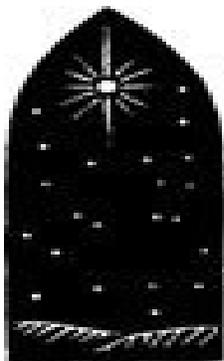


THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

# THE STAR

January 1, 2012



## THE VIEW FROM MY WINDOW...

**WHO WE ARE:**

The Church of the Epiphany is one of 181 parishes of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, which is one of 110 dioceses in The Episcopal Church (USA), one of 44 member churches in the worldwide Anglican Communion.

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This beautiful season is one that encourages reflection as well as resolutions for the New Year, and I find myself doing that by musing on our identity as a parish. If we had to pin down who we are, several words would come to mind: family, supportive, welcoming, hands-on, faithful, curious.

We do see ourselves as family, and like all families, we have our times of loving each other and our times of frustration with each other. This is normal, but I wonder if we can enhance our ways of talking with each other when we disagree, so New Year’s Resolution Number One is to tell someone when something troubles us, rather than stewing about it or calling up a third party to complain about it. Christ teaches us how to deal with problems – let’s follow Him!

One of the gifts of family is that they are supportive of each other, and this parish is extraordinary in helping parishioners in need. New Year’s Resolution Number Two is to continue doing that good work, not only for parishioners who are already friends, but also people whom we don’t know so well, who might otherwise “slip through the cracks.”

We are welcoming! When new folks come, we can usually identify them pretty easily. Some parishioners are particularly gifted at welcoming others, and others of us may be glad to let them do the work in this area. But we all are asked to “welcome the stranger,” so New Year’s Resolution Number Three is to take a few minutes after the service concludes to say hi to someone we don’t know, whether they are a newcomer or just someone whom we haven’t talked with before. It can be as simple as “Hi there. I’m not sure we have ever talked before. I’m Mary, and I’ve been coming here for almost two years. How about you?” Inviting new friends into conversation is a gift to them and a gift to you – you never know when you’ll make a new friend!

If you’ve ever gone over to Lambs’ Basket on one of our scheduled days, or helped with the Caritas program for the homeless, or raked leaves or helped out at a fundraiser for Shrine Mont, you know that we are hands-on. Let’s keep on doing that and let’s each find one more way that we might help out, given our own gifts, abilities, and stamina...that’s New Year’s Resolution Number Four!

I could go on and on about what we love about this parish, those words that I identified in the list above, and for each of them I could come up with an attendant New Year’s Resolution to build on what we already do, but I’m going to leave it to you to come up with your own list. In what ways this year are YOU going to live into each of those attributes as God desires?

May you have a blessed New Year!

Mary+

## *Vestry Highlights*

The Vestry met on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

Our financial condition continues to be good: the treasurer's report showed a \$15K deficit, which was less than was budgeted for the year. We continue to ask for pledge cards from those who normally pledge but who have not yet pledged. Once these are received, the proposed budget for 2012 will be finalized and approved. We received a significant and unrestricted gift in memory of Rhoda Stephens, who died last year. We are continuing to determine what our needs might be for the coming year, and then will decide whether this will be kept "for a rainy day" or for a specific use.

In committee news, a motion passed to get two more name plaque stones for the Memorial Garden, since the ones we have are almost full. Building and Grounds also reported that an HVAC inspection will be scheduled for next year.

The vestry approved a request from the Diocese for the parish to serve as a practicum site for candidates to the vocational diaconate. Mary indicated that there would be educational programs to explain the nature and responsibilities of the diaconate to the parish.

The Letter of Agreement between Mary+ and Epiphany to serve as Rector was affirmed by the members of the Vestry.

The Vestry agreed to have its annual retreat on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at the church, building on the outcomes of the mutual ministry review.

Outgoing members of the Vestry (Ron Fitts, Nancy Sonne, Ann Schaefer, Jean Riddick) were honored for their faithful service.

The meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:10 pm. The next meeting of the Vestry will be on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

## *What's Happening in the Diocese?*

The annual meeting of our Diocese, Diocesan Council, will take place the last weekend in January. Pre-Council hearings explaining the resolutions offered will take place on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at All Saints, Richmond. This will be the final council for Suffragan Bishop David C. Jones, who will retire at the close of Council, and there will be much celebration of his ministry. Candidates for Suffragan will be announced on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, and then there will be "walkabouts," or meetings where we can meet the candidates, throughout the diocese in March. In Richmond, there will be a walkabout session at St James on March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7-9:30 pm. There will be an election of the new Suffragan on April 21<sup>st</sup> and ordination will be at St Paul's Richmond, with Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori leading the service, on July 28<sup>th</sup>. We will have an adult forum to explain the nature of what a suffragan bishop is and the whole process in detail in early February.

