



The EPIPHANY STAR

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

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Twelve Days

Have you ever had a moment that you wanted to last a lifetime? I have. And I think that Christmas at its best is a sacramental moment just like that, at least in regard to the time thing.

We have twelve days of Christmas, a moment in time really. What is twelve days after all? Not two weeks. On a grand scale it's nothing, not a lunar cycle, most things need way longer to grow, definitely not a season, and you don't notice much change in anyone in twelve days. On the other hand...

The design of Christmas is brilliant when you think about it. It's about the flesh first off (more about that in a minute). It's about effervescence. It's about transience. It's about gifts and perhaps at its best doing something indelible that might transcend time. It's about a moment in time that just might last forever.

We have just a moment to savor incarnation, but that is all it takes: a moment out of time, a moment in time.

Here is a Christmas list of things that are momentary that might last forever:

The best wind you have ever been in

An experience of water where you felt the overwhelming force of it

A picture that made you want to cry

A perfectly executed golf swing, dance move, aria, poem

A kiss, a hug, someone holding your hand in a moment of pain, agony, bliss

The right words at the right time

A meal of perfect extravagance

A wild rainbow trout on the end of your line

A smell that reminded you of a thousand years ago

I have moments like that around epiphany all the time, incarnational moments, moments of human being that are timeless and eternal, a breathless young girl at the font of her baptism, a perfect wedding of a friend, a weekly celebration with colleagues around the altar, the sublime moment of placing a wafer of bread into your hands claiming it to be the very bread of heaven.

Twelve days. Enough to just maybe make a moment last forever.

Merry Christmas

The Rev. Benno D. Pattison, Rector



Advent, Christmas & Epiphany

Advent 4—The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 24 – ONE service at 10:30 a.m.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent in the morning turns to Christmas Eve in the afternoon! But don't let that keep you from experiencing the full season of Advent. We will have one service in the morning.

Laraine Fraijo-Paul, our Director of Children's Ministries, is going to tell the Godly Play story of Advent during the liturgy. We are excited to welcome you to this special homily on this day. Afterward, we will have coffee and petit fours in Jones Hall. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Christmas Eve—three services

STILL Sunday, December 24

3 p.m. we will have a family celebration, children's choirs will sing, and the homily will be preached from the steps with kids all around.

5:30 p.m. the Hildegard Ensemble & the Epiphany Ringers will help us make our music, and we will light candles at the end and sing Silent Night.

Childcare will be provided in the nursery for children ages 3 and under for the first two services.

10:00 p.m. An extended prelude begins at 10:00 p.m. and will feature the Epiphany Choir and Organ as well as congregational carols.

10:30 p.m. we will sing it all, swing the incense and have the Epiphany Choir as we celebrate God with us.

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25

Christmas Day service will take place at 10:30 a.m.

Christmas 1— Christmas Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 31

Please note that this service will take place at 10:30 a.m. and is the only service on Sunday.



The Feast of the Epiphany

Saturday, January 6

The Feast of the Epiphany—our feast day—is Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and we will celebrate it with a Pageant, Baptism & Confirmations with Bishop Rob Wright with a potluck dinner to follow.

- **Epiphany Dinner:** Join us after the pageant for Chili Potluck Supper in Jones Hall. Bring chili and/or dessert to share. Cornbread and chips are on us!
- **Epiphany Pageant:** All children (and adults) ages 3.5 and up are invited to participate in the pageant. Kids (and adults) are encouraged to wear a costume from home. Costume categories by age group will be posted on the Children's web page and sent out via eblast. Kids (and adults) 4th grade and up interested in speaking parts or anyone who wishes to volunteer to help can contact Laraine Fraijo-Paul, Director of Children's Ministries at laraine@epiphany.org.
- **Pageant Rehearsal:** A rehearsal will take place on Wednesday, January 3, at 6:00 p.m. with dinner. Click the RSVP link on the homepage to reserve a dinner.

Stewardship & Giving

Finance Update

As of mid-December, Epiphany is significantly below our budgeted-for revenue for the year as well as behind last year's actual revenue. Even allowing for the late December revenue bump we usually experience, we may end the year with a shortfall. This impacts our ability to have the cash to timely meet our ongoing operating expenses as well as to be able to plan a budget for the New Year.

Please make your pledge and non-pledge contributions as soon as you can. Prayerfully consider contributing an additional amount to help Epiphany close any budgetary shortfall. If you have not donated to Epiphany previously, please consider doing so now.

