



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 Friends in Christ,

I'm not sure if I was dropped on my head as a child, but my outlook on life is odd enough that some may want to find a reason why I have such strange views. Back in a previous lifetime, a period known as the late 80's early 90's, I was the Director of Publications as Illinois State University and a dear friend was District Manager for a chain of movie theaters in the Midwest. In a moment of weakness she convinced me that I should work one evening a week in her office doing computer work. From time to time while working in her office, I would receive a call from her corporate office asking me to contact the managers of the various district theaters to inform them of policy changes. I remember this one manager Lincoln, IL who would get upset at me when I would make such a call. He would always ask, "Why can't we do it the way we're use to doing it?" Valid question and my response would be, "if it's a better and more efficient way of reporting, isn't that better?"

One evening after a lengthy conversation with Richard, I told him that I had a mantra for him and then when I called regarding policy changes he would have to repeat it and that mantra went as following: "change is good...change is life." To my surprise when I called that is how he always greeted me: change is good...change is life. That mantra has permeated my life and particular my spiritual life. I have never liked things being the same...even though there is comfort and familiarity with constancy. Life is all about change and our common life as a community at Epiphany is all about change.

The Minister General of the Brotherhood of St. Gregory said at his beginning address to the brothers as General Chapter, "every person that enters our community changes the community." In our seeking and serving Christ in all people and the dynamics of interpersonal relationships changes who we are and how we minister. The constancy I find comfort in is found in two things: a loving God who loves me even in spite of me - and loving my neighbor as I claim to love God (a little twist I've added to that verse to help keep me honest). Those two realities are my paradigm or foundation in which I engage the relational, and if I'm engaging my neighbor then I am the one who will change in such encounters and that even extends to God. Encountering God changes me and keeps me alive and the best way for me to encounter God is in others: those whom I like, the lost, the least and the lonely...all people. It is being in relationship in which change is good and change is life happens.

So if I were dropped on my head as a baby or not...I am grateful to embrace the dance of change as life-giving and exciting.

Br. Aelred Dean, Sexton

Parish News

Become a Lay Eucharistic Minister



We very much need to replenish our Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM) ranks, as several of our LEMs have moved - please consider whether you might be able to serve Epiphany in this important way! LEMs help at the altar with communion and sometimes help out with reading and the prayers of the people. You may serve as often or as little as works in your schedule - some serve quarterly, others monthly, others every few weeks. We will be conducting a training session on August 15, from 10-11 a.m.

Your help is needed - we look forward to seeing you at a summer training session!

Centering Prayer Workshop

On August 22, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Contemplative Outreach will offer a one-day Introductory course to Centering Prayer, the Christian-based meditation practice that centers on resting in God. If you have any meditation practice or would like to develop one, please contact The Rev. Cynthia Hizer at 404.373.8338 or associate@epiphany.org.



Transitions

Please make the following changes and/or additions to your parish directory and welcome our new members. Up-to-date parish directories are available from the office by request (parishadmin@epiphany.org).

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.

Transfer In

Fred Conrad & Rhonda Wildman, Ivie Conrad Wildman
1327 Rupert Rd.
Decatur, GA 30030
404.289.6431
from St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Atlanta, GA

Rector to preach on 'Day 1'

Our Rector will preach August 9 on "Day 1," a nationally broadcast radio program also accessible online at Day1.org. The program will feature a sermon by Benno along with interviews conducted by the program's host and executive producer, Peter Wallace.

Pattison's sermon, entitled "Out of the Depths," draws from Psalm 130. "Out of the depths the psalmist tells the sacred story of our human experience," he says. "We speak the ineffable holy language of grief and fear, hope and promise. It is a place of our most sacred and honest conversation with God."

Formerly known as "The Protestant Hour," "Day 1" has been broadcast every week for 64 years, winning numerous awards in the process, including the George Foster Peabody Award and the Communicators' Award for Excellence in inspirational radio. Distributed to more than 200 radio stations across America and overseas, it is produced by the Alliance for Christian Media in association with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, the Episcopal Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the United Church of Christ and the United Methodist Church.

For more information, call toll free 888-411-Day-1 or check the program's Web site, <http://day1.org>.

Jumble Update

The 2009 Epiphany Jumble Sale owes its success to all who donated items; the wonderful (and exhausted) volunteers, who carried, sorted, priced, cashiered, packed and cleaned; the J2A kids who each worked at least 30 hours; and everyone who bought things. The event earned \$5,000.00 to for next year's J2A pilgrimage. Thanks to all for making the Jumble Sale a hit and terrific fun.

Let's Go Hiking Again!!!

Who: Earth Guild members Carol and Chris Moser

What: have extended an invitation for a hiking weekend in the environs of their family cabin in Rabun Gap.

When: the weekend of September 19/20. There are 10 slots open.

