

**On the Calendar and Coming up**

**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 AM— Holy Eucharist  
9:30 AM—Adult Forum  
10:15 AM—Sunday School  
10:30 AM— Holy Eucharist  
12:00 PM—Lunch Bunch going to **Calabash**, 7514 Lee Davis Road, Mechanicsville

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

OFFICE CLOSED— President’s Day  
11:00 AM— No Book Club  
7:00 PM—JRRingers

**Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**

5:30—7:00 PM—Shrove Tuesday Pan-  
cake Supper— sponsored by the  
Choirs

**Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Ash Wednesday service @**  
12:00 noon —Holy Eucharist with  
healing Prayers & Imposition of Ashes  
7:00 PM—Joint Ash Wednesday ser-  
vice at Lakeside United Methodist

7:00 PM—No Handbell Rehearsal

**Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

9:30—AM—Lamb’s Basket Volunteers  
(Clients)  
7:00 PM—Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

12:00 noon —Men’s Bag lunch around  
the big table

**Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 AM— Holy Eucharist  
9:30 AM—Adult Forum  
10:15 AM—Sunday School  
10:30 AM— Holy Eucharist  
12:00 PM—Worship Committee Mtg.

**Youth Lunch & Movie after the  
service**

**Adult Forum:** we begin a series of sessions on the apostles—who they were, what we know about them, what are the legends that have developed around them, and what their lives have to say to us today. Please join us in the Parlor on Sundays at 9:30 AM for this series.

**Monday Book Club:** The Monday morning book group started a book, Barbara Brown Taylor’s *"An Altar in the World"*. They meet at 11:00 AM in the parlor.

**Men’s Bible Study:** Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> @ noon. Bring a bag lunch and your Bible.

**Resources in the Narthex:** Did you know you can find copies of sermons, copies of the newsletter and sign-up sheets of various sorts in the entry hallway (narthex) to the church? Please pick them up and pass them along to a friend or neighbor who might enjoy them. There is currently a sign up sheet if you do not have a name tag—please add your name to the list if your name tag has gone missing or if you have never had one. It’s a help for those of us who have senior moments and forget names sometimes (including your priest!).

**We need you to sign up for Coffee Hour.** All you need to bring is some cookies and make the coffee and Kool-aid. We all enjoy this time of fellowship but it does take all of us to help with this ministry! It’s not up to the hostess to provide this service every Sunday!

**Pick up a copy** of *'A Lenten Journey'* which is a collection of devotions written by residents & staff of WMC.

**Shrine Mont Yard Sale**—Doing some Spring Cleaning? Need to get rid of some slightly used, unbroken stuff? Well, the Shrine Mont Committee Yard Sale will be in the Spring this year—**Saturday, April 28th** from 8:00 AM to Noon. Please bring your items to the parish hall and make sure it is marked for the yard sale. Please no books or clothes.

**You’re Invited:** to a 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary party in honor of **Herb and Anita Williams!** It will be on March 17<sup>th</sup> 3-6 PM at the Hermitage Country Club. Please RSVP by March 2<sup>nd</sup> to their daughter Stephanie at [aslrutledge@verizon.net](mailto:aslrutledge@verizon.net) or call Christine @ 360-0402. *Please let your presence be their present!* Attire: Business casual.

**A Visit from Bethlehem:** Today, we welcome **George Ghanem** to speak briefly during the service and to offer for sale handmade olive wood religious carvings made in Bethlehem during the Coffee Hour. These carvings are handmade by Christian families who rely on it for their daily bread. For more than eight years those Christians have been enduring many hardships as tourism in Bethlehem has plummeted and access to other sources of income has been sharply restricted due to the ongoing conflict and the volatile war situation in the country. Many Christians left their homeland. Please help support our Christian brothers and sisters in the town where Christ was born by purchasing their carvings.

**Save the Date:** Once again, we’ll be forming a group to go to the Flying Squirrels ballgame on Faith and Family night—**Saturday, June 2**. This year, we will go for slightly more expensive tickets (\$10.00 each as opposed to \$5.00 last year) so we don’t have to climb up to the highest reaches of the stadium to get to our seats. We had 70+ people last year—let’s see if we can bring even more folks, not just our own parishioners, but friends and extended family. It should be, well, nutzy!

