

**On the Calendar and Coming up**

**Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 AM— Holy Eucharist  
9:30 AM—Adult Forum  
10:15 AM— Sunday School  
10:30 AM— Holy Eucharist  
12:00 PM—Lunch Bunch going to **Anthony & George's Restaurant** on Staples Mill

**Chapter 5 Pie Sale**

**Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**

11:00 AM—Book Club  
7:00 PM—JRRingers

**Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 PM—Interfaith Thanksgiving service @ Overbrook Presbyterian Church

**Wed. November 21<sup>st</sup>**

12:00 Noon—H.E. Service with Healing Prayers

**Thurs. November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*Happy Thanksgiving!*

**Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Wedding Rehearsal

**Saturday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**

4:00 PM— Wedding

**Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 AM— Holy Eucharist  
9:30 AM—Adult Forum  
10:15 AM— Sunday School  
10:30 AM— Holy Eucharist

**Adult Forum:** This week, we begin a new series featuring the noted theologian Marcus Borg entitled "*Embracing an Adult Faith*". We will approach some of the most fundamental questions of faith with Dr. Borg: who is God, who is Jesus, what is salvation, how do we address these questions in the modern world? Join us in the parlor Sundays at 9:30 as we have a lively conversation.

**Monday Book Group:** We will resume on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> with our new book, "*Sabbath in the Suburbs*"—a thoughtful and fun book about finding Sabbath in our busy lives—join us on Monday's in the parlor @ 11:00 AM.

**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!

**Lakeside Ecumenical Lectionary Bible** study will be on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM at the Comboni Missionary Sisters convent, 1307 Lakeside Ave. Anyone interested in Bible study based on our common Sunday lectionaries please attend! We will study the readings from the Sunday before the meeting (from Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> this time). Questions? Call Bob or Jane at 756-6054.

**Leaf Raking—Reserve the Date!** Even though we've not seen much cool weather, we know the leaves are starting to turn. This signals one of the great fall traditions at Epiphany—*leaf raking day!* Plan to help out **Saturday, December 8** from 9 AM to noon. With lots of hands, we'll make short work of our fall clean-up.

**Thanksgiving Pie Sale today**—please stop by the Pie Sale table near the parish hall and pick up pies for your Thanksgiving feast.

**Deacon Christine Garcia & Christ Ascension, Richmond,** will be sponsoring a sock drive to benefit Tiffanie's Manor, located on 115 North Jefferson Street, just behind the Mayo House. They hope to collect a thousand pairs of socks or a thousand packages of socks, both for men and women before December 1<sup>st</sup>. Buy socks that you would buy for yourself. They can be left at Christ Ascension or the Mayo House. You can contact Deacon Christine Garcia @ 355-0248 or cell, 301-6055.

**Interfaith Thanksgiving Service:** Once again, Epiphany is participating in the Lakeside Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. This year it will be held at Overbrook Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Please join Mary+ and the Epiphany choir as we begin our season of Thanksgiving in prayer and in song.

**ISH Foster Child Christmas Gifts:** Interfaith Services of Henrico is helping foster kids (who often do not receive gifts at Christmas from their foster parents) by asking churches to "adopt" them, much like the Christmas Angel program. Epiphany is adopting three of these children this year: a 4 year old boy, a 13 year old boy and a 20 year old girl. The lists of things they have requested are on the Outreach and Mission bulletin board in the hallway. Please sign up to bring in something for these kids who have so little. If something is being your means, perhaps a couple of you could share the cost of one of the larger items. Thank you for your generosity!

**Want to go to brunch today?** after the 10:30 AM service we will be going as a group to **Anthony & George's Steak House**, 7505 Staples Mill Road. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick**, 264-0935 or call Lucy in the office 266-2503.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Jim, Bob & Tom Giles in loving memory of their parents, Ed & Lou Giles

**Attendance, November 11, 2012**  
**8:15 am: 11 10:30 am: 92**

**COMMUNICATION CARD**

November 18, 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 |  |

**Prayer Requests / Comments**

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November 18, 2012

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

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Children's names and ages

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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 Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain and the folks in New York & New Jersey that were in the path of 'Sandy' & this recent snow storm.

