



The Epiphany Star

June 6, 2007

Our Mission

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.



Dear Companions in Christ,

"You won't get your dream if you don't claim it." I've said this so many times, it was made into a framed calligraphy print when I left a church I served. At that time it came from the dream I had to go to seminary, to be a priest. It was a dream long unrecognized and then ignored. It was a longing until I claimed it as a dream that needed to be tested by prayer, by family, by the community, and by a diocesan process. At the time my dream made no sense. At the same time it was the only thing that made sense. And after bumps and rejections, the dream was realized with the help of many and the grace of God. I hoped to be a model to others to claim their impossible dreams—whatever they might be. You won't get those dreams if you don't claim them and discern how to turn the impossible into the possible.

Reading Cynthia Hizer's "greeting" in the last Star, I'm aware I can't stay there. Having reached that dream and others, I must continue dreaming—claiming dreams and considering the costs, the options—checking out the longings of my heart with the God of dreams and longings. It might be the dream for the day or the season, not necessarily a lifetime. Or it might be one of those unrecognized longings. Apparently God is not through with any of us yet.

But it can't be just an individual dream. I need to claim dreams for the important places in my life: my family, my church, my country, my world. I hope I can begin to be deliberate about these dreams. I know I long for our world to be a place where there is equal opportunity for all, a safe place for all (adults, children, families, communities), an inclusive world where no one is marginalized because of who they are. I dream of a world where all can afford to be healed of disease, of dis-ease. Most of all I long and pray for a world where poverty is constantly decreased and, most of all, where there is peace. We need to claim these dreams (yours may be different) if we want to see them happen. And we need each other, lots of each others, to discern these God-given dreams, and begin to make them happen. Taking small steps, probably, but still towards the goal.

I am learning that Epiphany has a history of claiming dreams, of taking risks to reach their vision, and it is still present. I'm eager to hear what shape our outreach is going to take, maybe, how we can help our world reach the Millennium goals. Perhaps there will be some seemingly impossible goals. But we can't forget that "with God, nothing is impossible." Just ask a 70 year old priest who found another dream come true at Epiphany.

+Barbara

The Rev. Barbara Ryder, Assisting Priest

Epiphany Stars

Thanks to the folks who helped Joel Fowler with the Fling Meal: Bob Ballou, Eric Craig, Bruce Fort, Jeff McGrath, Rod McLeod, and Lydia Ogden for their tireless help with the Fling meal.



Parish News

Parish Picnic June 10

Join us at Glenlake Park in Decatur for a fun afternoon of picnicking and games Sunday, June 11 from 4 - 6 p.m. Tickets go on sale Sunday, May 27. Please call Doug Runnion (404.325.8825) or Ben Jordan (404.941.9091) if you would like to help coordinate children's activities.

Newcomers' Dessert

7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 17

Everyone is invited to the home of the Rector (265 Elmira Place, NE, Atlanta), Sunday, June 17 for a Newcomers' Dessert. Old-timers should come laden with goodies. Newcomers need bring only their sparkling personalities and any questions they may have about Epiphany. Maps to Benno's home will be posted in the Crossing Hall.



Thank You for Your Support

Saturday, May 19, my daughter and I were one of the 700 teams to do the Walk for Autism (article April 25 edition). "Garrison's Gang" donations are over \$8,000! We thank our friends, family and my fellow Epiphanites for their generosity and support. Over one million dollars raised yesterday goes to the research to find a cure. Thank you, Pat Spivey.

UTO Offering

The ECW thanks all who contributed to this year's United Thank Offering. This year we raised \$1007—the most ever!

Every penny of that amount will be combined with donations from all U.S. parishes. In 2006, UTO awarded 112 grants for a total of \$2,419,628.54. To learn more about this ministry, visit <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/uto/>



Change of Address

For health reasons our seminarian Chris Miller has returned to Atlanta to complete his last year of Seminary education in Atlanta. He's back at his old home address, 240 Renaissance Pkwy NE, # 311, Atlanta, Georgia 30308 and you can email him at cmilleretss@bellsouth.net

Celebrating: Our Rights - Your Rights - Human Rights

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
- Book of Common Prayer.

June 22, 23, 24 are the dates for Atlanta's Pride weekend and Epiphanites have opportunities for ministry, hospitality and witness to God's love for all people, especially our gay, lesbian, transgendered and bisexual brothers and sisters.

