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# Announcements

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**WELCOME BACK PICNIC**—September 9th!! On September 9th, following the 10:00 church service, we will hold our annual Welcome Back Picnic. All are invited to join together to share food and fellowship! A sign-up sheet has been placed in the undercroft for you to sign for the item(s) you wish to bring to share. (Online signup link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0945acaf28a7f58-welcome>.) You are invited to bring lawn chairs, if you wish. Please see Betsy Dell if you are able to help set up on the Saturday before the picnic, time TBD. Any questions, please see Betsy. (Direct questions about online signup process to Mary Martin)

**OUR INTERIM WORSHIP LOCATION:** We had hoped to begin worshipping on Sundays at the Pink Moose (in the historic Royersford train station) after our final service in the church building on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. We recently learned that location will not be available to us. We're disappointed at this turn of events to be sure, but are fortunate to have a viable alternative in the Warner Education Building where we will begin worshipping upstairs on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**MID-WEEK PRAYER and PROJECTS BEGINS THIS Wednesday (9/5)!** This and every Wednesday until further notice, the 10:15 Holy Eucharist and Bible Study will be offered in thanksgiving for the life of the Church of the Epiphany... our past, our present, and our future. Following the Eucharist, those who wish will enjoy a "brown bag lunch" from 11:30 to 12:00. At noon, we'll work for an hour or two on projects necessary for our move from the church building. Please come as you're able for any or all events of the day... for prayer, for lunch, for projects... for blessed time together with God and one another.

**THE DREAM OF GOD *for You, for Me, for Epiphany!*** As we begin our journey into the unknown future, we will be discerning anew our mission as a Christian Community. On five Sundays in September and October (see Save the Date listing below), we will gather after the 10 am service to prayerfully contemplate and discuss who we are called to be for God in the world. We will ground our work in an excellent five-chapter book, "[The Dream of God: A Call to Return](#) by Verna Dozier. (Find it on Amazon for purchase or downloading.) Your participation is vitally important. Please plan to buy and read the book and to attend the gatherings. (Beth has 2 copies that can be purchased for

**FIESTA MEXICANA:** Saturday, October 6, 5:30 at the home of Peggy & Larry Way (1225 Calista Lane, Phoenixville / 484-678-7630). Reserve with Helen Warner (610-901-3517) by September 29<sup>th</sup>:

What would you like to offer? Suggestions follow and recipes available if wanted:

**DRINKS** - Mexican beer (Cerveceria, Corona, etc.); Tequila Mojitos; Wine; Soft Drinks.

**NIBBLES** - Guacamole Tostados (the layered bean, seasoning, sour cream, vegies, cheese and corn chips platter that is so popular); vegetable tray; empanadas; a Mexican cheese plate; shrimp (maybe in green sauce).

**MAIN** - Chili; Vegetarian Chili; Vegetable Burritos; Tamale Pie; Sour Cream/ Tomato/Lettuce/Onion Add-Ins; Black Beans; Mexican Rice; Cooked Medley of Vegetables such as Squash, Tomatoes, Green Beans, Onions; Corn Something.

**DESSERT** - Churros (anyone brave enough?); Flan; Key Lime Pie; Dulce de Leche something (maybe as topping for cake); Mexican Wedding Cakes (actually cookies); Tres Leche Cake; Chocolate Pudding.

**VISITING THE BLAUSERS:** The Blausers have really enjoyed your visits!! What an incredible blessing you are to them. Bob and June would love to have these visits continue; they miss being with us!! If you would like to visit with them at their home in Pottstown, here are the specifics for setting up a visit. We will schedule visits on Thursdays, subject to change, depending on how June is feeling. Visits need to be limited to 30 minutes now as June tires easily. As the coordinator, I would ask that you call me to set a date. I will then check with Bob the day before your scheduled date to verify June is up to a visit the following day. Then I'll confirm or cancel with you. Thank you so much for caring for these fine folks! X Betsy Dell 610-323-0549 or charlesbetcha6@verizon.net

**POSTED: NEW SIGN-UP TO COVER CLEANING... Please Sign-Up!** In place of where the big cleaning calendar used to be (by the bathrooms), I've posted a sheet with the dates we need to pay Lisa R-K to clean the undercroft and the upper floor of the Warner Education Building every other week during July & August. Please sign your name in the space provided to cover cleaning, and, as always, the Sunday preceding the cleaning you signed up for, kindly bring \$50 cash in an envelope marked "Cleaning," and give it to Kathy Cobbs. Thank you so much for helping to keep our space clean. Lisa does a terrific job. Questions? Contact Kathy Cobbs: [610-724-4059](tel:610-724-4059)/ [wixcob@verizon.net](mailto:wixcob@verizon.net)

**SCRIP:** It seems that most everyone is OK with the notion of once a month ordering, so we will try that and see how it works, at least for September and October. Those dates will be September 9 and October 14. If you will not be at church but would to order, please contact me before Monday at 9 a.m. Thank you for all your support! Susan Garone

**ONLINE SIGNUPS:** You won't believe how easy it is!

**COFFEE HOUR ONLINE Sign up!** The correct address is:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0945ACAF28A7F58-coffee>

**LAY WEEDERS and MOWERS Sign Up!**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0945acaf28a7f58-church>

It is extremely important that we maintain the attractiveness of our campus during the summer months. Please help with mowing, clipping, weeding according to your ability and availability.