**Want to go to brunch Today?** after the 10:30 AM service, the ‘Brunch Group’ will be going to **Calabash**, 7514 Lee Davis Road, Mechanicsville, for lunch. If you are interested in going, contact **Jeannie Riddick**, 264-0935 or call **Lucy** in the office, 266-2503.

**Suffragan Bishop to be Elected:** On Feb. 3, the Nominating Committee announced a slate of six nominees for bishop suffragan in their Final Report, available on the diocesan Website. Nominees will participate in a series of walkabouts around the Diocese March 19-23, when all members of the diocese will have a chance to learn more about each of them. We will have one at St. James, March 23 from 7–9:30 pm. Questions will not be received from the floor during these walkabouts, if you have questions that you would like the nominees to consider, please submit them to [suffragan\\_transition@thediocese.net](mailto:suffragan_transition@thediocese.net) no later than Feb. 17. Carpooling is recommended.

**COMMUNICATION CARD**

February 19, 2012

Our Communication Card is for **all people at The Church of the Epiphany** so that you can share your thoughts and prayers, and request information.

If you are new, please complete the opposite side so we also have your contact information.

**I’d like more information about an upcoming event or program**

**I am RSVPing or signing up for:**

**I am interested in learning more about how to be part of the following ministries or programs:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Music          | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeters    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Guild    | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office help    | Care                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Ed   | <input type="checkbox"/> Readers     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach       | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Team |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ushers         |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chalice Bearer | <input type="checkbox"/> _____       |

**Prayer Requests / Comments**

**Attendance, February 12, 2012**

**8:15 am: 10 10:30 am: 90**

## COMMUNICATION CARD

February 19, 2012

Welcome! You have blessed us with your presence. Please tell us how we can best serve you by completing the Communication Card.

Please place in the offering basket, hand it to an usher, or place on the table in the vestibule.

- I'm looking for a church home
- I'd like to speak with a clergy member
- I'm ready to become a member
- I'm just visiting today

Name & Address  Please update

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Children's names and ages

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Please give me more information about:

- Children's / Youth Programs
- Social events
- Outreach opportunities
- Classes and Small Group Studies
- Baptism or Confirmation
- How I can get involved

How did you hear about Epiphany?

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## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**For the church:** We pray for the church of the Epiphany the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, the Episcopal Church (USA), and the Anglican Communion, for all clergy and laypeople, and those whom we will welcome today.



**In The Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** Iglesia Anglicans de la Region Central de America

**In The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** St. Stephen's, Catlett; St. Barnabas', Annandale; Trinity, Fredericksburg; Grace, Casanova; Meade Memorial, Alexandria.

**In the Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer we pray for the coming of God's Kingdom in Metropolitan Richmond:** For a redemption of the divisions, prejudices, pettiness, despair, and discrimination of the past.

**In the Lakeside Churches Cycle of Prayer we pray for:** Bethlehem Baptist, Rev. Mark Holland, Pastor.

**Prayers for our Service Men and Women:** Matt Guyer, David Hoffert, Daniel Keefe, Patrick Lineberry, Caitlin Mitchell, Bryan Murphy, Michael Stone, Billy Tucker, Andrew Smith, Ryan Casey, and Chris Tuck.

**Prayers for Healing, Wholeness, Comfort, Guidance, and Safe Travel:** Carol Burley, Dave Van Valkenburg, Carl Burley, Ray Hampton, Jean Craver, Peggy Adleman, Sarah Jenkins, Dottie Strabley, Marian Noe, Sue Rasmussen, Lynne Eppes, Bea Byrd, Elizabeth Davis, Roseanne Stockwell, Ruth Williams, Juliet Wynne, Kathryn Cook—friend of Connie Neal, John Renner — friend of Dot Hudson & Carol York, Eric Schardt & Steve Bazemore—friends of Scott Blackwell, Katie Phillips—friend of Kristin Carver, Gloria Jones—mother of Kim White, Rebecca Miller—friend of Marietta Spring, Leah & Terri—friends of Aggie Gallagher, Dorothy Hoeffcker—aunt of Diana Stone, Donna Dumas—friend of Sarah Jenkins, the extended Kenyi family in Sudan, Jay—husband of Jill Mitchell, Rona Fisher—friend of Jessica Ruder, Lisa Binmoeller—friend of Diane Major, Mary Stockdell—daughter-in-law of Susan Josenhans, Heather—friend of Melissa Durrer, Stuart & Jean Swink—sister & brother-in-law of Irene Morris, Jeniffer Sodill—friend of Karen Holden, Ethel Eule—friend of Ann Poates, Kent Jenkins—brother of Sarah Jenkins, Maya Fitts—granddaughter of Ron & Paula Fitts, Aubrey Phillips—friend of Bob & Kathy Jimerson.