Worship Opportunity:

Thursday, June 21: Festive Holy Eucharist, All Saints Episcopal Church,
Time: 7:30 P.M. Preacher:
Dr. Louie Crew, Founder of Integrity
(<http://www.integrityusa.org/>).

Witness and Hospitality Opportunities

Saturday, June 23: Epiphanites volunteer at the Episcopal Church booth in Piedmont Park from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Please sign up in the crossing hall.

Sunday, June 24: Witness to God's love and human dignity by marching in the Pride Parade. The parade begins at 1:00 PM from the MARTA Civic Center Station and will end at Piedmont Park.

Donations to help defray the cost of having the Episcopal Church represented in the parade and in the park are greatly appreciated. Checks can be made out to Epiphany with a note: Pride 2007.

Thank you for your giving.

Contact Br. Aelred at braelredbernard@hotmail.com or 404.685.9331.

Home Communion - A Servant Ministry

The home communion ministry has been a staple in my life for years. I have continued in this ministry as I moved across nation and parish. The opportunity to reach out to those who cannot join us on Sundays is always, always a rewarding experience. It serves to maintain connections with folks who are in hospital, confined to home, or resident in a care facility.

I have the opportunity to partake in the Sacrament with the church gathered on Sunday mornings and then to represent the parish to Epiphanyites who cannot join with us in church. It is a time for sharing all of the wonderful goings on of the parish and most importantly it is a time of partaking with them in Holy Communion. It is a time to be present with them in a difficult period, a time to listen closely and reflectively to what they have to say, a time to affirm their experience, and a time to let them know that they are a valued part of our Epiphany family.

The home communion ministry is truly a servant ministry. To learn more about this vital and enriching ministry, please call Wister Cook 404.876.0540 or myself, Jerry Boyd 404.296.6331 or join us on 8 July after the 10:30 service for a light lunch and find out more about the home communion ministry.

The Epiphany Book Club

The Epiphany Book Club selection for June is *The Summer We Got Saved* by Pat Cunningham DeVoto. We will be on hiatus for July and August. September's book is *Time Will Darken It* by William Maxwell. Meetings are held the second Monday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Regency House, 341 Winn Way. All are welcome. Information: contact Chris Kaylor at 404.525.7595 or christina_kaylor@yahoo.com.

Summer Breakfasts



Join the fun in the kitchen by signing up to host one of our popular and much appreciated summer breakfasts between morning services from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Church groups are encouraged to sign up to host together, or often two families join forces, since many hands make light work.

Come enjoy breakfast and the company of fellow parishioners during the more relaxed pace of summer. Sign-up sheets are posted in the crossing hall. Please contact Doug Runnion (404.325.8825) or Pat Graves (404.373.7197) with any questions.

Now Showing in the Gallery

Betsy Cozine—Epiphany Gallery June Artist 2007

Betsy Cozine has loved art all her life. In 1995 she joined the Atlanta Artist Center and has exhibited in local, regional and national shows since then, receiving many awards. She has also had several solo shows and small group shows. She specializes in landscapes using watercolor, pastel and collage and teaches watercolor classes in the Atlanta area.

She is a signature Member of the Georgia Watercolor Society, and presently serves on its board. She recently received an award in the GWS 2006 National Show. Her paintings are in many private and corporate collections, including Bank of Atlanta in Midtown and another bank in Warner Robbins. She is an Advanced Merit Member and past President of the Atlanta Artists Center and a member of the Southeastern Pastel Society.

It's Our Turn

June is Epiphany's month to furnish food for the DEAM (Decatur Emergency Assistance Ministry) pantry, so bring non-perishable food each Sunday in June for the DEAM basket in the narthex. Suggestions include: cereal, oatmeal, grits, peanut butter, jelly, canned vegetables, canned fruit, soup, tomato sauce, pasta, rice, spaghetti-o's, etc., boxed rice or pasta dinners, beans of any kind, crackers, canned tuna or salmon, canned meat, canned juices, dry milk, disposable diapers, baby food, coffee or tea.





