

# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Lewisville, Texas

*To be a home where Love of God and Neighbor grows.*



## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II FEBRUARY 8, 2026

### For Your Children

- Nursery: Our staffed Nursery is available to children up to four years old from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Angel Buddy Bags: Angel Buddy Bags with activities are in the Narthex for children ages 5-7 years.
- Children's Chapel: Children's Chapel is offered during the school year at the 11:00 a.m. service for children ages 4-7 years.

### Christian Formation

- Christian Formation is offered during the school year for ages four to adult from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. To locate a class, please see an Usher.

### Receiving Communion in the Episcopal Church

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you. If you desire to receive communion and are baptized with water in the name of the Trinity, we invite you to do so. If you would like a blessing, but not communion, please come forward and cross your arms. If you have trouble kneeling, please remain standing at the altar rail. If you have trouble walking, let an usher know, and communion will be brought to your seat.

GLUTEN INTOLERANT - Please let an Usher know if you are gluten intolerant, and they will arrange to have gluten free wafer and wine available to you at the altar rail.

- **Large print and Spanish prayer books**  
are available. Please see the ushers if you would like one.
- **Hearing Assistance** devices are available through our ushers before services.

- **Silence Electronic Devices**  
Please make sure all electronic devices are on SILENT before the worship service begins.

## Holy Eucharist Rite II

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings, Op. 45</i>	<b>Johannes Brahms</b>
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<i>Thy Strong Word</i>	<b>Hymnal 381</b>
<b>Opening Acclamation</b>		<b>BCP 355</b>
<b>Gloria in excelsis</b>		<b>Hymnal S280</b>
<b>Collect of the Day</b>		<b>BCP 214</b>
<b>The Old Testament</b>		<b>Isaiah 58:1-9a[9b-12]</b>

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. [If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.]

**Psalm 112:1-10 — Read responsively, alternating at the half verse.**

1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
**and have great delight in his commandments!**

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
**the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
**and their righteousness will last for ever.**

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
**the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
**and to manage their affairs with justice.**

6 For they will never be shaken; \*  
**the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
**their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.**

8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
**until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

9 They have given freely to the poor, \*  
**and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.**

10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; \*  
**the desires of the wicked will perish.**

**The Epistle**

**I Corinthians 2:1-12**

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to

perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"— these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

**Sequence Hymn**

*The People Who in Darkness Walked*, vs. 1, 4-5

**Hymnal 126**

**The Gospel**

**Matthew 5:13-20**

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

**Homily**

**Rev. Carolyn Bartkus**

**The Prayers of the People Form IV**

**BCP 388**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence The People may add their own petitions.*

**For those in our community in special need of prayer especially....**Alan, Anne, Betsy, Beth, Bill, Bill, Chad, Connie, Derek, Don, Emilia, Eric, Frank, Gabe and Angel, Gail, Janey, Jayice, Jean, Jerry, Jessica, Jim, Joan, June, Justin, Kallie, Karen, Kathy, Keegan, Laura, Levi, Lori, Marcelle, Margaret, Marian, McMellian Family, Melissa, Nancy, Nicia, Owen, Pam, Paul, Penny, Polly, Rachel, Ray, Rick, Robert, Ron, Sam, Sandra, Shannon, and Zoey.

**We ask you to watch over those in the service of our country...**Alton, Andrew, Brandon, Cody, Devin, Gabe, Hannah, Houston, Jaden, Juston, Kyle, Laney, Liam, Nyah, Owen, Rachel, Richard, Robert, Tony, and Will.

**We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week...** Faith Bartos, Abigail Fasusi, Linda Pack, and Kelly Yost.

**We pray for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week**

**Altar Flowers** are given in loving memory of James “Andy” Payton, beloved son of Joyce Garb and brother of Pam Behrens; flowers are also given by Rob and Lorie Grant in thanksgiving for the birthdays of Stacy Smith, Jessica Grant, and their Granddaughter Gracelyn Smith’s 10<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.

