Announcements

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THE DREAM OF GOD *for You, for Me, for Epiphany!* Our last conversation using The Dream of God: A Call to Return by Verna Dozier will be held following today's 10 am service. Join us, even if you never have before… the discernment of our mission is every member's concern. Chapter 5 Today!

SEAFARERS WORK HARD FOR US - Every year Seaman's Church Institute distributes thousands of "ditty bags" to seafarers in our Delaware River ports between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Seafarers come from all over the world to deliver goods and produce to us. They are away from home for 9 to 12 months at a time, and their job is lonely and dangerous. A collection box for items listed below will be available in the vestibule of our new worship space from October 7 until November 4 for your donations. Helen Warner

Hats and scarves in dark colors	Toothbrush, toothpaste
Work socks, work gloves	Deodorant
ChapStick	Shampoo
Nail clipper	Pens & writing paper
Razors, shaving cream	Mini sewing kit

ALL TOILETRIES FULL SIZE, PLEASE

CHILI SALE!! Our seventh annual Chili Sale is now underway, and will end on November 4th. Our Epiphany cooks will be making mild beef chili, spicy beef chili, turkey chili, and white chicken chili. All will be made with beans. Chili will be sold in quart containers at the cost of $9.00 per quart. We will also have available packs of corn muffins, which will sell at $1.50 per pack of two. Order blanks will be available in the church, or use one included in your announcements. Orders, along with payment, must be placed by November 4th. Please make checks payable to Church of the Epiphany. Pick up will be held November 17th from 11:00 until 12:00, in the Ed Bldg, or November 18th following the church service. Please check on order blank, which time you will pick up your chili and muffins! All proceeds from the sale will be given to the church. Thank you for your support. This has been a successful fund raiser since 2011! We hope you will continue to support this fund raiser and enjoy what is has to offer!! Thank you ahead for your support. Betsy Dell

ORGAN RECITAL: Mary E Campbell will be performing an organ recital at 12 noon on Tuesday, Nov. 20 at St Paul's Lutheran Church in Ardmore. This is part of that Tuesday noon recital series presented by the Philadelphia chapter of the American Guild of Organists and is free to the public. Each recital is just over a half hour or so in length. The series started many years ago as a lunchtime music opportunity.

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

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 October. That date will be **TODAY**. 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

SAVE THE DATE

10/14, 21	Special Forums after 10 am services: "The Dream of God"
October 1-31	**Disposal / Storage of All Church Building Items** Church Boiler Layup and Plumbing Shut-down
11/1… on	**NO ADMITTANCE TO THE CHURCH BUILDING**
11/4 All Saints Sunday	Fall Back Time Change! Last day for Seaman's Church Institute Donations Chili orders and payment due
11/8-9 Fri Eve / Saturday	Diocesan Convention at the Philadelphia Cathedral
11/17	Chili pick up in Ed Bldg 11:00am to Noon

FINANCIAL UPDATE: SEPTEMBER 2018

Pledge income for September was $7,525, which gives us about 80% of pledge income expected for the year, with 75% of the year elapsed. We were also blessed to receive about $1100 in open plate contributions at the Saturday, September 29 special service. This amount is designated for expenses associated with our transition out of the church. Total expenses and income were about the same for the month of September.

We do anticipate some significant expenses being paid during October, all of which will be visible as improvements to the WEB, as we establish our temporary home. These include new flooring in the bathrooms (upstairs and down), carpeting in the worship space, and installation of a handrail to facilitate entry into the building, totaling around $5000. Note that the painting in the worship space and in the upstairs bathrooms was a gift from one of the painters who attends the AA meeting at Epiphany. The hallway painting was a gift from an anonymous angel in our congregation. We are indeed fortunate to have so many people willing and able to help us.

Pledge/giving statements will be coming out in the next couple of weeks. Please look at yours carefully and be certain that your personal information and your contributions are accurate. If you have any questions, contact Susan Garone.

HELP YOURSELVES TO CARE NOTES… A GIFT FROM BISHOP GUTIERREZ

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.
- Prayer requests and announcements can be submitted by email to 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) 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:

Oct 22 Day 295 – Ezekiel 47-48, Psalm 91, Revelation 15
Oct 23 Day 296 – Daniel 1-2, Psalm 92, Revelation 16
Oct 24 Day 297 – Daniel 3-4, Psalm 93, Revelation 17
Oct 25 Day 298 – Daniel 5-6, Psalm 94, Revelation 18
Oct 26 Day 299 – Daniel 7-8, Psalm 95, Revelation 19
Oct 27 Day 300 – Daniel 9-10, Psalm 96, Revelation 20
Oct 28 Day 301 – 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

	10am
Eucharistic Minister	Kitty DiBattista
Lectors:	Julie Dattilo & Kathy Cobbs
Greeter:	Kitty DiBattista
Ushers:	Ben Millet & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Vincent & Susan Garone
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey
Godly Play Teacher	Marti Wilson
Godly Play Greeter	TBA

OUR PARISH LIFE AND WORK THIS WEEK

Tuesday	8:00pm	A.A. (Ed building)
Wednesday	10:15am	Mid-week Holy Eucharist with Healing Litany
	6:00pm	TBMP Weight Loss Program (Office)
	?	Daisey Troop #7390 Meeting
Thursday	6:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal (New Worship Space)
	7:15pm	Choir Rehearsal (New Worship Space)
Sunday (10/28)	8:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite I (New Worship Space)
Proper 25	10:00am	Holy Eucharist Rite II with Music (New Worship Space)

ASSISTING IN NEXT Sunday's Worship (10/28)

	10am
Eucharistic Minister	Marti Wilson
Lectors:	Helen Warner & Larry Way
Greeter:	Cindy Lind
Ushers:	Ben Millet & Bill Wilson
Counters:	Bill and Marti Wilson
Altar Guild	Julie Dattilo, Joanne Arnold, Cathy Bailey
Godly Play Teacher	TBD
Godly Play Greeter	TBD

CHILI SALE

Sale begins on October 7th!

I would like to order the following:

_____quart/quarts mild beef chili.

_____quart/quarts spicy beef chili.

_____quart/quarts white chicken chili.

_____quart/quarts turkey chili.

_____pack/packs corn muffins.

Chili: $9.00 per quart.

Muffins: $1.50 per pack of two.

Orders, along with payment, are due by November 4th. Checks to Church of the Epiphany, please.

Please give orders to Betsy Dell or place in offering plate.

Pick up will be held on two days: November 17th or November 18th. Please select the date which will be best for you.

Pick up: November 11th_____(11:00 – 12:00)

November 12th_____ (following the 10:00 service)

Name:_____

Phone:_____

Amount included:_____

Thank you for your order!!

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

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I am about to do a new thing;
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honour me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

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WORSHIP SERVICES

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

MIDWEEK HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING LITANY
10:15AM WEDNESDAYS

THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY WORSHIPS
IN THE WARNER EDUCATION BUILDING

ALL ARE WELCOME

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