



The EPIPHANY STAR

a word to the wise • The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, Atlanta Georgia

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Welcoming

Welcoming is a touchstone around Epiphany. We have, over the years, been a place where we have come to understand the grace of God, the wideness of God's mercy, the particularity of Jesus, the magnanimity of divine love, the movement of the Spirit through welcoming.

The fun part is we get to engage this wonderment over and over again with every new person that walks through the door. This week, I am happy to announce that we have two new part time staff people to welcome into our midst, and another part time staff person that has been around for a little bit.

First, Charlotte Hill. Charlotte is a part of our child-care staff, and has come to us highly recommended by Jean Livingston, and we all know Jean. When I met with Charlotte I knew right away that she would be a great fit for us, her credentials in education, her passion for children and her interest in the quixotic ways in which we work and live and do our stuff around Epiphany impressed me. Welcome Charlotte.

Next, we get to welcome Catherine Breed as our new Director of Children's Ministries. Now, Catherine as many of you know has been around for many years. She and her professorial husband Brennen, who teaches Old Testament at Columbia Seminary, have returned to us after a brief sojourn at the Cathedral where Catherine was part of Sunday morning worship and program for children.

Catherine has a theology degree from Princeton, has led chapel and taught theology at St. Martin's and has worked in Sunday morning program at the Cathedral. I am very excited that Catherine is joining us and she has already begun to imagine what Children's ministries might be like here at Epiphany.

Finally, I've also asked John Booth to be our part time Youth Coordinator. John too, comes with great recommendation (Sharon Hires) and great credentials as a summer camp program director/Chief of Staff. John and his fiancée are new to Epiphany so look out for them and help bring them into the fold.

The Vestry had good deliberations on how to move forward with staff and this is our incarnation of those prayerful conversations. Please read the Bio's that Catherine and John have shared with us too.

Welcome as a touchstone, a test, an indicator of the true value of a substance or a thing. Welcome is our touchstone of how we share with the world those that pass by our doors and those that find a life inside our walls that God is present in all. Charlotte, Catherine, John—WELCOME.

Peace,

The Rev. Benno D. Pattison, Rector

MISSION STATEMENT: *The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany is an inclusive community called to seek and follow Jesus Christ. We welcome all people in the Eucharistic fellowship of Christ's Body. We receive strength and encouragement at the common table to carry out Christ's work of reconciliation in our broken world. Nourished by worship and witness, learning and teaching, fellowship and service, we strive to live out the Gospel's radical values with gladness of heart.*

Parish News

Meet Catherine

Catherine Breed grew up in Virginia, Germany and South Korea, and has studied at the University of Virginia and Princeton Theological Seminary. She has Children's Ministry experience as a staff member in Episcopal churches in Virginia, New Jersey and Atlanta. After earning her M.A. in Christian Education, Catherine taught Religion courses and led weekly chapel services at St. Martin's Episcopal School in Brookhaven for six years. For the next two years, she stayed home full-time with her kids, and then worked as the Program Coordinator of Children's Ministry at the Cathedral of St. Philip this past year. Catherine is a trained Godly Play instructor and has an ongoing interest in the study and practice of religious education and spiritual formation. She enjoys baking, backpacking in foreign countries, and a nice old fashioned cocktail.

Her husband, Brennan Breed, earned a PhD from Emory University in Hebrew Bible and is now an Assistant Professor of Old Testament Studies at Columbia Theological Seminary. They have two children, Freddie (5) and Margaret Ann (3), who were both baptized at Epiphany. They all enjoy hiking in the North Georgia Mountains, swimming in the ocean, and playing with Winnie, their miniature schnauzer. Catherine and Brennan began attending Epiphany when they first moved to Decatur eight years ago, and are so glad to be back as a part of this community!