Where: The Moser's cabin is in Rabun Gap, just north of Clayton in the northeast Georgia Mountains.

How Much: Nominal cost for meals will be determined – Carol will coordinate. Anyone staying at the B&B will have breakfast there.

To Sign Up: Contact Chris and Carol at chrismoser@bellsouth.net and look for sign-up sheet in Crossing Hall. Please indicate your lodging preference. If it's the B&B, please make your own reservation and let us know.

Details: There are 36 short and long hiking trails at Black Rock Mountain, Warwoman Dell, and other locales in the area. The Mountain Travel Guide Web site gives info on hiking <http://www.mountaintravelguide.com/Hiking%20Trails/georgia/rabun/Rabun%20County%20Hiking%20Trails.htm> The cabin is in the Sylvan Lake development about halfway between Clayton and Dillard. (Dillard, as in the sinfully sumptuous Dillard House home-style restaurant!) The cabin is a log house in a secluded woodland environment. It has all the basic comforts of home and plenty of parking space. It overlooks a small park with picnic facilities and a lake. The cabin can sleep up to nine guests (six comfortably). Sleeping accommodations (besides the hosts' own bedroom) are: a main floor guest room with a double bed, a loft with a double and two singles, a spare double mattress that could be used on the main floor, and a non-foldout couch in the living room on the main floor. Tents could be pitched on the front lawn. If the group is large enough to need more accommodations, there's also a lovely B&B less than a mile downhill from the cabin. It's a house and grist mill beside a beautiful waterfall fed by the lake in our park. The Sylvan Falls B&B can sleep up to ten, depending on how many vacancies it has for that weekend. The Web site is www.sylvanfallsmill.com.

Save the Date: October 23-25, 2009

Epiphany Parish Family Weekend is fast approaching! Here are some of the latest developments from the Task Force:

- We have nearly doubled the spaces for Epiphany, so there is room for everyone
- Optional Thursday Night (10/22) arrival is available for those who would like more free time to hike, relax, or help the Kanuga Task Force decorate for our Saturday Night Social
- A special payment plan will allow parishioners to spread the expense over 3 or 4 payments
- As before, partial and full scholarships are available. These are obtained through a brief conversation with the Rector, Benno Pattison.
- The Vestry recently voted to allocate excess funds from the Summer Breakfast program towards Kanuga Scholarships – Thank you!

This is truly an all-parish event and it is not to be missed. If you have any questions, comments, feedback, or would just like to roll up your sleeves and join the Kanuga Task Force as we plan another great event, please contact Ann Gonter at annraines@comcast.net or 678.575.1563 or speak to any member of the Kanuga Task Force.

Kanuga Task Force

Ann Gonter
Brent Henderson
Kay Lee
Kristen Jones
Larry Wilcox
Claudia Tillman
Charlie and Holly Slater
Cher Hendricks
David Draper
Katy/Pat Graves
Sherry Wallace
Paul Holbrook
You???

Mark Rowles – vestry liaison
Polly Nodine – vestry liaison



How many All Stars Make a Constellation?

The weekend of September 11-13 is the weekend of the 2009 MS-150 bicycle ride, and it is fast approaching! For over a decade, Epiphany has had a team of bicyclists who do this ride to show support for people living with MS (multiple sclerosis), for their families, and to raise money for ongoing research to find the cause of and cure for MS. Dare we dream of a world free of MS? Your All Stars do.

To become an MS-150 All Star, riders are asked to go to the website www.bikeMSatlanta.org and sign on as a member of the Epiphany All Stars Team. We have three members so far. What are you waiting for? Arlen Gray, John Keys and Dennis Edmiston know they will be joined by other riders. Last year in addition to team “captain” Arlen Gray, Tom Felcher and Bob Peatman rode, as did Diane Wilkey (who has since moved to Asheville, NC). There are other alumni in the congregation, and other possible team members, we are sure.

Registration for the event is \$35 until July 31, \$50 until Sept 6, and \$300 Sept 7. The registration fee does not count toward the requested minimum \$250 in fund raising.

Of course, the MS Society hopes riders will go above and beyond the \$250 minimum. The Society is having a hard time gathering corporate support this year, and at the same time, the number of people diagnosed with MS continues to grow. We need riders, and we need financial support.

This ride will take place at Callaway Garden, with well-marked loops of varying distances each day. If enough riders show interest, Arlen will reserve a cabin so that we may have a central meeting place to socialize before and after the rides. Six to eight riders will make this option practical. Callaway gives us a special rate for the event. One thing for sure, we always have a ball together on these rides.



This team is for riders of all abilities, and, with Arlen slowing down, she would appreciate having a beginner or middling pedaler (or two or three) to keep her company.

Contact Arlen at BikeArlen@aol.com for more information.

The Epiphany Star

a word to the wise...

