



The EPIPHANY STAR

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

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Replenish

The dictionary says to 'fill up *again*'. The italics are mine. Among the many implications of the *again* is that this is not the first time. The filling up, the replenishing is an expected and historical event. We should be ready. We should engage in the process, nay we will engage in the process. It has happened before. Don't be surprised, shocked, dismayed, annoyed or walk away. If you are in the business of doing anything that has anything to do with replenishing anything it's not for the first time.

A second profound implication of replenish, of the *again* of replenish is that it will happen again in the future. We should be full of expectation, of preparedness, of learning, of getting ready. To replenish is a lesson we should teach our children and learn from our elders.

To replenish then, is to be about the business of restoring a thing, making something out of emptiness, using what you have both resource and consumer, container and content to celebrate something beyond both—to touch something that neither container or content can touch on their own. To replenish it seems, is to fill up an empty something so that in the process, or just on the cusp of the end of filling begins a process of emptying all over *again*.

This fall our stewardship conversation will take on the conversation about what it means to be about the business of replenishing—the earth, our lives, our bodies, our spirits, the church body.

To do this we need to have a reckoning with what is empty, how we've gone about the business of filling in the past, what it needs to look like in the future. How do Christians replenish in ways that others may not? Does it matter?

Replenish is a great word for stewardship. We have a past, we've been here before and we will do this again. Replenish is inheritance, promise, and hopefulness all at once. It is something we've done, are doing and will do. Replenish is anamnesis—that is God's unyielding commitment across time and space to be present always in the filling, in the emptying, in the filling *again*.

Replenish is a refreshing mandate to me, in the end because it feels like an invitation that where ever you find yourself on the journey, at the beginning, middle or end there is a place for you here we are a community that replenishes—*again, again and again*.

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 Life

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Epiphany 101

Wonder why Epiphany is like it is? Why we do what we do? What this space is all about? Join us at 10 a.m. July 23 & 30 and August 6 & 13 in the Choir Loft. We'll talk about what it means to be an Episcopalian, what makes Epiphany particular, how and why we worship like we do, and our service inside these walls and out. You can attend any and/or all, but each class is independent.

Homecoming BBQ

Join us for food and fellowship Sunday, August 13 at 4 p.m. on the Byrd House lawn (rain plan in Jones Hall)! We will provide the BBQ, and we ask you to bring your own drinks (BYOB), lawn chairs or blankets, and a side or dessert to share. RSVP at epiphany.org.



Eclipse Viewing

Camp Mikell will be open and allowing folks to come set up in the fields to watch the eclipse on August 21. No meals will be served that day, but folks can use the public restrooms and park in the parking lots for free. Donations are welcome at <http://campmikell.com/about/donate/>

Electronic Recycling Event

The Earth Guild is holding an electronics (ONLY) recycling event on August 6 & 13. Bring all your non-functioning computers, CD players, small household appliances, or "anything with a plug" on Sundays, where the Earth Guild will have a collection station between the morning services.

Please note:

- Some items incur fees from the recycling center. Please bring checks and give to an Earth Guild member (or leave in the church office) if you plan to recycling the following:
 - 1) a \$15 fee for all TV's and monitors;
 - 2) a \$5 fee for smoke detectors/humidifiers, or other appliances containing mercury
- Remember to remove all confidential information from devices.
- At this time, we are collecting ELECTRONICS only; we are not accepting CFL's, paper, etc. (We have ongoing collections of batteries and corks, which you may bring to the designated containers on the kitchen counter.)



Ongoing Battery & Cork Recycling

Please drop off your batteries and natural corks (no synthetics) in the container next to the microwave in the kitchen. If you have a really large quantity of batteries or corks contact: Sandy Land (alexandra_land@yahoo.com).

Parish Weekend SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for October 27-29, 2017 for our annual Parish Weekend at Kanuga! Details to follow, but we know you won't want to miss it!

Altar Arrangements & Sanctuary Light

Altar Flowers

Each Sunday, with the exception of Lent, flowers are placed on the high altar area. There are occasions when the church takes on a more festive look such as Christmas and Easter. Flowers are offered "for the Glory of God and in thanksgiving or in memory of a person or event." Parishioners offer altar flowers as a visible sign of acknowledgement of God's presence in their lives. The color and selection of flowers is based on the appropriateness of the liturgical season. More than one person or family may sign up for the altar flowers during the same week.

Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Light is a visible sign of the presence of the Blessed Sacrament held in reserve in the Tabernacle. It is the tradition of our faith that parishioners make an offering to acknowledge the memory of a loved one in his or her life—especially appropriate during the week or day of an anniversary date of someone's death.