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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—Tuesdays

7 a.m. - Rite II
(on alternate weeks)

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Vacation Bible School

We are excited about Vacation Bible School this year. Bible School is scheduled for the week of Monday, June 25 through Friday, June 29, with a reception on Sunday, July 2, after our 10:30 a.m. service. The year's VBS theme is Under Construction; A Habitat for Humanity Vacation Bible School.



For the first time we will offer an opportunity for children under three to participate with a parent, grandparent, relative or care giver. This year there will be 3 ways children can participate in Epiphany VBS.

You & Me is an opportunity for children under the age of three to participate in chapel and a music class with a parent, relative or care giver from 9:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. The registration fee is \$20 and includes a child's t-shirt.

Preschool VBS is open to children ages 3 - 6 and is an opportunity for those younger students to have activities geared toward their particular stage of development from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$35 and includes a t-shirt for the child.

VBS is open to children 5 - 12 years of age from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Children ages 5-6 can choose either option. The registration fee is \$55 and includes a t-shirt.

The week will include something for everyone, including crafts, cooking, outdoor games, music, and storytelling. Don't forget that this week will include a water day to cool us down from the hot summer. On Sunday, July 2, the children will share what they learned during the week as they participate in the 10:30 a.m. service. Before and after care is also available for an extra charge for those who need it. Registration forms are available in the gallery and at www.epiphany.org. Signup early. There will be a great deal of material preparation necessary to make this a successful week; therefore a \$75 late registration fee will be charged if you do not register by June 10. Call Colleen Flood or Christen Erskine 404.373.8338 if you have questions at this time.

Brandon Laird, the VBS aqua guy, is seeking any and all water accouterments for a last-day-at-VBS celebration of nature's most prolific element. Please contact him at 404.373.7466 or blaird373@aol.com if you can lend sturdy and fun water equipment of any stripe.

Pathways

The summer edition of *Pathways*—The Diocesan Quarterly Magazine—was mailed at the end of May. The theme is Communication and the Church: Telling the Good News Today. Please write to news@episcopalatlanta.org if you're a member of a parish in the Diocese of Atlanta and not receiving *Pathways* in your mailbox.



For Our Prayers...

Heal your sick servants

- David Crawford
- Myron Holbrook
- Estella, Cnolos and their family
- Tim Gore
- Jean Huckaby, friend of Mary Betty Ford's, who has throat cancer

We give thanks for the blessing bestowed upon this family

- Dawson Sinclair Rooks, son of Jason & Amy Rooks

Rest eternal grant her

- Joanne Houston, mother of David Houston, who died May 27

Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers

- Betty Dangerfield
- Keith Fox
- Dorothy Gautier
- Mary Lee
- Kristen Mann
- Joey Saavedra
- Karen Swenson
- Peter Yang
- Ted Yardley
- Katharine Yntema

Those in prison

- David, Gene, Chris, John, and Mark

Those in the armed forces

- John Thornburg, Stewart Mundy, MacLeod Patton, Anthony Baggs, Kevin Cunningham, Lt. Brett Jackson, Nicky Dykes, Shade Lawson, Layton Lane Britt, Marc Steele, and Scott Owens

Family and friends who request our prayers

- Gerald Fico, son of Grace Fico
- Daryl, sister of Arlen Gray
- Jane Morrison, friend of Betty Walton