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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—Weekdays

Tuesday at 7 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with
Healing Rite

Friday at 8:15 a.m. - Morning Prayer

Epiphany Happenings in the 1980s

Here's a recent exchange between John Yntema and our former Rector, Claiborne Jones regarding Epiphany bit of our history Claiborne is now the Vicar and Director of Emmaus House.

On Sat, Jun 27, 2009, John Yntema wrote:

Claiborne,

I happened to drop by Epiphany this afternoon and ran into Bobby Scales, and his wife (Twink). They were on their way out of town and dropped by to see the place where Bobby lived part-time 20-some years ago when he was going to Candler. I remembered that there had been ministry students living in the undercroft when I joined Epiphany but, as I never had seen the space until after the renovation in 1989, it was hard for me to imagine even one person living there. Since I had always been curious, and I wanted to be gracious, I showed them around the church and building while he told me some of the story.



Bobby said that you (and the vestry) had allowed him (and eventually 3 others) to "live" in the undercroft up until the church was renovated (late 80's). I suppose they must all have had charges that they served on the weekends. He said that he was in a supervised ministry group that you helped supervise, during one of the years he was at Candler. He told me how each of the others was added. It must have gotten very crowded down there! He told me that he and the others would pray in the church every night. He also said that he would shave at the church and then shower at the gym at Emory.

He said he was still very grateful that you allowed him to stay there.

He is now retired (for 2 years, I think he said) as Methodist minister. He is now working part-time as Outreach Minister at Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church in Pleasant Grove, Alabama.

On Sun, 6/28/09, Claiborne Jones wrote:

John, thanks so much for sending all of this, and for your wonderful hospitality to Bobby and family. Yes, the undercroft was actually used for EYC at times, but not when I got to Epiphany. There was a wall that went the width of the space, sort of under where the old communion rail was, I think, and the guys bunked in behind the wall. You are right, Bobby and all the others had week-end churches (and families, actually) back in Alabama. I think the free rent was worth it for them to live in such a terrible place. We hardly ever saw them, actually. They would leave early and come back late, but it was wonderful to know they were there. I remember that they prayed every day in the church; such a lovely practice.

Epiphany's Art Ministry welcomes Richard Burgess for August

Richard Burgess has been working in Atlanta as a residential architect since 1996, he grew up near Wichita, Kansas where he began painting with oils at the age of fourteen. He studied art at Kansas State University winning a number of awards for his work at that time. He completed his college years earning a B.A. in interior architecture. After years of developing a career as an architect, he has recently returned to his love of painting, working in mixed mediums and styles.

August Anniversaries

- 1 Vanessa & Greg Robisch
- 2 Amy Roth & Esteban Simian
- 6 Ann & Bruce Fort
- 9 Ellen Gallow & Jon Herman
- 10 David & Muriel Knope
- 10 Hank Walton & Carrie Young
- 12 Jarrod & Susan Moody
- 14 Kurt & Christen Erskine
- 15 David Lowance & Tysie Whitman
- 16 Theresa Milazzo & John Pierson
- 17 Nadine & John Howarth
- 19 Jan & Gordy Rivers
- 22 Bill & Pat Graves
- 22 Heather Knapp & Seth Milleson
- 22 Cory & Jason Seebode
- 23 Anna & Daniel Murphy
- 25 Gretchen D'Huyvetter Cobb & James Cobb
- 30 Catherine & Brennan Breed
- 31 Judy Eustace & Colleen Flood



August Birthdays

1 Oz Adams	8 Thomas Lee	14 Margo	18 Rachela	25 Katie Arnold
1 Nick Zoeckler	8 Max McAuliffe	Timberlake	Davidson-	26 Ingrid Anderson
2 Clara Branch	8 Kathryn	15 Henry Cleland	Leghorn	26 Tom Felcher
2 Susan	Reynolds	15 Jacqueline	19 Sullivan Tillman	27 David Jones
Montgomery	9 William Sands	Holden	20 Brandon Duke	27 Elizabeth
3 Helen Burkhalter	9 Audrey Urda	15 Cynthia	20 Beverly Hitt	Merchant
3 Theresa Milazzo	10 Hannah Bell	Montooth	21 Wade Anderson	28 Jim Elledge
4 Dave Berg	10 Chris Biddle	15 Hilary Stimart	21 Kathy Walmsley	28 Mary Lee
4 Angela Williams	10 Vicki Bolton	16 Abigail	22 Teddy Du	28 Jacob Schneider
6 Roberta Williams	10 Coree Seebode	Blanchard	22 Katherine Erb	29 Doug Johnson
7 Charlotte	10 Sherry Wallace	16 Ann Rowles	22 Mary Haworth	29 Sofi Schexnyder
Sanders	11 Ann Davis	17 Joel Fowler	23 Elizabeth Teel	30 Kari Lovell
7 Margit Zwemer	12 Lissa Jackson	17 Tracey Micit	23 Brandon Laird	30 Vanessa Robisch
8 Judy Cox	13 Alvin McNeely	17 Nina O'Brien	24 Emily Berg	31 Ruth Olson
8 Gabe Introna	14 Stuart Gray	17 Hannah	24 Joan Thomas	
8 Maggie Lee		Thompson	24 Boone Wiesner	

