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# Announcements

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**FEED THE HUNGRY CAMPAIGN INGATHERING: TODAY**, we will gather all the contributions to our efforts to feed our neighbors in need at St Augustine's, Norristown. Please bring in your bottles, jars and cans of loose change to the service you attend. If you would rather make a contribution with the cash or check, please put those donations in a bottle/can/jar that has been labeled "Feed The Hungry". Make checks payable to Church of the Epiphany and note in the memo line "St Augustine's." Leave the bottles and cans on the red table in the Narthex. If you have any questions, contact Bill Wilson at [userwwjr@aol.com](mailto:userwwjr@aol.com) or 484-302-1953.

**"THANKSGIVING FOR GIVING" BRUNCH: TODAY** the Vestry will feed us! Do plan to enjoy the annual brunch offered in thanksgiving for the generous and giving household that is the Church of the Epiphany.

**ANNUAL GIVING 2018: Here we Are / Send Us:** Our little community is being faced with challenging changes and stark realities that call upon us to do some deep reflection about our identity, our passions, our resources and gifts, our mission and purpose in the world. Throughout October, we are praying, listening, exploring, discerning in order to discover how God is calling us to commit to serve together into the future.

2018 pledge cards were distributed last week in church and more are available should you need one at the back of the church. Your ongoing support of God's work through the Church of the Epiphany (your time and talent and treasure) during the coming year is essential. You ARE the Church of the Epiphany. Your financial pledge, no matter the amount, strengthens the whole Body of Christ and empowers your "hard-working, dedicated and hopeful Vestry to confidently plan and act. We ask that you pray about your pledge, increase it this year if possible, and submit your pledge card by **TODAY** or as soon as possible in November in order to support the creation of the 2018 budget to be completed in early December.

**ALL SAINTS 2017:** The Feast of All Saints will be observed on Sunday, November 5th. As in recent years past, we will be praying for those who have died during the Prayers of the People at the 8 am service and within the context of the Eucharistic Prayer at the 10 am service. Names of loved ones to be read at these services can be printed (legibly, please) on one of two necrology sheets found either at the back of the church on the prayer desk or in the undercroft through October 29<sup>th</sup>.

**CHILI SALE:** Orders are due **TODAY!!** There are blank forms in the back of the church.

**MUSIC AT EPIPHANY IN THE WEEKS AND SEASONS TO COME:** Beginning today and at least through the end of November, we will be without an organist. During this time, we will explore ways to worship joyfully through spoken liturgy and silence, through the use of our sound system for prelude and postlude music of various types, by singing acapella hymns, by asking our children to lead us in singing songs they have been learning in Godly Play, and by other creative means that we have not yet identified. Approaching worship with curiosity, expectation and a playful desire to participate in new ways of being a worshipping congregation will no doubt bear good fruit!

We have begun a search for a supply organist/pianist to support our worship throughout Advent and Christmas. Concurrently, we will be advertising for and interviewing applicants for the position of keyboardist/choir master. If you are aware of musicians who might be qualified and interested in temporary supply or a more permanent music ministry position, please speak to Beth.

## THINK COOKIES

**SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE** - To date, I have not received a list from SCI regarding their annual Thanksgiving/Christmas Ingathering. However, you may want to begin your purchasing toward the gifts that Episcopal churches make each Christmas season for the men and women who are at sea for months at a time. The usual deadline for the ingathering is about the 2nd or 3rd week in November. Purchases could include (no hotel-size bottles, please) shampoo, deodorant, shaving cream, razors, letter paper with envelopes, stamps, warm gloves, and warm watch caps. A box to receive your donations is in the narthex.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** I have put the 2018 altar flower calendar on the bulletin board in the undercroft. Please make any additions, corrections or deletions that are needed. If you want the flowers to repeat on a similar Sunday in following years please put an R beside your name on the calendar. Please note that more than one family can have altar flowers on the same Sunday. Thanks - Sherri Quinlan

**PROJECT OUTREACH** still needs boxed pasta meals and jelly/jam in plastic containers. Bring these items in on any Sunday. Leave them on the table in the narthex or drop them into the plastic bin in the undercroft. Many thanks for supporting this our local food cupboard!

**SCRIP:** Scrip dates for November are the 12<sup>th</sup> and November 26<sup>th</sup>. It is a great time to begin thinking about Christmas and holiday giving. The scrip website ([www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)) has listed a number of vendors which will have small denomination cards (\$5 and \$10) available for the holiday season. If you have any questions or would like to help with the program, please speak to Susan Garone.

**LET'S READ THE WHOLE BIBLE TOGETHER THIS YEAR!** This week's readings:

Oct 30 Day 302 – Daniel 11-12, Psalm 97, Revelation 21

Oct 31 Day 303 – Hosea 1-2, Psalm 98, Revelation 22

Nov 1 Day 304 – Hosea 3-4, Psalm 99, Matthew 1

Nov 2 Day 305 – Hosea 5-6, Psalm 100, Matthew 2

Nov 3 Day 306 – Hosea 7-8, Psalm 101, Matthew 3

Nov 4 Day 307 – Hosea 9-10, Psalm 102, Matthew

Sunday 10/29 Day 308 – Enjoy hearing the Scriptures read aloud in church

OR... go to [www.epiphanystar.net](http://www.epiphanystar.net) and...Scroll down to Bishop's Bible Challenge, click day or week of your choice, find the red link: click & read

## **SAVE THE DATES**

<b>TODAY</b>	11:15	Vestry "Thanksgiving for Giving" Brunch
<b>11/3-4</b>		Diocesan Convention
<b>12/5</b>	TBA (am)	Advent Quiet Day at Christ Church, Pottstown

### **ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP**

#### **10am**

Eucharistic Minister:	Paul Exley
Lectors:	Jack & Kathy Cobbs
Acolyte:	Paul Exley
Greeter:	Larry Way
Usher:	Ben Millet & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Charles Dell & Volunteer
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet
Godly Play Teacher	Marti Wilson
Godly Play Greeter	

### **OUR PARISH LIFE AND WORK THIS WEEK**

Monday	7:30pm	N.A. (Undercroft)
Tuesday	8:00pm	A.A. (Undercroft)
Wednesday	6:00pm	TBMP Weight Loss Program (Office)
	7:00pm	Daisy Troop 7390 (Undercroft)
Thursday	7:30pm	Choirs Meeting (Undercroft)
Sunday 11/5	8:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite I (Spoken)
	10:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Music)
		Church School Children process from the church nave to Education Building at 10 and return at the Peace

### **ASSISTING IN NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP (11/5)**

#### **10am**

Eucharistic Minister:	William Hummer
Lectors:	Helen Warner & Larry Way
Acolyte:	TBD
Greeter:	Kitty DiBattista
Usher:	Julie Dattilo
Counters:	Tom Bailey & Frank Borst
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet
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**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**MIDWEEK HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING LITANY**  
10:15AM WEDNESDAYS

**SUNDAY**

**8AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I (SPOKEN)**  
**10AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (MUSIC)**

**PAUL EXLEY, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR**

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