

On the Calendar and Coming up

Sunday, Sept. 9th

8:15 AM— Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM—Adult Forum
10:15 AM— Sunday School Begins
10:30 AM— Holy Eucharist
12:00 PM—Subs & Sundae Luncheon—sponsored by the Shrine Mont Committee

Monday, Sept. 9th

11:00 AM— **No Book Club**
7:00 PM—JRRingers

Wed. Sept. 12th

No Noon Service

Thursday, Sept. 13th

9:30 AM—Lamb’s Basket Volunteers (Clients)
10:00 AM—DAC meeting & lunch
6:15 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM—Handbell Rehearsal

Saturday, Sept. 15th

10:00 AM—Col. Dames Meeting & lunch

Sunday, Sept. 16th

8:15 AM— Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM—Adult Forum
10:15 AM— Sunday School
10:30 AM— Holy Eucharist
Lunch Bunch going to lunch at Tanglewood Restaurant

Adult Forum: is offered each Sunday at 9:30 am in the parlor. All are welcome, either to sit and listen or to engage in lively conversation. **Today the “E” Word:** Harrison Higgins, our diaconal candidate, will lead this discussion about how we reach out to others to invite them to know Christ. As much a brainstorming session as a teaching session, we will work together to find ways that work for us as individuals and as a parish to bring new members into our church family. **Next Sunday, Emergency Preparedness:** Gray Corbett will lead this session which will give you tips on how to prepare for hurricanes, snowstorms, etc. Also talk about how we are coming up with a plan for the parish, to keep this place that we love so much as secure & protected as possible.

Monday Book Group: Next meeting will be on Monday, September 17th, when we will continue with the final chapters of “*Falling Upward*”. If we do not complete the book on that date, we will do so on Sept. 24th. We will begin a new book, “*Sabbath in the Suburbs*” on October 22nd, a thoughtful and fun book about finding Sabbath in our busy lives. Please let Mary+ know if you want her to order a copy for you. Cost is \$14 each.

Lamb’s Basket is always in need of these food items: Jelly, Tuna and or canned meats, canned pasta (spaghetti O’s, Mac & Cheese), snacks for kids’ bags, crackers, soups, peanut butter, etc. Other items they can use are personal care items, anything you would use in your home can always be used. They always need paper and plastic bags!

Attendance, September 2, 2012
8:15 am: 9 10:30 am: 51

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are extended to Sue Rasmussen on the death of her father, Ed Hall who died on Tuesday, September 4th. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Blessing of the backpacks: today we will bless backpacks, briefcases, and other signs of our work in this coming year. Please put your backpack at the altar before the 10:30 service. We will bless them after the offertory.

Subs & Sundae Luncheon: The Annual Subs & Sundae Luncheon will be held today, September 9th after the 10:30 am Service. Come fix your own sub & sundae! Cost is \$5 for those 12 and over; \$3 for those between 4 & 12; 4 and under are free. Sponsored by the Shrine Mont Committee.

Episcopal 101 will begin on September 19th. We will meet on Wednesday nights at 7 pm in the parlor on the 19th, the 26th, Oct. 3rd, 17th, 24th and 31st (not on October 10). Sessions will run about 90 minutes or so. Please email Mary+ to let her know how many will be attending. This serves as a great preparation for Adult Confirmation or Reception into the Episcopal Church, or just to learn more about our tradition, history and theology.

St. Giles Gate: we are resuming our Christian Ed and worship program for children with special needs on **Saturday, September 22nd** at 10:00 AM and are in need of a few new teachers. The curriculum is a very simple one, all scripted for you, with visual aids that help the children understand the story. We could also use some “shepherds” (teacher’s aides) to help as well. Please let Mary+ or Kristin Carver know if you are interested

Want to go to brunch? Next Sunday, September 16, after the 10:30 AM service, the ‘Brunch Group’ will be going to lunch at Tanglewood Restaurant. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick**, 264-0935 or call Lucy, 266-2503.

We need you to sign up for Coffee Hour. All you need to bring is some cookies and make the coffee and Kool-aid. We all enjoy this time of fellowship but it does take all of us to help with this ministry! It’s not up to the hostess to provide this service every Sunday!

The next Lakeside Ecumenical Lectionary Bible study will be on Tuesday September 18th, @ 7 PM here at Epiphany in the parlor. (Note: usually it is the 4th Tuesday of the month). Anyone interested in Bible study based on our common Sunday lectionaries please attend! Questions? Call Bob or Jane @ 756-6054.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Gray & Frosine Corbett in loving memory of her parents, George & Eleanor Bazuzi.

COMMUNICATION CARD

September 9, 2012

Our Communication Card is for **all people at The Church of the Epiphany** so that you can share your thoughts and prayers, and request information.

If you are new, please complete the opposite side so we also have your contact information.

I’d like more information about an upcoming event or program

I am RSVPing or signing up for:

I am interested in learning more about how to be part of the following ministries or programs:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeters |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Guild | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office help | <input type="checkbox"/> Readers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Ed | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ushers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chalice Bearer | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Prayer Requests / Comments

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Welcome! You have blessed us with your presence. Please tell us how we can best serve you by completing the Communication Card.

Please place in the offering basket, hand it to an usher, or place on the table in the vestibule.

- I'm looking for a church home
- I'd like to speak with a clergy member
- I'm ready to become a member
- I'm just visiting today

Name & Address Please update

Phone

Email

Children's names and ages

Please give me more information about:

- Children's / Youth Programs
- Social events
- Outreach opportunities
- Classes and Small Group Studies
- Baptism or Confirmation
- How I can get involved

How did you hear about Epiphany?

