



The Epiphany Star

May 6, 2009

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,

27 TO 1 F

Sound like a slam dunk winning score, except that the winning score is the small number, not the big one. One is the winning number. It is how many bags of trash—headed to our friendly neighborhood landfill—we filled this Easter Sunday. And the number 27 is the number of bags we filled last year and put out on the sidewalk after Easter Sunday breakfast last year—2008. 27 to 1—is impressive.

The difference isn't in the number of people who ate or how much we ate—but because of a new system that will make Br. Aelred's work easier and ease the burden of trash we create and throw away here at Epiphany.

So when you spot the new green garbage bags—light green plastic made from corn—in trash cans on wheels with lids—know you can throw into it ALL food waste—including meat, bones and that ever-difficult challenge—sauces and syrups. Throw in corks, throw in paper packaging and paper plates, paper cups (not Styrofoam). You can throw into it the corn plastic cups—the factory is in the middle of corn country in Iowa, and on the days when we use them—the plastic forks, knives and spoons made from Idaho potatoes. The factory is even in Idaho. The chain is getting smaller, the outsourced, global economy is returning home to create jobs for local people from local ingredients grown in our own back yards. These green bags will be picked up twice a week and sent to a farm outside of Atlanta to be composted and turned into a healthy and clean soil amendment.

Further: if you would like to bring your own compost materials from home and put them in the containers, we're all for that. We are asking \$5 a month to offset expenses.

Recycling still goes in the blue bags—glass, other plastics (made from oil), aluminum foil, tin cans, milk cartons, juice containers, wine bottles.

What is left—precious little it turns out—goes into the regular white bags we are used to seeing. These get taken to the street by Br. Aelred and sent to the landfill, to the worst neighborhoods not too far from the people we feed and serve in our Epiphany Outreach efforts.

Because greening the earth is not just a cute story for tree huggers. It is a social justice issue. It is speaking for those who can't speak for themselves. It impacts the poorest and least healthy people in our population. Those with the highest cancer rates. Those without clean ground water. Those with chronic asthma and diseases.

How can you help? Wash a dish. Throw stuff in the right colored bags. Reduce, reuse and recycle.

Iowa and Idaho. Louisiana and Arkansas. Plastics made from corn and potatoes, sugar cane and rice. A lighter footprint. A world our children will want to inherit. The world God loves. Ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

The Rev. Cynthia Hizer



Parish News



Church AC Update

Mike McAuliffe, Properties Committee Co-Chair

As you are most likely aware, our church air conditioning compressor unit for the nave failed on Holy Saturday. We were able to repair the system temporarily; however, the temporary fix failed as well. The air conditioning in the remainder of the building is fully functional and unaffected by the failure of the Sanctuary compressor.

The properties committee held an emergency meeting to discuss our options for cooling the nave this spring and the way our immediate needs impact the long term physical plant here at Epiphany. The consensus among the parishioners in attendance was that we do not want to make a hasty decision, which may negatively impact the current and future efforts to maximize Epiphany's contribution to creation keeping. To this end, we respectfully ask that you bear with us as we perform our diligence in requesting and evaluating HVAC proposals geared toward maximizing energy efficiency while providing comfort to all who worship in our nave. We anticipate having air conditioning in the nave by Sunday, May 17.

I would like to emphasize that the delay is strictly due to our desire to make a strategic, forward-looking decision. We have a well-capitalized contingency fund that we anticipate will cover the cost the new HVAC system. Additionally, we have contingency plans to address the comfort level in the Sanctuary for the next two weeks. We sincerely thank you for your understanding on this issue.

Please feel free to contact me at 770.414.1815 or mike.mcauliffe@comcast.net with any questions or concerns.

Episcopal Church Women

The Episcopal Church Women will meet May 12 at 11:00 a.m. to go to Holy Comforter. We will eat lunch with them as well as see the many activities going on there. Please come early (9:30) to make sandwiches for Emmaus House. For more information contact Barbara Ryder at bhwryder@bellsouth.net or 404.373.9472.

United Thank Offering Update

Many thanks to all of you who contributed to the United Thank Offering. We collected \$1020.10 for their many projects-\$239 more than last year! Boxes are available in Gallery for use through the year.



Outdoor Eucharist, Picnic & Year-end Celebration

May 17 at McKoy Park at 11:00 a.m.

Due to the renovations at Glenlake Park, this year's Outdoor Service and Picnic will be held at another Decatur venue, McKoy Park. McKoy Park is located between McKoy St. and S. McDonough St. Parking is limited, so we ask that you either carpool or use another mode of transportation. The park is a bit tricky to find so scope it out ahead of time. You will find the directions on the Decatur website, www.decaturga.com. Bring your chairs and blankets and be prepared to have a great time.

