



**The Sixth
Sunday of
Easter**

**8:00 & 9:30 am
May 10, 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.

This morning we are blessed to have the Rev. Anne Quick with us again. Rev. Simone returns from holiday on May 21.

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** Come Down, O Love Divine (B645) ♪

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;

O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace, till they become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

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!

♪ **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. Three-fold God of love, you invite us to abide in you. May we follow the Spirit of truth, so that through us your commanding love may speak to the heart of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the Book of Acts (17:22-31) *read remotely*

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown God.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things.

From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us.

For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

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

♪ **Psalm 66:7-18** ♪

Refrain: Be joyful in God, all you lands.

Let all peoples bless you, O God; make the voice of your praise resound. You hold our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip. **R**

For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us just as silver is tried. You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs. You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of refreshment. **R**

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble. I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats. **R**

Let all who fear you come to me, and I will tell them what you have done for me. I called out to you with my mouth, and your praise was on my tongue. **R**

If I had found evil in my heart, you, God, would not have heard me; but in truth you have heard me; and have attended to the voice of my prayer. Praise to you, O God, you have not rejected my prayer, nor withheld your love from me. **R**

A reading from the First Letter of Peter (3:13-22)

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord.

Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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 (14:15-21). **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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

Homily

♪ **Musical Reflection** ♪

It Is Well with My Soul by Philip Bliss (arr. Mary K. Sallee)

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.*

God of new life, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ's righteousness throughout the world. We pray for Kathryn, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Shane, our Primate; as well as for Multifaith Housing Initiative and our Community Ministries: Belong Ottawa, Cornerstone Housing for Women, Ottawa Pastoral Counselling Centre and the Refugee Ministry Office. We pray for the Parish of Mattawa and for our own parish of the Epiphany with Rev. Simone, our priest, all who lead ministry here, and especially for our building restoration project. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill. Tend to those who have asked for our prayers: **Jody** (Shaw), **Pierre** (Poirier), **Ghassan, Aaron** (Blakely) **& Family**, **Fred** (Sherman), **José** (Rodrigues), **Lisa** (Van Alstine), **Rita & Colin** (Hurst), **Betiel** (Gideon), **the Douglas Family**, **Julie** (Foster), **Faith, Miroslav** (Slejska), **Mary** (Jonah), **Maria, Riccardo, Ambar, Shelley** (Harvey), **Tendeh, Tina** (Schmidt), **Janine & Mike, Linda** (Tasovac), **Ruth** (Colenutt), **Nicole** (Asite), **Don** (Raymond) **& Family**, **Kathy & Family, Jonathan** (René de Cotret), **Rob** (W), **Jestina** (Agbaje) **& Family, Bobby, Saindass** (Aeri), and any others we name aloud or in our hearts. *A brief silence.* Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You are love and you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, and inspire us to care for one another. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed, who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation. The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Susan Liddle in loving memory of her parents, Beverly Zrudlo and Bruce Liddle. 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** What a Friend We Have in Jesus (B532) ♪

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,

all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials or temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?

We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?

Christ the Saviour is our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer!

Do our friends despise, forsake us? Are we tempted to despair?

Jesus' strength will shield our weakness, and we'll find new

courage there.

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 glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. **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 indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.

Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name. ♪ **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. ♪

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

at 8:00 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.

at 9:30 am

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.** ♪

The Breaking of the Bread

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. Anne know if you need a gluten-free wafer. The sidespeople will direct you to the altar.

♪ **Communion Hymn** Loving Spirit (B657) ♪

Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be;
you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own,
feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.

Like a father you protect me, teach me the discerning eye,
hoist me up upon your shoulder, let me see the world from high.

Friend and lover, in your closeness I am known and held and blest:
in your promise is my comfort, in your presence I may rest.

Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be;
you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

The Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of 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** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (B486) ♪

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down
Fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver; let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above;
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee,
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Dismissal

Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Announcements

Nature & Birding Walk - Today It's that time of year again! Spring means more of God's creatures venturing out or back from southern climes. Join James Menard in the parking lot after the 9:30 service this morning. We'll walk over to Ken Steele Park again for a leisurely stroll. It can be muddy in spots, and there may be ticks so be sure to wear closed shoes with socks. Rain or shine!

Fundraising Tea for the Middle East On Saturday, May 23 between 2 and 5 pm, Epiphany and St. Elias Orthodox Church will be combining forces to host a fundraising tea for people impacted by the recent war in the Middle East. We'll need volunteers and contributions of delicious desserts! RSVP by scanning the QR code or by emailing the office. See you there!



Coping with Grief Presentation and Discussion On Thursday, May 21, Epiphany's Thursday Evening Study Group will be holding a special session on grief and loss. Our own Roy Moffett of our pastoral care team will be making a presentation and there will also be time for discussion. We begin as always at 6 pm with a light potluck supper (sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/3jyfwzbt>). The presentation will begin at 6:30 pm. Please email epiphanystudygroup@gmail.com with any questions.

Epiphany's New Indigenous-Focussed Lending Library The Outreach Committee is preparing to launch a new Indigenous-focussed lending library in Epiphany's narthex. We would love to borrow your books written by Indigenous authors and about Indigenous issues. The books would be offered to be lent out to parishioners during the months of May, June and July. Please speak with Valerie Maier or email the office if you can contribute.

Looking for Multilingual Readers for Pentecost Sunday May 24 is the Day of Pentecost, where we hear the famous story from the book of Acts where "all of [the apostles] were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." If you are fluent in another language, would you consider reading a line or two in your other language? Please email office@epiphanyanglican.ca to let Cindy know.

Epiphany Staff News After four beautiful years as Epiphany's organist and pianist, our beloved Daniel Furtado will be stepping down at the end of summer 2026. This decision comes after many months of discernment - Daniel's long-term health challenges have prompted him to reduce his overall workload. He will continue teaching and has graciously made himself available to help us find Epiphany's next organist. To say that we have been blessed to have Daniel on our Epiphany staff team is an understatement. He is a true gem: musically gifted, highly intelligent, kind, generous and a joy to work with. He will be dearly missed. Please wish Daniel all the best as he enters this next chapter and plan to attend the celebratory gathering we'll hold for him in late summer, details to come.

Epiphany Study Group May 14 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.

Alongside Hope Seven Sacred Teachings Storytelling Study Join in this new season of learning, listening, and relationship-building. Starting Mondays from May 4 through June 22 at 7 pm, Alongside Hope invites you to an eight-week online Storytelling Study exploring the Seven Sacred Teachings. Guided by the Rev. Vincent Solomon of Norway House Cree Nation, we'll gather each week to reflect on wisdom, identity, and what it means to live into Right Relationships. All are welcome to join this journey of shared growth. Register today at <https://tinyurl.com/3jermx3s>.

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!

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Giving to Epiphany

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Assisting in Ministry Today

Greeter	Maria DaSilva
Altar Guild	Lina Trépanier, Jestina Abgaje
Crucifer	Emily Menard
Sidespeople	Denise Siele, Jos Cleary
Readers	Carolyn Lamoureux, Susan Liddle
Psalmist	TBD
Prayer Leader	Eric Adam
Communion Assistants	Kitty Galt, Caroline Gibbs
Coffee Hosts	Don Leek, Judith Young, Anne Fairlie
Lock Up	Judith Young

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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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Not at this time

I would like a call from the priest

Yes

Not at this time

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