

On the Calendar and Coming up

Sunday, April 2nd

8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM—Adult Lenten Program—reading *Bread & Wine*
10:15 AM—Sun. School
10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, April 4th

5:30 PM—YOGA
6:30 PM—Vestry Mtg.
7:00 PM—JRRingers

Wed. April 5th

12:00 PM—H.E. with Healing Prayers
5:45 PM—Last Joint Lenten Program at Our Lady of Lourdes
7:00 PM —Alnon Bd. Mtg.

Thursday, April 6th

9:30 AM—Lamb's Basket Volunteers —Clients
6:15 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM—Handbell Rehearsal

Sunday, April 9th

PALM SUNDAY
8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist
9:30 AM—Adult Lenten Program—reading *Bread & Wine*
10:15 AM—Sun. School
10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist

YOGA Tuesday!

Stewardship verse: Hebrews 13:14, 16: For this world is not our home; we are looking forward to our everlasting home in heaven...Don't forget to do good and to share what you have.

Lamb's Basket is in need of constant donations. Please remember to bring a can or two each Sunday to help them out and keep their shelves filled.

Please Note: We have the Book of Common Prayer in large print for anyone who needs larger print. They are on the side table in the narthex.

Time to order Easter Flowers. Cost is \$15.00. Let me know who they are in memory of or thanksgiving for. Deadline for orders is April 5th.

Due to the March Vestry Meeting being cancelled, a combined March & April Vestry meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 4 @ 6:30 PM.

Sunday School needs your help with donating individual wrapped pieces of candy for the Easter Egg Hunt. No chocolate that could melt please.

From the Memorial Garden Committee: As a friendly reminder, On April 3 we will be cleaning up the Gardens for Easter. Please remove any items so we may complete this task. If you have any questions, please speak with Father Andrew.

The Prayers and Sympathy of the congregation are extended to Ron & Denise Russell & family on the death of his mother, Lelo Russell who died on Sunday, March 26. A Memorial Service will be held today at Tyler Mountain Funeral Home in Cross Lanes, WV. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

The last joint Lakeside churches Lenten Program will be held on Wednesday at 5:45 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes. The theme is "*Our Need for Reconciliation*" — April 5—*In the Congregation*, speaker TBA. Each evening is open to all and begins @ 5:45 pm with a simple meal provided and continues with the program and worship starting at 6:30 pm.

Want to go to lunch in April? Sunday, April 23rd, after the 10:30 AM service the 'lunch bunch' will be going as a group to **Olive Garden**, 7113 W. Broad Street. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick**, 264-0935 or call the office, 266-2503.

Ushers Training—Sunday, April 30th at 9:30 am. If you are a long-time Usher, this will be a chance to get a refresher on the importance of what ushers do in our worship. If you have never been an usher before, but are interested, this will be a chance to learn about what it means to be an usher during our Sunday worship. If you are not sure being an usher is for you, but are still curious, please come. Attending the training is not a commitment to joining the usher team. If you have any questions, please ask Fr. Andrew.

Mark your calendars! The Shrine Mont committee will be hosting the yearly yard sale on Saturday, May 13th from 8:00 AM—Noon. As you begin your spring cleaning bring your '*treasure donations*' to the church marked 'Yard Sale'. If you need assistance for larger items, please contact **Aggie Gallagher** or **Patty White**. The money we raise will be used to pay for the parish youth to attend the annual Parish Retreat in October. Items can now be stored in room under the stairs.

Mark your calendars!! Chapter 11 men's group will meet on Tuesday, April 24th at 6:30 pm. The guest of honor will be the Rev. Ben Campbell. Make plans now to attend!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 9: **Palm Sunday** 8:15 & 10:30 am service
April 13: 7:00 PM **Maundy Thursday** Service with Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar
April 14: 12:00 Noon **Good Friday** Liturgy
April 16: **Easter** 8:15; 10:30 service with Baptism

Attendance: March 26, 2017
8:15 am 12 10:30 am 70

COMMUNICATION CARD

April 2, 2017

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:

- Music
- Altar Guild
- Office help
- Christian Ed
- Outreach
- Ushers
- Chalice Bearer
- Greeters
- Pastoral Care
- Readers
- Prayer Team
- _____

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 Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of love, cooperation, peace, community and commitment to all people in God's name.

In the SAMS Prayer Calendar we pray for: Grant & Wendy LeMarquand in Ethiopia and Kerry & Cynthia Buttram in Egypt..

In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Lakeside Presbyterian

Prayers for our Service Men and Women: Amanda Hoffert, Benjamin Hoffert, Patrick Lineberry, Caitlin Mitchell, Bryan Murphy, Billy Tucker, Andrew Smith and Tyler Watts.

New to the Prayer List: John Jorstad—father of Sandy Tignor & Marty Shephard, Caroline Hager, Milton Jenkins

Parishioners: Dot Hudson, Dottie Strabley, Sarah Jenkins, Mike Young, Lydia Callaway

Homebound: Peggy Adleman, Betty Fore, Sarah Fore, Ray Hampton, Ray & Charlotte Lovelace, Connie Neal, Juliet Wynne;

Family & Friends: Michael Abraham—cousin of Sandy Ruder & Denise Russell, Dave Holsapple—Stacy Mitchell's friend, Norma Hanco—Lucy Whitlock's mother, Pam Melton—friend of Karen Holden, John Stone IV — John Stone's father, Bobby Tucker—friend of Kathy & Bob Jimerson

Prayers for the departed: Lelo Russell — (Ron Russell's mother)

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



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

Father Andrew Reinholz
Rector

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8000 Hermitage Road
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8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist

Usher: Paul Jones

Reader: Lauryn Boyd

Chalice: Harrison Higgins

10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist

Ushers: Eddie Johnson, George Baynes, Herb Williams, Cory Isemann

Acolytes: Lucas Couturier, Camryn Whittlesey, Sam Tucker, Ava Whitlsey

Lessons: Jeri Townley, Cheri Blackwell

Prayers: Cheri Blackwell

Chalice: Herb Williams, Harrison Higgins

Vestry Greeters: Vivien Mitchell, Gray Corbett

Altar Guild: Karen & Randy Holden, Cheryl Lineberry

Nursery: Gail Wood, Karen Holden, Sandy Ruder

Coffee Hour: Chapter 11—Kim Ruder, Chuck Strabley

Counters: Gray & Frosine Corbett, Jean Riddick



The Church of the Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 2, 2017

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.

Introducing the Lessons

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

In our first reading the prophet has a vision of the bones of a dead and hopeless people being restored to new life in their homeland. The Lord calls upon Ezekiel as son of man to prophecy that the people who have experienced exile and many hardships will live again. The Spirit of the Lord restores their spirit and breath, and they rise from death. Although this passage can be understood to anticipate the hope of individual resurrection, Israel did not yet have this belief.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:6-11

In this lesson Paul draws a contrast between minds dominated by fleshly and worldly things and those in whom Christ lives and are set on the Spirit. The person at enmity with God is incapable of fulfilling the intention of the law, but one in whom Christ dwells is animated by the Spirit of God, and that Spirit, through which God raised Jesus from the dead, also gives to believers true life in our mortal bodies.

Gospel: John 11:1-45

The gospel is the story of Jesus' raising of Lazarus from the dead. This is the last and greatest of Jesus' signs, and it points beyond itself to the hope of a new life after death for all. Only slowly do Jesus' friends begin to understand what he is saying to them and the deeper meaning of their own words. Soon the one who has raised Lazarus will himself be put to death, and then become the way of resurrection to eternal life.