Joel Fowler is gearing up for the job of grill-meister so you know the fare will be delicious. The menu includes hamburgers, veggie burgers and hotdogs. We will sell tickets on the three Sundays before the event. The Church will provide drinks, but please sign up to bring a side dish or dessert. Also, coolers filled with ice for keeping dishes and beverages cool would be appreciated.

After lunch is play time so bring a ball or other sports equipment and be prepared to hang out with other Epiphanyites at play. Relaxing is also appropriate.

Any questions, concerns or ideas, contact Polly Nodine at 404.371.8111.

20/30s in May

Join Epiphany and the 20/30s group at the 11:15 a.m. service and Parish Picnic May 17 at McCoy Park. Bring a dish to share. We will hang out at the picnic rather than having the scheduled cook out that evening at Matt and Kate Boyer's home. We look forward to seeing everyone at the parish picnic!

Epiphany Book Club

By Christina Kaylor, christina_kaylor@yahoo.com

Epiphany's Book Club meets the 3rd Monday of the month at Regency House. Join us at 7:30 p.m. at 341 Winn Way, Decatur, 30030. Our next book is Cormac McCarthy's prize-winning *The Road.*, May 18, Mark your calendars. Please join us!

Studying Nature at the Farm:

Quiet Day at Hazelbrand with Liefy Smith

Please join us on Saturday, May 9, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., for a day of exploring and sketching/drawing nature with our own Epiphany artist, Liefy Smith, held at Hazelbrand Farm in Covington, GA. In two 2-hour sessions, Liefy will guide us in the techniques of nature drawing. This is open to everyone, and not intimidating or just for “artists.” “Non-artists” just need Liefy’s encouragement!

Those who don’t want to draw but just appreciate the wildness and beauty of a spring day in the country, are invited to explore the land and identify and journal about whatever you find. You can also combine the two! Cynthia will be on hand to identify plants, and you are invited to bring your own favorite tree and plant identification books. Also, there are horses to talk to, a labyrinth to walk, and pastures, woods, river, and wetlands to explore. We will make a binder of your musings and drawings.

Please sign up for the area you are most interested in—Nature Identification or Nature Sketching/Drawing. (You can change your mind!)

- **Nature Drawing/Sketching** will include exploring the land and finding an interesting bit of branch with leaves or a flower, taking it back to a studio area, and setting up to draw on newsprint. In the later session we will work at completing the drawing to transfer to another sheet of paper to render in pencil or ink.
- **Nature Identification** will involve exploring the land to find a plant (or plants) you are interested in researching. We will set up a binder in which you can put the information you have researched, mark the plant’s location on the farm site plan and journal about your thoughts and/or impressions.

Charge is a very small materials fee of \$5, and please sign up for coffee and potluck lunch. (Please place money in Cynthia Hizer’s mailbox, and write checks to Epiphany.) Suggestions of items to bring to make your day more comfortable: a chair, journal and pen, sun block, bug spray, sun hat and glasses, rain gear: whatever the weather requires, plus good shoes/boots if you want to walk in the woods and wetlands. Carpools will leave Epiphany at 8 a.m. Look for sign-up sheet in the Crossing Hall. For more information contact the Rev. Cynthia Hizer at epiphany.org or 404.373.8338 ext 16.

Chez Epiphany Cooking Class!

It’s Spanish cooking—Part 2. Warm weather is here, so how about a great big pan of Paella, along with other Spanish food, including, of course, Sangria? Join instructor Joel Fowler and other Epiphanyites for an evening of cooking and eating. No prior experience needed. The class is hands-on instruction, so bring your apron and be ready to dive in. The cost is \$20 per person, which includes the class and a full dinner together (not just samples—come hungry!). The class meets Tuesday, June 2, from 6 – 9 p.m. in the Epiphany kitchen. Make your reservations early (there’s only space for the first 8 people) by calling Joel at 404.627.0626.



Epiphany’s Art Ministry welcomes Dr. Craig A. Ryder for May

Here is what he writes in the first person:

I started painting in my junior year of high school. I had taken “art” in the eighth grade but it was an overlook of how art was used in everyday living and commerce—not “how to paint.” My early painting was self taught using oil paints and improved with time to the early oil paintings displayed here today. I continued painting through college. Medical school, internship and residency training, and two years in the U.S. Public Health Service did not leave time to paint.

In the mid 70’s my medical practice was established enough to let me take painting lessons from a local Suffolk, Virginia, artist. These weekly lessons lasted for about 6 months, and after that I continued with the weekly class to make sure I kept at it.