**Prayers for the departed:** Major Richard B. Ransom

**We pray for all these and those who have asked for prayers in confidence.**

### CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Today's Ministers

#### Weekly Worship

**Sundays at 8:15 a.m.** (meditative service)

**& 10:30 a.m.** (with choir)

**Wednesday at noon: Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers and Laying On of Hands**

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Rector  
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#### 8:15 Holy Eucharist

**Usher:** Tad Blackburn

**Reader:** Gray Corbett

**Chalicer:** Gray Corbett

#### 10:30 Holy Eucharist

**Ushers:** Scott Blackwell, Milton Jenkins, Paul Jones, Noel Elionai

**Acolyte:** Garrett Russell, Ava Whittlesey, Camille Wood, Madison White

**Readers:** Sarah Fore, Brian White

**Prayer Leader:** Ann Schaefer

**Chalicer:** Ann Schaefer, Sarah Fore

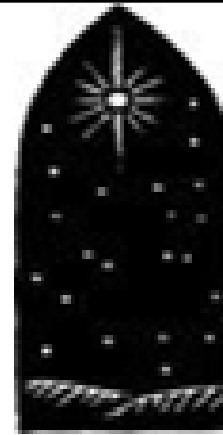
**Vestry Greeters:** Christine Couturier, Aggie Gallagher

**Altar Guild:** Joyce Melton, Karen Holden, Carol York

**Nursery:** Scott Blackwell, Dwight Ludwig

**Coffee Hour:** Diana Stone, Karen Holden

**Counters—**Wayne & Lucy Whitlock



## The Church of the Epiphany

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 19, 2012

Welcome—we are glad you are here! Know that whoever you are, and where ever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place here. If you are new, or haven't yet given us your contact information, please complete the attached communication card and place it in the plate so that you can learn more about Epiphany's community.

Nursery care is available from 10:15-11:45 a.m.

### From Mary's Desk:

The last Sunday in Epiphany of each year is designated as World Mission Sunday – a time when the church comes together to focus on the global impact of our call to "seek and serve Christ in all persons". It is also Transfiguration Sunday, when we hear the story of Jesus atop the mountain with his disciples, in the presence of Moses and Elijah, with clothes shining like the whitest light. How might these two things be linked together? We know that this was a moment when Jesus was revealed in all his glory to his disciples, affirmed by the presence of the ancient prophets. How could we not, then, want to share that glory with others who do not yet know Christ? How could we not want to reach out our hands of friendship, fellowship, aid, and love to others around the world? But how do we in Henrico participate? Must we get on an airplane halfway around the world to it? We could, but there is a simpler way to start.

Today we welcome George Ghanem, a friend from Palestine who brings us the beautiful crafts of Palestinian Christians for our enjoyment and purchase. This is a ministry for him and a mission for us: we can reach out to our brothers and sisters in Christ in Bethlehem and help them to earn a living by purchasing their handiwork. This is mission as surely as if we were carrying out a mission trip across the world, just as it is mission when we send money to Southern Sudan to assist our brothers and sisters in Christ there, just as it is mission when we support Christian missionaries who carry out their work in places to which we cannot go.

So on this day, don't say you cannot be a part of World Mission Sunday. Don't say you have not been changed as Jesus was changed on this mountaintop. Simply pray and give and speak up, and you will indeed seek and serve Christ in all persons.

Blessings

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