On the Calendar and Coming up

Sunday, May 3rd
8:15 AM—**Holy Eucharist–Women & Girls Corporate Communion & Breakfast**
9:30 AM—Adult Forum
10:15 AM—Sunday School
10:30 AM—**Holy Eucharist**

Monday, May 4th
11:00 AM— Book Club

David will be away at the Spring Clergy Conference at Shrine Mont through Wednesday.

Tuesday, May 5th
5:30 PM— YOGA
7:00 PM —JRRingers

Wednesday, May 6th
No Noon Service

Thursday, May 7th
9:30 AM—Lamb's Basket Volunteers (Clients)
6:15 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM—Handbell Rehearsal

Sunday, May 10th
8:15 AM—**Holy Eucharist–**
9:30 AM—Adult Forum
10:15 AM—Sunday School
10:30 AM—**Holy Eucharist**

Worship Committee Mtg. after the 10:30 Service.

Adult Forum: TBA— Harrison will be leading the forum.

The Book Club is now reading, "*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*" by Rebecca Skloot. If you are interested in the book club, please join them in the Parlor at 11:00 AM on Monday!

Yoga Tuesday!

Women & girls Corporate Communion & Breakfast Today May 3rd @ the 8:15 AM service. Speaker will be **Jodie Pully**, Diocese ECW President, on Human Trafficking.

Want to go to brunch in May? Sunday, May 17th, after the 10:30 AM service, we will be going as a group to **O'Charley's restaurant**, 6291 W. Broad Street. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick,** 264-0935 or call the office, 266-2503.

Check out the new hymnal *Wonder, Love and Praise*, display in the hall, just outside the nursery. If you would like to take part in this project, you may add your name to the sign-up sheet or use a form, to order and to provide dedication options and information. Don't miss seeing the dedication book plates featuring a beautiful drawing of our church tower by our own Stacy Mitchell.

Attendance: April 26, 2015
8:15 am 8 10:30 am 63

From the Search Committee: One of the first steps in developing the parish profile is determining how events of the past have shaped us into who we are today. There is a chronological timeline in the parish hall that will be used to track major events throughout the history of Epiphany. To provide a complete picture, we need your help! Please take a few moments to enter major events associated with the parish onto the timeline. Examples of major events are baptisms, marriages, deaths, confirmations, becoming a member of Epiphany, capital projects, etc.. This is a great way to document and share the history of Epiphany with the entire congregation; as well as providing historical context to the parish profile. Please join us in this stroll down Memory Lane!

The Shrine Mont committee will be hosting the yearly yard sale on Saturday, May 30th. Begin your spring cleaning now and bring your donations to the parish hall 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 Retreat in October.

T-SHIRTS ARE COMING! The Shrine Mont Committee will be selling Church of the Epiphany t-shirts. There will be several color ad styles to choose from. You will be able to order directly from the internet or you may order from a committee member. More information to follow.

SAVE THE DATE!! Come to California Pizza Kitchen at Short Pump Town Center on **Tuesday, May 12th** to eat great food and support HEARTH of Henrico (formerly ISH). There are flyers on the table in the hall and when you present your server with the fund raiser flyer, California Pizza Kitchen will donate 20% of your food bill to HEARTH of Henrico.

Reminder: bring food for the Lamb's Basket for the Second Sunday of each month especially since the children will be bringing the basket up to the altar.

COMMUNICATION CARD
May 3, 2015

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**

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❑ **I am RSVPing or signing up for:**

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❑ **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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COMMUNICATION CARD

May 3, 2015

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 _____

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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: Nigeria

In the Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: That the true light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ may awaken and heal every heart in every corner of Richmond, Chesterfield, Hanover, Henrico and the surrounding counties and towns.

In the SAMS Prayer Calendar we pray for: For Grant & Wendy LeMarquand in Ethiopia and the Pyle family in Mauritius.

In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Hatcher Memorial Baptist Church, the Rev. John Tadlock, Interim Pastor.

Prayers for our Service Men and Women: Matt Guyer, Amanda Hoffert, David Hoffert, Patrick Lineberry, Dennis Miller, Caitlin Mitchell, Bryan Murphy, Billy Tucker and Andrew Smith.