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the church: We pray for the church of the Epiphany the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, the Episcopal Church (USA), and the Anglican Communion, for all clergy and laypeople, and those whom we will welcome today.



In The Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for: The Anglican Church of Tanzania

In The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Congregations and clergy of Cunningham Chapel, Millwood; St. Mary's Whitechapel, Lively and Trinity, Lancaster, Meade Memorial, White Post; Wicomico Church, Wicomico

In the Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for Schools and Educational Institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For all public schools; for students, teachers and support personnel, including cafeteria workers, building and grounds staff and school bus drivers.

In the SAMS Prayer Calendar: We pray for Ian & Polly Montgomery & the Cooper family in Perú.

In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Overbrook Presbyterian, Charles Philips, Pastor
Prayers for those expecting a child: Matt & Leslie Guyer, Matt & Jessica Colvin, Cary & Jill Baynes, Bryan & Catherine Tuck Turner

Prayers for our Service Men and Women: Matt Guyer, David Hoffert, Daniel Keefe, Patrick Lineberry, Caitlin Mitchell, Bryan Murphy, Michael Stone, Billy Tucker, Andrew Smith, Ryan Casey, and Chris Tuck.

Prayers for Healing, Wholeness, Comfort, Guidance, and Safe Travel: Carol Burley, Carl Burley, Ray Hampton, Peggy Adleman, Dottie Strabley, Dot Hudson, Marietta Spring, Jackie Martin, Walter Reid, Michael Lineberry, Fred Bales; Pat Dunn, Mary Ruder, Roseanne Stockwell, Ruth Williams, Juliet Wynne; Kathryn Cook—friend of Connie Neal, Mary Stockdell—daughter-in-law of Susan Josenhans, Heather—friend of Melissa Durrer, Stuart & Jean Swink—sister & brother-in-law of Irene Morris, Kent Jenkins—brother of Sarah Jenkins, Maya Fitts—granddaughter of Ron & Paula Fitts, Nick McDaniel & family—friend of Rebekah Donovan, Josie—wife of Paul Dolci, Becky Smith—friend of Melba Shumaker, Jeff Eppes—brother of Jim Eppes, Gayla Jones—Karen Holden's sister, Conrad Lawrence—Aggie Gallagher's brother, Anne Stockdell-Giesler—Susan Josenhans daughter, Gary Peper—Lucy Whitlock's brother-in-law, Iria & her family—friends of Jeri Townley, Ellen & Spalding Garlinghouse—Kristin Carver's aunt & uncle, Brenda Dawkins—Bertha Morgan's daughter, Rob Lockridge—friend of Carole Noe, Bev & Bob Thornbloom—friends of Doug Thorpe, Brandon Leach—Diana Stone's step-brother, Seletha & Patty Sue—nieces of Ann Schaefer.

Prayers for the departed: George & Eleanor Bazuzi, Ed Hall (Sue Rasmussen's dad)

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Today's Ministers

Weekly Worship

Sundays at 8:15 a.m. (meditative service)

& 10:30 a.m. (with choir)

Wednesday at noon: Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers and Laying On of Hands

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8:15 Holy Eucharist

Usher: Chuck Strabley

Reader: Ann Schaefer

Chalicer: Harrison Higgins

10:30 Holy Eucharist

Ushers: Tillie Freeze, Lucy Whitlock, Frosine Corbett, Diane Durrer

Acolytes: Sarah Elionai, Hana Elionai, Catherine Cadavid, Madison White

Readers: Sarah Fore

Prayer Leader:

Chalicer: Gray Corbett, Harrison Higgins

Vestry Greeters: Christine Couturier, Brian White

Altar Guild: Joyce Melton, Karen Holden

Coffee Hour: Sub & Sundae Luncheon

Counters: Randy & Karen Holden



The Church of the Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 9, 2012

Welcome—we are glad you are here! Know that whoever you are, and where ever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place here. If you are new, or haven't yet given us your contact information, please complete the attached communication card and place it in the plate so that you can learn more about Epiphany's community.

Nursery care is available from 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Hymns for this Sunday: 493, 1, LEVAS 74, LEVAS 99, 567

From Mary's Desk:

School has begun! It is only right that we should ask God's blessing on our children and all who work with them and on our grown-up work as well. This is the prayer we will use this morning to bless backpacks, briefcases, tote bags and whatever symbols of our life and work we bring forward:

Lord, These backpacks remind us that a new school year is about to begin. We pray your blessing upon their owners and upon all students, young and old, as they begin this new school year. We ask your blessing, also, on all who work with or support them in their education. Let each person who stands before us now feel the love and support of this congregation and grant this congregation the wisdom and means to meet their needs throughout the coming year.

We all are called to be part of your work in the world, Lord, and you have given each one of us gifts and strengths to use in that work. Help each of these students to discover and develop his or her gifts and strengths and know how to use them for your purposes. Remind them, too, that whatever their gifts, they are doing your work when they are kind and caring to others, when they do their best in their studies and other activities, when they respect others and themselves, and when they contribute in even small ways to make things better or more pleasant for others.

Bless also, Lord those who stand here with the students. Whatever their task or role in education, guide them to do it with a conscious effort to in some way make life better or more pleasant for others. Give them pride in what they do, reminding them and us that even the most ordinary task becomes extraordinary when done in God's name.

We ask this all, Lord knowing that you love and hear us. Amen.

Remember, God is with us in all of our work and play, loving us, encouraging us, understanding when we fail, celebrating when we accomplish something. Thanks be to God!

Mary+