**In the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas**, we pray for God's mercy on the members of our diocesan family currently held in immigration detention: Juan, Jose, Pedro, Mo, Barbod, Milad, Sahel, Asra, Amir, Hana, Sared, and their families. We give thanks for the release of Ayoob. We also pray for the parishes: Incarnation – Dallas, Our Savior – Dallas, and San Francisco De Asis – Dallas.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Terry Maddox, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**Confession of Sin**

**BCP 360**

**The Peace**

**BCP 360**

**Birthday and Anniversary Blessings**

*Birthday Prayer:*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N.* as *he* begins another year. Grant that *he* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his* trust in your goodness all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Announcements**

**Offertory**

*Canzonetta*

**Eric Thiman**

**Doxology**

*Verse 3*

**Hymnal 380**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*(Eucharistic Prayer A)*

**BCP 361**

**Sanctus**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

**BCP 362/Hymnal S128**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP 364**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**BCP 364**

**Fraction Anthem**

**BCP 364/Hymnal S155**

**Communion**

**Communion Hymn**

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (Tune: Kingsfold)*

**Hymnal 692**

**Prayer after Communion**

**BCP 365**

## Lay Eucharistic Visitor Prayer

*When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent from the table to take Communion to those who are home-bound or hospitalized, the following prayer will be said:*

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People: **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup. Amen.**

## The Blessing

## Closing Hymn

## Dismissal

## Postlude

*Be Thou My Vision*

**Hymnal 488**

**BCP 365**

*Postlude Cantique*

**Th. Dubois**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Brunch with DOK** – Today, the Daughters of the King are hosting a meal in the Parish Hall after each service for ladies interested in joining the order.

**Annunciation Book Club:** Our book for February is The Lost Story of Eva Fuentes by Chanel Cleeton. ABC will meet on Monday, **Feb. 9**, 6:30, Oratory Chapel to discuss this "utterly unputdownable" novel! Please join us!

### **MES Fundraiser February 10<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM**

Nick's Pizza and Pasta Spirit Day Order online with MES in the special instructions before checkout or by phone or walk in and say you are with MES.

### **Liturgy Team Meeting – February 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM in the Oratory Chapel**

All liturgical ministry leaders will meet for a Lent/Easter planning session.

### **Carter Blood Drive**

We are hosting a blood drive on **February 15<sup>th</sup>** from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM in the Parish Hall. We hope to repeat the success of last year's drive. Donors and greeters are needed. A sign-up sheet with times will be in the narthex, and walk-ins are welcome. Be someone's Valentine and donate.

## **Volunteers Needed – Preparing the Sanctuary for Lent**

We need volunteers on **Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**, after the 11:00 AM service to help prepare the sanctuary for Lent. This includes raising the veil and Lent cross as we enter this sacred season. Your help is greatly appreciated.

**Office Closed Monday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>** in observance of the President's Day Holiday.

## **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: February 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:00 p.m.**

All are invited to come eat pancakes in the Parish Hall. Donations will be used to support the Navajo Ministry trip this coming Summer.

## **Ash Wednesday — February 18th**

Our traditional services with the imposition of ashes will be held at 12 Noon and 7:00 pm. We will also have a worship service at 9:00am with MES.

The ashes used come from the burned palms from the previous year, to that end, the Altar Guild asks that you bring in your dried palms from last year to the basket in the narthex by next Sunday. Thank you.

**Attorneys Virginia Hammerle and Charles Beachley** will speak on “Achieving your Goals through Wills, Trusts & Asset Protection” at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, **March 1<sup>st</sup>** in the Parish Hall.

## **Adult Christian Formation: Sundays, 9:45–10:45 a.m., Oratory Chapel**

Join our ongoing study of heresies, councils, and creeds: how the Church discerned orthodox faith and responded to key controversies. We're reading Justin S. Holcomb's *Know the Heretics*, followed by *Know the Councils and Creeds*. Books: Available on Amazon (paperback/Kindle). If you need help getting a copy, please speak with Mtr. Carolyn. Newcomers are welcome any Sunday.

## ***In the Wilderness* Lent program Wednesday's Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> – Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>**

Dinner 6:00 p.m., Program 6:30 p.m. led by David Schones

We are looking for help providing dinner. Each week we need 3 soups (one vegetarian), 2 pasta dishes, 2 salads, and bread (no desserts). To sign up, contact Mary Ann DuTeil for the Google sheet: Text 940-395-1606 or email [mauigirltx@gmail.com](mailto:mauigirltx@gmail.com).