



**The Second
Sunday of
Easter**

**8:00 & 9:30 am
April 12, 2026**



**Epiphany Anglican Church
1290 Ogilvie Road, Ottawa
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Come Journey with Us!



Welcome to Epiphany! We are glad you are here today.

If you are visiting, please make yourself at home.

We have a vibrant children and youth program with Sunday School each week at our 9:30 am service.

Note that the 9:30 am service is live-streamed, recorded, and posted to social media.

The Gathering of the Community

Our Diocese of Ottawa was founded on the homeland of the Anishinaabe Algonquin. **May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

♪ **Opening Hymn** That Eastertide with Joy was Bright (B231) ♪

That Eastertide with joy was bright;
the sun shone out with fairer light, alleluia, alleluia!
when, to their longing eyes restored,
the apostles saw their risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

He bade them see his hands, his side,
where yet the glorious wounds abide; alleluia, alleluia!
the tokens true which made it plain
their Lord indeed was risen again.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

From every weapon death can wield
thine own redeemed forever shield: alleluia, alleluia!

O Lord of all, with us abide
in this our joyful Eastertide.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus, the king of gentleness,
do thou thyself our hearts possess, alleluia, alleluia!
that we may give thee all our days
the tribute of our grateful praise.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy!

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

♪ Glory to God ♪

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

Let us pray. Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, so that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God, the Source of all life. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the Book of Acts (2:14a, 22-32)

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know - this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.

For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

♪ **Psalm 16** ♪

REFRAIN I have said to the Most High, "You are my God".

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said, "You are my God, my good above all other." All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people. But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied. Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. **R**

O God, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage. I will bless my God who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. **R**

O God, I have set you always before me; because you are at my right hand I shall not fall. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. **R**

A reading from the First Letter of Peter (1:3-9)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

♪ Gospel Acclamation: **Halle, Halle, Hallelujah** ♪

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (20:19-31). **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation. *A brief silence.*

Almighty God, you give life to the dead and call into existence things that do not exist. Breathe your Spirit upon us, that our faith may be renewed day by day. We pray for Kathryn, our Bishop-Elect, Anne, our Metropolitan, Shane, our Primate; as well as for Communion Forest and Compass Rose, our diocesan partners. We pray for our Community Ministries: Belong Ottawa; Cornerstone Housing for Women; Ottawa Pastoral Counselling Centre and Refugee Ministry Office. We pray for the Parish of Lower Ottawa Valley with the Rev. Felix Longdon. We pray for our own parish of the Epiphany with Rev. Simone, our priest and all who lead ministry here. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Almighty God, you give life to the dead and call into existence things that do not exist. Breathe your Spirit upon us, that our faith may be renewed day by day. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Maker of heaven and earth, your mercies are new every morning. Open us to the wonders of creation, from the beauty of flowers to the complexity of subatomic particles. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of peace, in every place where conflict rages, sow seeds of calm and openness to reconciliation. Strengthen the resolve of leaders and citizens to work for peace in their nations. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Healing God, come alongside all who are doubting, fearful, or suffering in any way. Tend to those who have asked for our prayers: **Jody** (Shaw), **Pierre** (Poirier), **Jill** (D), **Erin** (Galt), **Ghassan, Aaron** (Blakely) **& Family**, **Fred** (Sherman), **José** (Rodrigues), **Peter** (Blackie), **Lisa** (Van Alstine), **Rita & Colin** (Hurst), **Betiel** (Gideon), **the Douglas Family**, **Julie** (Foster), **Faith**, **Miroslav** (Slejska), **Diane** (Smith), **Mary** (Jonah), **Maria**, **Riccardo**, **Ambar**, **Shelley** (Harvey), **Tendeh**, **Tina** (Schmidt), **Janine & Mike**, **Linda** (Tasovac), **Ruth** (Colenutt), **Bob** (Amesbury), **Christine** (Jenkins), **Nicole** (Asite), **Adrian** (McKeever), **Don** (Raymond) **& Family**, **Kathy & Family** and any others we name aloud or in our hearts. *A brief silence.*

Reveal to them your presence and assure them of the inheritance you have prepared for them. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Giver of joy, let this assembly be a place of genuine love and mutual affection. Deepen our care for one another and help us to embody your forgiving and sacrificial love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Eternal One, we give thanks for saints who were faithful unto death and have joined the church triumphant. Inspire us by their witness and bring us with them into your glorious presence. The candle on the altar is lit in memory of Harold, friend of Carolyn Lamoureux. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour. **Amen.**

The Peace

We remember to share the Peace with those worshipping online.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

♪ **Offertory Hymn** We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight (B244) ♪

We walk by faith, and not by sight; no gracious words we hear
From him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod;
But in his promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound,
To call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found.