Prayers for Healing, Wholeness, Comfort, Guidance, and Safe Travel: Dot Hudson, Dottie Strabley, Walter Reid, Bob Jimerson, Bob Giannini, Carol Burley, Pat Clarke, Jenn Whitlock; Peggy Adleman, Carl Burley, Sarah Fore, Ray Hampton, Ray Lovelace, Connie Neal, Marietta Spring, Juliet Wynne; Kathryn Cook-friend of Connie Neal, Mary Stockdell—daughter-in-law of Susan Josenhans, Jean Swink—sister of Irene Morris, Becky Smith—friend of Melba Shumaker, Jeff Eppes—brother of Jim Eppes, Conrad Lawrence—Aggie Gallagher's brother, 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, Carl Powell—brother of Shirley Hughson, Mary Anna Phillips—friend of Sue Rasmussen, Braton Shewey—husband of Nancy Shewey, Elsie Corbett—Gray Corbett's mother, Karen Clements—friend & coworker of Anne Hampton, Jason Poston — friend of Susie Wasiluk, Tracie Rose—Denise Russell's cousin, Linda Haurdicort—Friend of Aggie Gallagher & Denise Russell, Mary Lou Scary—Chuck Strabley's sister, Karen Rood—sister of Jeri Anne Townley, Carolyn Holden —Randy Holden's mom, Robyn Morris—friend of Karen Holden, Joe Serrano—John & Diana Stone's nephew, Dave Holsapple—friend of Stacy Mitchell, The Rev. Bob Partlow—-friend of B.J. Giannini, Nancy King—Saundra King's sister-in-law, Mary Moyer—friend of B.J. Giannini, Phoebe Huskins—Mike Nicholas' cousins granddaughter.

Prayers for the departed: Louise McMurdo

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)

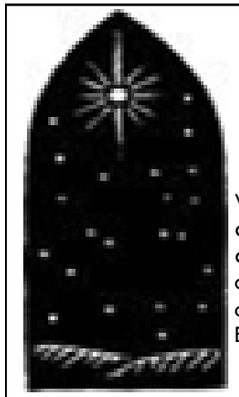
Wednesday at noon: Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers and Laying On of Hands

The Rev. David Knight
Interim Rector
Phone: 804 389-7188 (cell)
Contact info:
8000 Hermitage Road
804-266-2503

Today's Ministers

8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist
Usher: George Baynes
Reader: Sam Craver
Chalice: Harrison Higgins

10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist
Ushers: Eddie Johnson, George Baynes, Herb Williams, Cory Isemann
Acolytes: Tephanie Holden, Jay Tucker, Drew Gilbert, Ava Whittlesey
Lessons: Jeannie Knight
Prayers:
Chalice: Herb Williams, Harrison Higgins
Vestry Greeters: Sam Craver, Susan Josenhans
Altar Guild: Jean Riddick, Debbie Crawford
Nursery: Karen Holden, Sandy Ruder
Coffee Hour:
Counters: Jean Riddick, Gray & Frosine Corbett



The Church of the Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2015

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.

Introducing the Lessons:

1st Reading: Acts 8:26-40

In this story of how Philip brought the Ethiopian eunuch to faith in Jesus. Early Christians doubtless loved to tell and retell this narrative. It shows how a significant foreign personage, who was apparently an inquirer into Judaism, learned about Jesus and was baptized. It also illustrates the way an important passage from the Old Testament, which tells of the Lord's servant who suffered for others, was interpreted as prophecy about Jesus.

2nd Reading: 1 John 4:7-21

This reading teaches that God's love is made known to us through Jesus. In response we are to love one another. No one has ever seen God, but to experience God's love and to recognize Jesus as God's Son is to know God. Only by not loving other humans made in God's image would we show that we do not know and love God. When we do love one another, then we live in union with God and fear is driven away.

The Gospel: John 15:1-8

In our gospel reading we hear that Jesus is the true vine to which each branch must be united if it is to bear fruit. The vine and the vineyard were well-known symbols for God's people. A living relationship with Jesus in the following of his teaching is the source of fruitful discipleship. God will cut away the dead branches and prune the healthy ones so that they will bear more abundantly.