



# The EPIPHANY STAR

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

a bi-weekly newsletter | July 6, 2017

## Dear Epiphany,

I wanted to update the parish on the state of affairs in regard to our Capital Campaign.

The facts and figures: To date we have pledged a total of \$786,888.86. Currently we have \$121,080.00 in cash in our money market account at BBT. We refinanced our debt at the beginning of the year (the note was due end of 2016) and borrowed an additional 100k against the campaign to begin our project. Fees, and construction/renovation costs would inflate at a greater level than the terms of the loan, so it was expedient to do work now with cash in hand.

We are in conversation with Alan Wieczynski from Breedlove Land Planning, Inc. who will submit a proposal for vestry approval to begin the first of our projects to realize our vision for Church of the Epiphany. We will want your input as we realize this first step along our way.

Our first work, will be to reshape our parking, to make better ingress and egress and a safer pattern for dropping people off at curbside. We want to bring the garden into the parking lot and find beautiful and sensible ways to maintain the integrity of our space.

Next, we want to re-appoint our parish hall and make a way into and out of the parish hall onto a point that we want to be usable, a point where we can extend the warmth and hospitality of our community outside into a lawn, a courtyard a forested space that reflects the values of our community.

We will also begin to work away at the 'punch list' of other small fixes in and around the building.

At our mid-year retreat we want to discuss the final disposition of the Byrd House and the further steps we will take as we work towards the final vision of what we will do with our interior space, offices, sacristy, chapel and narthex.

Late summer we want to invite all who have made a pledge to the campaign to see the plans and ask questions, to stay connected to the work we are engaged in. We also want to invite new folks to jump into this community and make a commitment to the ongoing future of Church of the Epiphany.

Ask questions, bring your ideas and let's enjoy the reshaping of our life together.

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.

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# Finance & Stewardship

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## Epiphany's Expenses Don't Take A Vacation

*Philip Anderson, Epiphany Finance Committee*

Memorial Day, School's Out for the Summer, 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.

Updated pledge statements will be available shortly after the end of June. Please review your statement and continue to keep your pledge up to date. Your generosity makes all that is Epiphany possible.

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## Parish Life

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### The Jumble Sale

*Saturday, July 15 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.*

Scour your house for items to donate to the Jumble Sale! You can drop off donations (see exceptions list) in Jones Hall beginning Sunday, July 2. The deadline for all donations is Tuesday, July 11. The sale is Saturday, July 15, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. The Preview Party, for parishioners and their guests only, will be Friday, July 14, at 7:30 p.m. (\$5 per person).

#### Donation Exceptions

We can't accept the following items:

- Clothing
- Mattresses or box springs
- Cribs
- TVs
- Dishwashers
- Trash, broken items, used construction material like used paint, grout, broken and/or stained Tupperware,
- Appliances older than 6 years
- Used wall to wall carpet
- Chemicals
- Concrete or bricks
- Furniture in poor condition



**Have any bags with handles? We'd love them for our shoppers to use!**

### Mac Laptop needed

Shereetha's inherited Epiphany laptop from 2009 has been optimized as much as it can and it just isn't up to speed (literally) anymore. Does anyone have a newer model that they've retired that they would be willing to donate for her to use? Contact the parish office at 404.373.8338.

### Summer Breakfast

A big thank you to the groups who signed up to provide breakfast this summer. Join us in Jones Hall from 9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

**July 9:** No breakfast/Jumble Sale

**July 16:** No breakfast/Jumble Sale

**July 23:** Epiphany Youngish Adults

**July 30:** Outreach Committee

**August 6:** Music Department

## 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](mailto:treasurer@epiphany.org).



## Electronic Recycling

The Earth Guild does an electronics recycling event twice a year, **but the collection of discards is JUST during their event.** We are not accepting electronic recycling at this time, so please don’t leave items at the Byrd House carport.

You can take your electronics to CHaRM (The Center for Hard to Recycle Materials)

Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

1110 Hill Street SE, Atlanta, GA. 30315, 404.600.6386

## Flex & Stretch

You may have heard those jazzy or upbeat tunes coming from Jones Hall on Thursday mornings. The Stretch and Flex class is meeting there 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.

## 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](mailto:alexandra_land@yahoo.com)).

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# Formation

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

## 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 and then Bible Study at 1 p.m.
- **The Wednesday Evening Bible Study** with the Rector is offered at 6:30 p.m. for a study of the upcoming Sunday’s readings.

## 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 search for us on iTunes.

Follow them on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for daily devotionals on the go, and news from [Forward Movement](#).

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# Outreach

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## 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. **June Drive Tally: toilet paper (157), bar soap (169), kid’s cereal (87), and canned black-eyed peas (102). Progress posted by the DEAM boxes in the gallery. Thank You!**

## Peachtree Pine Ministry

Join us to cook for the men of the Peachtree Pine Shelter. Thursday 1-5 prep; Friday 2-5 cook; 5-7 serve; 7-9 cleanup. Upcoming Dates: July 20-21

## Hagar’s House

Epiphany’s turn to serve meals at Hagar’s House is coming up, and we need your help! This important ministry for homeless mothers and children offers a chance for hands-on assistance and connection with residents.

- Sign up for just one half of an evening meal during the week of July 30 – August 3, 2017
- Prepare the meal at home, then along with other Epiphanites, serve it at the shelter, visit with guests, and clean up. This usually takes two hours, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Meals are typically for 25-30 people, but do not need to be elaborate.
- Please consider joining this important effort; newcomers to the ministry are very welcome! We will make sure that there are **two households to cover each dinner**, so you can enjoy getting to know other Epiphanites better or serving with your friends.
- Volunteers may sign up in the Crossing Hall or through Signup Genius on the Epiphany web site (<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/hagars>).