My early paintings were all oil but when I returned to painting in the 70’s the medium was now acrylic. I like oil painting better - it doesn’t dry quickly and it allows the painter gradation of color, e.g., dark blue sky to light blue as it gets to the horizon. As I painted with acrylic paints my technique improved to what you see here. My acrylic painting continued to the early 90’s. I have not painted since that time.

Most paintings are from photographs—black and white and color. Subject material has been from nature. We lived near the outer banks of North Carolina and that has been the inspiration for several paintings. Some of the “dark” paintings were something different to do.

I have sold some paintings (does that make me professional?) but most have gone to family.

Dr. Craig Ryder is the spouse of assisting priest, Rev. Barbara Ryder.

Parish Retreat - October 23-25, 2009

By Ann Gonter

Registration will soon begin for our Annual Parish Retreat to beautiful Kanuga Conference Center near Hendersonville, North Carolina (about 3 hours from Atlanta). Please reserve this date on your calendar now as a not-to-be-missed parish event. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Scholarships are available by speaking to the Rector, Benno Pattison.

This year's program stands to be terrific as always. Traditions you can count on like the Rector's Spiritual Discussion and Nature Hike will continue. Last year we saw new additions to include a Medieval Mystery Dinner, a Table Tennis Tournament, and a photography class. The best way to share the news of this event is to let some of the participants tell you themselves. Here are some of the comments from the evaluation of last year's retreat:

- "Spiritual Discussion—I really enjoyed the different stories that the discussion participants relayed, and enjoyed Benno's words as well. It was a thought-provoking discussion."
- "Ping Pong Tournament: As a single person without kids, it gave me an opportunity to meet some of the younger folks and have fun with them. Also, reminded me I need to work on my hand/eye coordination :)"
- "Hike to Eagle Rock—I love hiking and being outdoors, and the gorgeous fall color that weekend made the hike and the view from the top breathtaking, and I enjoyed talking with the other hikers; I met some new folks!"
- "Sunday morning Eucharist. Great because we were all together, it was beautiful, and it was an intimate worship"
- "Medieval Murder Mystery Dinner—The dinner was so much fun, and I was able to meet a lot of new folks through the game as we had to talk to each other and interact."
- "Saturday night in Cabin 39: So much laughter. Reminded me of being at a family reunion...with family that actually enjoys each other."
- "I loved each of the worship services. Each of them provided their own sense of being with God."
- "All (worship) areas were beautiful! I was thrilled that we had a service in the Chapel of Transfiguration. St.

Francis Chapel was amazing. What a place to feel God's presence."

- "This was my first parish retreat with Epiphany and my first trip to Kanuga and I just loved it all! The community that I felt I was able to build at the retreat with existing friends and new folks alike is invaluable to me as a member of Epiphany...I feel even more a part of the family of this parish than ever!!"

The Kanuga Parish Retreat is open to all at Epiphany, newcomers and long-time members. Full and partial scholarships are available and may be obtained by speaking to the Rector, Benno Pattison at rector@epiphany.org or 404.373.8773. Please do not allow cost to deter you from attending this very special parish event.

If you aren't able to join us this year, perhaps you will consider making a donation to the Kanuga Scholarship Fund. This fund assists parishioners with the financial expenses of registration. It is a lovely way to commemorate memories of Epiphany Retreats past. Please see David Draper at davidatl45@aol.com or 404.371.9440.

We have a limited number of spaces for our retreat and we typically begin a wait list early. If you know that you want to go, it is recommended that you submit your registration early. Please see any member of the Kanuga Task Force at the Parish Picnic on May 17. They will be wearing a colorful Kanuga name tag and delighted to talk to you about Kanuga and the Epiphany Parish Weekend.

Please feel free to email or call Ann Gonter with any additional questions at annraines@comcast.net or 678.575.1563.

We look forward to seeing you in Kanuga in October!



GLBTQO Party

Saturday June 6 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.:
GLBTQO Party at Jamie Shiell and Chris

Brown's Lake House on Jackson Lake near Covington, Ga. Join us for swimming, boating and visiting - all GLBTQO and friends and families invited. Also, let us know if you want to be put on the GLBTQO targeted email list at Epiphany for future events. We will publish directions, but we do need to know if you are coming to plan food. To sign up or for more information contact the Rev. Cynthia Hizer at associate@epiphany.org or 404.373.8338 ext 16.



