

**On the Calendar and Coming up**

**Sunday, January 12th**  
8:15 am—Holy Eucharist  
10:15 am—Sun. School  
10:30 am—Holy Eucharist

3:00—5:00 pm — South Sudanese group

8 – 9 pm—AA meeting in parish hall

**Monday, January 13th**  
8—9 pm —AA meeting in parish hall

**Tuesday, January 14th**  
7:00 pm—JRRingers

**Wed. January 15th**  
12:00 noon —H,E. with Healing Prayers

**Thurs. January 16th**  
9:30 am—Lamb’s Basket Volunteers  
6:15 pm—Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 pm—Handbell Rehearsal

**Sat. January 18th**  
10:00 am—Diaper Ministry

**Sunday, January 19th**  
8:15 am—Holy Eucharist  
10:15 am—Sun. School  
10:30 am—Holy Eucharist

**Blood Pressure Clinic**

**Lunch Bunch**—Nick’s Roman Terr.—Westland Shopping Center

3:00—5:00 pm — South Sudanese group

8—9 pm —AA meeting in the parish hall

**Want to go to brunch next Sunday?** after the 10:30 AM service we will be going as a group to **Nick’s Roman Terrace**, W. Broad Street. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick**, or call the church office, 266-2503.

**Adult Education:** has finished up with the first of the film series. Watch for info on the next film starting February 2<sup>nd</sup>. They meet in the parlor at 9:30 a. m. on Sunday mornings.

**Reminder that this is an ongoing project all year.** When cleaning our your closets and you have any **old wool sweaters** to get rid of bring them to church and place them in the box to be recycled into Mittens for Charity. Also collecting **buttons** that they can use on the mittens. For more info, see **Mindy Cloyes**.

**The Altar Guild** is requesting your help in securing some juice cans, (or the large green bean can will work also), that we can use for delivering the altar flowers to our shut-ins or someone that is in the hospital. Thank you in advance for your help.

**Save the Date:** The Annual Congregation meeting is on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am, between the two services. The Vestry will provide pastries, donuts and coffee for you to enjoy! **Committee Chairman** we need your year end report by Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

**The 2020 church envelopes** are on the table in the hall. Please pick yours up and if you didn’t receive any and would like them, please let us know in the office.

**Chapter 4** will be meeting on Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at noon at O’Charley’s restaurant on W. Broad Street & Horsepen. Visitors are welcome!



**Parish Nurse Ministry:** Thank you to everyone who has been attending the parish nurse ministry monthly blood pressure screening events. The parish nurse ministry is always seeking opportunities to serve the church community. The mission of the parish nurse ministry is to promote a healthier faith community through spiritual support and healthier life choices, while supporting ministries already in place within the church. The next blood pressure screening event will take place on January 19<sup>th</sup>, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service in the church parlor. If there are any health professionals in the congregation who are interested in being part of the parish nurse ministry, please contact Crystal Sarvay at [epiphanyrvaparishnurse@gmail.com](mailto:epiphanyrvaparishnurse@gmail.com). Please, check out the Care Notes addition in the church newsletter for helpful health tips.

**The 5th year anniversary of Big Night** is scheduled for **February 8, 2020**. Cocktails start at 5:30 pm followed by a meal at 6:00 pm. **Mark your calendars** and plan to have a good time. Dancing, dinner, dessert, music and childcare if you need it, what more could you want? There is no cost but contributions to Epiphany’s diaper ministry will be greatly appreciated. We will send out an electronic invitation for RSVP. Of course you can always reach out to Lucy.

**Opportunities to Serve**

**We need you to sign up for coffee hour!** Check out the calendar, by the kitchen door, and see if you can help us out! We all enjoy this time of fellowship!



The diaper ministry continues to experience new growth and serve new families each month. The next diaper distribution day is January 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 9:30 a.m. for preparation on distribution days. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway. If you want to help out, but are unable to volunteer on a distribution day, donations of diapers are greatly appreciated. **Sizes 4 through 6** are the greatest need at this time. Please, bring your donations to the church. Additionally, if anyone would like to hold a diaper drive, the church website has a link to access information on holding one to support this ministry, or you can contact Crystal Sarvay through email at [epiphanyrvaparishnurse@gmail.com](mailto:epiphanyrvaparishnurse@gmail.com) for more information.

