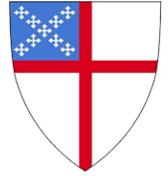




EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY  
BURNET, TEXAS



THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 15, 2022

Hymn 529 McKee

1 In Christ there is no East or West,  
in him no South or North,  
but one great fellowship of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.

2 Join hands, disciples of the faith,  
whate'er your race may be!  
Who serves my Father as his child  
is surely kin to me.

3 In Christ now meet both East and West,  
in him meet South and North,  
all Christly souls are one in him,  
throughout the whole wide earth.

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*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The following is sung by all (Hymnal, S-280)*

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.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. [11:1-18]**

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’”

This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **Gradual Psalm 148** *Laudate Dominum*

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; \*  
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \* praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; \* praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \* and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD; \*  
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \*  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

- 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, \* you sea-monsters and all deeps;  
8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \* tempestuous wind, doing his will;  
9 Mountains and all hills, \* fruit trees and all cedars;  
10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \* creeping things and winged birds;  
11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \* princes and all rulers of the world;  
12 Young men and maidens, \* old and young together.  
13 Let them praise the Name of the LORD, \*  
    for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.  
14 He has raised up strength for his people  
    and praise for all his loyal servants, \*  
    the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

**A reading from the Revelation to John. [21:1-6]**

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

*Reader*   The Word of the Lord.  
*People*    Thanks be to God.

Hymn 484 *Wachet auf*

1 Praise the Lord through every nation;  
his holy arm hath wrought salvation;  
exalt him on his Father's throne.  
Praise your King, ye Christian legions,  
who now prepares in heavenly regions  
unfailing mansions for his own:  
with voice and minstrelsy  
extol his majesty: Allelujah!  
His praise shall sound all nature round,  
and hymns on every tongue abound.

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John. [13:31-35]  
*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

2 Jesus, Lord, our Captain glorious,  
o'er sin, and death, and hell victorious,  
wisdom and might to thee belong:  
we confess, proclaim, adore thee;  
we bow the knee, we fall before thee;

thy love henceforth shall be our song.  
The cross meanwhile we bear,  
the crown ere long to wear: Allelujah!  
Thy reign extend world without end;  
let praise from all to thee ascend.

## The Sermon

The Reverend Michael Long

## The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate  
from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

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

We pray especially for

Jim	Patty	Maureen	RG	Allan
Amalie	Ann	Jill	Greg	Degeyter family
Carol	John	Karen	Janet	Martha & family
David	Sarah	Stephen	Kris	People of Ukraine
George	Joey	Steve's family		

And for those in the military

Brian	James	Kevin	Jarrold	Jonathan	
Trever	Reid	Bryan	Chris	Eric	All in harm's way

We pray for all who are travelling this week.

We pray for all who have died, especially Sylvia Chiappino, James Taylor, Bill Wagner, and Zack Swenson, and for all who mourn their passing.

We pray in thanksgiving for all who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week.

*Silence, after which the People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant concludes with this collect.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. The Minister and People then say*

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 neighbors 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.*

*The Priest says this absolution*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## **The Peace**

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

*Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. Afterward the Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## **At the Offertory Hymn 439 Wondrous Love**

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
to lay aside his crown for my soul!

2 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing!

3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and through eternity I'll sing on!

*Then all sing the Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## The Holy Communion

*All are invited to receive Holy Communion.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People (Hymnal S-129)*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The people stand or kneel, and the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

*The Celebrant says*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*The Celebrant and People 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, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept. The Celebrant and People then sing (S-152)*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Hymn during Communion 577 *Ubi caritas (Murray)*

*Refrain:* God is love, and where true love is, God himself is there.

1 Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling.  
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his greeting.  
Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal.  
Loving him, let each love Christ in one another. (*Refrain*)

2 When we Christians gather, members of one Body,  
let there be in us no discord but one spirit.  
Banished now be anger, strife and every quarrel.  
Christ, our God be always present here among us. (*Refrain*)

3 Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed,  
when we see your face, O Savior, in its glory.  
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,  
be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises. (*Refrain*)

**Postcommunion prayer** *From Enriching our Worship*

*Celebrant and People*

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

**The Blessing**

*Said by the Celebrant*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn 610 *Blaenhafren*

1 Lord, whose love through humble service bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross forsaken, offered mercy's perfect deed,  
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart,  
consecrating to your purpose every gift that you impart.

2 Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As, O Lord, your deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
use the love your Spirit kindles still to save and make us whole.

3 As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light,  
in its height and depth and greatness, dawns upon our quickened sight,  
making know the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,  
stirring us to tireless striving, your abundant life to share.

4 Call by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,  
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;  
hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,  
that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Layreaders**—Karen and David Leitch  
**Ushers**—Deana Geuther and Susan Wallace  
**Acolytes**—Grady and Jaxon Gonzales  
**Altar Guild**— Karen Leitch, Linda Myers, Carol Weathers  
**Vestry Person of the Day**—Susan Wallace  
**Altar flowers:** Given by Karen and David Leitch to the glory  
of God and in thanksgiving for their daughter Ann  
**Coffee Hour**—Lee Myers, Linda Myers, Carol Hervey

**BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR Mini-food pantries**, which will be placed strategically in our communities to accommodate hungry people without transportation. People can put donations in the boxes as well. Food needs for the summer boxes include ramen, breakfast bars, Fruit Rollups, PopTarts, crackers, peanut butter, and kid-friendly nonperishables. “We need kid foods,” said Lottie McCorckle of LACare in Burnet. “Things you don’t have to cook.” The alliance will post flyers and have more information available as summer vacation gets closer. **Thanks to the Arringtons for the special e-Star notice, and to Jane Scheidler whose photo appeared in the *Burnet Bulletin*.**

**LA Care and the Community Kitchen** have ongoing needs. Epiphany maintains the Community Kitchen the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month.

**Bulletin and E-Star deadlines**—Tuesday, 9 am. Contact Dianne Williams in the parish office with news or updates.



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Our mission: To be part of God's family, growing through worship and ministry by sharing Christ's love with our community and beyond. Vision: to be a place where people find God's purpose for their lives and become empowered by the Holy Spirit to make a difference in God's world.

Priest-in-Charge	The Rev. Michael Long
Senior Warden	Linda Myers (Term ends 2023)
Junior Warden	Rachel Bryson (2024)
Vestry Member	Diane Langley (2023)
Vestry Member	Margaret Thomas (2023)
Vestry Member	Ryan (RG) Guthrie (2024)
Vestry Member	Sherry Musgrove (2024)
Vestry Member	Deana Geuther (2025)
Vestry Member	David Leitch (2025)
Vestry Member	Susan Wallace (2025)
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Altar Guild	Carol Weathers, Diane Hays
Daughters of the King	Sandy Arrington
Sunday School Director	Nancy Heuss
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