Click the RSVP button on the homepage to find the sign-up link. Cost: \$70/flowers, \$6/light. Make check payable to Church of the Epiphany, noting "Flowers" or "Light" in the memo field, or pay by Paypal to treasurer@epiphany.org.

Flex & Stretch

The Flex & Stretch class meets in Jones Hall on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. while there is construction at Glenn Memorial, probably till Fall. Our thanks for letting us bring our class to Epiphany. This class is led by Epiphanyite Ellen Mintzmyer who is a certified Silversneakers instructor and registered with Flex so other types of classes can also be covered. For those with Silversneakers cards, there is no cost to attend. For others the cost is \$5 when you attend the class. Please join us. Come one morning and see if this class is right for you.



Music & Liturgy

Staff: Julie Ryder | 404.373.8338 | music@epiphany.org,
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Sing in the Summer Choir

Summer Choir continues at 10:45 (today only), and is open to adults and youth. We rehearse one anthem and then sing it during the 11:15 a.m. liturgy. No vestments, no weekday commitment, lots of fun and fellowship. Join us! (music@epiphany.org)

Outreach

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Peachtree-Pine Men's Shelter Feeding Ministry Ending

On August 18, we will perform our last service (no prep on Thursday). Please come to prepare the food from 1-5 p.m., or to serve the food at 5 p.m., or to join us in a commemorative feast for volunteers at 7 p.m., if you've ever done anything at all over the nearly TWO DECADES of feeding the hungry downtown (we also need anyone who'd like to clean up after the dinner!). The menu will be prepared by current director Brandon Laird, and will include caprice bruschetta, brisket tacos, summer greens salad, and a-la mode pies (chess/hummingbird/chocolate bourbon pecan) with signature Tangipahoa sweet tea.

Refugee Outreach

By Bev Lorenzo and Erin Braden

At the July 30 breakfast \$1020.00 was raised for our new Refugee Scholarship Fund. The committee would like to thank everyone for the very generous donations to the fund. We hope you enjoyed seeing and meeting some of our budding scholars from our refugee families. Thanks also to all those who supplied the delicious breakfast. A great time was had by all.

DEAM Food Drive

January and June are our "turns" for stocking the DEAM pantry, but the bins are out year-round to accept your donations of cereal, jelly, 1 lb pkgs dry beans, mac & cheese, 1 qt pkgs dry milk, hearty soups, and toilet paper.

Formation

Chair: Shirley Banks | 404.644.4861 | shirleymaybanks@gmail.com

Weekday Worship & Bible Study

- **Tuesday Morning Eucharist** is celebrated at 7 a.m. A group of men gather for breakfast and discussion afterwards and typically are on their way to work by 8 a.m.
- **A Noonday healing service** is offered on Wednesdays followed by Eucharist.
- **The Wednesday Evening Bible Study** with the Rector is offered at 6:30 p.m. for a study of the upcoming Sunday's readings.

Two Fabulous Classes on Sunday Mornings

Regular Sunday School for all ages will resume on August 20, 2017.

The Incarnation and Resurrection class uses a lecture-style format and is taught by Brennan Breed, the parish's Wister Cook Theologian-in-Residence, with guest lecturers. In the fall, we will study the Incarnation: What does God have to do with the world? We will consider the relationship of divinity to stuff, including the tricky boundaries between theology and science. We'll think through biblical stories from creation to Jesus' birth and find insight from theologians from Hildegard of Bingen to Dietrich Bonhoeffer. In the spring, we will study the Resurrection: What does God have to do with death and new life? We will ask what the Bible has to say about human mortality and God's power over life, and we'll reconstruct the surprising history of the development of this central Christian idea.



The Reclaiming the Bible class uses guided discussion to investigate key Biblical passages. Sharon Hiers and Shirley Banks will lead this class. Using selections from the Bible arranged into manageable chapters that can be read in one sitting, we'll engage with the Bible as the narrative of God's passionate desire to be with humanity. This approach can help us get familiar with the stories, themes, and genres in the Bible: Creation stories, stories of individual and

collective lives with God, poetry, proclamation & prophecy, and expositions of faith and practice.



This class is for anyone who wants a breath of fresh air and some companionship on a path through the Bible. Many of us come from churches that use the Bible to harm people, teach intellectually incoherent approaches, or reduce Scripture to a book of aphorisms; many of us feel puzzled by this complex and peculiar Book. Or we just haven't picked up the Bible in a while.