**COMMUNICATION CARD**

January 12, 2020

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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*Attendance: January 5, 2020*

*8:15 am 8 10:30 am 64*

## COMMUNICATION CARD

January 12, 2020

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 to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: To experience the victory of Jesus' resurrection over all personal and institutional results of racism and racial inequality in this metropolitan city.

**In the SAMS Prayer Calendar we pray for:** Pray for Amanda Scott in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, as she ministers to the children at LAMB Institute. Give thanks that vulnerable children have a home there and experience the love of Jesus through her and the other team members.

**In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** Church of the Epiphany

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

**For the Birth of a Child:**

**For those expecting a Child:** Grant & Ashley Ruder

**New to the Prayer List:** Shannon Corbett—Gray & Frosine's daughter-in-law

**Parishioners:** Dottie Strabley, Mike Young, Bob Jimerson, Lydia Callaway, Irene Morris, Chip Dunn, Wayne Whitlock, Jan Lawrence, Nancy Shewey, Joyce Whitlock, Randy Tucker

**Homebound:** Sarah Fore, Ray Hampton, Dot Hudson, Charlotte Lovelace, Connie Neal, Ina Stickel, Juliet Wynne

**Family & Friends:** Dave Holsapple—Stacy Mitchells friend, Robert Hoffert—Diana Stone's Dad, Joanne Terlep—friend of Kim Ludwig, Katherine Ballou—friend of Scott Blackwell, Robin & Ron Woods—Erica Facetti's parents, Johnny Hansen—friend of Cheryl Lineberry, Karen Little—friend of Jeri Anne Townley, Sherrie Bogle—friend of Marty Shephard, Joyce Matchunis—Irene Morris' daughter-in-law, Charlotte Lechlak, Mydina Thabet, Mike Abraham, and David Thabet—cousins of Denise Russell and Sandy Ruder, Sara Deringer—friend of Carol Campus, Dave Schulte—friend of Wayne & Lucy Whitlock, Nancy Baynes Rojas—daughter of George & Joy Baynes

**Prayers for the departed:** Carl Whitlock

## 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**

Father Andrew Reinholz  
Rector

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## Today's Ministers

### 8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist

**Usher:** Gray Corbett  
**Reader:** Sam Craver

### 10:30 AM—Holy Eucharist

**Ushers: Team 2:** Karen Holden, Billy Tucker, David Tuck

**Acolytes:** Sam Tucker, Jason Ludwig, Chase Johnson, Jay Tucker

**Lessons:** Buddy Dunn, Stephanie Norris

**Prayers:** Stephanie Norris

**Chalice:** Cory Isemann, Stacy Mitchell

**Vestry Greeters:** Laurie McIntosh, Dwight Ludwig

**Altar Guild:** Kathy Jimerson, Carol McElhinney, Fran LaVigne

**Nursery:** Gail Wood, Dwight Ludwig, Scott Blackwell

**Sun. School Helper:** Mindy Cloyes

**Coffee Hour:** Hostess

**Counter:** Kim Ludwig



## The Church of the Epiphany ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The First Sunday after the Epiphany January 12, 2020

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

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

In our lection from the Hebrew Bible we hear of the mission of the Lord's servant, the one whom God has chosen to bring forth justice and salvation. This is the first of the "servant songs" that form a portion of the Book of Isaiah, written at the time when the exile in Babylon was ending and the city of Jerusalem had begun to be restored. The servant is sometimes thought to be an historical individual, or is understood as an idealization of Israel. Christians see in the servant a prefiguration of the ministry of Jesus, who will become a light to the nations of the world.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Acts 10:34-43

In this reading we learn how Peter recognizes that the good news, which Jesus began to proclaim after his baptism, now extends to all people. At first Peter was slow to believe that God wanted him to bring the word to a non-Jew. But God has revealed this to Peter, and Peter gladly responds to Cornelius, a Roman centurion, together with his family and friends. Peter and the disciples are witnesses to Christ's ministry, death, and resurrection and have been commanded to preach forgiveness of sins through Jesus' name.

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Our gospel is the story of Jesus' baptism. John wonders why Jesus should come to him to receive a baptism for the remission of sins, but Jesus tells him that it is right and fitting. After he is baptized, the Holy Spirit is manifest. A voice from heaven proclaims who Jesus is, with words that echo ancient oracles concerning the king and the calling of the Lord's chosen servant.