**WELCOME BACK PICNIC Sign up**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0945acaf28a7f58-welcome>

**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.

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

Sept 3 Day 253 – Jeremiah 31-33, Psalm 57, Hebrews 13  
Sept 4 Day 254 – Jeremiah 34-35, Psalm 58, James 1  
Sept 5 Day 255 – Jeremiah 36-38, Psalm 59, James 2  
Sept 6 Day 256 – Jeremiah 39-41, Psalm 60, James 3  
Sept 7 Day 257 – Jeremiah 42-43, Psalm 61, James 4  
Sept 8 Day 258 – Jeremiah 44-45, Psalm 62, James 5  
Sept 9 Day 259 – 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 DATE**

<b>8/31</b>	Deadline for reserving a pew to be removed in October Deadline for names of invitees to Closing Eucharist
<b>9/5,12,19, 26...</b>	Mid-week Prayer (10:15), Brown Bag (11:30) and Projects (Noon)
<b>9/9,16, 23</b>	<b>FINAL SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE CHURCH NAVE</b>
<b>9/9</b>	Welcome Back Sunday Picnic
<b>9/16, 23, 30 &amp; 10/7,14</b>	Special Forums after 10 am services: "The Dream of God"
<b>9/29 Saturday (11 am)</b>	<b>Church Building Closing Eucharist (St. Michael &amp; All Angels)</b>
<b>9/30</b>	First Sunday Service in New Location (Ed Building)
<b>October 1-31</b>	<b>Disposal / Storage of All Church Building Items</b> Church Boiler Layup and Plumbing Shut-down
<b>10/6 Saturday Evening (Time: TBA)</b>	Fiesta Mexicana / Adult Fellowship at the Way's
<b>11/1... on</b>	<b>NO ADMITTANCE TO THE CHURCH BUILDING</b>

**HELP YOURSELVES TO CARE NOTES... A GIFT FROM BISHOP GUTIERREZ**

## FINANCIAL UPDATE- JULY 2018

The ups and downs of summer cash flow are well known to us at Epiphany. During June our cash reserves were dwindling, but the month of July has been a blessing, due to lump sum pledges paid, pledge installments, and even excess pledge paid! We received a total of \$17,409 in pledge income in July, which puts us at 66% of expected for the year, with 58.33% of the year elapsed. We also received a gift from a "Friend of Epiphany" of \$500 to be put toward maintenance of our property. Thanks be to God!

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

	<b>9am</b>
Eucharistic Minister	William Hummer
Lectors:	Helen Warner & Larry Way
Greeter:	Kitty DiBattista
Ushers:	Sherri Quinlan
Counters:	Bill and Marti Wilson
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	Mid-week Prayer (10:15), Brown Bag (11:30) and Projects (Noon)
	6:00pm	TBMP Weight Loss Program (Office)
Sunday (9/9)	8:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
Proper 18	10:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite II with Music Welcome Back Picnic after 10am service

### **ASSISTING IN NEXT Sunday's Worship (9/9)**

	<b>9am</b>
Eucharistic Minister	Paul Atlee
Lectors:	Tanya Millet & Ben Millet
Greeter:	Cindy Lind
Ushers:	Susan & Vincent Garone
Counters:	Charles Dell and Volunteer
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey, Tanya Millet

## WORTHY WORDS

*Our Lord God,  
We have no idea where we are going.  
We do not see the road ahead of us.*

*We cannot know for certain where it will end.  
nor do we really know who we are,  
and the fact that we think we're following your will  
does not mean that we are actually doing so.*

*But we believe that the desire to please you  
does in fact please you.  
And we hope we have that desire in all that we are doing.  
We hope that we will never do anything apart from that desire.  
And we know that if we do this, you will lead us by the right road,  
though we may know nothing about it.*

*Therefore will we trust you always though  
We may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.  
We will not fear, for you are ever with us,  
and you will never leave us to face our perils alone.  
Amen.*

*Thomas Merton, Thoughts in Solitude (1958)  
Written by Merton in the first person*

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## WORSHIP

### 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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