

**On the Calendar and Coming up**

**Sunday, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist  
9:15 AM—Worship Committee Meeting  
9:30 AM—Adult Forum  
10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist

**Tuesday, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 PM—YOGA  
6:00 PM—Youth Choir  
6:30 PM—Vestry Mtg.

**Wed. Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>**

12:00 PM — H.E. with Healing Prayers

**Thursday, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 AM-Lamb's Basket Volunteers (Clients)

**Sunday, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>**

8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist  
9:30 AM—Adult Forum  
10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist  
12:15 PM—Lunch Bunch going to Calabash Seafood.

**The Book Club** is taking a hiatus until the Fall. Watch for details later.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month:** The 'red wagon' is pulled down the aisle by one of our young ministers with food for Lamb's Basket. Please be generous and help us fill it up.

**Stewardship verse: 1 Timothy 6:17:** Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God.

**Lamb's Basket** is in need of constant donations. **The donated weight from Epiphany for the month of July was ONLY 39 lbs.** (We are going the wrong way, need to increase not decrease!) We can do better!! Thanks in advance from the Lamb's Basket!

**Please Note:** We have some large print Prayer Books on the table in the narthex if anyone would be interested in using one today.

**Summer Office Hours:** Lucy is in the office Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 9 am to 12 noon. Call before stopping by to make sure someone is here to let you in.

**Lay Pastoral Care:** If you or someone you know is in need of non-emergency pastoral care, please call the church office, 266-2503 and leave a message for Lay Pastoral Care—Phone Mail Box 5. Please include your name and phone number and your call will be returned within the next day or two.

**Anyone interested** in reaffirming their faith, being formally received into the Episcopal Church, or are just interested in learning more about the Church, we will be holding a series of **"Everything You Wanted to Know About the Episcopal Church"** talks. They will be held on the first Sunday of the month from 9:15 to 10:15 beginning on September 4<sup>th</sup> through December. Let Father Andrew know if you are interested!

**Want to go to brunch next Sunday?** August 21<sup>st</sup> after the 10:30 AM service we will be going as a group to **Calabash Seafood**, 7514 Lee Davis Road, Mechanicsville. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick**, 264-0935 or call the office, 266-2503.

**We need folks to sign up for Coffee hour!** It can be very simple — just some cookies and some grapes or veggies, plus coffee and lemonade for the kids. Please check the board in the kitchen and help us out! If you haven't done it before and are nervous about it, ask an "old hand" to partner with you!

**Youth Group:** The church would like to find a male and female youth group leader. If you are interested or know someone you think would be interested please talk to or email Mary Sam Abernathy ([msabernathy88@gmail.com](mailto:msabernathy88@gmail.com)). Finding new leadership so that the youth can get off to a strong start with the next school year is a priority. We will also have a parent meeting to discuss plans for the Youth Group in August.

**The Worship Committee** would like to let you know that you are invited to announce requests for prayers during the service, just before the prayers of the people begin. This is one more way to help us know who may need help and prayers, especially those that come up after the bulletin has been printed.

**Faith Formation Leaders Retreat:** September 28—30 at the Claggett Center, Adamstown, MD. The Diocese of Virginia & the Diocese of Washington are providing 2 days of workshops, resourcing and networking opportunities. This retreat is for those who work with children, youth & family ministries. Check out the brochures that are on the bulletin boards in the hallway or talk to Father Andrew.

*Attendance: August 7, 2016  
8:15 am 20 10:30 am 63*

**COMMUNICATION CARD**

August 14, 2016

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
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**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

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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:** Southern Africa

**In the Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for the** Workplaces and Businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: For financial institutions, healthy and constructive investment policies and effective development efforts to benefit the entire community.

**In the SAMS Prayer Calendar we pray for:** Janine LeGrand in Uganda and Mary Chowenhill in Uganda.

**In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** Our Lady of Lourdes, the Rev. Jim Begley, pastor  
**Prayers for our Service Men and Women:** Matt Guyer, Amanda Hoffert, Benjamin Hoffert, Patrick Lineberry, Dennis Miller, Caitlin Mitchell, Bryan Murphy, Billy Tucker, Andrew Smith and Tyler Watts.