# January Parish Calendar

January 2012

Monthly Planner

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## *Outreach:*

### A recap of 2011:

Thanks to all who purchased chances on the lovely quilt, which was donated by a professional group of quilters, to Lamb's Basket as a fund raiser. We exceeded the \$1600 matching gift, actually raising \$1999 in actual sales, so the total came to \$3599 raised through this endeavor. This will help the pantry tremendously, as the need increases almost daily for assistance. We also thank all of you who bring donations to church for this outreach.

The Whitlock family and friends, decided an ideal way to remember Pete, was to provide additional help to the pantry shelves. Their initial effort totaled 283# of non-perishable food. Also, through individual memorial gifts, an excess of \$400 was donated directly. What a wonderful way to remember Pete, who was a weekly volunteer at Lamb's Basket...we all miss him!

We had a very successful week of hosting Caritas at Epiphany, with Emmanuel participating with our group of volunteers. They managed well, even with Irene's upset of no electricity for several days. The two churches will work together again in 2012, and hopefully, there will be no hurricanes during our week of hosting!

Working with the Lakeside Area Nurses, we also had a successful Health Fair at Epiphany, with healthy soups being offered to those who attended.

Going into our 14<sup>th</sup> year of providing lunches to three local shelters, I encourage more individual persons, or groups, to join in this ministry. The schedule is for the first Saturday of each month, plus one 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday a year (March 31, 2012). The group meets at 8/8:30 am, packs lunches, and delivers them to the 3 shelters prior to 11 am. The normal time involved is 1 ½ hour preparation, and 1 hour delivery time. Please let Tillie Freeze (672-3211) know if you would like to participate. We **need more help**, and each group only has to do it 2 or 3 times per year.

In 2012 we look forward to being more actively involved in several areas. We don't yet have a budget for expenditures, as the Epiphany budget hasn't been approved as of now; however, we will distribute the 10% of pledged income so that Epiphany's stewardship will be well reflected.

## *Epiphany Service of Lights*

Join us for the Feast of the Epiphany — a service of Readings, Lighting Candles and Eucharist on Friday, January 6 at 6:30 PM, followed with Pizza in the parish hall.

*Pledge Cards: It's not too late to turn in a pledge card for the year 2012. Please do get those cards in so we can finalize our budget for the coming year.*

## ***SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP NEWS***

The Sr. High Youth group had a very busy December. We made and sold cookie mix in a jar, got together with some friends from our Tazewell mission trip at Gayton Kirk Presbyterian Church and had a party at the home of Karen and Randy Holden.

In January we will hold a Book 'N Bake sale on the 22nd, we will feature casseroles.

In the upcoming months we hope to go tubing, hold a lock in at the church, plan a bicycle day and do some hiking on the James River along with our bi-monthly Book 'N Bake sales.

### **Children's Library Update**

Recently there have been several donations to the Children's Library. Thank you to Roberta D'Ambrogio, Ann Poates and the Episcopal Church women's group for their donations. Children can check out books from the library and return the books when they have finished reading them. Please note that if you would like to donate a book, there are donation labels on the library bookcase that can be completed and placed in the front cover of the book. Thank you for all of the support to this wonderful resource.

### ***Lamb's Basket***

The need for help with food continues to be great for those with limited resources, so your donations of nonperishable food items is particularly needed right now. You might consider donating diapers, baby wipes, and infant formula, since Lamb's Basket also gives out these items.

## What will the new year bring?

For the first time in years, I was awake as the ball dropped in Times Square. This might not be a big deal to some of you younger members of the congregation, but it was for me. Actually I fell asleep at 11 p.m. after going to a matinee showing of *The Descendants* and an early dinner with friends. I woke up at midnight by accident, but I did see the end of 2011 and the beginning of 2012!

As 2011 came to a close, our congregation lost a long-time member, Charles McMurdo. Since Frosine and I did not begin coming to Epiphany until 2001, I don't remember all of the activities Mr. Mac participated in to help make our church what it is today. But I am reminded it was not just Mr. Mac who we lost during the year that made Epiphany a vibrant community of multiple ministries – Pete Whitlock, Dot and Dennis Marrion, Alex Mickel, Rhoda Stephens, Phyllis Harding and others, also helped us strengthen our Episcopal roots here in the Lakeside area.