Meet John

My name is John Booth, and I am a new member at Epiphany and a fairly new resident to Candler Park. I graduated from Georgia State University and spent my summers throughout college on staff at Camp Mikell where I met my fiancé, Chris Watts. Chris works at the Marcus Autism Center as an Early Intervention Provider. We have a very spoiled foxhound named Heyward. I enjoy fly-fishing, bluegrass, and Ultimate Frisbee. I got the experience of a lifetime a couple of Summers ago, through a program called Ultimate Peace, to travel to Israel to coach Ultimate and work with kids of many cultural backgrounds. I recently helped design and install the new 9-hole disc golf course at

Camp Mikell. I work for iHeartRadio where I sell advertising nationwide. I am excited to work with the youth at Epiphany, because I grew up in the Episcopal Church and along the way have not only gained lifelong friendships, but a deeper relationship with God.

Babies

Our Guild of the Christ Child bulletin board barely has any booties on it. Have you had a baby within the past year? We'd love to post a picture of your newest family member. Send your child's full name, date of birth and a favorite photo for posting to parishadmin@epiphany.org so we can populate our board again.



Electronics Recycling

Have you been waiting for a recycling event to ditch that non-functioning computer or CD player? Well, the Earth Guild is sponsoring a small electronics event between services on the Sundays in August through 8/23. There will be a station outside the church with signage and an Earth Guild representative so you can easily find us. We'll temporarily store items in the Byrd house carport. If you can't bring your recyclables on either of those Sundays, take them to the Byrd house carport until end of day on August 10. We'll take them to a recycling center the next day. No large appliances, please! Also, the recycling center requires a \$10 fee for TVs and monitors.

Pastoral Needs

Epiphanyite Arlen Grey needs rides to and from church on a weekly basis to participate in the Choir. If you can help on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings, sign up at the link on the People & Posts page at epiphany.org.

Summer Breakfast

Summer Breakfast is offered between services from 9:30-10:30 a.m. if we have a host. Groups or individuals can sign up for a Sunday on the doors leading to Jones Hall.

Epiphany Summer Choir

Our Epiphany Choir is taking a well-deserved break from regular rehearsals this summer, but we will still have choral music on Sunday mornings. Here is your chance for singing with no mid-week commitment! Come to the music suite on Sunday mornings at 10:30 and learn the music for that Sunday's service. We will not process or vest and you may decide to sit in the congregation until the Peace, sing the anthem, and then return to your seat. All adults and high school youth are welcome.



Epiphany Choir "Treat"

The Epiphany Choir will hold its second annual in-house retreat (Treat) on Saturday, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. on August 22. We'll rehearse music, renew friendships, meet new members, and get a head start on the upcoming choir year. Lunch is provided. Contact: Organist and Choirmaster Julie Ryder (music@epiphany.org).

Join the Choir

The Epiphany Choir, an all-volunteer choir, provides musical leadership for the weekly 8:45 and 11:15 am Holy Eucharist and major Feast Days. Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings from 7:15-9 p.m. (beginning September 2), and membership is open to adults and high school youth. On Sunday mornings, choristers typically sing for only one liturgy. Contact: Organist and Choirmaster Julie Ryder (music@epiphany.org).

The Choirs Are Coming!

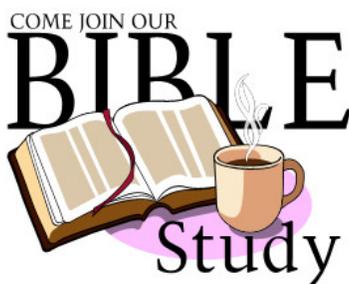
Choirs for all ages will resume in September:

Epiphany Choir <i>adults and high school youth</i>	First rehearsal: Wednesday, September 2, 7:15-9:00pm Choir Retreat Day, Sat., August 22 (9:00am-3:00pm)
Epiphany Ringers <i>adults and high school youth</i>	First rehearsal: Wednesday, September 23, 6:00-7:00pm
Junior Choir <i>grade 3-voice change</i>	First rehearsal: Wednesday, September 23, 5:00
Intermediate Choristers <i>grades 1-2</i>	First rehearsal: Tuesday, September 22, 5:30
Beginning Choristers <i>pre-K*-Kindergarten</i>	First rehearsal: Tuesday, September 22, 5:00

*Pre-K means no more than 1 year prior to Kindergarten

Registration forms for children's and youth choirs will be available on the website beginning September 1

For more information, visit our website, or contact Organist & Choirmaster Julie Ryder (music@epiphany.org)



Weekday Bible Study

A noon-day service is offered on Wednesdays followed by Eucharist. The Bible Study at 1 p.m. will not take place during the month of July. The Wednesday Evening Bible Study with the Rector will resume on August 26.

