



The EPIPHANY STAR

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

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Dear Companions in Christ,

Recently, I had the opportunity to visit Haiti. This was my first trip outside of the United States and I must admit I couldn't have selected a more challenging, yet rewarding adventure. Nevertheless, I didn't take this journey alone. I was a part of a dynamic group of Epiphanyites—Rev. Benno Pattison, Lisa Daily, Tom & Leah Felcher, Dirk Zwemer and Polly Nodine. We had one goal in mind which was to lay the foundation of an entrepreneurship startup that would positively impact the economy of Haiti by utilizing graduates of the Business and Technology Institute (BTI) in Les Cayes. Though that's a large initiative to take on and a mouthful to say, we did just that!

Our process began in Port au Prince. We were greeted at the airport by Fr. Ajax Kesner—principal of BTI, our guide, and a man of many talents. He immediately merged us into Haitian culture by navigating through buzzing traffic, which proved to be a thrill ride from beginning to end. The moment we entered the streets Port au Prince my eyes met kindred beauty and unfamiliarity all at once. The sides of the roads were littered with debris combatted by masses of individuals trying to make do with whatever resources available.

Our first order of business: Hire a liaison. Thanks to Kesner we had a plethora of candidates to interview. Every candidate possessed a unique skill set that would be invaluable to the entrepreneurship project. Benno, Lisa, Polly, and I continued our search while in Les Cayes, where we also hosted an Intro to Entrepreneurship and Team Building seminar for the students of BTI. It seemed like we brought the rain with us to Les Cayes because we experienced monsoon like weather nearly the entire time we were there. (Somehow the sun magically appeared on our last day in Haiti.)

Admittedly, my initial impression of Haiti prior to travel was that it's a place where natural disasters go for vacation. From Port au Prince to Les Cayes to Barreau to Galee Beach, the more time I spent in this resilient country, the more deeply impacted I became by its culture. More specifically, the greatest impact of all happened on the shores of Galee. There was an abandoned boat surrounded by trash and it had the words "la volonte de dieu" painted on its side. (Loosely translated--meaning after I asked Lisa because she speaks Creole—the phrase means "the will of God" or "the desire of God".)

My thoughts returned to the students of BTI. In spite of the tumultuous weather we had nearly 70 students join us for seminar. Each student walked through inches of water to get there. I can only imagine the desire God holds for each of them, so much so that even in the midst of a literal storm they still showed up. I learned the true definition of perseverance and adaptability from the students of BTI that day, which are excellent qualities for young entrepreneurs to possess. So we're definitely already heading in the right direction.

Peace,

Shereetha

Shereetha Jackson, Youth Ministries Coordinator

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.

Music & Liturgy

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Staff Travels

- The Rev. Dr. Sharon Hiers is on sabbatical and will return on Sunday, August 6.
- The rector is on vacation with his family (driving out west!) and will return on Sunday, June 18.
- *The Rev. David Wagner will be out guest celebrant and preacher on June 11.*

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)

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 or 404.373.8338.

August 6, 2017

The Sunday following the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord

November 5, 2017

All Saints' Sunday

Parish Life

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Summer Breakfast

Summer Breakfast is offered between services from 9:30-10:30 a.m. provided we have a host. Please consider providing Sunday breakfasts and fellowship during the summer. Church groups, groups of friends, and families are invited to sponsor a Sunday breakfast. The Sign up is posted on the doors leading to Jones Hall.

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!

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

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.

Transitions

If you would like to transfer your membership to Epiphany, you may pick up a Transfer Request form in the gallery or send your date of birth and any dates of baptism or confirmation, along with the name and address of your previous church home, to the parish office at 404.373.8338 or parishadmin@epiphany.org.

Transfers Out

Christina Kaylor and Cole Smith, to St. Timothy’s Episcopal Church, Signal Mountain, TN

Outreach

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DEAM Food Drive

June is Epiphany’s month to help stock the pantry at the Decatur-area Emergency Assistance Ministry. Our goal is to collect at least 100 each of four items DEAM needs most at this time. Please bring: toilet paper, bar soap, kid’s cereal, and canned black-eyed peas. Watch for our progress on the tally sheet posted near the DEAM boxes.



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.

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.

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: June 15-16, July 20-21

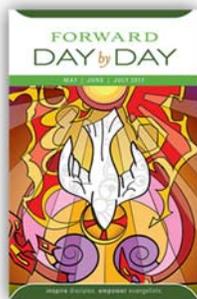
Formation

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

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](#).

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.

Children's & Youth Ministries

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Staff Announcement

From Catherine Breed, Director of Children's Ministries

I am writing to announce some bittersweet news: I have decided to accept an offer to return to teaching this coming fall. I will once again be a Religion teacher at St. Martin's Episcopal School in Brookhaven, where I taught from 2006-2012. I left St. Martin's when Margaret Ann was a newborn and Freddie was still a toddler, but I imagined that I might someday return. This spring, the position at St. Martin's happened to come open. Since both of our kids will soon be in elementary school, the timing seems right to return to my long-term vocation. My family and I will continue to call Epiphany our home, and we will remain active participants in the life of the community.

