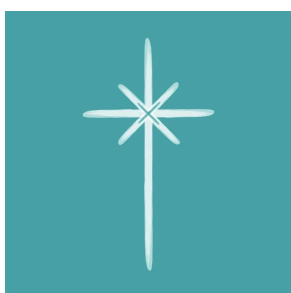




**Seventh
Sunday after
Pentecost**

**9:30 am
Holy Eucharist**

July 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.

In the summer months our services are held at 9:30 am each week & are live-streamed, recorded, & posted to social media.

Children are welcome to stay in the service and use the tables at the sides of the worship space to colour. Sunday school will resume on September 13 at our 9:30 am service.

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** All Creatures of Our God and King (B355) ♪

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun and golden beams,
Pale silver moon that gently gleams,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Great rushing winds and breezes soft,
You clouds that ride the heavens aloft, O sing now, alleluia!
Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice,
Stars nightly shining, find a voice,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Swift flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for your Lord to hear, alleluia, alleluia!
Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,
You give to us both warmth and light,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Earth ever fertile, day by day
Unfold your blessings on our way, O sing now, alleluia!
All flowers and fruit that in you grow,
God's glory let them also show:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their creator bless,
And worship God in humbleness, alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray. God of the earth, all creation awaits your gift of new life. Prepare our hearts to receive your Word so that it may grow within us and yield a hundredfold harvest; through Jesus Christ, the Sower. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the Book of Genesis (25:19-34)

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddanaram, sister of Laban the Aramean.

Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger."

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

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

Psalm 119:105-112

Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light upon my path.

I have sworn and am determined to keep your righteous judgements.

I am deeply troubled; preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.

Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, and teach me your judgements.

My life is always in my hand, yet I do not forget your law.

The wicked have set a trap for me, but I have not strayed from your commandments.

Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; truly, they are the joy of my heart.

I have applied my heart to fulfil your statutes for ever and to the end.

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (8:1-11)

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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 Matthew (13:1-9, 18-23). **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach.

And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is

sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

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

Homily

Anthem *Solo by Willard Thomen*

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 God's steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. *A brief silence.*

God our gardener, you scatter grace like seed across the world. Continue to cultivate the garden of your church with your abundant Spirit. We pray for Kathryn, our Bishop, Anne, our Metropolitan, and Shane, our Primate. We pray 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 the Refugee Ministry Office. We pray for St. James, Perth, with the Reverend Robert Camara and Deacon Liana Gallant. We pray for our own parish of the Epiphany with Rev. Simone, our priest, and for all who lead ministry here. We pray especially for our building restoration project. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our life, you give us the same Spirit by which you raised Christ from the dead. Set our minds on that Spirit whenever fear or condemnation overwhelm throughout the world, especially in the Middle East, Ukraine and Sudan. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our host and table, we pray for children who hunger and rely on school meals, for all who toil under the hot sun without refreshment and for the chronically ill who have exhausted their resources. 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, Margaret, Ambar, Tendeh, Janine & Mike, Linda** (Tasovac), **Ruth, Curtis, Rhonda & Darcy** (Colenutt), **Nicole** (Asite), **Don** (Raymond) **& Family, Kathy & Family, Jonathan** (René de Cotret), **Rob** (W), **Bobby, Saindass** (Aeri), **Ryan** (Thompson), **Scott** (Armstrong), **Shireen** (Ciccarelli), **Vanessa & Talhia** (L), **Celestine** (Bynoe), **the Carriere Family, Michael** (Blakely), **Joanne** (Lewis) and any others we name aloud or in our hearts. *A brief silence.* God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our source, tend this assembly with your grace throughout this summer season. May those who travel for work or recreation do so safely, and may visitors find refreshment among us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks that the roots of your goodness run deep throughout history. We remember those saints who have gone before us in faith. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Grateful for your abundant provision and trusting in your goodness, we cast all our cares upon you, through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to the table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness. *Silence is 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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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** Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth (SNC 58) ♪

Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of every breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.

Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.

Mothering Spirit, nurturing one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flower, until I know.

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.*

Creator, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom.
Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for
the sake of Jesus Christ the 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 thanks and praise.

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in
the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song
of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and
defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks
through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints
in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your
new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim
your glory saying: **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.**

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we say: **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.**

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven." says the Lord. **Give us this bread for ever.** "I am the vine, you are the branches." **May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

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

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 to receive a blessing. Let Rev. Simone know if you need a gluten-free wafer. The sidespeople will direct you to receive around the altar.