Join the Training Group

By Nisa Sommers

It is time for our second season of the ET Training Group! Our summer season begins this Saturday, May 2 and ends Saturday, August 1. Spread the Word! The group will meet at 8:30 a.m. this Saturday only and then at 8:00 a.m. for the rest of the consecutive Saturdays! We will meet at Church of the Epiphany, 2089 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE, Atlanta, GA 30307 in the church courtyard. Most of our training takes place on streets, paths and trails close to Epiphany. Occasionally we will branch out to Stone Mountain and other in-town parks for running, walking, hiking and biking workouts.

This season's focus is on short races—5K/10K, short trail runs, day hikes, swimming, cycling and triathlon training. We will also be working consistently on anatomical core strengthening. We have several people already training for the Peachtree Road Race and several people training for triathlons. We also have a great group of walkers! If you have a specific race or fitness goal in mind please let me know during the first couple weeks of training. Our group services all ages (8-82 yrs!). Kids and teens must be accompanied by a parent who will run, walk, bike, hike, etc. with them. Our group members are weekend athletes, beginning -> advanced walkers, intermediate -> advanced runners, and competitive athletes. We focus on health, fitness and motivation first and then add a competitive element for those interested in competing in age group competition!

Our winter season (Dec 08-March 09) was a huge success! We graduated 8 ING Marathon and Half-Marathon runners and our 5K/10K group learned how to build a good fitness base and participated in area races like the Atlanta Women's 5K.

We welcome all new comers! Our group offers nutrition, training advice, and great group camaraderie. If you have always wanted to be a part of a fun /fitness training group, now is the time! There is no fee for the training but consistent attendance (as much as possible allowing for summer travel, illness, etc.) is required as a promise to you and your group members.

If you have questions please contact me at 404.408.6995 or nisasommers@yahoo.com

The Epiphany Star

a word to the wise...



...is a bi-weekly publication of The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany. Articles compiled and edited by the Parish Administrator, Shea McNutt. Submissions accepted via mail, fax, e-mail or hand-delivery.

Deadline for the next issue is 5 p.m.,
Wednesday, May 13

Office Hours

Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Website

www.epiphany.org

E-mail

info@epiphany.org

Telephone

404.373.8338

♻️ printed on recycled paper

Full-time Parish Staff

The Rev. Benno D. Pattison, Rector
rector@epiphany.org

The Rev. Cynthia Hizer, Associate Rector
associate@epiphany.org

Jamie Shiell, Organist & Choir Master
music@epiphany.org

L. Shea McNutt, Parish Administrator
parishadmin@epiphany.org

Br. Aelred Dean, Sexton
sexton@epiphany.org

Part-time, Placements & Affiliations

The Rev. Barbara Ryder, Assisting Priest (Ret.)
bhwyder@bellsouth.net

The Rev. Dennis Smart, Assisting Priest (Ret.)
john.smart@comcast.net

Terry Howell, Vocational Deacon
thowell@fieldshowell.com

Cynthia Montooth, Vocational Deacon
chmontooth@earthlink.net

Liz Schellingerhoudt, Seminarian
Schellingerhoudt@bellsouth.net

Marena Vittorio, Organ Scholar
marenavittorio@gmail.com

Malikah Sabir, Childcare Worker

Jean Livingston, Childcare Worker

2009 Vestry

Lisa Daily, Sr. Warden

Cecilia Democko, Christian Ed.

Muriel Diguette, Outreach

David Draper, Ex-Officio

Colleen Flood, Pastoral Care

Brent Henderson, Music

Mike McAuliffe, Properties

Polly Nodine, Parish Life

Kathleen Rinehart, Pastoral Care

Mark Rowles, Parish Life

Eric Schulz, Stewardship

Dave Thompson, Christian Ed.

Rick Timmer, Finance

Janet Wilson, Treasurer ex-officio

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 & Morning
Prayer alternating weeks

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

Monday through Friday - Noonday Prayer

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

Outreach

Peachtree Pine Homeless Men's Ministry

May 14 & 15

Please sign up to help feed 500 men once a month. No experience necessary, just willing hearts and hands to help those less fortunate. Contact Dot Romo at 404.299.7965 or DOTR33@comcast.net.

Greeting Cards Needed

The Peachtree-Pine Letter-Writing Ministry has nearly used up its non-Christmas supplies. Please donate cards particularly ones with friendship messages (thinking of you, missing you, thank you, etc.). The general purpose ones that are blank inside are invaluable for men to write their own messages. We could use some birthday and get well cards. The men write to mothers, children, girl friends, other relatives, and even their friends in the shelter. Some men send get well cards to relatives in nursing or retirement homes. The thin threads of connection are strengthened by this ministry. Please leave cards and other writing materials in the box in the narthex before May 15th, our next evening to serve there. Thank you.

