On the Calendar and Coming up

Sunday, Sept. 18th
8:15 AM—**Holy Eucharist**
9:30 AM—**Adult Forum**
10:15 AM—**Sun. School**
10:30 AM—**Holy Eucharist**
12:15 PM—Lunch Bunch — **Olive Garden**, 7113 W. Broad Street

Monday, Sept. 19th
11:00 AM—Book Club in the parlor.
7:00 PM—Chapter 4 meeting in the parlor.

Tuesday, Sept. 20th
5:30 PM—YOGA
6:30 PM—Vestry Mtg.
7:00 PM—JRRingers

Wed. Sept. 21st
12:00 PM — H.E. with Healing Prayers

Thursday, Sept. 22nd
9:30 AM—Lamb's Basket Volunteers (Clients)
6:15 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM —Handbell Rehearsal

Saturday, Sept. 24th
4:30 PM—Acolyte Training Mtg.

Sunday, Sept. 25th
8:15 AM—**Holy Eucharist**
9:30 AM—**Adult Forum**
10:15 AM—**Sun. School**
10:30 AM—**Holy Eucharist**

YOGA Tuesday!

Stewardship verse: Mark 4:18-19: Others, like seed sown among thorns, hear the word; but the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.

Lamb's Basket is in need of constant donations. **The donated weight from Epiphany for the month of September was 41 lbs.** 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.

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.

Save the Date: October 28 – 30 Epiphany Family Retreat at Shrine Mont. Sign-up in the parish hall if you are interested in going and mark your calendar for this weekend of family fun!

News for the October newsletter is due next Sunday, Sept. 25th. Please get your articles in ASAP!

Attendance: September 11, 2016
8:15 am 9 10:30 am 92

The Shrine Mont Committee is selling sweatshirts to raise money to send the Epiphany children to Shrine Mont this year. The internet link to order is https://www.booster.com/thechurchoftheepiphany If you prefer, order forms are also available in the church office.

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 next one will be October 2nd through December. Let Father Andrew know if you are interested!

Want to go to brunch today? after the 10:30 AM service we will be going as a group to **Olive Garden**, 7113 West Broad Street**.** If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick,** 264-0935 or call the office, 266-2503.

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.

There will be an acolyte training session on Saturday, September 24th at 4:30 PM here at the church.

Book Club will resume on Mondays, at 11:00 am in the parlor. We will begin our readings with *The Storied life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin. The book is a New York Times bestseller, called "entertaining, engaging and funny, marvelously optimistic" by the Washington Post. Come join us for good discussions!

Congratulations to Rebekah & Adam Ewbank on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Marie Ewbank, born Wednesday, September 7th weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. & 20 in. long. The proud grandmother is Jeannette Donovan and the proud great-grandmother is Joyce Whitlock. The Red rose on the lecturn is in thanksgiving for Charlotte Marie.

HEADS—UP: Hermitage Road will be closed at its crossing of the CSX railroad from Monday, September 19 through Friday, September 30 for work to improve passenger and freight service in the area. Motorists should consider using East Parham and Hilliard roads as alternate routes between Staples Mill and Woodman roads while access on Hermitage is restricted.

COMMUNICATION CARD
September 18, 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**

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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

September 18, 2016

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: The Episcopal Church

In the Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for schools and education institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For all universities, colleges, seminaries, trade, technical, graduate, and professional schools; for the students, faculty, and staff of these institutions.

In the SAMS Prayer Calendar we pray for: Todd & Patsy McGregor in Madagascar and Jeannie Loving in Honduras.

In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for: Overbrook Presbyterian, Charles Philips, 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 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, Ina Stickel, Jeannie Riddick, Gray Corbett, Tillie Freeze; Peggy Adleman, Sarah Fore, Ray Hampton, Ray Lovelace, Connie Neal, Marietta Spring, Juliet Wynne; Mary Stockdell—daughter-in-law of Susan Josenhans, 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, Michael Abraham—cousin of Sandy Ruder & Denise Russell, Jim Sisk—friend of Lucy & Wayne Whitlock, Mary Meyer—friend of B.J. Giannini.

Prayers for the departed: Lee & Marie Whitfield

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
Phone: 610 780-1420 (cell)

Contact info:
8000 Hermitage Road
804-266-2503

Today's Ministers

8:15 AM—Holy Eucharist

Usher: George Baynes
Reader: Lauryn Boyd
Chalice: Harrison Higgins

10:30 AM - Holy Eucharist

Ushers: Eddie Johnson, George Baynes, Herb Williams, Cory Isemann
Acolytes: Drew Gilbert, Kayleigh Gilbert, Camryn Whittlesey, Ava Whittlesey
Lessons: Randy Holden
Prayers: Randy Holden
Chalice: David Tuck, Harrison Higgins
Vestry Greeters: Carol Campus, Susan Josenhans
Altar Guild: Susan Josenhans, Barbara Johnson
Nursery: Gail Wood, Joy Baynes, Peggy Wilson
Coffee Hour: Karen Holden, Gayla Jones, Chuck & Dottie Strabley
Counter: Karen Holden

The Church of the Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 18, 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: Jeremiah 8:18—9:1

In our first lesson the prophet laments both the heavy word that it is his duty to carry to the people, and the stubborn resistance of the people to repentance. The prophet's heart is, like the Lord's own heart, sick with grief and trouble, as one found constantly weeping.

2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

In this lesson disciples are called upon to pray for all, including political rulers, so that Christians may lead peaceable and moral lives. It is God's will that everyone should find salvation. Jesus is the mediator between the one God and humanity; he has sacrificed himself for the freedom of all. Paul has been appointed an apostle to make his saving work known to the Gentiles. During this period the newborn Christians movement was a tiny part of society and Christians felt that they needed peaceful conditions to spread the gospel. They usually took a positive view of the functions of the state in maintaining peace and justice.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Our gospel is the story of the steward who, when dismissed for mismanagement, showed himself to be very shrewd. This is followed by teaching about Mammon, that is, worldly wealth. The joke would be on us if we fastened on the details of the story. The man's obviously dishonest behavior forces us to look more deeply for what is admirable about him—his readiness to face up to reality, together with his unquenchable hopefulness in the face of calamity. This is to be the attitude of Jesus' followers as the kingdom with its time of challenge and judgement approaches. The teaching on money suggests that disciples must know its significance, while never serving it.