



# Announcements

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**DEAR EPIPHANY FAMILY,** Our Vestry has been considering alternative ways to better understand the needs and distress of our church building. To that end, we have contacted Baker, Ingram & Associates, structural engineers of Lancaster. The project will include a visual structural assessment of the church building and preparation of a report that documents findings and recommendations. Recommendations will be prioritized by stability issues, public safety and renovations needed to assure that the structure is stable and safe. The date of this project is not yet firm. Upon its completion, the findings will be brought to us all.

*Edward Hill - Property Liaison for the Vestry*

**VESTRY RETREAT:** This Friday and Saturday, your Vestry and Rector (Paul Atlee, Susan Garone, Cathy Cobbs, Julie Dattilo, Ed Hill, and Marti Wilson and the Rev. Beth Hixon) will be gathering with Canon Kirk Berlenbach from the Offices of the Diocese for a 24-hour work-intensive retreat. We will be considering how the whole parish will be invited to discern and engage our mission as Christian Community. Sometime between Friday 4pm and Saturday 4 pm, *please* set an alarm and intentionally

**HOLD US IN PRAYER AS WE MEET**

*Almighty and ever living God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**ALL PARISH WORK DAY:** Please mark your calendars for Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and join fellow parishioners whenever you can during the day. We plan to rent a chipper to get rid of the downed tree, make repairs, work in the garden, clean and polish... whatever you most enjoy doing. Bring gloves and a few tools and pitch in! Thanks to Jonathan Bailey for developing the work plan... stay tuned for more details. (Virgin Cinque de Maya refreshments anyone?)

**IT'S FINALLY SPRING!!!** If you love plants, Mary Campbell, our multi-talented organist/choir director, has many available for your "free will" offering that will actually be a pledge toward her rides for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society or the American Diabetes Association. A total WIN-WIN. Take a look at the plants pictured on the bulletin board in the undercroft and be in touch with Mary!

**FUNDRAISER??:** So far, no one has offered to coordinate a spring dessert auction to be held late in May or early June. As is the case every year, *fundraisers are needed to help close the gap in our budget*. A dessert auction has been a popular event in the past, but it is possible that it has run its course. Other fundraising ideas are welcome. EVERYONE who cares about the health and vitality of The Church of the Epiphany is encouraged to propose creative ideas and give some time to work with the Parish Life Committee to offer a spring fundraiser. We'll be holding a brainstorming session after the 10 am service today... you are cordially invited to participate!!!

**COFFEE HOUR HOSPITALITY:** Thanks to all who have signed up to cover April coffee hours!! The May sign-up sheet is now available... please take a look and host a coffee hour in May. It truly takes a village, not just a few of us, to provide welcoming hospitality! (How about signing up with a friend?)

**EPIPHANY RESOURCES and COMMUNICATION:** Remember...

- The parish calendar, lay ministry schedules and the parish directory can be accessed on the website ([www.ephanystar.net](http://www.ephanystar.net)). The parish directory requires a password that will be announced today in the service as a reminder.
- Prayer requests and announcements can be submitted by email to [churchoffice@epiphanystar.net](mailto:churchoffice@epiphanystar.net). The announcement deadline for the following Sunday is Wednesday at 6 pm.
- Beth is available to all parishioners by text (215) 896-0828 or email ([rector@epiphanystar.net](mailto:rector@epiphanystar.net)) She will usually respond within an hour or two. If you should not receive a response, please call rather than text. She appreciates knowing when and where you are in the event of an acute illness or crisis any time of the day or night and will come to you whenever you wish her presence.

**SCRIP ORDERS on APRIL 22:** If you have questions or would like to help with the program, please contact Susan Garone.

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

Apr 16 Day 106 – I Samuel 25-27, Psalm 88, Acts 2  
Apr 17 Day 107 – I Samuel 28-30, Psalm 89:1-18, Acts 3  
Apr 18 Day 108 – I Samuel 31, Psalm 89:19-52, Acts 4  
Apr 19 Day 109 – II Samuel 1-3, Psalm 90, Acts 5  
Apr 20 Day 110 – II Samuel 4-6, Psalm 91, Acts 6  
Apr 21 Day 111 – II Samuel 7-9, Psalm 92, Acts 7  
Apr 22 Day 112 – Enjoy hearing the Scriptures read aloud in church

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

**UPDATE ON FINANCES: MARCH 2018 (April update coming next week)**

Pledge income for February was \$5,162. We are now 16.5% of the way through the calendar year, but total pledge income collected for January and February represents only 13.8% of the expected annual total. Total expenses so far are about 16% of those expected for the year.

The recording of money donated to Project Outreach has been changed on the financial statements, and now appears in a much more easily understood form. \$70 was sent to the food pantry in February. Holly Cross hosted a very successful Academy Award party, which has resulted in at least \$250 for the church. We will know the final total when Champps sends their contribution. Our budget is counting on \$5000 from fundraising this year. We are looking forward to more delicious/creative ways of earning money to support Epiphany. If you are willing to oversee an activity, please speak to a member of the Vestry or to someone on the Parish Life committee. If you are interested in seeing the financial statement for March or for any other month, please speak with Susan Garone.

Susan Garone  
Accounting Warden

**SAVE THE DATE**

**4/22** after 10 am Parish Forum (following overnight Vestry Retreat) and Scrip  
**5/5** Sat All Parish Spring Clean-up and Work Day  
**6/3** Sun/10 am **Recognition Sunday**

**ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP, Christian Formation, and Fellowship**

	<b>10am</b>
Eucharistic Minister:	Marti Wilson
Lectors:	Larry Way & Helen Warner
Acolyte:	TBD
Greeter:	Cindy Lind
Usher:	Mary Thompson & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Bill and Marti Wilson
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet
Godly Play Greeter	Kitty DiBattista
Godly Play Teacher	Liz Leary

## OUR PARISH LIFE AND WORK THIS WEEK

Monday	7:30pm	N.A. (Undercroft)
Tuesday	8:00pm	A.A. (Undercroft)
Wednesday	10:15am	Healing Litany and Anointing for Healing
	6:00pm	TBMP Weight Loss Program (Office)
Thursday	6:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
Friday/Saturday		Overnight Vestry Retreat
Sunday (4/22)	8:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite I (Spoken)
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	10:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite II (Music)
		Parish Forum following the 10am service

### **ASSISTING IN NEXT Sunday's Worship (4/22)**

	<b>10am</b>
Eucharistic Minister:	Paul Exley
Lectors:	Ben Millet & Tanya Millet
Acolyte:	Paul Exley
Greeter:	Vicki Cox
Usher:	Mary Thompson & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Charles Dell and Volunteer
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet
Godly Play Greeter	Betty Murphy
Godly Play Teacher	Marti Wilson



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**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**SUNDAY**

8AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I (SPOKEN)

10AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (MUSIC)

**MIDWEEK HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING LITANY**

10:15AM WEDNESDAYS

**PAUL EXLEY, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR**

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