Children's Ministries

Save the Date

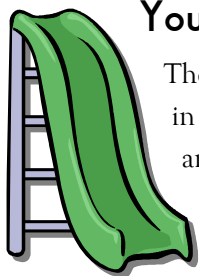
Parents of Youth (grades 7 - 12) are invited to Potluck Dinner and learn about Youth activities at Epiphany between Sunday morning and Sunday evening, music and mission opportunities. For more information contact the Rev. Cynthia Hizer at associate@epiphany.org 404-373-8338, ext. 16.

Sunday School at Epiphany 2009 - 2010

Registration forms are available on-line and in the Gallery for Sunday School for children ages 3-18, which starts September 13. Register now so we can determine our needs for teachers and classrooms. For more information on our programs, or if you would like to volunteer in any capacity, please refer to Epiphany's website (www.epiphany.org) or contact Rev. Cynthia Hizer at associate@epiphany.org 404-373-8338, ext. 16.

Sunday School Needs

Thanks to all who contributed to the great success of this year's Vacation Bible Camp with your recycling materials. Now we are hoping you might have some items to contribute to our Sunday School classrooms. Specifically we are EAGERLY looking for: Biblical-themed books, puzzles, and maps (Holy Land, Herod's temple etc.). Please contact The Rev. Cynthia Hizer at 404.373.8338 or associate@epiphany.org



Young Families Potluck

The Young Families group meets monthly at 4:30 p.m. on the playground followed by a casual potluck dinner in the Parish Hall. Below are the dates for the remaining potlucks. We hope you will mark your calendars and join us for a fun gathering.

July - off	September 22	November 17
August 25	October 20	December - off

The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

AUGUST 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:00 a.m. *Zen Space (PH-B) 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild I
9 Pentecost 2 8:00 a.m. Summer Choir (MS) 8:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m. Summer Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Summer Choir (MS) 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist 4:30 p.m. Centering Prayer (201) 6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Hagar's House	3 12:15 p.m. Staff (201) 6:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (CH)	4 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast (KT) 10:00 a.m. *Little Song Birds (PH) 7:00 p.m. Fin. Comm. (201)	5 11:00 a.m. *K. Yntema (201) 12:15 p.m. Eucharist with Healing (CH) 1:00 p.m. Bible Study (PH-C)	The Transfiguration of Our Lord 6 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	7 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer (CH) Choir @ Camp Mikell	8 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild II 10:00 a.m. Baptism Seminar (CH) Choir @ Camp Mikell →
10 Pentecost 9 8:45 a.m. Holy Baptism & Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m. Summer Breakfast 11:15 a.m. Holy Baptism & Holy Eucharist 1:00 p.m. *Veterans Heart of Ga. 4:30 p.m. Centering Prayer (201) 6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Choir @ Camp Mikell	10 12:15 p.m. Staff (201) 6:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (CH)	11 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast (KT) 7:30 p.m. *Sierra Club (PH-B/C)	12 12:15 p.m. Eucharist with Healing (CH) 1:00 p.m. Bible Study (PH-C) 7:15 p.m. Epiphany Choir (MS)	13 <i>Newsletter Published</i>	14 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer (CH)	15 8:30 a.m. Building & Grounds (201) 9a – 3 p GP Workshop (PH) 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild III
11 Pentecost 16 8:00 a.m. Summer Choir (MS) 8:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m. Summer Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Summer Choir (MS) 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist 2:00 p.m. *OCP Orientation 4:30 p.m. Centering Prayer (201) 6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist	17 *OCP Teachers Back 12:15 p.m. Staff (201) 6:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (CH) 7:00 p.m. Vestry (KT/PH) *OCP Teachers back	18 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast (KT) 6:30 p.m. Outreach (PH-C)	19 12:15 p.m. Eucharist with Healing (CH) 1:00 p.m. Bible Study (PH-C) 7:15 p.m. Epiphany Choir (MS)	20 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> 2:00 p.m. Prep & Cook P'tree Pine Shelter Dinner (KT/PH)	21 8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer (CH) 2:00 p.m. Heat up P'tree Pine Shelter Dinner (KT/PH) 5:00 p.m. Deliver & Serve Meal (P'tree Pine Shelter) 7:30 p.m. P'tree Pine Volunteer Dinner (PH-A)	22 9:30 a.m. Centering Prayer (MS/203/204/Kt/PH) 10:00 a.m. Altar Guild IV 4 – 6 p.m. *Graves (KT/PH)
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13 Pentecost 30 8:00 a.m. Summer Choir (MS) 8:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m. Summer Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Summer Choir (MS) 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist 4:30 p.m. Centering Prayer (201) 5:00 p.m. Family Youth Mtg. (PH) 6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist	31 *OCP Startup 12:15 p.m. Staff (201) 6:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (CH) *OCP students back					LEGEND CH = Church KT = Kitchen MS = Music Suite PH = Parish Hall * = Outside Group or Private Function