Philip Anderson, Chairman, COE Finance Committee

2017 Pledges & Year End Gifts: Pledges and contributions need to be received at the church or postmarked by Dec. 31 and stock contributions must be delivered to the church brokerage account by Dec. 31 to be recorded for 2017.

2018 Pledge: If you have not yet made a pledge for 2018, please do so today. Vestry is budget planning now!

Pledge Status: Log in to the Online Directory to access your personal and financial information, including pledge status. First-time users have to register. Once you register, you can also download the Church Life app for access on your smart phone. The link is on the home page, upper left side. Financial Questions? Contact our bookkeeper, Susie Boyko, at bookkeeper@epiphany.org.

Parish Life

Nativities Follow-up

Thanks to everyone for helping out with the Nativities Exhibit this year.

Super-fast set up - half a dozen folks or so for ten hours over two days. The new layout in Jones Hall was a BIG hit and really displayed the collection well. And Super, super fast take-down. Another half dozen folks got it all packed up in four hours, plus four of us got it back to attic in just 45 minutes the next day.

There is power in numbers!

Speaking of numbers, the total attendance this year was 172 visitors - Anne Warner got the brunt of it on the last day with 42 people in two hours! And, as usual, we made a tidy profit, so if you incurred any expenses, please turn in your receipts.

Thanks again for helping us put on such a successful public event.

Polly Nodine
Sara Dangel
Barbara Belcore
Lisa Daily
David Draper

Kelli Gantt
Sabra Hanson
Kristin Lennon
Michele MacLeod
Ellen Mintzmeyer

Kathleen Rinehart
Charlie & Holly Slater
Anne Warner
Kathy Walmsley
Terry-Lee Ross

Martha Rummel
Alex Sherrill
Liefy Smith
Margo Timberlake
Marjorie Timmer



The one set we leave up through Epiphany. These large figures are made from recycled wood pulp from California and were given to the exhibit by former parishioners Beverly & Bob Hitt

Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, January 21, at 10 a.m.

Please join us in the church at 10 a.m. for our Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, January 21. We will hear reports from the vestry members and heads of parish organizations, as well as the Rector; elect new vestry members and thank the retiring; and receive the 2017 Financial Report and 2018 Annual Budget. All are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

Weekday Worship Resumes in January

1/2—Tuesday Morning Eucharist is celebrated at 7 a.m. A group of men gathers for breakfast and discussion afterwards and typically are on their way to work by 8 a.m.

1/3—A Noonday healing service is offered on Wednesdays followed by Eucharist.

Ongoing Meetings Resume

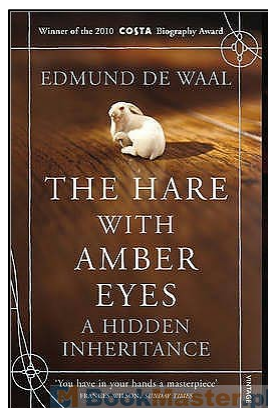
1/3—Wed. Night Supper: The meal from Bridge Catering is served from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 10 and under. Sign up on the RSVP link at epiphany.org by 11 a.m. Tuesdays.

1/4—Flex and Stretch Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. \$5 per class, Silversneakers cardholders free (bring card). Wear comfortable clothes and bring water. Contact: Ellen Mintzmyer 404.421.8476.

1/4—Women's Book Group meet 1st Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Catherine Breed's home and is currently discussing *The Gift of Imperfection* by Brené Brown. Email Catherine at breed.catherine@gmail.com for directions and to RSVP.

1/8—The Epiphany Book Group usually meets 1st Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in Jones Hall, but in January they are meeting on the 8th. January's selection: *The Hare with Amber Eyes* by Edmund de Waal

1/8—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.



1/8—Meeting Night: Committees meet on 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.

1/8—Atlanta Veterans' Acupuncture Clinic offers free acupuncture for veterans and family members to relieve stress, insomnia, PTSD and pain Mondays at Epiphany from 6-7 p.m. No appointments or ID needed. Visit acupunctureforveterans.org.

1/9—The Episcopal Church Women meets 2nd Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. The program starts at 11 a.m., with potluck lunch to follow.

1/11—IEA Meeting: Join us 2nd Thursdays at 7 p.m. for an exploration of Enneagram type-specific inner critic messages and how the inner critic interrupts and interferes with the manifestation of your capacity to love yourself and others. \$10 for non-members, free for IEA Georgia members (\$30 annual)

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.

