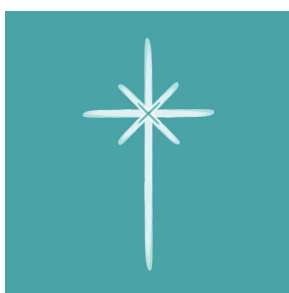




Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**9:30 am
Holy Eucharist**

August 30, 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 6 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** Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him (B59) ♪

Jesus call us here to meet him
As through word and song and prayer
We affirm God's promised presence
Where his people live and care
Praise the God who keeps his promise
Praise the Son who calls us friends
Praise the Spirit who, among us,
To our hopes and fears attends

Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all
Sharer of our flesh and frailness
Saving all who fail or fall
Tell his holy human story
Tell his tales that all may hear
Tell the world that Christ in glory
Came to earth to meet us here

Jesus calls us to each other
Found in him are no divides
Race and class and sex and language
Such are barriers he derides
Join the hand of friend and stranger
Join the hands of age and youth
Join the faithful and the doubter
In their common search for truth

Jesus calls us to his table
Rooted firm in time and space
Where the church in earth and heaven
Finds a common meeting place
Share the bread and wine, his body
Share the love of which we sing
Share the feast for saints and sinners
Hosted by our Lord and King

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. O God, whose word burns like a fire within us: grant us a bold and faithful spirit, so that, in your strength, we may be unafraid to speak your word and follow where you lead; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the Book of Exodus (3:1-15)

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up."

When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their

taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

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

Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name;
make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.

Sing to the Lord, sing praises,
and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord.

Glory in the holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Search for the strength of the Lord;
continually seek the face of God.

Remember the marvels the Lord has done,
the wonders and the judgements of the mouth of the Lord,
O offspring of Abraham the servant of God,
O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord.

Israel came into Egypt,
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
The Lord made this people exceedingly fruitful;
making them stronger than their enemies;
whose heart God turned, so that they hated this people,
and dealt unjustly with the servants of God.
O Lord, you sent Moses your servant,
and Aaron whom you had chosen. Hallelujah!

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (12:9-21)

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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 (16:21-28). **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. We pray for Kathryn, our Bishop, Anne, our Metropolitan, Shane, our Primate, and for all retired clergy of the Diocese of Ottawa. We pray for the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, our diocesan partner. We pray for St. James, Leitrim with the Reverend Nash Smith and for All Saints, Greely with the Reverend Margo Whittaker. We pray for our own parish of the Epiphany with Rev. Simone, our priest, and for all who lead ministry here. We continue to pray for our building restoration project. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, fires, storms, and other disasters, especially the many earthquakes recently felt around the world and the devastating flooding in Nepal and Tibet. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit. 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, Margareth, 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), **Vanessa & Talhia** (L), **Celestine** (Bynoe), **the Carriere Family, Michael** (Blakely),

Joanne (Lewis), **Swami** (Gyankirti), **Marjolaine**, **Jillian** and any others we name aloud or in our hearts. *A brief silence.* Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope in your promises in this life and the life to come. The flowers on the altar are given by Lyness Dove in loving memory of her parents, Atupele & Muyetwa Mbisa. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 worshiping online.

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

The Celebration of the Eucharist

♪ **Offertory Hymn** Amazing Grace (B352) ♪

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

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.*

Merciful God, receive all we offer you this day. Give us grace to love one another that your love may be made perfect in us. We ask this in the name of 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 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.

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread. **so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

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** Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant (B500) ♪

Sister, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road;
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear; I
will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

The Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. Almighty God, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May your holy food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.**

A Special Blessing for Students Leaving Home

*Adapted from "To A Daughter Leaving Home"
by Rabbis Fredi Cooper and Jodie Siff*

As you leave the protected walls of your childhood home and this faith community, may you be blessed on this journey and in all your studies. May God protect you from harm, keep you in good health, open your eyes to much knowledge and guide you to wisdom. May you choose the right paths in your journeys and may God ease your way. You are leaving your family and faith community physically, but remember that we are always with you in spirit. May joy find you wherever you go, and may you return to us with new learning and life experiences to share. Amen.