Confirmation Class

Per the Catechism in the Prayer Book:

What is Confirmation? Confirmation is the rite in which we express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop.

What is required of those to be confirmed? It is required of those to be confirmed that they have been baptized, are *sufficiently instructed in the Christian Faith*, are penitent for their sins, and are ready to affirm their confession of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Confirmation classes will begin on Wednesday, August 26, and meet weekly until December 9, from 6:30-8:00 p.m., concluding with Compline. This class will be offered simultaneously with the Bible study class. Benno and Sharon will share both of these classes, alternating between the two.

Confirmation is open to any adult or youth seeking to know more about the Christian faith as the Episcopal Church has received it. We will discuss prayer, scripture, church history, sin and redemption, ethics, the BCP, worship and liturgy, the three-legged stool (tradition, scripture and reason), and more!

If, at the end, you desire to be confirmed and affirm your faith, we will participate in diocesan confirmation on Sunday, December 13, at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Philip.

If you have questions, don't hesitate to ask Sharon or Benno, or contact either for an appointment. Rector@epiphany.org or Sharon@epiphany.org.

Now Showing

Epiphany's Art Ministry welcomes photography by parishioner Jerry Kinnane for August 2015

PHOTOS TOPOS: IMAGES FROM THE CORNERS OF THE KNOWN WORLD

In his own words:

My interest in photography started early with the basic Brownie box camera. Images were made on 620 sheet film then handed over to the local drug store to be sent off for processing. The week long wait for the B&W prints to return tested my limits of delayed gratification.

Serious interest in photography came later with the availability of inexpensive SLR cameras from Japan. By then, the "chrome" line of films from Kodak wider array of choices in color photography.

Photos Topos is a reprise of the exhibit shown in January 2005 at Epiphany. It is a collection of images taken on various foreign and domestic trips. Notably, many of the scenes were taken on a six month trailer trip around the U.S. and Canada in 1979. That was a simpler time when film was used in cameras instead of digital chips. There was deliberate effort to include humans in the scenes to give them some "scale" similar to the method used by many National Geographic photographers.

The Topos theme is taken from the Greek word for all things natural and man-made.

25% of all sales benefit Epiphany, remaining proceeds will go to Good Shepherd Mission, Navaho Reservation, Fort Defiance, Arizona. Please make checks out to Jerry Kinnane.



Education for Ministry

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EfM) at St. Alban's is looking for more students. An EfM group consists of 6 to 12 students. It is a four-year study. EfM is a "one year at a time commitment" and there are some who may have a gap year here or there depending on what is going on in their lives. EfM provides its students with a unique opportunity to explore the Bible (year 1 & 2), history of Christianity (year 3), and Theology, Ethics, & Interfaith Encounter (year 4). Through the readings, discussions and theological reflections, our knowledge and faith is expanded. If you have taken EfM in the past, please consider it again. EfM changed the curriculum and has some great material to read. EfM meets on Mondays (September-May), 7-9 p.m. Enrollment is limited to 12 people. Deadline to enroll and pay tuition is Aug. 14. For more information, please call the office (324-1351) or email Deacon Barbara Burns (dnbarbara.stalbans@gmail.com) Visit www.efm.sewanee.edu to discover everything EfM has to offer. For more information regarding the St. Alban's EfM class, please call the office or email Deacon Barbara Burns at Dnbarbara.stalbans@gmail.com.