That when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light,
We may behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

The Prayer over the Gifts

You are invited to place your financial gift

on the collection plate near the baptismal font before or after service.

God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a
kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer
you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given
us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God,
sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of
interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,
and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were
created and have their being. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and
ever.** ♪

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn: ♪ **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blest is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.** ♪

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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." ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever.** ♪

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all. ♪ **Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.** ♪

at 8:00 am

at 9:30 am

And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we sing:

♪ **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen, amen.** ♪

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore, let us keep the feast.

The gifts of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

♪ **The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.** ♪

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in bread and/or wine. If you'd prefer not to receive, cross your arms over your chest for a blessing. Let Rev. Simone know if you need a gluten-free wafer. The sidespeople will direct you to the altar.

♪ **Communion Hymn** Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters v. 1, 4-9
(B228) ♪

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of heaven, the glorious King,
O'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

That night the apostles met in fear;
Amidst them came their Lord most dear,
And said "My peace be on all here." Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard,
How they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!

"My pierced side, O Thomas, see;
Behold my hands, my feet," said he;
"Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!

How blest are they who have not seen,
And yet whose faith has constant been,
For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days,
To God your hearts and voices raise
In laud and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

The Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God, **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing & Announcements

♪ **Closing Hymn** Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (B374) ♪

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;

Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone.

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.

Jesus, out of every nation, hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;

Alleluia! He is near us; faith believes nor questions how.

Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of heaven, thou on earth our food, our stay;

Alleluia! here the sinful flee to thee from day to day.

Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own:

Alleluia! born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:

Thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:

Thou on earth both priest and victim in the Eucharistic feast!

Dismissal

Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Announcements

Epiphany Study Group April 16 We focus each week on the upcoming Sunday readings and reflect on how we can apply this to our daily lives as Christians. We meet on Thursday evenings at 6 pm in the worship space for a light meal followed by our study. All are welcome! See Dianne Woods or Sylvie Pelletier with questions & email epiphanystudygroup@gmail.com to be added to our contact list.

Results of Middle East Appeal We are so pleased to announce that \$2,295 was given to rush life-saving assistance to people in need in Lebanon, Syria and across the wider Middle East region where populations are facing dislocation and escalating military violence. The funds collected were directed to the Humanitarian Coalition which is made up of 12 international aid organizations.

Ordination and Consecration of Our Next Bishop All are warmly invited to the ordination and consecration of the Venerable Kathryn Anne Otley as a Bishop in the Church of God and her Seating as the 11th Bishop of Ottawa, on Saturday, May 9th, 2026 at 10:30 am at Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa (414 Sparks St). A festive reception will follow. The service will also be livestreamed at: youtube.com/@ChristChurchCathedralOttawa.

Free Income Tax Clinics A reminder to newcomers to Canada that it is important to file an income tax return, even if your income in 2025 was very low. Submitting a tax return connects you with certain benefits that you would not receive otherwise. To find a free tax clinic near you, scan the QR code.



Creative Connections Tuesdays between 10 am & noon. All are welcome to come and enjoy a cup of coffee and join in a friendly game of cards, chess, join the group at the crafting table, or work on a jigsaw puzzle. The more the merrier!

Get in Touch & Get Involved!
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Giving to Epiphany

Did you know that Epiphany's activities and outreach are entirely funded by parishioner donations? There are many ways to help: e-transfer epiphanyanglican@gmail.com, automatic giving (email office@epiphanyanglican.ca), or placing a gift on the collection plate. All gifts are important and appreciated!

Assisting in Ministry Today

Greeter	Wendy Green
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Sidespeople	Bill Eggleton, Cara Pelletier
Readers	Melvyn Douglas, Matthew Ezema
Psalmist	James Menard
Prayer Leader	Roy Moffett
Communion Assistants	Cindy Hurst Boyd, Heather Howley
Coffee Hosts	David & Dianne Woods, Charles & Valerie Maier
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Contact Form

Are you new to Epiphany? Have you moved or changed coordinates, or would you like a name tag? How about becoming involved in a particular way or have ideas for our parish and community? Use the form below and place it on the offering plate.

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Email Address

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Address (optional)

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Yes

Not at this time

I would like a call from the priest

Yes

Not at this time

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