



The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

2089 Ponce de Leon Ave., NE Atlanta, GA 30307-1345

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Dear Epiphanites,

We begin our baptism services each time with the words of Ephesians 4. "There is one body and one Spirit...one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all." That passage goes on to reference the God "who is above all and through all and in all." It reminds us as we renew our baptismal vows that we belong to God and we belong to each other.

Nearly every one of us at Epiphany can tell stories of the times we felt that belonging powerfully. It happens as we worship, as we serve, as we care for each other and the world around us. We want to make sure our children and youth experience that as well. If you attended our parish meeting in early September about the future of our children and youth ministries, you got to hear stories of what an impact you have on our younger members. And you got to hear the longing for consistent leadership in that area that can nurture our children and youth in their belonging to God and belonging in our community.

Increasing our overall giving by 8% would allow us to make hiring a full time (or full time equivalent) Children and Youth Director a priority for our parish in the coming year. In addition to that, your pledges and gifts make it possible to carry on all the ministries that allow people to find their place of belonging here at Epiphany and to be the presence of Christ in our community.

If you are already an annual pledge-maker, thank you! If you are already a financial supporter of Epiphany, but have not completed a pledge in the past, I invite you to fill out a pledge card and be counted as a committed pledger. We develop our annual budget based on pledges, so we depend on the completion of pledge card commitments in order to know our base financial capability. If you are not already giving regularly to Epiphany, we ask that you prayerfully consider pledging and making regular giving part of your practice each month. We make it as easy as possible by allowing electronic pledging and giving right from our website. Your pledge helps us determine what ministries we can offer and support in the year to come.

To pledge today, return the enclosed pledge envelope or pledge online at epiphany.org/give. We will celebrate the culmination of our pledge drive on Celebration Sunday with an Ingathering blessing of gifts on Sunday, October 25 following the 10:00 worship service.

In Romans 12, Paul says, "we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another." All that we do at Epiphany is made possible by your pledges and gifts. Giving is an opportunity to express our values and our belonging and to help create that for others. I'm grateful for your generosity, and for the grace and belonging we experience in this place.

Grace and peace,

The Rev. Amy Dills-Wright
Rector