



Announcements

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WELCOME HOME, MIKE! This morning The Rev. Mike Haines will preside at this, our first Summer Sunday Holy Eucharist in the undercroft. May God Draw Us in the Spirit of Truth, Love, and Peace.

GUATEMALA RELIEF OFFERING: TODAY throughout the Diocese, parishes will be taking a special offering to support our sisters and brothers in Guatemala who are desperately trying to survive the volcanic eruption. Any amount you are able to give will go a long way to help them. To assist our counters, please place your cash or check (made out as requested... see the Bishop's letter in these announcements) in an envelope marked "Guatemala Relief" before placing it in the plate. If you'd rather give via credit card, follow the directions in the Bishop's letter. (No credit card information in the offering plate, please.)

"Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours." Saint Teresa of Avila

NEXT SUNDAY... SPECIAL FORUM UPDATE: The Rector and the Vestry are planning for our move from the church building, and your participation in the planning process is VERY IMPORTANT. Next Sunday we will give you an update on activities related to the move and ask you to come prepared to share your thoughts on the following question: "If you were told YOU could choose three items to save and take with us from the current church structure (worship space and undercroft), what would you choose?" Try to think about and pray about this without consulting with others so we can have our "group discernment" experience on Sunday. If you won't be attending next Sunday, please send your choices to Beth (text: 215-896-0828 or rector@epiphanystar.com / make sure to include your name).

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN ROYERSFORD INVITES congregations in the area to an Interfaith Speaker series as part of their Adult Vacation Bible School Program. "Join us during the week July 8th - 12th to meet and hear from some of our neighbors from other faiths. We will meet at 6:00 pm in Grace's Parlor (lower level of church - room 5) for an hour-long presentation followed by questions and discussion, plus refreshments." **See the attached flier.**

SAVE THE DATE

6/24	after 9 am Eucharist	Special Parish Forum
7/8-12	evenings 6-7pm	Grace Lutheran Interfaith Speaker Series
8/8 (Tues)	4-8pm	National Night Out
9/10		Welcome Back Sunday

ONLINE SIGNUPS: Thanks to Mary Martin, we have brand new online signups that will help us continue to be as hospitable a community as possible going forward. Take a look and signup. You won't believe how easy it is! (Without a computer? Sign up sheets are in the undercroft. If you sign up there, someone will enter the gift of your ministry online!)

****COFFEE HOUR ONLINE!** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0945acaf28a7f58-church> (Need folks to signup for June 17,24 and all of July except the 15th... and of course, August)

****MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!** It is extremely important that we maintain the attractiveness of our campus during the summer months. If you're willing to help with mowing, clipping or weeding according to your ability and availability, please sign up to be contacted. Sign-up sheets can be found in undercroft or you can signup online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0945acaf28a7f58-church> (Currently, no one is scheduled to mow until the week of July 4th... gonna be a jungle out there!)

SCRIP ORDERS: There will only be one order date each month during the summer. Those dates will be July 8 and August 5.

EPIPHANY RESOURCES and COMMUNICATION: Remember...

- The parish calendar, lay ministry schedules and the parish directory can be accessed on the website (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@ephanystar.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@ephanystar.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.

FINANCIAL UPDATE- JUNE 2018

Pledge income for May was \$5,095.69 and we remain on target for the year overall in the areas of pledge as well as total contributed support. THANK YOU to everyone who is keeping up with pledging commitments! That being said, we still spent \$3,500 more during May than we took in. Some of this can be attributed to paying 50% of our Diocesan assessment. Occupancy expenses should be lower over the summer, given the fact that the weather is warm and the Nursery School is not in session.

During the summer cash flow is always more challenging since we are not receiving rent from the Nursery School. As of May 31, we had \$9,500 in the bank. We have 6 summer payrolls to meet and an invoice for \$3,700 owed to the structural engineering firm. If pledge income received follows past trends, we should be able to pay our bills over the summer.