Camp Coast Care Team Assembled

I am pleased to announce that our team has been finalized for the mission to Camp Coast Care this June.

Our team consists of both parish and non-parish members. They are Dean Findley, Robin Levine, Jim Taylor, Joe Gora, Jerry Kinnane, Ted Jackson, Marshall Hoyler, Gregory Goss, Rachel Schnabel, Olivia Sedlack and James Brown.

This will be our third mission to CCC with the primary objective of building new and rebuilding homes for Katrina victims along the Mississippi gulf coast.

We ask for your prayers and support as we depart for the one week mission on June 7.

DEAM Update

While we stock the pantry in January and June, our basket remains by the door year round. Current needs include canned meat products (tuna, chicken, Beefaroni style products, ham, chili with meat, etc), cereal, 1 lb. pkgs spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, rice, 1 qt pkgs dry milk, and small corn muffin mixes. For more information feel free to contact Kathie Ryan at 404.377.2467 or kathieryan@bellsouth.net.



Children's Ministries

Epiphany Youth Group (EYG)

By Brent Henderson

Here is the EYG schedule for May:

May 10 - In celebration of Mother's Day there are no EYG activities planned. Enjoy the time with your mothers.

May 15 (Friday) - EYG Lock-In from 8:00 p.m. Friday to 7:00 a.m. Saturday. This will be the last EYG event for the year.

Youth - thank you for coming and being a part of EYG this year. The adults have had a blast and we hope you all have too.

Parents - thank each of you for supporting our efforts and bringing your children each week. Thanks also to those of you who assisted with transportation to our activities and for those who provided meals for the group.

Epiphany Members - thank you for your prayers and support as we continue to grow this wonderful ministry at Epiphany. We appreciate all the goodies that have been left for us throughout the year and for the groups that provided meals.

Have a fun and safe summer!

Epiphany Vacation Bible Camp "Go Green with God"

This year our Vacation Bible Camp theme will be "Go Green with God: Celebrating and Caring for God's Creation." It will be held June 22-27 from 9 -12 Monday through Thursday, and 9 - 1 on Friday. The cost will be \$45 for the week. However, parents who help at least 3 days of the week will receive a discounted rate of \$20. Registration forms are available in the gallery or on our website. The sooner you sign your child up, the sooner we can determine our needs for teachers. For information contact Cynthia Hizer at associate@epiphany.org or Nadine Howarth at nadine.howarth@comcast.com.

An Urban Adventure

By Co-Leaders Katy Graves and David Shew



The Journey to Adulthood (J2A ages 14-15) class will embark on their Urban Adventure trip on June 5 and return June 9. Eight young people and four adults will board *The Crescent*, the Amtrak train that travels from Atlanta to points south and head for New Orleans, LA. There they have planned activities which include the traditional scavenger hunt (using only public transportation), education activities about flood relief, prayer, fun and worship. Funds for the trip have been provided through various fundraising activities sponsored by the group as well as contributions from the families of the participants. Please keep the group in your thoughts and prayers.

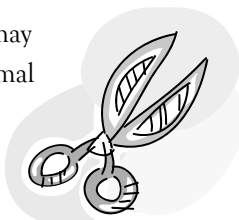
Young Families

Here is an update on a few activities and outreach opportunities related to the Young Families group at Epiphany.

If you have questions about any of the opportunities mentioned below, please contact Mary Beth Jordan at marybeth.jordan@comcast.net or at 404.941.9091.

Baptismal Banners

You may have noticed or your children may have received one of the beautiful baptismal banners that are given to families to commemorate their child's baptism. Going forward, families will have the opportunity to make their own banner, but we need a few volunteers to help cut out felt letters and crosses which will be glued on by the families. We are planning to meet at the church in early-May to do some of this pre-work. No advanced craft skills are needed, just a pair of sharp scissors! If you are interested in helping with this effort, please contact Mary Beth Jordan at marybeth.jordan@comcast.net or 404-941-9091.



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.



May 19
June 16
July - off
August 25
September 22
October 20
November 17
December - off

Childrens' Clothing Need

Parishioner Mary Ann Schneider is in need of used clothing for two former foster girls who are still in and out of her care. Ba'Karia wears size 9-12 months and Zjahni wears size 8 (years). If you are able to pass along any such clothing items for summer, please contact Mary Ann at mschneider@saylorlaw.com or 404-201-2182. She has an abundance of boy clothes, size 4 and 5, which she is glad to share.