- Joyce, mother of Tony Wilkey
- Martil LaCaze, aunt of Karen Swenson
- Evejean Clarke, friend of Roberta Williams
- Leah Aronowitz, friend of Kathy Walmsley
- Bruce Daily, brother of Lisa Daily
- Fred Motney, brother of Diane Wilkey
- Bill Kennedy, cousin of Rob Godsall
- Rob & Denise Swan, friends of Marjorie & Rick Timmer
- Rebecca Miller, wife of James Miller
- Pat Smith, brother of Karyn Smith
- Sean Ray, relative of Karyn Smith
- Peggy Richmond, sister of Bill Graves
- Richard Mann, father of Kristin Mann
- Ed Thompson, father of Nancy Thompson
- Alice Stephens, mother of Polly Nodine
- Kate McCary, aunt of Karen Swenson
- Ruth Golley friend of Kathy Walmsley
- Jean Martin, aunt of Erin Braden
- Patti Lloyd, sister-in-law of Brenda Lloyd
- Bryan Redd, grandfather of Liese & Sara Redd
- Ginger Lias, mother of Margaret Lias
- Mike Daily, father of Lisa Daily
- Andrew Klassen, young friend of the Wilkey family
- Katy Core & Fredia Chambers, friends of Margo Timberlake
- Clyde Fox, father of Keith Fox
- Joseph Saavedra, father of Joey Saavedra
- Patsy Smith, sister-in-law of Karyn Smith
- Howard Dean, father of Brother Aelred Dean
- Joe Vaughn, uncle of Sydney Cleland
- Penny Smith, friend of the Clelands
- Lillian Crooks, daughter of Susan & Peter
- Andrew Lowe, nephew of Maggie Ewing
- Bill McNutt, father of Shea McNutt
- Beth, sister of Chris Miller
- Donald Williams, friend of Jorge Lawton
- Peggy Trosper, mother of Lani Walsh
- Marie Claire Houge, Aunt of Liefy Smith
- Alexandra Rose, niece of Christy & Davis Petterson
- Marget, friend of Dorothy Gautier
- Bill Bitzel, friend of Marjorie Timmer
- Lynn Jones, friend of David Draper
- Edi Guyton, friend of Laura Keys
- Ruth Battersday, friend of Carmen Gutierrez
- Hilma Nepote, mother of Vicki Bolton
- Mary, mother of Colleen Flood
- Mary Lee, mother of Doris Lee
- Anita Harris, mother of Meg Harris
- Anthony & Sharon Villalobos, friends of Sandy Land
- Peg Driskill, aunt of Pat Graves
- Peter Moore, friend of Pat Graves
- Seth Fortin, friend of Pat Graves
- Joanne Houston, mother of David Houston
- Margaret Gautier, Aunt of Dorothy Gautier
- Richard, father of Kristin Mann
- Father of Nisa Sommers
- Cecilia Jordan, mother of Ben Jordan
- Lynn & Lenn, friends of David Draper

Prayer intentions for The Epiphany Star and for Sunday Services should be directed to The Rev. Benno D. Pattison. Please let the Parish Office know if there are any errors. Contact 404.373.8338 (ext. 14). In case of a pastoral emergency, call Benno's cell phone: 404.538.9089.

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People & Posts

June 10

Acolytes: 8:30 -TBA; 10:30 - TBA

Altar Guild: Bobbie Campbell, Katrina Shoemaker, Larry Wilcox

Eucharist Visitor(s): Kristen Jones

Flower Guild: Wallace McGrath, Mary Beth Jordan, Sabra Hanson

Greeters: 8:30 - Martha Richoz; 10:30 - Betty Walton, Alice Cunningham

Layreaders & LEMs: 8:30 - Diane Mundy, Robin Levine, Brandon Laird, Rob Godsall; 10:30 - Alice Cunningham, Carmen Gutierrez, Katrina Shoemaker, Brent Henderson, Bob Kirkhuff, Bob Thompson; 6 - Paul Holbrook

Nursery: 8:30 - TBA; 10:30 - TBA

Ushers: 8:30 - Phil Bolton, Jim Biddle, Robin Levine, Eric Craig; 10:30 - Scott Yaegle, Tom Remington, Matt Bolch, Marilynn Richtarik, Catherine Harvey

Vergers of the Day: Martha Rummel

Vestry Person of the Day: Wister Cook

Second Teller: Erin Braden

June 17

Acolytes: 8:30 -TBA; 10:30 - TBA

Altar Guild: Keith Poole, Annie Strahan, Kathleen Rinehart

Eucharist Visitor(s): Carmen Gutierrez, Wister Cook

Flower Guild: Jo Sedlack

Greeters: 8:30 - Grace Fico; 10:30 - Betty Walton, Kathy Walmsley

Layreaders & LEMs: 8:30 - Gregg Scott, Jane Scott, Patty Young; 10:30 - Gretchen Maclachlan, Laura Keys, John Yntema, Rick Timmer, Diane Wilkey, Ray Piper; 6 - Gary Hauk

Nursery: 8:30 - TBA; 10:30 - TBA

Ushers: 8:30 - Anne Warner, John Pierson, Ray Quinnelly, Beverly Burks; 10:30 - Randy Strahan, Annie Strahan, Mike Binford, Nancy Binford

Vergers of the Day: Susan Messner

Vestry Person of the Day: Jeanette Hanson

Second Teller: Richard Messner