The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

January 2018

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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1 Epiphany DEAM Pantry Drive Hagar's House Dinner	Hagar's House Dinner 12:00 p.m. Haiti Meeting (JH) 5:30 p.m. *Veterans' Acupuncture 5:30 p.m. Liturgy Group (JH) 6:00 p.m. Committee Mtg. Night 7:30 p.m. Book Club (JH)	Hagar's House Dinner 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast (KT) 9:30 a.m. ECW/Sandwiches for EH (KT) 11:00 a.m. Staff (101) 10:30 a.m. Epis. Church Women (JH/KT) 6:00 p.m. *ICM (JH-B&C) 7:00 p.m. AA for Women (001)	Announcement Deadline Hagar's House Dinner 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer (CH) 12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist w/Healing (CH) 5:30 p.m. Supper [ends 6:45] (JH-B) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (JH-C) 6:45 p.m. Epiphany Choir (MS) 7:50 p.m. Compline (CH)	Hagar's House Dinner 10:30 a.m. Flex & Stretch (001) 7:00 p.m. Enneagram (JH)		10:00 a.m. Altar Guild II
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LEGEND
CH = Church
CL = Choir Loft
KT = Kitchen
MG = Memorial Garden
MS = Music Suite
JH = Jones Hall
* = Outside Group or Private Function

Announcements

Notices – 40 words or less – are due 9 a.m. Wednesdays.

Contact the parish office at 404.373.8338 |

parishadmin@epiphany.org.

January Birthdays

1 Harriet Spencer	10 Shirley Banks	19 Dexter McKinney
2 Ted Cognata	11 Leafia Cox	19 Kathleen Rinehart
2 Connor Dell	11 Eliza Gainty	20 Matilda McNeely
2 Margot Morrison	11 Kelleen Hubbs	21 Lisa Jones
3 Jeremy Davis	11 Beverly Lorenzo	21 Derek Yeager
3 Jay Freeman	12 Elena Braswell	22 Philip Anderson
3 Carsen Lucas	12 Davis Becker	23 Sawyer Armor
3 Mabel Morrissey	12 Company McCullar	23 Boyd Braden
3 Elle Rose	12 Jackie Tate	23 Sy Burnett
3 Harry Walton	13 J. P. Bouleé	23 Lilian Crooks
4 Patricia Price	13 Michael Eustace	23 Connan Moody
4 Hank Walton	13 Ryan Eustace	23 Keith Poole
6 Nadine Howarth	13 Brendon Rickell	24 Kyra Council
6 Robert McCullar	13 Ian Rickell	24 Nicholas McInaney
7 Raines Hill-McKaharay	14 Leah Felcher	24 Addie Styles
7 Suzanne Zwemer	15 Bill Monk	26 David Brandon
8 Rod MacLeod	15 Olivia Simian	27 Tad Braswell
8 Thomson Sterne	16 Joanne Deocampo	27 Addie Walton
8 Weston Tillman	16 Hugh Keenan	29 Katie Pedersen
8 Ed Van Ness	16 Chris Miller	29 Julie Ryder
9 Forrest Boulée	17 Blake Freeman	30 Max Boles
9 Joy Boyden	18 Stephanie Thompson	30 Georgia Gary
9 Roberta Long	19 Andrea Carpenter	31 Steve Tipton
9 Doug Whitehead	19 Gretchen Hiley	

January Anniversaries

- 2 Chris & John Booth
- 4 Katie & Leonard Teel
- 19 Janet & William Wilson
- 22 John & Carolyn Holladay

Adult Education

Sunday Adult Formation

Resumes January 7

- **The Reclaiming the Bible** class visits pivotal stories and themes in the Bible, noting God's passionate interest in humanity and all creation. Each session includes facilitated group engagement with a scriptural passage, lively discussion, and even a coloring book page! Taught by the Rev. Dr. Sharon Hiers and Shirley Banks. Jones Hall Room A.
- **Introduction to the Incarnation** class chooses one topic each semester to study from a number of different angles. We dive deep into biblical texts, the history of Christianity, and contemporary scholarship. Pick up a syllabus in the Gallery tract rack. Taught by Brennan Breed. This Sunday, we will meet in the Nave.

In case you missed last week's program, you can view it in its entirety on our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtF82biBzNdWpHV5EXZOlrw>

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Resumes Sunday, January 10

Led by the rector, we read and have a free-ranging discussion about the upcoming Sunday scripture selections. We meet from 6:30-8 p.m. in Jones Hall.