Meals for Families with Babies

Several families have had babies in recent months, and many of you have been kind enough to prepare and deliver dinners to them. They all have been very appreciative of this great gift during what can be both a joyous and exhausting time. Keri Crawford and Reginald Reid just welcomed their new baby boy, Riley. We are working to fill a meal schedule for them that will cover Tuesdays and Thursdays through May. Please contact Mary Beth Jordan at marybeth.jordan@comcast.net or 404-941-9091 if you are willing to prepare a meal for them, or if you would like to be added to our casserole brigade list to prepare a meal in the future.

Green Corner

Save the Date

May 26, Tues 7 p.m. Earth Guild meeting with special guest Zoey Laird. Come hear 12-year old Epiphany tell about the environmental award her class won. For more info contact The Rev. Cynthia Hizer at 404.373.8338 or associate@epiphany.org.

Green Corner

By Lissa Jackson

The Epiphany Earth Guild hosted an Earth Week this past week, and we celebrate our earthly achievements as we move towards a more balanced spiritual view of God and our mission to serve God by caring for his creation.

Some of the accomplishments are:

We reduced the amount of paper used for worship bulletins using the same bulletin for both morning services and creating a missal for the 6 p.m. service (we were already using recycled paper and soy ink). We moved to ceramic china and taught everyone how to use the dishwasher, started a recycling system, moved to green cleaning supplies for the church, purchased corn-derived cups and flatware that can be composted, added rain barrels and native plantings around the campus and purchased LED exit signs, and installed zone thermostats. We are starting an



urban garden project on our grounds and many members have joined a CSA (community supported agriculture). We share our space with a preschool and have learned how to accommodate each others' needs for this efficient dual-usage of space and energy consumption. We have also had a bike rack for several years and many parishioners bike (or walk) to church.

Epiphany is negotiating the first large-scale composting program that will be easy for parishioners to use and will take all our organic wastes and turn them into compost. Just this Easter we reduced our trash bag count (landfill) from 27 for Easter of 2008 to 1 (one!) for Easter 2009 using this program. We are creating a boilerplate program and pricing structure that other churches can copy

We should be proud of the commitment the staff and parishioners have made to being more sustainable in our growth.

Music News

We Are God's Symphony: Music & Arts Camp for Children

This summer, the Church of the Epiphany is excited to announce a Music and Arts Camp for rising first through sixth graders. The camp will meet June 8-12 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The camp is designed to help children gain an enriched appreciation for the numerous musical skills they can

offer in worship through song and instruments. Each of the first four days will focus on a specific family of instruments including strings, woodwinds, reeds, and bells and percussion. The final day will culminate when the children discover that each of the families of instruments can be played on the organ. Every morning will begin with a mini-concert open to all containing music from each of the families of instruments. The children will then rotate in classes learning songs that uplift the power of music accompanied by various instruments. All children will have the opportunity to work with the musicians and learn about their instruments. They will do art projects, creating their own instruments. Most importantly, they will gain self esteem discovering that they are the true instruments of God and encouraging future involvement in music ministries. The week will conclude with a worship service in which the children will offer their musical gifts by singing the service music accompanied by diverse instruments. Registration forms are posted on our site and are in the gallery. If you would like to be a faculty member for the Music and Arts Camp by volunteering to perform in a mini-concert, or teaching children about the instrument you play, please contact me at marenavittorio@gmail.com.



Cinderella—an encore performance

The overwhelmingly successful opera performed at the Spring Fling is back due to high demand. We will perform this in the Church on Saturday, May 9, at 8 p.m. Tickets will be \$20 per person and will be followed by a gala champagne reception. This event will serve as a fundraiser for our Schola's Piccolo Spoleto tour.

Sing Joyfully

The Festival Singers of Atlanta present their 2009 spring concert, Sing Joyfully, here at Church of the Epiphany on May 15 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Selections include the *Missa de Beata Virgine* by the 16th and 17th century German composer Gregor Aichinger, as well as music by John Taverner, John Rutter, Palestrina, William Byrd and Stephen Paulus. Admission is free. Contact Brenda Lloyd at 770.934.2096.

Epiphany Schola Cantorum goes to Spoleto!

Our Schola will perform a concert at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 24, in the First Baptist Church of Charleston. The concert is titled "Luminare" and will feature music composed in the 20th and 21st centuries that has a central theme of light and darkness (day and evening). The trip will also include concerts at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Savannah, Georgia, and St. Helena's Episcopal Church in Beaufort, South Carolina.