When we look around and see the empty spaces in the pews where these congregation members used to sit, we might wonder how the church will continue to do the great things it has accomplished over the years without them leading the way. Luckily, all of these members took the time to share their knowledge and love of Epiphany with others so more great things may be accomplished in 2012 and in years to come.

Let us look ahead to this new year and set our goals high. Let us encourage the younger members of our congregation (those who don't have to go to bed early to re-charge their minds and bodies) to become involved in the ministries of Epiphany so we can surpass the accomplishments of those who have gone before us. In 2012, many of the ministries will set up informational booths during coffee hour (please sign up for coffee hour!) to inform the congregation of the great things they are accomplishing and the need for new members. Take the time to learn more about these ministries and volunteer to help out if you can.

Wishing you a happy new year full of peace and goodwill!

Gray Corbett,

Senior Warden

### *Congratulations!*

**Christine Couturier, Aggie Gallagher, and Ann Henderson** who were elected to the vestry and will begin their three year term in January 2012.

## *A Closer Look at...Christian Education*

Christian Education is a lifelong process which helps us to understand our relationship with God and to deepen it as we grow and grow older.

At Epiphany, we have a variety of opportunities for all ages to do just that.

Our children have classes and activities geared to their age groups and needs. There is a Sunday School program for little one (preschool and kindergarten), coordinated by April Craver. There is a program for elementary and some middle school-aged children led by Kathy Jimerson and Gail Wood. There is a periodic group for middle-school girls led by Karen Holden. These classes meet each Sunday during the program year starting at 10:15 am. The children start off downstairs in the Sunday School rooms, then they rejoin the congregation in church after the Peace so they can receive communion.

Middle-schoolers also participate in a periodic group who do activities that teach them about living the Christian life. This past year, students focused on the cardinal works of mercy (helping the sick, feeding the hungry, caring for those in need) by visiting some of our older parishioners at home, taking dogs at BARK for walks, fishing at the Jenkins' pond, and cleaning up the Memorial Garden.

Senior high schoolers spend a number of Sundays (when they aren't serving as acolytes) raising money for their annual mission trip, a summer experience where they go to work helping those in need. This past year, they went to Tazewell VA to rebuild and repair homes of elderly and disabled people. The prior year, they went to New York City to work at soup kitchens, food pantries, and senior centers. Next summer they will be going to central Pennsylvania to help people rebuild after weather-related disasters.

All are invited to help out in these ongoing CE programs for our youth, as well as the summer vacation Bible school that we have offered to this community for many years, called Lakeside Summer Nights. Corey and Jessica Isemann are the new coordinators for this program.

But what about adults?

Every Sunday, we have an adult forum in the Parlor in between the 8:15 and 10:30 services. Recent forums have ranged from Bible studies, "Looking at the Big Questions," discussions about church history, the parables as a model for healthy relationships, and understanding what the Bible says about money and stewardship. This is a lively opportunity for conversation on a broad range of subjects.

On Monday evenings, Cynthia Miller leads a women's Bible study, currently focusing on the Gospel according to Luke. On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, the Men's Bible Study meets with Mary+ at noon for lunch and reflection on the Scriptures. On Monday mornings at 11 am, the book group meets in the Parlor. The upcoming book (starting on January 9<sup>th</sup>) will be Barbara Brown Taylor's "An Altar in the World."

Mary+ will lead a women's retreat at Roslyn on February 17-18. Check your weekly announcement sheet for further info, or ask Mary+.

For the adult spiritual formation activities, all are welcome—just come at the appointed day and time. If you have ideas for topics for Adult Forums, or other ideas for adult spiritual formation programs, let us know!

## Adult Forums for January 2012

January 1 – No Adult Forum

January 8 – Ask the Bishop! : Bishop Shannon S. Johnston, our Diocesan bishop, will be here for confirmations and has graciously agreed to meet with any and all who want to chat about all things diocesan.

January 15 – Diocesan Council: What happens in our annual Diocesan Council? What are the issues and activities that your delegates will participate in? Come and hear what will happen during the last weekend of January.

January 22 – The Vocational Diaconate: What and who are deacons, and what do they mean for Epiphany? The Rev. Deacon MaryBeth Emerson from Trinity Church, Arlington, will explain it all for you...what deacons do, how they become deacons, how they work within and outside the parish.

January 29 – Council Debrief: Herb Williams and Mary+, our delegates to Council, will share what happened and how it relates to our life in this parish.

### Monday Book Club

Our Monday book group will resume on January 9th. We will start a new book, Barbara Brown Taylor's "*An Altar in the World*". Please let Mary+ know ASAP if you are participating so we can order the right number of copies of the book. The cost of the book will be \$10.