Pub Theology Thursdays

Resumes Tuesday, January 16

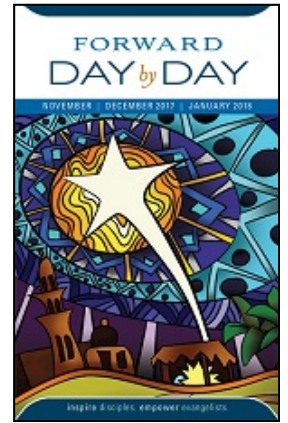
A monthly, 3rd Tuesday event facilitated by Dr. Brennan Breed will convene at The Marlay in Decatur at 7 p.m. Thought-provoking, accessible articles, essays and texts will be chosen to stimulate lively discussion.

Tract Rack

Our Tract Rack is located just inside the red doors. These little booklets are for you to take home. A donation is requested, but if you don't have the means at the time, please feel free to help yourself. There is a wide variety of well written and thoughtful short booklets. We hope you will use this resource in your daily devotions, spiritual journey, or just to consider questions you've always wanted to explore.

The Forward Day by Day

The Forward Day by Day quarterly booklet for Nov/Dec/Jan is out. The publication, owned by the Episcopal Church, is a pocketsize booklet of daily Bible readings and devotions. You'll find them in the Gallery tract rack for \$1 a copy.



Now Showing

Epiphany's Art Ministry welcomes for the month of December photos of drawings and poetry by Epiphanyite Arlen Gray

Arlen's friend Deborah Monroy writes: I think of those words from Emily Dickinson's poem "in vision and in veto" as Arlen resides now at Sunrise Assisted Living. She remains committed to helping others in any way she can, since as always this is her vision, yet she is also challenged these past years with declining memory.

Arlen Gray's Art/Work—"in vision and in veto"

In 1934 Arlen was born in the Bay Area, in the state of California. She went on to complete graduate studies and then worked for the Department of Labor. She left her successful career with the Federal Government to serve for more than 20 years within the order of Saint Margaret.

After leaving the convent she came to Egleston Children's Hospital where she first served as chaplain, and then moved up to become the Coordinator of Egleston's Family Library. In this work she flourished. Arlen created a welcoming environment where families could learn more about their child's health care. Grown-ups and visiting siblings alike found a generous, playful space at the Family Library which Arlen kept stocked with informative books—along with the best children's books, and toys.

I think of those words from Emily Dickinson's poem "in vision and in veto" as Arlen resides now at Sunrise Assisted Living.

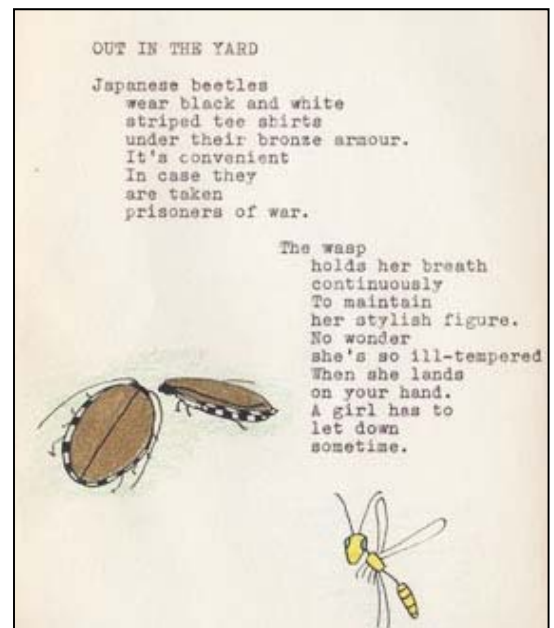
She remains committed to helping others in any way she can, since as always this is her vision, yet she is also challenged these past years with declining memory.

Arlen's sister, Daryl Gray, who is also an artist, helped with these notes. **The pictures in this exhibition are mostly from an illustrated book of poems that Arlen created for her mother.**

25% of all sales benefit Epiphany

Please make checks to Deborah Monroy

To make a purchase, sign up on the list in the Gallery, fill out an envelope and put it with your check in the box on the round table. No cash please. Be sure to note the title and number of the art piece. All paid for items will be left in the office area at the end of the month.



Outreach

Shoe Drive Tally

This year, on the Feast of St. Nicholas, we collected 128 pairs of shoes which were distributed to the foot ministries of the Church of the Common Ground, a ministry of the Diocese of Atlanta. In 2006, Church of the Common Ground held its first Communion service in Woodruff Park on Christmas Eve, and has worshiped in or near the park every Sunday since. They hold worship and Communion services in Woodruff Park on Sundays; and gather regularly for Morning Prayer, healing services, Bible studies, and a foot clinic.