Reclaiming the Bible will use an anthology of passages from the New Revised Standard Version, arranged into convenient chapters for each week. You can buy the book at <https://www.forwardmovement.org/Products/2418/the-path.aspx> or order from any bookseller. The parish also has copies to loan or give, or you can read the selections for the upcoming week from your own Bible. BONUS: Each week's discussion comes with a page from a coloring book designed to match the week's theme!



Tract Rack

The Forward Day by Day quarterly booklet for May/June/July is in the Gallery tract rack. The publication, owned by the Episcopal Church, is a pocket-size booklet of daily Bible readings and devotions. \$1 a copy.

To listen to the daily Forward Day by Day Podcast <https://daybydaypodcast.wordpress.com/> or find them on iTunes. Follow them on Facebook and Twitter for daily devotionals on the go, and news from Forward Movement.

Finance & Stewardship

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Epiphany's Expenses Don't Take A Vacation

Philip Anderson, Epiphany Finance Committee

Memorial Day, Choir Break, Sunday School Hiatus, Vacation Bible School, 6 Flags, Concerts, the Pool, Ball Games, Picnics, Road Trips, Reunions, 4th of July, getting ready for school to crank back up. That's just a partial list of the stuff of our lives this time of year. While all this seasonal "stuff" is happening, Epiphany's finances don't get much of a break. Those pesky clergy and staff salaries, utility bills, mortgage payments, and diocesan pledge payments keep having to be paid, even during the doldrums and dog days of Summer.



As of the end of May, Epiphany has collected \$250,535 in income, primarily from your operating pledges as well as from your non-pledge contributions. However, we have spent \$287,729 so far this year. That means we've spent \$37,194 (our current deficit) more than we've taken in. So far this year we have received about 36% of total revenue projected in our 2017 annual budget.

Quarterly Statements for households with recorded emails were sent on July 27. Hard copies for households without email are in the Gallery. You can access your financial information anytime via the online directory link found on the homepage of epiphany.org. Please review your statement and continue to keep your pledge up to date. Your generosity makes all that is Epiphany possible.

Children's & Youth Ministries

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Sundays

- **Nursery** for newborns and children ages 3 and under is offered Sunday mornings.
- **Children's Chapel** is held during the 8:45 a.m. service. Children gather during the last verse of the Sequence Hymn and follow the cross to chapel after the Gospel. They return at the Peace. Parents are welcome to join.
- **Sunday School for all ages** will resume on August 20.

New Babies

Parents, be sure to let us know when there is a new baby in your life! Send a picture to the church office with the name, birthdate, and parents' names of the newborn and we'll post it on our Guild of the Christ Child Board.

Children's News

Sign up to receive the e-newsletter for Epiphany Children's Ministries by e-mailing laraine@epiphany.org.

Youth Summer Schedule

August 13: Welcome Back Parish BBQ
August 20: Sunday School & Youth Group Restart!
August 27: Pilgrimage Recap, **10 a.m.**



Ongoing Meetings

- **The Epiphany Book Group**, which meets 1st Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in Jones Hall, is on hiatus for the summer. Here's the lineup for fall: September (Meeting on August 28) - *A Fine Balance*, by Rohinton Mistry; October - *Destiny of the Republic*, by Candice Millard; November - *The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto*, by Mitch Albom. December will be our Christmas Gathering and choosing of books for 2018.
- **Haiti Meeting** takes place at noon on the 2nd Monday of every month in Jones Hall. Anyone interested in our partnership with the Bishop Tharp Institute, a college of the Diocese of Haiti, is welcome to attend.
- **Meeting Night:** Committees meet 2nd Mondays from 6-7:30 p.m. We gather in Jones Hall, pray together and then go our ways. Committee Chairs, please be sure to let your committees know each month if they are meeting.
- **ECW Meeting:** The Episcopal Church Women meet 2nd Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches for Emmaus House.
- **Women's Book Group** meets 1st Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Catherine Breed's home. We are discussing *Traveling Mercies: Some Thoughts on Faith* by Anne Lamott. Email Catherine at cbreed@epiphany.org for directions and to RSVP.
- **The Daughters of the King (DOK)** meet 4th Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Banfield residence. For directions, email banfieldn@bellsouth.net. We invite all ladies of the congregation to join us.
- **Young Adults Sunday Lunch:** Please join the Epiphany Young(ish) Adult group for brunch on the last Sunday of each month. Gather in the courtyard following the second service, about 12:30 p.m., to carpool.