### *Men's Bible Study*

We will meet twice a month, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month. That will be January 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at noon, in the parish hall. Bring a bag lunch and your Bible, and let's get to work!

## Worship Leaders for January

10:30 Ushers: Beth Lassiter, Aggie Gallagher, Shirley Hughson, Diana Stone

Counters: Wayne & Lucy Whitlock

<b>January 1 — Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ</b>			<b>January 22—Epiphany 3</b>	
Altar Guild:	Kathy Jimerson, Melba Shumaker, Pam Pegram		Altar Guild:	Dottie Strabley, Lucy Whitlock, Connie Neal
<b>8:15—Holy Eucharist</b>		<b>January 15: Epiphany 2</b>	<b>8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist</b>	
Usher:	Chuck Strabley	Altar Guild:	Usher:	Herb Williams
Reader:	Ann Schaefer	Joyce Melton,	Reader:	Ann Schaefer
Chalice:	Ann Schaefer	Karen Holden,	Chalice:	Ann Schaefer
<b>10:30—Holy Eucharist</b>		Carol York	<b>10:30 AM —Holy Eucharist</b>	
Lessons:	Ann Schaefer, Kathy Jimerson	<b>8:15—Holy Eucharist</b>	Lessons:	Cynthia Miller
Prayers:		Usher: Walter Reid	Prayers:	Gray Corbett
Chalice:	Ann Schaefer, Herb Williams	Reader: Ann Schaefer	Chalice:	Gray Corbett, Cynthia Miller
Acolyte:	Sarah Elionai, Hana Elionai, Catherine Couturier, Megan Tignor	Chalice: Ann Schaefer	Acolytes:	Garrett Russell, Zack Nixon, Bailey Nixon, Sara Lassiter
Greeters:	Brian White, Tad Blackburn	<b>10:30—Holy Eucharist</b>	Greeters:	Patty White, Tad Blackburn
Nursery:	Scott Blackwell, Dwight Ludwig	Lessons:	Nursery	Joy Baynes, Peggy Wilson
<b>January 8—Epiphany 1</b>		Randy Holden,	<b>January 29—Epiphany 4</b>	
Altar Guild:	Betty Fore, Marietta Spring	Gray Corbett	Altar Guild:	Jean Riddick, Charlotte Lovelace
<b>8:15—Holy Eucharist</b>		Prayers:	<b>8:15—Holy Eucharist</b>	
Usher:	Tad Blackburn	Gray Corbett	Usher:	George Baynes
Reader:	Ann Schaefer	Chalice:	Reader:	Ann Schaefer
Chalice:	Ann Schaefer	Sarah Fore,	Chalice:	Ann Schaefer
<b>10:30—Holy Eucharist &amp; Confirmation</b>		Acolytes:	<b>10:30—Holy Eucharist</b>	
Lessons:	Sarah Fore, David Tuck	Stark Gallagher, Alex White,	Lessons:	Sarah Fore
Prayers:	Kathy Jimerson	Lucas Courturier, Madison White	Prayers:	Sandy Ruder
Chalice:	Herb Williams, Paul Dolci	Greeters:	Chalice:	Ann Schaefer, Sarah Fore
Acolytes:	All Acolytes	Sandy Ruder,	Acolyte:	Hunter Mitchell, Ava Whittlesey, Camille Wood, Stephanie Holden
Greeters:	Gray Corbett, Carole Noe	Kathy Jimerson	Greeters:	Brian White, Gray Corbett
Nursery:	Cheri Blackwell, Terri Cadavid	Nursery:	Nursery:	Karen & Stephanie Holden
		Sandy Ruder,		
		Patty White		

## Fellowship Activities

### Want to go to Brunch?

Sunday, January 15th, after the 10:30 service

the 'lunch brunch group' will be going to

**Yen Ching**, 9033 W Broad Street.

If you are interested please contact **Jean Riddick, 264-0935**,

Or call Lucy in the office, 266-2503

## Birthday Covered Dish Celebration!!

Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM, we will have our Epiphany All-Parishioner Birthday Celebration. This great potluck event will be a chance for everyone to share their special day all together. Bring your favorite dish to share — cake and ice cream will be provided. All ages are welcome, and we promise not to ask what year you were born!

## Chapter 5 News

Chapter 5 had its annual Christmas dinner and meeting on Sunday, December 11 at Denise Russell's home. We had great attendance, and collected over \$200.00 to benefit Lamb's Basket. Our calendar for 2012 will be a busy one; stay tuned for more details coming soon!