♪ **Communion Hymn** One Bread, One Body (B73) ♪

Refrain One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more. **Refrain**

Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all. **Refrain**

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all. **Refrain**

The Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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** You Are Salt for the Earth (B502) ♪

You are salt for the earth, O people:
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
 Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
 Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
 Bring forth the City of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people:
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
Shine for the Kingdom of God! **Refrain**

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
Grow in the Kingdom of God! **Refrain**

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
Bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland:
Love is the Kingdom of God! **Refrain**

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Announcements

Building Restoration Update We are pleased to let you know that our special vestry on June 28 unanimously approved our restoration project. The next step is to secure diocesan approval and confirm favourable financing. Once these steps are complete we will prepare and sign a contract with the general contractor so that the work can begin over the next couple of months. Please continue to pray for the success of this project and all who are working on it!

Annual Rummage and Bake Sale Save the date, save your items! On Saturday, July 18 from 9 am and 1 pm (rain or shine) we will be hosting our popular annual rummage and bake sale. Come find treasures, bring your family and friends and let's celebrate summer together! Please note this is a cash-only event.

July is Scam Awareness Month. We are all vulnerable to scams, and unfortunately scammers are getting more and more sophisticated. Throughout the month of July, our own Sam Leek will be sharing information about the most common scams and tips on how to avoid them. This week we'll learn about *fake calls from supposed financial institutions*: Scammers are so sophisticated that they can now use caller IDs that look just like the real thing. For example, you might get a call from "VISA" asking for information about your account. Tip for avoiding: never give your financial info over the phone. If you think it might be legitimate, use the phone number on the bank of your personal credit card or bank card (if you have both) to contact your financial institution and confirm.

Construction on Ogilvie Road The City of Ottawa has advised that Ogilvie Road from the Aviation Pkwy to City Park Drive East will be resurfaced during the day and possibly on the weekends and will involve minor lane interruptions. Work is expected to start on July 2 and be completed by August. Let's continue to be patient and cautious when entering and exiting our parking lot.

Support Venezuelan Earthquake Recovery Efforts The devastation continues in the wake of the deadly twin earthquakes that shook Venezuela last week. In response to the crisis, the Government of Canada announced it will match all donations made to the Humanitarian Coalition (HC) appeal between June 25 and July 14, up to \$2 million. The HC comprises 12 leading Canadian aid agencies including the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, of which Alongside Hope is a member. Scan the QR code to learn more and to donate.



Sign a Petition to Support a Palestinian Refugee You may have noticed that we have been praying for Ghassan--a Palestinian refugee taking refuge in Indonesia--in the Prayers of the People for the past two years. The Interchurch Refugee Group (IRG), of which Epiphany is a founding member, has committed to sponsoring Ghassan, but his application has been stalled. The IRG is seeking answers from the government about why this application is stalled and asking them to take action. In the church lobby tomorrow there will be three petitions to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, and Mona Fortier, the MP of the riding where Epiphany is located. Please support the IRG's sponsorship efforts by signing all three petitions in the narthex this morning.

Coping with Grief On May 21, Epiphany's Thursday Evening Study Group held a special session on grief and loss. Our own Roy Moffett of our pastoral care team made a presentation that can be viewed using this QR code.



Epiphany's New Indigenous-Focussed Lending Library The Outreach Committee has launched 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.

Epiphany Bible Study Group will resume mid September. We meet on Thursday evenings at 6 pm in the worship space for a light meal followed by our liturgical study. All are welcome! See Dianne Woods or Sylvie Pelletier with questions and email epiphanystudygroup@gmail.com to be added to our contact list or to provide any feedback which could help us for our next Bible study season.

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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<p>Webmaster Alex Killby</p>	<p>Fellowship Larry Cicarelli</p>
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<p>Outreach Charles Maier</p>	<p>Pastoral Care Margaret Moffett</p>
<p>Property Ron Zimmer</p>	<p>PWRDF/Alongside Hope Eric Adam</p>
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<p>Treasurer Gregg Alexander</p>	<p>Worship & Altar Guild Shelley Harvey</p>

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 at 9:30 am Today

Greeter	Gail LaBarbera
Altar Guild	Wes Fayad, Violet Shaw
Crucifer	Wes Fayad
Sidespeople	Cara Pelletier, Laurence Sianchuk
Readers	Kitty Galt, Brian Harvey
Psalmist	<i>Spoken in the summer months</i>
Prayer Leader	Ron Zimmer
Communion Assistants	Ron Zimmer, Judith Young
Coffee Hosts	Carol Arnott, Cindy Hurst Boyd, Gail LaBarbera
Lock Up	Cindy Hurst Boyd

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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 & place it on the offering plate.

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Email Address

Tel Number (optional)

Address (optional)

I would like a name tag

Yes

Not at this time

I would like a call from the priest

Yes

Not at this time

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