**In The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** All Saints—Sharon Chapel, Alexandria; Falls Church, Falls Church; Church of the Spirit, Kingstowne; St. James', Mt. Vernon; St. Timothy's, Herndon.

**In the Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for** persons in financial need in Metropolitan Richmond: For healthy marriages; for constructive, safe, and caring households for the bringing up and nurturing of children and caring for the elderly; for advocates who put their lives on the line for the sake of others; for all who fight for the rights of persons who cannot fight for themselves.

**In the SAMS Prayer Calendar we pray for:** Summer Twyman in Cambodia, Veronica & Dennie Flowers in Honduras and Jessica Hughes in Uganda.

**In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** Hatcher Memorial Baptist, Rev. Michael Poole, Pastor

**Prayers for those expecting a child:** 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, Walter Reid, Gene Knoop; 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, 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, 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, Patty Sue—niece of Ann Schaefer, Dave Latham—friend of Shirley Hughson, Peggy Turner—friend of Megan Nixon, Steve Farmer—neighbor of Betty Van Valkenburg, Debbie Williams—Herb Williams sister-in-law, Rev. Jon Dephouse—friend of Mary+, Ray Hodge—friend of Carole Noe.

**Prayers for the departed:** Ed & Lou Giles

**We pray for all these and those who have asked for prayers in confidence.**

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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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Today's Ministers

**8:15 Holy Eucharist**

**Usher:** George Baynes

**Reader:** Harrison Higgins

**Chalicer:** Harrison Higgins

**10:30 Holy Eucharist**

**Ushers:** Eddie Johnson, George Baynes,

Herb Williams, Cory Isemann

**Acolytes:** Sarah Elionai, Alex White, Hana Elionai, Madison White

**Reader:** Stacy Mitchell, Cheri Blackwell

**Prayer Leader:**

**Chalicer:** Stacy Mitchell, Harrison Higgins

**Vestry Greeters:** Ann Henderson, Christine Couturier

**Altar Guild:** Betty Fore, Susan Josenhans, Marietta Spring

**Nursery:** Carol Campus, Christine Couturier

**Counters:** Scott & Cheri Blackwell



## The Church of the Epiphany

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
November 18, 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 Sunday: 632, 607, LEVAS 103, 571, 665**

### From Mary's Desk:

There's an old hymn called "We Gather Together To Ask the Lord's Blessing" – it's on page 433 in the Hymnal - that is often sung at Thanksgiving time. It is one of those songs that, in an instant, recalls the Norman Rockwell painting of the family seated around the table and in the center of it all, the magnificent golden roasted turkey. The hymn starts out with that Rockwell imagery, but quickly shifts to the language of the Church Militant- the church on the march, with God by its side. But somehow we never remember the shift in tone from the dining room table to the battle for souls...we just want to linger at the dinner table a little longer, of course, where it is all sweetness and laughter and thanksgiving. But at some point, we get up from the table and go out into the world, and we are back in the place where our values are not that of the popular culture, where our understanding of a life well-lived is seen as weak or foolish or naïve. And that's where remembering a little of that "church on the march" can be helpful. No, we are not going out as an avenging army to slay souls for Christ – that wasn't Christ's way and it isn't ours. But we do need to take some of the values of that dinner table – love, sharing, appreciation – to the world around us. We do need to take some of the Sabbath grace that the Thanksgiving table and the altar give us to a world that is sadly in need of it. So this Thanksgiving, remember the grace and remember the charge: Don't just sit in the glow of the feast, bring Thanksgiving to a world that sorely needs it, in your words and deeds.

Blessings,

Mary+