Outreach News

Refugee Family Update

The Getahun family is settling in well. Mengistu and Zelalem are studying for their driver's permit. Alem and Zalalem are getting ready for school. Both will need uniforms and school supplies. Dad, Tsehay, has connected with a church where he may obtain permanent employment. They have shared their struggles with me and I hope soon they will visit our church to share their journey to America with all of you. They are in need of an adult bicycle and books. Zelalem, age 19, is an avid reader. Alem is in need of 1st grade readers. Alem could also use some toys including a doll. Mom, Mulu, is content to see her family safe. They would like you to know how grateful they are to all of you for helping them make a new home in the US. Contact: Beverly Lorenzo, bevlorenzo@att.net, 404.825.3402.

Post It Up! DeKalb

House Bill 141 was passed into law and signed by the Governor in 2013. It requires that the National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline, 888.373.7888, is posted in businesses and venues as a means of providing help for children and adults who are victims or potential victims of human trafficking. Join DeKalb County Human Development, Interfaith Children's Movement and a host of others for Post It Up! DeKalb on Saturday, August 29, at 8:45 a.m. at 4380 Memorial Drive, Decatur GA 30032. For more information or to register for this event, contact Cindy Bell (cindybell30030@gmail.com).

Food for DEAM

January and June are our "turns" for stocking the pantry, but the basket is out year-round to accept your donations of hearty soups, small pkgs corn muffin mix, jelly, cereal, 1 qt. pkgs. dry milk, and toilet paper.

Peachtree Pine Ministry

Please volunteer to help feed 500 men once a month. No experience necessary, just kind hearts and willing hands to give to those less fortunate. Contact Bev Lorenzo, 404.825.3402.

Upcoming Dates:

August 20 & 21,

September 17 & 18,

October 15 & 16



Jonathan Daniels Pilgrimage to Alabama August 15

This year the Episcopal Church commemorates the 50th anniversary of the death of Jonathan Daniels, an Episcopal seminarian who died August 20th, 1965, in Hayneville, Alabama, during the struggle for voting rights. The commemoration honors Jonathan Daniels and all of the Alabama martyrs.

The Right Rev. Michael Curry, presiding bishop-elect and bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, is scheduled to preach at the communion service in the courthouse on August 15. The principal event of the week-end, the Pilgrims' Walk on Saturday, will begin at 11:00 a.m. Go to the Diocese of Alabama's website for details and information about the entire weekend:

http://www.dioala.org/dfc/newsdetail_2/3172434. You may also go to the Diocese of Atlanta's website for other information: <https://www.episcopalatlanta.org/Resources/Dismantling-Racism/Jonathan-Daniels-Pilgrimage/>.

The three buses chartered by the Diocese of Atlanta's Commission for Dismantling Racism are full. People are encouraged to consider making the drive themselves to Hayneville, or set up carpools of their own.

If you have questions, please contact Gretchen Maclachlan at 404.524.2705 or Cindy Bell at 404.549.3363.

Ongoing Meetings

Meeting Night

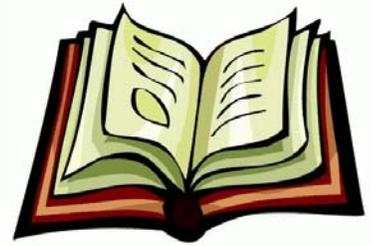
Committees are asked to meet on the 2nd Monday of the month from 6–7:30 p.m. We gather in Jones Hall, sign up for a room, pray together and then go our ways. Chairs, please be sure to let your committees know each month if they are meeting.

Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King (DOK) meet on the 4th Sunday at 10 a.m. between services in Jones Hall, Room A. We invite all ladies of the congregation to join us. The DOK take a lifetime vow to live by the Rule of the Order; it requires a spiritual discipline of daily Prayer, Service and Evangelism. Because of our vow, we refer to ourselves as an order, not an organization. Our bylaws prohibit us from raising funds. Contact: Shirley Sugden, 404.373.4885

Epiphany Book Club

The Epiphany Book Club is on hiatus for the summer. We will start up again August 31, then resume meeting 1st Mondays at Regency House (341 Winn Way, Decatur 30030) at 7:30 p.m. Contact: Christina Kaylor, 404.525.7595. August: *The Orphan Master's Son* by Adam Johnson (Pulitzer Prize for Fiction).