The Choir will travel via chartered coach and stay together in hotels. We will leave on Saturday, May 23, and return on the evening of Monday, May 25 (Memorial Day). There are a limited number of spaces for people who would like to join us on this trip. The cost is \$200 per person and will include a seat on the bus, two nights hotel stay (double occupancy) and two lunches. There is significant free-time in Savannah and Charleston for those not singing. Persons interested in going should contact Jamie Shiell in the church office immediately.

Epiphany Stars

Have you or another parishioner you know done a good deed for the parish? Do you know someone who has received recognition for a personal achievement? Let us know!

- **Wister Cook & Don Stripling**, for their years of service as our volunteers who printed, folded and stuffed the Sunday bulletins. Wister worked for eight years on this, and Don did it for four years. We thank them for their years of battle with the folding machine! We welcome **Floyd Parker** and **Jim Stevens** who have volunteered to help out on Fridays.
- **Carla & Debbie Crawford**, for their tireless efforts managing the Peachtree Pine Ministry. Mother and daughter put in countless hours shopping, organizing, prepping and cooking every month to feed the 500+ men at the Peachtree Pine Shelter. Our thanks to **Dot Romo** and daughter, **Liz Romo-Rasha** for taking on the reins starting this month.
- **The Rev. Benjamin J. Anthony**, Episcopal chaplain to Emory University, will preach April 26, May 3 and 10 on "Day 1," a nationally broadcast radio program also accessible online at Day1.org. Each program features a sermon preached by Anthony along with interviews conducted by the program's host and executive producer, Peter Wallace. A priest of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, Anthony was assigned to Emory's chaplaincy in October 2007. Earlier he was associate priest for youth and young adults at St. Luke's, Atlanta. http://day1.org/1246-the_rev_benjamin_anthony. ~ Ann Gonter
- **Ruth Olson, Helen Burkhalter, Audrey Banfield** and her sister, **Peggy Karst, Dot Romo, Wister Cook, Carolyn Cook, Colleen Flood, Catherine Harvey, and Sandy Mallory** for organizing, setting up, cleaning up and staffing the funeral reception for Mary Betty Ford. **Br. Aelred** for assisting with all the logistics. The choir for providing the food and wine. ~ Kathleen Rinehart
- **Kathleen Rinehart** who beautifully prepared the white tablecloths for the DEAM Volunteer luncheon hosted by Epiphany on April 29, and to **Br. Aelred** who is always there to calm the waters. ~ Kathie Ryan



Epiphany Easter Breakfast Was Joyful and Festive

By Jan Rivers

An estimated 250 people enjoyed breakfast and festive fellowship Easter morning at the annual Easter Breakfast in the Parish Hall. **Charlie Overstreet, Duke Miller and Bill Wagner** did a fabulous job cooking the scrambled eggs, potatoes O'Brian and bacon. There were so many positive comments about the delicious food that we had catered for our breakfast! Many families contributed hot cross buns and other delicious dishes, and the children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt in the courtyard. The flower guild arranged beautiful flowers for the tables, and **Doug Runnion and Jan and Gordy Rivers** set up the tables, adding nests of candy eggs and other decorations. A particularly difficult and most appreciated job behind the scenes was the cleanup work that went on until 1:30 after the breakfast. **Margaret Putnam, Cameron Smith, Polly Nodine, Mark Rowles, Br. Aelred** and a lovely and cheerful couple whose names I did not get (sorry!) cleaned, scrubbed, wiped down and put away. **Br. Aelred** transported our leftover food to the Temple Night Shelter on Peachtree. Thanks to all who contributed to this festive breakfast!

Diocesan News



TOWARD A FULL & FAITHFUL TELLING

Repairing the breach of slavery, segregation and racism in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta

Join us for a day of conversation and story telling

Saturday, May 30 | 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. | The Cathedral of St. Philip

Special Guest: Retired Bishop of Mississippi Duncan Gray Jr.

Panelists: Dr. Anita George, Bishop Chip Marble, Ms. Ruby Sales

Workshops: "Ancestry and The Voyager Project,"
"Recording Your Stories" and more.

Details at www.episcopalatlanta.org
or call 404-601-5320 or 800-537-6743

Sponsored by the Antiracism Commission and the Institute for Ministry and Theological Education of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta



Families & Money: A Role for Communities of Faith

by Linda Scott, diocesan resource coordinator

Please mark your calendars for "Families & Money: A Role for Communities of Faith," to be offered Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Cathedral of St. Philip. The diocesan Commission on Stewardship and the Institute for Ministry & Theological Education are presenting an all-day event with Nathan Dungan, founder and director of ShareSaveSpend.