Announcements

♪ **Closing Hymn** Lift High the Cross (B602) ♪

Refrain Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout!
If we are silent, even stones cry out. **Refrain**

Jesus, you wept to see our human strife:
Teach us compassion for each human life. **Refrain**

Peace was your plea, and peace your loving theme:
Let peace be our passport, peace a living dream. **Refrain**

Great is the cost of walking on this road,
To follow and suffer with the Son of God **Refrain**

Worlds to be born and children yet to be,
Come, take up this song into eternity. **Refrain**

Dismissal

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Announcements

Farewell Daniel As announced earlier, after four beautiful years as Epiphany's organist and pianist, our beloved Daniel Furtado will be stepping down and today is his last day with us. Join us in a farewell celebration during our coffee hour this morning.

Capital Pride Parade, Today This year our diocese will be once again marching in the Capital Pride parade, happening at 1 pm today. St John the Evangelist is organizing our diocese's presence in the parade. We will assemble in the Green C205 in the staging area by 12:30 pm. This year St. John's (275 Elgin St) will also be hosting a Pride Party following the parade with doors opening at 1:30 pm for those not marching and 2:30 pm for everyone else. The parade route has been changed: marchers will enter the parade staging area at Vimy Place & Wellington or Booth St & Wellington. Consider taking transit as car traffic is limited. More details can be found on Capital Pride's website (capitalpride.ca).

Welcome Back BBQ Next Sunday, September 6 We'll have a BBQ after the 9:30 am service next weekend to welcome everyone back from vacations - including our choir and Sunday School - refreshed and ready for a new season. We're looking for volunteers to grill, set up and take down. Email the Fellowship Committee at fellowship@epiphanyanglican.ca if you can help.

Blessing of the Backpacks Next Sunday During our 9:30 am service next week we'll offer a blessing of protection for all those beginning a new school year. Feel free to bring your briefcases!

Welcome Nancy! Epiphany has been chosen to host a theological student this school year. We are blessed to welcome Nancy Gover who will serve and learn with us starting next Sunday. Nancy is a cradle Anglican, born and raised in Ottawa. Her home parish is St. Aidan's, Elmvale, where she has been very active over the years, recently serving as licensed lay reader. Nancy is retired, married, a mother of four, a grandmother of two (and servant to one cat). While Nancy was still working for Library and Archives Canada, she began taking classes at St. Paul's on a very part-time basis. This year she will finish her final courses for a Master of Divinity. Nancy is eager to start her student placement at Epiphany and to meet all of us.

Forming Churches that are Spiritually Alive in the

Neighbourhood Are you interested in learning more about how Epiphany can become more active in serving the community that surrounds us? Join members of Epiphany's Outreach committee in participating in a one-year program developed to educate, empower and equip church leaders and congregations. This program is free-of-charge and involves five Saturday afternoon online sessions as well as group coaching and team-based learning. Scan the QR code to find out more about the program and speak to Rev. Simone if you are interested.



Epiphany Bible Study Group ***New Time*** will resume on September 10. We meet on Thursday evenings at 5:45 pm (note new time) till 7:15 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.

Urgent Request to Extend Centre 454 Relocation Centre 454 provides essential services and support to some of Ottawa's most vulnerable residents and is an important part of the broader community and social-service network in Lowertown, Sandy Hill, the ByWard Market and surrounding neighbourhoods. As part of long-term planning, Belong Ottawa and the City have concluded after January 2027, Centre 454 will relocate. One of our Diocesan Community Ministries, Belong Ottawa is committed to ensuring that people who rely on these services continue to have safe, consistent and uninterrupted access to support and is asking the City of Ottawa for more time. Scan the QR code to access a short, fillable advocacy letter that will be sent directly to the Mayor and City Councillors.



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 at 9:30 am Today

Greeter	Susan Liddle
Altar Guild	Lina Trépanier, Jestina Agbaje
Crucifer	Shelley Harvey
Sidespeople	Jos Cleary, Cara Pelletier
Readers	Rose Dennis, Melvyn Douglas
Psalmist	<i>Spoken in the summer months</i>
Prayer Leader	Margaret Moffett
Communion Assistants	Deborah Bennett, Rose Dennis
Coffee Hosts	Rachelle Dubé-Hayes
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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 & place it on the offering plate.

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Email Address

Tel Number (optional)

Address (optional)

I would like a name tag

I would like a call from the priest

YesNot at this time

YesNot at this time

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