Godly Play Training

Christian Education will be holding training sessions for Sunday School Godly Play teachers (for children age 4 through 4th grade) this August and September. If you are interested in this wonderful curriculum—formation for you the teacher as much as for the children~ please contact The Rev. Cynthia Hizer at 404.373.8338 or associate@epiphany.org. A one-day seminar will be held on August 15 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is a great way for those who want to get introduced to the program, help with feast and be a presence in the hallway on Sunday mornings. For story tellers and door persons we are offering the full Core training (18 contact teaching hours for certification). It will be two weekends, Friday night and all day Saturday: August 28-29 and September 25-26. Epiphany will carry the cost of this training, as we believe so strongly in the Godly Play program, and well-trained teachers add to the success of the program and contentment and confidence of teachers.



Music

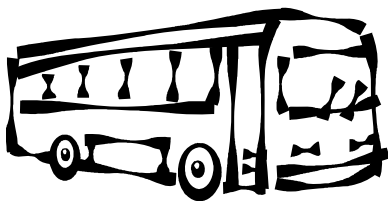
What is Children's Choir all about?

By Erin Braden

Not having any musical education to speak of, I've always thought it would be wonderful if my children had that opportunity. And being a huge fan of the Epiphany choir, it seemed a no-brainer to start our daughter in children's choir last year. Now, on her side, it wasn't so obvious a choice. She has always thought that the hymns during services were interminable (along with the actual service) and so she wasn't altogether sure about this choir thing. What a difference a year can make! After one year in the choir, it is amazing to me that she enjoys following along with the hymnal music and either hums or sings the words.

I was amazed at Jamie's and Marena's skill in working with children musically. They were able to take what seemed complicated and made it fun, approachable, simple and easy to grasp. I know a lot of training and expertise goes into teaching music in age-appropriate ways, but they made it look easy. Maybe it was their passion for music and commitment to kids that made it all work so well. Somehow they were able to reach the children on a different level, transporting them into musical creatures attuned to the joyous nuances of sound and voice.

At first it seemed a stretch to fit in choir with all our other activities, but it melded wonderfully with Wednesday night supper and meeting up with lots of kids and families at church. We are so glad we took the leap into Children's Choir, and look forward to another exciting year. Come see what it's all about!



FOS—Friends of Schola go to the Coast

By Pat Graves

There I was on the choir bus again. Last time I had been a high-school choir member going to the state choral competition. This time I was accompanying my husband, Bill, and daughter Ellen, who are members of Epiphany's Schola Cantorum, on a tour that took the Schola and friends and relatives to Savannah and to Beaufort and Charleston, South Carolina. Some months earlier, Schola conductor Jamie Schiell had sent an audition tape and other application materials to the officials of the internationally recognized Piccolo Spoleto arts festival, this year's to be held over the Memorial Day weekend. As soon as the acceptance letter came, we started planning to make this trip of music and exploration.

Leaving early on Saturday morning, our full sized motor coach was very nearly filled with the twenty-member Schola, its conductor and its accompanist Clinton Miller, and almost as many FOS—friends of Schola—spouses, children, one parent, and many friends.

Depending on the skill of our driver, Darryl, we arrived in Savannah by lunch time, and soon thereafter the singers left for St. Peter's church to practice in their performance space. The FOS were left to explore the area around our hotel, which was located near the riverfront. We could take in the neighborhood or shop a little—for example, I found a floppy beach hat and some pralines for my neighbor who is especially fond of the ones from the Savannah Candy Factory. Later, the coach took us out some distance past Johnny Mercer's "Moon River" and extensive coastal marshland to St. Peter's church, a large structure on spacious grounds. I was much taken both with the children's playground that contained a climbing structure shaped like Noah's ark and the windows—some stained glass and others clear~ but all admitting generous amounts of late afternoon light.

"Light Piercing Darkness" was the theme for the musical program, many parts of which I had heard earlier at Epiphany Evensong services, but these works in this combination in this setting became more than the combination of earlier performances. Somewhere between the Alice Parker arrangement of "Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal" and Morten Lauridsen's setting of James Agee's "Sure on this Shining Night" the experience became numinous for me. Other members of the audience responded enthusiastically to the music and made all of us, singers or not, feel very welcome.