Hagar's House Meals

January 7 – 11, 2018

This important ministry for homeless mothers and children offers a chance for hands-on assistance and connection with residents. Volunteers prepare a meal at home, serve it at the shelter, visit with guests, and clean up. This usually takes two hours, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Meals are typically for 25-30 people, but do not need to be elaborate. We will make sure that there are two households to cover each dinner, so you can enjoy getting to know Epiphanites better or serving with your friends. (Note: We are asked not have more than five volunteers an evening.)

Important: You may sign up as Volunteer #1, who brings the entrée and a side (and/or another item such as bread, drinks, etc.) or Volunteer # 2, who brings the fill-in items such as a side/salad, bread, drinks, dessert.

When you sign up, please put your specific menu items under "comments." This is information the shelter requests, and it helps us avoid duplications. Also, please put "new" under comments if this is your first time to help with Hagar's House.

Other Help: If you would like to prepare food but not serve at the shelter or if you wish to sponsor a meal with a monetary donation, please contact the Hagar's House Coordinator, Anne Warner, 404.876.3245 or anne_warner@att.net.

Questions? Contact Anne Warner (404.876.3245 or 770.833.4041) anne_warner@att.net. Thanks!

Click the RSVP link on the homepage to volunteer.

Food for DEAM

January is Epiphany's month to stock the pantry at the Decatur-area Emergency Assistance Ministry. Our goal this time is to collect 100 each of grape or strawberry jelly, evaporated milk and toothpaste. Watch for our progress on the tally sheet posted by the DEAM bins.



Attention Kroger Shoppers!

Donate to DEAM by using your Kroger Plus card. Sign up at www.krogercommunityrewards.com with Decatur-Area Emergency/10566. Kroger sends them quarterly checks based on the number of reward points the collective supporters accumulate.

AmazonSmile program

When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Church Of Epiphany. Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-0838713> and support us every time you shop.



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.

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. First names are read aloud Sunday and Wednesday for a month and remain in the newsletter for two months. Please let the Parish Office know if there are any errors on the listings below.

Heal your sick servants

- Richard Bassett
- Bill Braswell
- Lea Crawford
- Ron Hutcheson
- Hugh Keenan
- Mary McCall Cash
- Chris Miller
- Charlie Overstreet
- Jaye Rudolph
- Evelyn Stewart
- Wes Wright



Family and friends who request our prayers

- Ellen, friend of Lisa Daily
- The Newsom-Smith Family, friends of the Ryder family
- Jeni, Carolyn & Bill, family of Jewel Allen
- Margaret Robbins, grandmother of Jeremy Davis.
- David, Susannah, Sidney and Dr. Rice, friends of Caroline Driebe
- Evelyn Daily, mother of Lisa Daily
- Sherri Sharp, cousin of Terri Lawrence & Julie Ryder
- James Harrell, friend of Brittany Baum
- Comfort Afolabi, mother of Lola Oyesiku
- Tim English, friend of Richard & Susan Messner
- Mary Pugh Alligood, friend of the Graves family
- Luke Hanson, friend of Terri Lawrence
- Bill & Carolyn Allen, parents of Jewel Allen
- Candi & Judy McElhannon, friends of Sally Smit
- Kirk Tcherneshoff, brother of Amy Shipp
- Kira Sloop, friend of Nancy Thompson
- Margaret Bridgeman, grandmother of Kristin Lennon
- Mike Leary, friend of Eric Schulz & Amy Shipp
- April Wells Jenkins, friend of Linda Wolf
- Sherri Sharpe, cousin of Terri Lawrence & Julie Ryder
- Bérénice Reynaud, friend of Sally Brockington
- Lenn Taylor, friend of Paul Hinson
- Wylie Davis, friend of Paul Hinson
- Dorothea Davidson, friend of Laraine Fraijo-Paul
- Janis Leonard, friend of Pat Spivey
- Bill Ham, friend of Sandy Land
- Nicole Deinert, friend of Laraine Fraijo-Paul
- Comfort Afolabi, mother of Lola Oyesiku

Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers

- Neil Banfield
- Arlen Gray
- Sarah Jane Wollison

Rest eternal grant them

- Katherine Bateman, aunt of Dan Mundy
- Judy O'Connor, friend of Linda Ryder-Wolf

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



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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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