There are many uncertainties lying ahead, so managing our finances is a day-to-day challenge

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

June 18 Day 169 – Nehemiah 1-3, Psalm 137, I Corinthians 12
June 19 Day 170 – Nehemiah 4-6, Psalm 138, I Corinthians 13
June 20 Day 171 – Nehemiah 7-9, Psalm 139, I Corinthians 14
June 21 Day 172 – Nehemiah 10-12, Psalm 140, I Corinthians 15
June 22 Day 173 – Nehemiah 13, Psalm 141, I Corinthians 16
June 23 Day 174 – Esther 1-3, Psalm 142, II Corinthians 1
June 24 Day 175 – Enjoy hearing the Scriptures read aloud in church

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

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

9am
Eucharistic Minister: Kitty DiBattista
Lectors: Ben Millet & Tanya Millet
Acolyte: TBD
Greeter: Bill Wilson
Ushers: Betsy & Charles Dell
Counters: Charles Dell and Volunteer
Altar Guild: Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold,
Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet

OUR PARISH LIFE AND WORK THIS WEEK

Monday	7:30pm	N.A. (Undercroft)
Tuesday	8:00pm	A.A. (Undercroft)
Wednesday	10:15am	Midweek Eucharist w/ Healing Litany and Anointing for Healing
	6:00pm	TBMP Weight Loss Program (Office)
Sunday (6/24)	9:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
Proper 7	10-ish	Special Parish Forum

ASSISTING IN NEXT Sunday's Worship (6/24)

	9am
Eucharistic Minister:	William Hummer
Lectors:	Paul Atlee & Joanne Arnold
Acolyte:	TBD
Greeter:	Betty Murphy
Ushers:	Betsy & Charles Dell
Counters:	Tom Bailey & Frank Borst
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet



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"Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor." (1 Corinthians 10:24 ESV)

To all Clergy and Congregations of the Diocese of Pennsylvania,

Last Sunday, volcano Fuego erupted in Guatemala. To date, close to 100 are confirmed dead with 200 others missing. Many others are injured and thousands have been forced to evacuate. In all, close to two million people have been affected.

I spoke last week with Rev. Silvestre Romero, bishop of the Diocese of Guatemala, and offered him our prayers. I am writing to ask you for your help.

Sunday plate collection for Guatemala: On Sunday, June 17, I am asking that every church in our diocese take a collection that will be sent to help in the relief efforts. These funds can be sent via check to the Diocese (see below) and will be routed to The Diocese of Guatemala for local relief efforts.

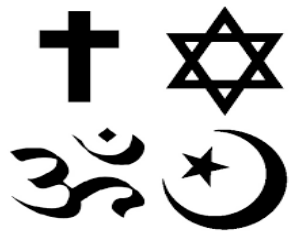
Donations by check: Congregations or individuals can donate to Guatemala relief efforts by making checks payable to "Diocese of Pennsylvania" and writing "FBO Guatemala Relief" on the front of the check. Checks can be mailed to: The Diocese of Pennsylvania, 3717 Chestnut Street, Suite 300, Philadelphia, PA 19104

Donations by credit card: We have established a new PayPal account that will be ready for donations by 6/13/18. (We will announce on social media.) Until then, if you would like to donate with a credit card please contact Takiyah Culyer at tculyer@diopa.org, 215.621.8313. American Express, Visa, MasterCard & Discover cards are accepted. Please do not email credit card information.

In the Name of the God who made us all, please be as generous as possible when you give. Your show of compassion will help bring the love of Jesus Christ to the people of our Companion Diocese in their hour of need.

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XVI Bishop of The Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania



Who is My Neighbor?

"...He asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

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The schedule is as follows:

- Sun, July 8th – **Introduction to our Interfaith Neighbors** (Pastor Janelle Kraus of Grace)
- Mon, July 9th – Topic TBD
- Tues, July 10th – **Judaism** (Rabbi Jeff Sultar of Congregation B'Nai Jacob in Phoenixville)
- Wed, July 11th – **Hinduism** (Sushma Bangera & Jayashree Balike)
- Thurs, July 12th – **Islam** (Ejaz Sabir)

RSVPs are gratefully requested. For those who wish to attend, **they can contact Deacon Allison Wilcox** at Grace Lutheran church to let her know which nights they would be attending. **Please RSVP by Friday, July 6th to Allison here:**

Deaconallison12@gmail.com

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2018 SUMMER SUNDAY SERVICE

June 17 – September 2

9 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (MUSIC)

MIDWEEK HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING LITANY

10:15AM WEDNESDAYS

IN THE AIRCONDITIONED UNDERCROFT

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