Rising early on Sunday, we set off for Beaufort, South Carolina and St. Helena's church, which sits amid an historic graveyard whose stones reminded us that the parish was founded in 1714. As it was the Memorial Day weekend, many of the graves were marked with flags—Stars and Stripes, Stars and Bars, and even a few Union Jacks.

Schola members participated in the 11 a.m. service in the church, along with young choristers, who are trained in the Royal School of Church Music program. Here, as at St. Peter's, we were warmly welcomed. Steve Du and I were especially grateful to the staff of the nursery, which is housed in the adjacent parish house. Conrad, Cliff, and Teddy Du and Zachary Wojcik quickly made themselves at home there.

Although our stay in Beaufort was short, I was able to walk a couple of blocks down to the waterfront and take in the Gullah market, which was rich with crafts, fabrics, pungent aromas, and eloquent vendors.

Immediately after the worship service, we reboarded our coach, where we had a lunch of sandwiches as we traveled to Charleston and the Piccolo Spoleto festival, which was our principal destination for the weekend.

Working on a reduced rehearsal schedule, the Schola sang the same challenging and well articulated program it had presented at St. Peter's. This time the venue was the First Baptist Church in the historic district, and this time the audience was made up of a wide range of festival attendees, many of whom had traveled great distances for this weekend. Hearing the program for the second time allowed FOS to revisit some of the delights of the evening before and appreciate new details—differences resulting from the acoustics in the two rooms and the organs in them and the looks both of intense concentration and of joy on the faces of the singers.

Schola members had completed their third major performance in just under 24 hours—glorious music making, but hard work. From this time on all of us were ready to relax and enjoy Charleston and its world-famous festival. We had most of the next day, Memorial Day in which to do so. Carol and Lynn Hogue saw the Alvin Ailey Dancers; the Du family toured an aircraft carrier; we all walked historic street lined with a variety of visual arts displays; we strolled on the Battery and through the old market; the Graves-Wojcik crew took a tour in a horse-drawn carriage; most of us bought souvenir t-shirts, caps, and posters; Maggie Ewing seemed to take in almost everything.

In the middle of the afternoon, we boarded our bus, and again Darryl negotiated the narrow streets. On the way home, Phil Bolton read a serious book, the young children watched an animated movie on DVD, some of us napped, and the cut-ups resumed their antics in the back. It was late when we reached Atlanta, tired, but happy to have spent the time together experiencing the attractions of Coastal Georgia and South Carolina and sharing Epiphany's distinctive gifts, musical and otherwise.

Outreach

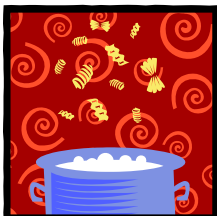
Hagar's House

Sign up to share dinner with the women and children of Hagar's House.

Hagar's House, sponsored by Decatur Cooperative Ministries (DCM)—of which Epiphany is a part—is in downtown Decatur and provides emergency shelter for homeless mothers in the Atlanta area and their children. It is the only shelter of its kind that accommodates larger families, filling a desperate need in our community.

Epiphany sponsors one week per quarter at Hagar's House by providing dinner to the women and their children housed in the shelter. Our next week for Hagar's House is August 2 - 8. Join up with another Epiphany member or family to share the work, expense and fellowship. Meals do not need to be elaborate. Contact Roberta Long, rlong25@bellsouth.net or 404.378.2069 with questions.

Also, please check off if this will be your first time volunteering at Hagar's House so that we can make sure that you are paired up with an experienced volunteer.



The Rest of the Story or How do you cook for 400?

Well, how do you cook for 400? You start with a great team.

It is my the good fortune to be the current leader of the Peachtree Pine Cooking Team. We have all heard a great deal about the homeless and Peachtree Pine but I would like to talk about the team that actually does the cooking, serving and cleaning. In short they are marvelous. And I do marvel month after month.

When I ask would you please open 72 cans of Black-eyed-peas and 6 No. 10 cans of chopped tomatoes. Please chop up 25 pounds of onions. Would you wash 36 pounds of chicken? We need 400 bags prepared for this month. Please wash 32 pounds of rice. Does anyone have a heavy duty truck to pick up the drinks?

The answers are always, sure, no problem, of course and where and when do you need me.

For a long time I have been a believer that a team (or a family) that eats together would really get to know each other and work well together. I now know that eating or cooking together makes a great team.

And we do both.

For some time now my Mother and I have been volunteers at Epiphany working on the cooking, we started shortly after finding Epiphany. The first time I was not able to attend due to my travel schedule. Mom got home at about 11 PM clearly exhausted. She said that heating up the food, serving the food, cleaning up the kitchen and coolers and then going to eat was not correct. We needed someone to cook for the volunteers when they got back from PTP and then we could clean up. I was volunteered and happy to do so.