In a highly interactive format, Dungan will address the challenge that families are facing in today's economy, explore the dominant influence that material values in our consumer society are having as against the values of our faith, and discuss how to maintain a spirit of generosity as we share God's gifts in the face of the current stressful financial environment.

Clergy, stewardship leaders and all adults ~ in particular parents and grandparents ~ are invited to attend along with teenagers, age 13 and up. The program will address the particular pressures placed on families because of the extraordinary marketing efforts focused on children and youth.

We'll be providing more information on the event in coming weeks. Information: lscott@episcopalatlanta.org

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

- Sylvia Ethridge
- Tom Fountain
- Tim Gore
- Luise Kirkhuff
- Susan Smart
- Barbara Stewart
- David Stringer
- Laura Thomas
- Donna Whitehead
- Aklea Whalen
- Bob Hitt
- Duane Stephenson & Brett Bennett, cousins of Esther Harbert
- Miriam Reid, mother of Cynthia Hizer
- Carolyn Place, mother of Julie Lockhart

Rest eternal grant them

- Karen Robertson, mother of Kelly Cowart
- Charles King, father of Allen King
- Sister Elizabeth Mary, SSG, Gregorian sister of Br. Aelred and Fran Holt

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 and Trey

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, 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
- Kate McCary, aunt of Karen Swenson
- Mike Daily, father of Lisa Daily
- 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 Wollison
- Gail Goldsmith, friend of Jan & Gordy Rivers
- 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 Runnion
- 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
- Alice MacLeod, sister of Rod MacLeod
- 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
- Bobby Crenshaw and Catharine Crenshaw McCary, uncle and aunt of Karen Swenson
- Murphy Davis and Eduard Loring, friends of Br. Aelred
- Nicholas Hokanson, son of Marjorie & Rick Timmer
- Don Boyd, father of Jerry Boyd
- Allison, sister of Sandy Land
- 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
- Charles King, father of Allen King
- David Mundy, grandson of Cynthia & Gene Montooth
- Tommie, sister of Maggie Ewing
- 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
- Jim Phillips, father of Esther Harbert
- Peter Sells, nephew of Craig & Barbara Ryder
- Mike Wilson, father of Shelle Bryant
- Jerry Fico, son of Grace Fico
- Arthur Monk, father of Bill Monk
- Carol Martinez, father of Marjorie & Rick Timmer
- Gloria Wanner, mother of Deanna Wheaton
- Jim Haswell, friend of Cynthia Hizer
- Brian Lowring, friend of the McCord family

The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany
2089 Ponce de Leon Ave., NE
Atlanta, GA 30307

Change Service Request

People & Posts

May 10

Acolytes: 8:45 - Ross Democko; 11:15 - Jordan Moody, Hannah, Thompson, Jessica Moody, Emily Thompson

Altar Guild: Bobbie Campbell, Katrina Shoemaker, Larry Wilcox

Eucharist Visitor(s): None Scheduled

Flower Guild: Stacy Wisniewski

Layreaders & LEMs: 8:45 - Todd Smith, Katie Pedersen, Marjorie Timmer, Diane Mundy, Rick Timmer, Susan Lalor; 11:15 - Chris Moser, Laura Keys, Brent Henderson, Nisa Sommers, Bob Thompson, Jim Goodman; 6 - Chris Miller

Nursery: Patrick & Shelle Bryant

Ushers: 8:45 - Phil Bolton, Jim Biddle, Eric Craig; 11:15 - Scott Yaegle, Ingrid Reinhard, Wendy Keith-Ott, Rick Timmer

Verger of the Day: David Draper

Vestry Person of the Day: Polly Nodine

Second Teller: Kathy Walmsley

May 17

Acolytes: 8:45 - Diane Mundy, Brendan Bender, Alex Bender; 11:15 - Chelsea Stephens

Altar Guild: Keith Poole, Annie Strahan, Kathleen Rinehart

Eucharist Visitor(s): None Scheduled

Flower Guild: Nadine Howarth

Layreaders & LEMs: 8:45 - Leah Felcher, Caroline Branch, Tom Democko, Caroline Branch, Cecelia Democko; 11:15 - Gretchen Maclachlan, Nelson Oyesiku, Katrina Shoemaker, Nancy McCord, Ray Piper, Sara Nally; 6 - Mary McKenzie

Nursery: Sally & Sid Smith

Ushers: 8:45 - Anne Warner, John Pierson, Ray Quinnelly, Beverly Burks; 11:15 - Randy Strahan, Annie Strahan, Mike Binford, Nancy Binford

Verger of the Day: Sherry Wallace

Vestry Person of the Day: Cecilia Democko

Second Teller: Jeanette Hanson