Diocesan News & Community Events

Ordination Service

Our former seminarian Chuck Carter will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons in his home diocese of Eau Claire, in Wisconsin on August 12. Benno is flying out to participate as preacher. He has one month left in Clinical Pastoral Education Residency at Mayo Clinic Health System in Eau Claire. At the conclusion of the residency on August 31, he will begin as Deacon-in-Charge at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Tomah, WI, a town of 10,000 around 90 miles northwest of Madison, WI. He will serve the parish and community and transition to Priest-in-Charge after being ordained to the priesthood in February of 2018.



Installation Service

The Rev. Liz Schellingerhoudt, who spent her time as a seminarian at Epiphany, will be installed as the new rector at St. Claire's Episcopal Church in Blairsville, GA by Bishop Rob. Wright on Sunday, August 20 at 4 p.m. Prelude music begins at 3:30 p.m. St. Clare's is located at 777 Ledford Road, 30512.



Mikell Folk School's fall weekend registration underway

The Fall Folk School at Camp Mikell in Toccoa is October 20-22, 2017 and will offer classes in copper enameling, woodturning, weaving, independent study, Knitting Beginner & Intermediate, Stained Glass and Spinning. For more information and registration, visit <http://campmikell.com/mikell-folk-school/>

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. Sunday Prayers are kept for a month, prayer intentions in the newsletter are kept for two months. Please let the Parish Office know if there are any errors on the listings below.

Heal your sick servants

- Richard Bassett
- Jaye Davidson
- Ron Hutcheson
- Chris Miller
- Charlie Overstreet
- Stephanie Thompson
- Larry Wilcox

Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers

- Neil Banfield
- Marlene Coats
- Arlen Gray
- Sarah Jane Wollison

Rest eternal grant them

- Mary Botts Maiberger, mother of Paula Maiberger, mother in law to Chris Maurer, grandmother to Ty, Paige, and Allie
- Joyce Turner, friend of Shirley Sugden

For members who are expecting

- Leslie & Martin Hodges

For those on sabbatical, mission trip or pilgrimage

- Sabbatical: The Rev. Dr. Sharon Hiers
- Mission Trip: Hannah Thompson
- Pilgrimage: Benno Pattison, Kristin Lennon, Shereetha Jackson, Henry Laird, Jennifer Reid, Stewart Pattison, Richard Kertscher, Tipton May, Isabelle Braden, Phoebe Pedersen, Evan Pritchett, Selena Reid, Hannah Shew

Those in the armed forces

- Matthew Howells, nephew of Audrey & Neil Banfield
- MSG Stewart Mundy, son of Dan & Diane Mundy
- Brandon Pattison, nephew of Benno Pattison
- 1LT Elizabeth Tankovich, sister of Catherine Breed
- Nick Watts, brother of Chris Booth

Family and friends who request our prayers

- Terry Fisher-Ari, friend of Cristin Davis
- David, Susannah and Sidney Burley, family of Caroline Bridges
- Denby Auble, friend of Caroline Bridges
- Marylin Glenn, grandmother of Shereetha Jackson
- Bob Kruger, brother-in-law of Pat Hudson
- Paul Brockington, father of Sally Brockington
- Bo & Betty Blasingame, grandparents of Sy Burnett
- Lynne D'Huyvetter, mother of Gretchen D'Huyvetter Cobb
- Bill Meadows, son-in-law of Ruth & Eric Olson
- Lucy & Bob Parents of John Yntema
- Susan Parker, friend of Chippy Holladay
- David brother in law of Caroline Driebe
- Mollie, Nakia and Laura, friends of Caroline Driebe
- Joanna Alyse Borja, friend of Austin Bersinger and Amanda Seals Bersinger

- Lynn Gable, sister of Susan Scott, sister in law of Rob Godsall
- Doris Irwin, friend of Susan Scott
- Bill Ham, friend of Sandy Land
- Joslyn Maguire, friend of Sandy Land
- Kathrine Bateman, sister of Tom Mundy
- Virginia Watson, mother of Laura Keys
- Ann Day, cousin of John Keys
- The Rev. Brother Aelred Dean
- Joy Borra, friend of Jewel Allen
- Larry Hitchcock, brother of Ruth Olson; Adriane Ivey, friend of Susan Ashmore
- Sheri Sharp, cousin of Terri Lawrence & Julie Ryder
- Dwight Kelley, Susan Northcutt, friends of Shirley Sugden
- Norma Mullis, cousin of Shirley Sugden





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Worship Schedule—Sunday

8:45 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

Worship Schedule—Weekdays

Tuesday at 7 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. – Holy Eucharist
w/Healing

Thursday at 7 a.m. — Shared Silence

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Vestry

Sy Burnett, *Treasurer, ex-officio*

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Bill Gary, *Outreach & Jr. Warden*

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