For more information, contact Anne Warner, 404.876.3245 or [anne\\_warner@att.net](mailto:anne_warner@att.net).

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# 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, 2017.

## 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 [cbreed@epiphany.org](mailto:cbreed@epiphany.org).

## Youth Summer Schedule

July 13-20: Navajoland Pilgrimage  
July 21-25: Lift Every Voice  
July 27: Iverson Park, **4-6 p.m.**  
August 13: Welcome Back Parish BBQ  
August 20: Sunday School & Youth Group Restart!  
August 27: Pilgrimage Recap, **10 a.m.**



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# Music & Liturgy

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## Sing in the Summer Choir

Summer Choir begins June 11 at 10:30 a.m. 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](mailto:music@epiphany.org))

## Baptism Dates for 2017

The sacrament of Holy Baptism is offered for adults, infants and children and will be administered during the morning services on the dates listed below. If you or a member of your family desires to be baptized, please contact the parish office at [parishadmin@epiphany.org](mailto:parishadmin@epiphany.org) or 404.373.8338.

### August 6, 2017

The Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord

### November 5, 2017

All Saints' Sunday



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## Ongoing Meetings

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- **The Epiphany Book Group** meets 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in Jones Hall is on hiatus for the summer. Here's the line up for fall: September - *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 early to 2018.
- **Haiti Meeting** takes place at noon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month in Jones Hall. Anyone interested in our in partnership with the Bishop Tharp Institute, a college of the Diocese of Haiti, is welcome to attend.
- **Meeting Night:** Committees meet 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. The program starts at 11 a.m., with potluck lunch to follow.
- **Women's Book Group** meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Catherine Breed's house. We are discussing *Traveling Mercies: Some Thoughts on Faith* by Anne Lamott. Email Catherine at [cbreed@epiphany.org](mailto:cbreed@epiphany.org) for directions and to RSVP.
- **The Daughters of the King (DOK)** meet 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Banfield residence. For directions, email [banfieldn@bellsouth.net](mailto: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 to our location.

Join Us!

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# Diocesan & Community News

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## Mental Health First Aid Training

The Friendship Center at Holy Comforter in East Atlanta is hosting Mental Health First Aid Training on Friday, July 21 from 9 a.m. until 5 pm. "You are more likely to encounter a person in an emotional or mental crisis than someone having a heart attack. Mental disorders are more common than heart disease or cancer combined." Those who take the course learn a 5 step action plan encompassing the skills, resources, and knowledge to help an individual in crisis connect with appropriate care. See [www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org](http://www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org) for more information. Because of the generosity of the GA Mental Health Consumer Network, there is no fee for the class but registration is required and is first-come, first-serve. Attendees are asked to bring a lunch. Drinks will be provided. Please register by Friday, July 12. There is no one for whom this class would not be of benefit. To register, email Liz Mitchell, Wellness & Recovery Coordinator at the Friendship Center, at [admin@holycomforter-atlanta.org](mailto:admin@holycomforter-atlanta.org) or call 404.627.6510.

## Faith in Public Life

Thursday, July 13, 2017

11:30am 2:30pm

**St Bedes Episcopal Church 2601 Henderson Mill Road Atlanta, GA, 30345**

Immigrant families in our community are being torn apart by immigration enforcement raids. As people of faith, we are called to walk in solidarity with our immigrant neighbors in this difficult time.

Putting solidarity into action will require learning new skills, messages and strategic approaches. That's why we are holding an innovative training and strategy session on how to support our immigrant brothers and sisters in Georgia.

We invite you to join Faith in Public Life on **July 13th from 11:30am to 2:30 p.m.** for a faith community training with local and national experts on immigration policy, media strategy and the sanctuary movement. Space is limited, so please RSVP soon.

We'll meet at **St Bedes Episcopal Church (2601 Henderson Mill Rd, Atlanta, GA 30345)** and lunch will be provided.

We'll learn about how immigration enforcement is impacting families in the Atlanta area, explore the latest messaging, and examine how the faith community is standing with our immigrant neighbors nationwide, including Sanctuary Churches and Matthew 25 churches -- and how those strategies can be applied locally. Together, we can care for impacted people and influence public opinion.

<https://fpl.actionkit.com/sign/GA-immigration-training-jul17>



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# For Our Prayers...

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Prayer intentions for The Epiphany Star and for Sunday Services should be directed to the parish office at [parishadmin@epiphany.org](mailto: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
- Erin Braden
- Jaye Davidson
- Chippy Holladay
- Ron Hutcheson
- Chris Miller
- Charlie Overstreet

## *Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers*

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

## *Rest eternal grant them*

- Donnie Reeves, father of April Freeman

## *For members who are expecting*

- Ellen & Michael Bryan
- 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
- Bill & Carolyn Allen, parents of Jewel Allen
- Joy Borra, friend of Jewel Allen
- 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





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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*

Stephanie Everett, *Capital Campaign &  
Senior Warden, ex-officio*

Martha Rummel, *Clerk, ex-officio*

### Class of 2018

Bruce Maclachlan, *Building & Grounds*

Katie Pedersen, *Capital Campaign &  
Endowment*

Amy Shipp, *Senior Warden*

Paul Welty, *Adult Formation*

### Class of 2019

Bill Gary, *Outreach & Jr. Warden*

Bonnie Kissler, *Finance & Membership*

Ray Krawczyk, *Stewardship*

Brenda Lloyd, *Liturgy & Music*

### Class of 2020

Alix Janke, *Children & Youth Ministries*

Nancy Chandler, *Pastoral Care*

Holly Slater, *Parish Life*

Annie Strahan, *Parish Life*

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