**Prayers for the Birth of a Child:** Stephen & Anna Jones

**Prayers for Healing, Wholeness, Comfort, Guidance, and Safe Travel:** Dot Hudson, Dottie Strabley, Bob Jimerson, Carol Burley, Sarah Jenkins, Ann Schaefer, Betty Fore, Mike Young, Chris Tignor, Ann Poates, Carolyn Hager, Michael Whittlesey, Wayne Whitlock, Lydia Callaway, Charlotte Lovelace, Rejoice & Modi Wani, Ina Stickle; Peggy Adleman, Sarah Fore, Ray Hampton, Ray Lovelace, Connie Neal, Marietta Spring, Juliet Wynne; Mary Stockdell—daughter-in-law of Susan Josenhans, Becky Smith—friend of Melba Shumaker, Gary Peper—Lucy Whitlock's brother-in-law, Bucky Turner—friend of Jenn Whitlock, Rick Lawrence—Jan Lawrence's son, Luke Murphy—Ray & Charlotte Lovelace's great-grandson, James McCoy—Sue Rasmussen's friend, Bill Wells—friend of Sarah Jenkins, Mary Anna Phillips—friend of Sue Rasmussen, Karen Rood—sister of Jeri Anne Townley, Andy & Carolyn Holden—Randy Holden's parents, Joe Serrano—John & Diana Stone's nephew, Nancy King—Saundra King's sister-in-law, Hope Lineberry—Cheryl Lineberry's granddaughter, Carroll Wade—friend of Karen & Randy Holden, Suzanne Scary—Chuck Strabley's niece, Lelo Russell—Denise Russell's mother-in-law, Dave Holsapple—friend of Stacy Mitchell, Tim Blackburn—Tad Blackburn's father, Susan Berry—friend of Scott Blackwell, Marcus, student at HHS recovering from car accident—Gail Wood, Erica—friend of Patty White, Murielle Bazuzi—sister-in-law of Frosine Corbett, Sam Isaacs, & Mary Walker—friends of John & Diana Stone, Raymond Wodarski—friend of Johnny Stone, Kitty Jones—neighbor of John & Diana Stone, Bonnie Perdue—friend of Anne Hampton, Macy F. Doherty—Mom of Megan Nixon, Sawyer Perkins—friend of Maura & Cora Whitlock, Cass Lawrence—Aggie Gallagher's brother, Ricky Simmons—brother-in-law of Mike Nicholas.

**Prayers for the departed:** Herbert & Glenna Williams



CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Today's Ministers

**8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist**

**Usher:** Paul Jones

**Reader:** Sam Craver

**Chalice:** Harrison Higgins

**10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist**

**Ushers:** Jeff Pegram, Randy Holden,

Brent Crawford

**Acolytes:** Lucas Couturier, Austin White

**Lessons:** Jeri Anne Townley

**Prayers:** Jeri Anne Townley

**Chalice:** Herb Williams, Harrison Higgins

**Vestry Greeters:** Carol Campus, Mary Sam Abernathy

**Altar Guild:** Susan Josenhans, Barbara Johnson

**Nursery:** Gail Wood, Carol Campus

**Coffee Hour:** Chapter 11, Team 2—

Paul Jones, Scott Blackwell, George Baynes

**Counter:** Gray Corbett, Jean Riddick

**Weekly Worship**

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

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

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# The Church of the Epiphany

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 14, 2016

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: Isaiah 5:1-7

In our opening lesson the prophet sings a sad parable about God's vineyard, Israel, and the destruction which must now come upon it. Despite all God's loving care, this vineyard brought forth only sour grapes. The Lord looked for right judgment and found wrong. God hoped for justice and instead heard cries of distress.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 11:29—12:2

In this New Testament lesson Jesus the promised one has opened access to the Father in ways previous generations longed to see. The righteous men and women of former days performed all their deeds in faith, true to God and to such revelation as they had received. Now disciples are to set aside distractions and surmount every obstacle, encouraged by the witness of the faithful ancestors and walking confidently in the way forged by Jesus through the sacrifice of the cross.

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

In our gospel passage Jesus foresees difficult time ahead: his own ordeal and the necessity of division even within families. He has come to bring the purifying fire of judgment, and must himself first undergo the baptism of suffering and death. Before there is any peace on earth, hard decisions leading to ruptures have to be made. The people should be like good weather-watchers in reading the signs of the times.