So as with all things we have evolved, there is a team that cooks and cleans on Thursday, some that cook and reheat on Friday. Some of the same people and some fresh faces help with the transportation and serving of the food. There are some that stay behind and cook for the volunteers and some that clean the kitchen after both dinners.

It has been said "We go down to the shelter and feed the men a great meal, and we come back to the church and eat better." There a great deal of effort to make both meals a great occasion, and usually we are successful.

So, I would like to say thank you to all who volunteer in any way, this effort takes a large number of willing hands, and I appreciate every one of you. I will also say all are welcome, come and join us it is a great way to get to know some of the members of Epiphany and have a really good time.

Our next cook is Thursday August 20 and Friday August 21. The sign up sheets are in the cross hall or you can email me at Lizrr119@comcast.net, we look forward to seeing you there.

For Our Prayers...

Prayer intentions for *The Epiphany Star* and for Sunday Services should be directed to either of the clergy at 404.373.8338. In case of emergency you may contact them via cell phone: The Rev. Benno D. Pattison (404.538.9089), or The Rev. Cynthia Hizer (770.891.8216). Please let the Parish Office know if there are any errors on the listings below.

Heal your sick servants

- Tom Fountain
- Mamie-Lee Walker
- Adele Reeves
- Nisa Sommers
- Susan Smart
- Laura Thomas
- Pat, Mike & Paul Coffey
- Jo Ann Moore, niece of Fran Holt
- Gene Howard, friend of Pamela & Mike Smith
- Joan, daughter-in-law of Marjorie Chandley
- Mike, brother of Pam Tipton

We give thanks for the blessing bestowed upon this family

- Alexander Michael Deocampo, son of Joanne & Dan Deocampo

Rest eternal grant them

- Darfoon Du, father of Steven Du
- Marlon Moore, brother-in-law of Fran Holt
- Christine Carpenter, mother of Andrea Carpenter

Parishioners who desire our continuing prayers

- Betty Dangerfield
- Keith Fox
- Dorothy Gautier
- Carmen Gutierrez
- Sharon Hiers
- Mary Lee
- Joey Saavedra
- Karen Swenson
- Ted Yardley
- Katharine Yntema

Those in prison

- David, Gene, Christopher, Chris, John, Mark Trey, Scotty and Troy

Those in the armed forces

- Anthony Baggs, Layton Lane Britt, Eddie Chowning, Kevin Cunningham, Kevin Doonan, Nicky Dykes, Brett Jackson, Eli Jordan, Shade Lawson, Richard Mann, Beau MacNealy, Stewart Mundy, James Neff, Scott Owens, MacLeod Patton, Philip So, Marc Steele, John Thornburg, Chris Will