ECW Meeting

The Episcopal Church Women meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. The program and potluck following is on hiatus until September

Mental Health Support Group

A support group for people living with mental illness is being formed. Meetings take place the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the group is to provide a community of and for people who are living with mental illness. It is a confidential, safe place for people to be honest about their condition and its impact in their lives. Members gather to discuss recovery, spirituality, trials, and triumphs. If you are interested in learning more about the group, or would like to join the group, please contact Wende Crow: wendecrow@gmail.com 678.900.7930.

Veteran's Support Group

Veteran's Heart GA invites active duty service members, Veterans of all wars, their family members, healing professionals and concerned citizens to speak with and listen to each other, create understanding, and collectively address the effects of war that touch all of us. The meeting is from 1:30-3:30 p.m. every second Sunday in Jones Hall. We request that you register through our website www.veteransheartgeorgia.org prior to each meeting. Sign up for the newsletter and receive a reminder every month.

For Our Prayers...

Prayer intentions for *The Epiphany Star* and for Sunday Services should be directed to the parish office at parishadmin@epiphany.org. For Pastoral Emergencies, text or call the clergy on call at 404.939.2137. Please let the Parish Office know if there are any errors on the listings below.

Heal your sick servants

- Richard Bassett
- Bill Hudson
- Anne Rowles
- Linda Ryder-Wolf
- Larry Wilcox

Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers

- Neil Banfield
- Marlene & Charles Coats
- Alice Cunningham
- Laura Faller
- Tim Gore
- Arlen Gray
- Adele Reeves
- Ted Yardley
- Sarah Jane Wollison

Those in the armed forces

- GySgt Stewart Mundy, son of Dan & Diane Mundy
- Matthew Howells, nephew of Audrey & Neil Banfield

Family and friends who request our prayers

- Michael Morehouse, friend of Holly Slater
- Mickie Schierman, mother of Ann Fowler
- Janice, Jessica & Megan, relatives of the Laird Family
- Thelma & J.O. Hudson, parents of Bill Hudson
- Martha Sanders Vincent, mother of Heather Holly
- Mike and Bethany Gaige, Joan Hambalek, family of Barbara Belcore
- Kat Rader, friend of Chippy & Mac Holladay
- Justin D'zan, friend of Rob Godsall
- Lynn Gable, friend of Rob Godsall
- Mike, Nona and Dave Tipton, relatives of Pam Tipton
- Chris Dolezel, sister of Marjorie Timmer
- Grace Edmiston, mother of Dennis Edmiston
- Laurie, friend of Laura Faller
- Jane Howe, sister of Chippy Holladay
- Molly Gray, sister of Lissa Jackson
- John Aull, brother of Kathy Walmsley
- Kyle, friend of Sandy Land
- Donnie Huestess, relative of Randy Shearin
- Shelly Raines, father of Ann Williamson, grandfather of Lea, Maggie, Mary Katharine and Alex Williamson
- David Crawford, brother of Debby Crawford
- Don Lloyd, brother of Brenda Lloyd
- Jean Sengl, aunt of Brenda Lloyd
- Habiba & Farshad, friends of Wende Crow
- Miller Montesinos, nephew of Cristina Montesinos
- Lillian Fox, mother of Keith Fox
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- Connie Bolander, sister of Marjorie Timmer



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Worship Schedule—Sunday

8:45 a.m. - Holy Eucharist
11:15 a.m. - Holy Eucharist
6 p.m. - Holy Eucharist

Worship Schedule—Weekdays

Tuesday at 7 a.m. – Holy Eucharist
Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist with Healing Rite