**The prayers & sympathy of the congregation** are extended to Sarah Fore & family on the death of her dad, Charles McMurdo who died on December 31, 2011. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

## ***Congratulations to...***

*Scovia Eluzai & George Lupai on the birth of their son, Barack Lupai who was born on Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. Both mother & child are doing fine.*

*Here is Scovia's new address in Maryland: 10 Altura Court Apt. T-2, Baltimore, MD 21234.*

**Freeland Mason** is still receiving wall calendars for prison chaplains. Please leave them in the church office.

### ***Thank You from the Board of Directors at Lamb's Basket.***

I want to wish each of the volunteers and supporters a Happy New Year. Your support and hard work during 2011 has been very appreciated and we sincerely hope that you will continue to work with the pantry during 2012. We couldn't have done all that we did without you.

Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, they will hold the Annual Meeting here at Epiphany at 7:00 pm. You are cordially invited to attend this meeting to hear a summary of activities and progress during 2011 and to hear what is in store for the party during the 2012 new year. Refreshments will be served. The board will be elected as will officers for the upcoming year. All of our committees will present reports of their activities for the past year.

Again, thank you for your continued support and help and I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting.

Teddy Martin

President

## Days of Blessing in January

### Happy Birthday

January 1	Clement Wani Joseph Elionai Alice Elionai	January 24	Sue Rasmussen Michelle Hampton James Habboush
January 4	Wilder Thomas Prevatt	January 26	Scott Blackwell Jason Ludwig
January 7	Melanie Skinner	January 27	Bailey Nixon Gray Corbett Raymond Grigsby
January 8	Rachel Johnson	January 28	Jason Williams
January 9	Marion Magruder	January 30	Aggie Gallagher
January 10	Ian Carver	January 31	Rosa Elionai
January 11	Carl Burley		
January 12	Hudson Anthony Williams		
January 14	Garrett Russell		
January 15	Ray Lovelace		
January 19	William Soule Prevatt		
January 21	James Mitchell		
January 23	Dottie Strabley		

### Happy Anniversary

January 1	Milton & Martha Jenkins
January 31	Jeff & Carol Campus

## Standing in the Need of Prayer

### Those who are ill or have special needs:

**In Our Parish Family:** Carol Burley, Dave Van Valkenburg, Carl Burley, Ray Hampton, Jean Craver, Peggy Adleman, Sarah Jenkins, Dottie Strabley, Marian Noe

### Those in Care Facilities or Homebound especially:

Bea & Francis Byrd, Elizabeth Davis, Roseanne Stockwell, Ruth Williams and Juliet Wynne

### Those Serving in the Armed Forces especially:

Matt Guyer, David Hoffert, Daniel Keefe, Patrick Lineberry, Caitlin Mitchell, Bryan Murphy, Michael Stone, Billy Tucker, Matthew Smith, Ryan Casey, and Chris Tuck

### Prayers for those expected a child: Patrick & Deb Lineberry

### Prayers for family & friends:

Kathryn Cook—friend of Connie Neal, Denise Hornberger & John Renner — dear friends of Dot Hudson & Carol York, Eric Schardt & Steve Bazemore—friends of Scott Blackwell, Katie Phillips—friend of Kristin Carver, Gloria Jones—mother of Kim White, Rebecca Miller—friend of Marietta Spring, Leah & Terri—friends of Aggie Gallagher, Dorothy Hoffecker—aunt of Diana Stone, Donna Dumas—friend of Sarah Jenkins, the extended Kenyi family in Sudan, Leslie Wildman—friend of the Holden's, Jeremy Smith—sister-in-law's son-in-law of Herb Williams & Melba Shumaker, Jay—husband of Jill Mitchell, Rona Fisher—friend of Jessica Ruder, Lisa Binmoeller—friend of Diane Major, Mary Stockdell—daughter-in-law of Susan Josenhans, Rose Woodell, friend of Kathy & Bob Jimerson, Stuart & Jean Swink—sister & brother-in-law of Irene Morris, the family of the late Stewart Kuper/

### Prayers for the departed: Charles McMurdo, Stewart Kuper (relative of Lib Ransom)

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Gray Corbett, Senior Warden

Marty Shephard, Treasurer

Ann Henderson, Register

Tad Blackburn (2012)

Gray Corbett (2012)

Christine Couturier (2014)

Ann Henderson (2014)

Aggie Gallagher (2014)

Kathy Jimerson (2012)

Carole Noe (2013)

Sandy Ruder (2013)

Brian White (2013)

Patty White (2012)

Office Hours :

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*May the light of God's blessing, like the Epiphany star, always guide  
you on the path toward Him.*