It has been such a joy for me to be a part of this incredible staff and to serve as Director of Children's Ministries for the last two years. I am so grateful for the many children, families, and volunteers who have devoted so much time, energy and love to our programs and to our community life. I plan to continue helping with children's chapel (which is my absolute favorite time of each week), as well

as with the Godly Play program, and other special events. Thank you for the privilege of serving at Epiphany.

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.

Children's News

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

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.



Mark Your Calendar

Spring & Summer 2017

MAY

- 3 Choir Recognition Dinner • 6:00 p.m.
- 6 Sharon's Sabbatical begins
- 14 Last Day of Sunday School
- 15-10 Haiti Mission Trip
- 21 Parish Picnic • 10:30 a.m. (one service ONLY)
- 24 Feast of the Ascension • 7:00 p.m.
- 29 Office Closed in observance of Memorial Day

JUNE

DEAM Pantry Drive

- 4 Feast of Pentecost • 8:45 & 11:15 a.m.
- 5-9 Vacation Bible School @ St. Bartholomew's
- 16-18 Post Peace Legacy Workshop

JULY

- 2 Jumble Sale Items accepted
- 3 & 4 Office Closed in observance of Independence Day
- 13-20 Youth Pilgrimage to Navajoland
- 14 Jumble Sale Preview Party • 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Jumble Sale • 9:00 a.m.—2 p.m.
- 23 Epiphany 101 • 10:00 a.m.
- 30 Epiphany 101 • 10:00 a.m.

AUGUST

- 4 Sharon's Sabbatical ends
- 6 Feast of the Transfiguration • 8:45 & 11:15 a.m.
Epiphany 101 • 10:00 a.m.
- 13 Epiphany 101 • 10:00 a.m.
Homecoming Parish BBQ • 4:00 p.m.

Imagine That! & Future Tech

Join Imagine That! & Future Tech this summer at Epiphany for fun and educational Minecraft, 3D Printing, Science, Coding, Technology and Robotics Summer Camps for ages 5-14. Check out the Imagine That Summer Camp Flyer for a schedule of dates and programs. For more information call 770.455.1980 or visit <http://www.ImagineThatFun.com>.



Ongoing Meetings

- **The Epiphany Book Group** meets 1st Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in Jones Hall is on hiatus for the summer.
- **Haiti Meeting** takes place at noon on the 3rd 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 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. The program starts at 11 a.m., with potluck lunch to follow.
- **Women's Book Group** meets 1st Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Catherine Breed's house. We are discussing *Traveling Mercies: Some Thoughts on Faith* by Anne Lamott. [Email Catherine](mailto:cbreed@epiphany.org) 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 to our location.

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).

Diocesan & Community News

Pork & Plants at the Friendship Center

Sat, June 10, 2017

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

The 3rd Annual Pork & Plants - A great day supporting a great cause. Once again The Holy Smokers, a BBQ team from Marietta, will be selling pulled pork or BBQ chicken plates with all the sides, including a drink, for \$10 a plate. We will be selling a variety of organic plants from the garden and art from our art program. There will lots of desserts, music, and games, join us.

The Seedtime and Harvest gardeners will be supplying everything you need for summer gardens. The Art Program from The Friendship Center will be there to sell one-of-a-kind art. All proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit the garden and The Friendship Center. Order your tickets today!

You can also pre-order take home whole smoked pork butts or whole BBQ chickens (\$40 for the pork butt, feeds 8-10, \$6 for a chicken - they can be picked up anytime on Saturday June 10 during the event or anytime the following week).

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/3rd-annual-pork-plants-tickets-32666767180>

Holy Comforter, Organizer of 3rd Annual Pork & Plants

Holy Comforter Episcopal Church is a diverse worshipping community in the heart of Atlanta that seeks to restore all people to unity with God & with each. If you are visiting or if you have been here for years, thank you for being a part of this community. You are welcome here.

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
- Meg Shearon
- Emily Walden

Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers

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

Rest eternal grant them

- Matthew Tarantino, friend of Linda Wolf
- Parris LaCaria, uncle of Catherine Breed

For members who are expecting

- Ellen & Michael Bryan
- Ali & Brad Stoner

For those on pilgrimage, sabbatical or mission trip

- Pilgrimage: Carmen Molini
- Sabbatical: The Rev. Dr. Sharon Hiers
- Mission Trip: Hannah Thompson

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

- Jeni, sister-in-law of Jewel Allen
- Sheila & Lindsay, friends of Linda Ryder-Wolf
- Robert Hancock, uncle of Jeremy Davis
- Zaheer, friend of Jaye Davidson
- Carolyn Allen, mother of Jewel Allen
- Fred Kramer, friend of Linda Ryder-Wolf
- Lizzie, niece of Linda Ryder-Wolf
- Henry Penna, godson of Sharon Hiers & Lisa Newton
- Terry Fisher-Ari, friend of Cristin Davis
- David, Susannah and Sidney Burley, family of Caroline Bridges
- Denby Auble, friend of Caroline Bridges
- Marilyn 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





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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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Martha Rummel, *Clerk, ex-officio*

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Katie Pedersen, *Capital Campaign &
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Amy Shipp, *Senior Warden*

Paul Welty, *Adult Formation*

Class of 2019

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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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