Family and friends who request our prayers

- Evejean Clarke, friend of Roberta Williams
- Leah Aronowitz, friend of Kathy Walmsley
- Bruce Daily, brother of Lisa Daily
- Rebecca Miller, wife of James Miller
- Peggy Richmond, sister of Bill Graves
- Richard Mann, father of Kristin Mann
- Clyde Fox, father of Keith Fox
- Joseph Saavedra, father of Joey Saavedra
- Beth, sister of Chris Miller
- Mary Clare Hogg, aunt of Liefy Smith
- Ruth Battersby, friend of Carmen Gutierrez
- Scott Morris, son of Jean Morris
- Billie Ledbetter, mother of Gail Munoz
- Ernie Gregory, friend of Terry Howell
- Jane Magruder, friend of Karen Swenson
- Gina Llewellyn, friend of Noelle Toumey Reetz
- Fay & Mel Davis, mother & step-father to Sara Hauk
- Jean Sengle, aunt of Brenda Lloyd
- The Voss family, relatives of Sarah McLean and Christen Erskine
- Betty Porter, relative of Sarah McLean and Christen Erskine
- Marion Barber, friend of Sarah Jane Wallison
- Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSG, friend of Br. Aelred
- Debby Mugridge, family of Audrey Banfield
- Sally Hall, friend of Wister Cook
- Abby Knapp, grandniece of Doug Runion
- Esther Ojo, friend of Tracey Laird
- Taylor Thorell, friend of the Branch Family
- Susie Giradeau, friend of Fran Holt Martha Adhikan, sister of Monica Baroi
- Madison Isabella, daughter of Fran Holt
- Anne Braxton Smith, granddaughter of Pam & Mike Smith
- Bill Bennett, son-in-law of Michele & Rod MacLeod
- Robert Holt, son of Fran Holt
- Diep Shoemaker, daughter-in-law of Katrina Shoemaker
- Chuck Underwood, brother of John Underwood
- Murphy Davis and Eduard Loring, friends of Br. Aelred
- Nicholas Hokanson, son of Marjorie & Rick Timmer
- Don Boyd, father of Jerry Boyd
- Walter Buehler, father of Jim Buehler
- Walter Marx, friend of Kathy Walmsley
- Paul Dean, father of Dylan Dean
- Chris Belcore, brother of Barbara Belcore
- McKenzie & Sydney, nieces of Barbara Belcore
- Gail Peterson, uncle of Lisa Carlson
- Thad Crowe, brother of Lisa Crowe
- Linda Brigner, sister of Judy Urban
- Barbara Hoshley, friend of Marilyn Cook
- Barbara Stinson, friend of Pamela & Michael Smith
- Nancy Davis, Nancy Easland, Oliver Thorold & Julie Hillyer, friends of Kristin Mann
- Megan & Jason and Olivia Cheek, friends of James & Gretchen Cobb
- Christy & Keith, relatives of Kristina Watkins-Mormino
- Cindy Afforder, friend of Lissa Jackson
- Bess Hinson, niece of Patricia Edelkind
- David Mundy, grandson of Cynthia & Gene Montooth
- Ruth, friend of Beth Haines
- Stephanie Gokey, friend of Karen Swenson
- Barbara, friend of Pamela & Mike Smith
- Edward Carr, grandfather of Travis Carr
- Lynne D'Huyvetter, mother of Caroline & Gretchen D'Huyvetter
- Br. Robert James, Gregorian brother of Br. Aelred Dean
- Trellis Anderson, student of Fran Holt
- Nicole & Tyler Burton, children of Lisa Burton
- Jan, sister of Shirley Sugden
- Marcia McCown, friend of Susan Lalor
- Judy Mitchell, wife of Mike and friend of Liz Schellingerhoudt
- Mike Wilson, father of Shelle Bryant
- Margaret Burrell, friend of Kathy Walmsley
- Tommie, sister of Maggie Ewing
- Peter Sells, nephew of Craig & Barbara Ryder
- Jerry Fico, son of Grace Fico
- Arthur Monk, father of Bill Monk
- Carol Martinez, friend of Marjorie & Rick Timmer
- Gloria Wanner, mother of Deanna Wheaton
- Jim Haswell, friend of Cynthia Hizer
- Brian Lowring, friend of the McCord family
- Carolyn Place, mother of Julie Lockhart
- Miriam Reid, mother of Cynthia Hizer
- Alice Macleod Folsom, sister of Rod MacLeod
- Mike Tipton, father of Pam Tipton
- Jim Fort, father of Bruce Fort
- Robert Wood, uncle of Jeremy Wojcik
- Beth, friend of Ann Warner
- Allison Land, sister of Sandy Land
- Mike Daily, father of Lisa Daily
- Marnie Hotz, sister-in-law of Barbara Hotz
- Mark Leonard, friend of Pat Spivey
- Allison Rusche
- Brett, friend of Rob Godsall
- Bill McNutt, father of Shea McNutt
- Margaret Moore, sister of Fran Holt

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Change Service Request

People & Posts

August 2

Acolytes: 8:45 - Anna Democko; 11:15 Mary Katharine Williamson, Alex Williamson

Altar Guild: John Bayne, Shirley Porter, Diane Mundy

Eucharist Visitor(s): Jerry Boyd

Flower Guild: Anne Warner

Layreaders & LEMs: 8:45 - Caroline Branch, Phil Bolton, Diane Mundy, Tom Democko, Cecilia Democko; 11:15 - Brent Henderson, Nancy McCord, Bob Thompson, Ray Piper; 6:00 - Pat Graves

Nursery: TBA

Ushers: 8:45 - Phillip Anderson, Sabra Hanson, John Howarth; 11:15 - Audrey Banfield, Neil Banfield, Liz Romo-Rasha

Verger of the Day: Fran Holt

Vestry Person of the Day: Mark Rowles

Second Teller: John Keys

August 9

Acolytes: 8:45 - Will Bryant; 11:15 - Chelsea Stephens, Emily Cook

Altar Guild: Bobbie Campbell, Katrina Shoemaker, Larry Wilcox

Eucharist Visitor(s): None Scheduled

Flower Guild: Jo Sedlack

Layreaders & LEMs: 8:45 - Marjorie Timmer, Rick Timmer, John Yntema, Nancy Thompson; 11:15 - Gretchen Maclachlan, Jim Goodman, Sara Nally, Dan Mundy, Bob Kirkhuff, Heather Knapp; 6:00 - Paul Holbrook

Nursery: TBA

Ushers: 8:45 - Margo Timberlake, Barbara Belcore, Pat Spivey; 11:15 - John Keys, Lola Oyesiku, Kathie Ryan, Kathy Walmsley

Verger of the Day: Susan Messner

Vestry Person of the Day: Cecilia Democko

Second Teller: Ann Fowler