30 am)

Altar Guild: Cindy Donner

Serving Next Week (February 4th)

Dave Butler (LEM)/Jane Brewer
Frank Burger (10:15 am)

Usher/Greeters: Neuman & Jan Convis

Mike Latesky/Jan Taylor (10:15 am)

Altar Guild: Jane Brewer

Birthdays

January 4	Myrtle Duck
January 9	James Burger
January 10	Helen Lackey
January 12	Dawn Rutherford
January 14	Barton Scotland
January 14	Bob Luckey
January 16	Joyce Thewalt
January 18	Ellen Safley
January 27	Tom Dyke
January 28	Noralynn Hassold

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH LEADERSHIP
THE REVEREND JERRY LASLEY, RECTOR
THE REVEREND DR. MICHAEL CARR, PRIEST IN RESIDENCE
NADA RADAKOVICH, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC | ANGELA ZINSLI, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
JEFFREY WALKER, ORGANIST | JOEL STOEKLIN, SEXTON

VESTRY 2023
ELLEN SAFLEY, SENIOR WARDEN | BILL HARTLEY, JUNIOR WARDEN
STEVE HUBER, CLERK | DALE RICE & JANE BREWER, TREASURERS
LINDA RATHBURN (2026) | MYRTLE DUCK (2024)
STEVE HUBER (2024) | BILL HARTLEY (2026)
FLO GJERSTAD (2024) | JANE BREWER (2026)
ELLEN SAFLEY (2025) | COLLEEN SHRANK (2025) | ROD BYTWERK (2025)

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