

The Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

Newsletter

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Two Services will be offered starting September 10

Only six months into our new place and attendance has grown to the point that an additional service is needed. Starting September 10 we will begin offering Holy Eucharist at 8:00am. The rest of the Sunday Schedule will remain the same with Sunday school, Nursery and Adult education starting at 9:30am. A second service of Holy Eucharist will begin at 10:00 am.

September 20 - Evening with Bishop Katharine

Please plan to attend a Eucharistic Celebration followed by a Dinner Reception with Bishop Katharine before she leaves Nevada to assume her new role as Presiding Bishop. Let's all join together to wish her well. The dinner will be a potluck so take note of the sign up sheet in the entryway.



"Sundae" School Sign-up Day is August 27th.

Come sign-up and join us for Sundae's after the service

Sunday school classes will begin September 10th.

"Miss Betty-Jeanne" Cousins will be teaching the primary class, 4 year-olds thru second graders. They will be following the weekly Gospel lessons.

Terri Trompak will be teaching the intermediate class, fourth graders thru eighth graders. The intermediate class will focus on learning the "Things Every Episcopalian Should Know."

The adult Sunday school will be led by Jan Revis. Father Helen and Father Mike will be developing the curriculum.

The nursery is being staffed by volunteers and Christine Eastburn is the nursery coordinator. Children 4 years old and younger are welcome in the nursery.

We are thrilled to welcome our new Sunday School leaders. There is an article about Miss Betty-Jeanne in this newsletter. Next month, we will feature an article on Jan Revis.

Bishop Katherine in the Media.

Since the election of Bishop Katherine to Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in The United States there have been many articles and interviews. (It was terrific seeing our own Rev Mike and Rev Helen interviewed at Epiphany on three local television stations.) Google her name and you get 113,000 hits! In case you might have missed the articles or radio broadcasts here are some internet links to read/listen to.

Time Magazine: 10 Questions For Katharine Jefferts Schori By Jeff Chu

<http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,1211587,00.html>

PBS Religion & Ethics news program

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/religionandethics/week943/exclusive.html>

CBS Evening News

<http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2006/07/23/eveningnews/main1826924.shtml>

KNPR – State of Nevada radio interview show

<http://www.knpr.org/son/archive/detail.cfm?programid=800>

USA Today

http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2006-06-18-episcopal_x.htm

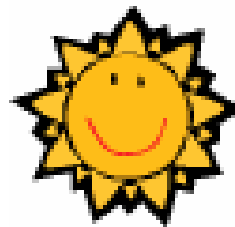
Mark your calendars for Women's

retreat

Saturday October 14 at the Church, join together for some sharing, some reflection and some tools for making it through the busy season to come. 8:00am we will start with a continental breakfast and at 9:00am we will get down to work/fun. All should be wrapped up by 4:00pm. Suggested donation \$15. Lunch is included

Bowling

About twenty folks looking for a fun afternoon out came bowling at the Strike Zone. Every skill level was there... from Jack Blenk, throwing with such speed and skill I swore I saw sparks flying off that ball... to Leah Dixon, who had to use both hands to carry her ball and kneel down at the top of the lane and gave the ball a good push. It was a terrific time.



Summer program winding down

Water Day was “way fun”. The squeals of fun and laughter drifted into the sanctuary spreading their infectious happiness. Being a day hotter than hot all the water was great.

Thank you to Betty-Jeanne Cousins, Rebecca Dixon, Kristin Mahkatini and Terri Trompak for leading the “Children’s Summer Activities.” The kids had a great time

Miss Betty-Jeanne joins the Sunday School Staff

Miss Betty-Jeanne is a “cradle Episcopalian” and proud of it. She grew up in Baltimore, MD and has been married to Irv for 40 years. They have 4 daughters and 8 grandchildren, who all live on the East coast.

Betty-Jeanne has taught Church School teacher for the past 30 years. Her second passion is teaching Confirmation Class and she has done this for past 11 years. Loving the Gospel and the Episcopal Church make it easy for her to do these two things, which God has called her to do.

She has served as an Acolyte, Altar Guild Chair, Vestry member, Secretary to Standing Committee, President of St. Martha’s Chapter of the Daughters of the King. She is currently Diocesan Treasurer of the DOK, Deputy to General Convention (2003), Delegate to Diocesan Convention.

The Episcopal church is not the only recipient of Betty-Jeanne assistance. She helped open The Shade Tree, a homeless shelter for women and children, and worked as a volunteer at Parsons Place, a transitional house for the near homeless. Irv refers to her as a “professional volunteer.

The Lord has blessed us, by calling Betty-Jeanne to join us. Please help me in welcoming her and stop by her room to introduce yourself.

Long range planning

Jr. Warden Bill Kohn is beginning the process of long range planning for Epiphany. Six months after moving into this place of our own and the possibility we will outgrow our space is obvious. Expertise and/or interest in the process of planning, land acquisition, finance are all welcomed. Please contact Bill if you want to be a part of shaping the future of Epiphany.

Newsy Bits

Need a Babysitter for a night out? Four of our young ladies are in the business. Natalie Wolch (age 16), Shannon Hayes (age 13), Kelsey Kincaid (age 12) and Hannah Barlow (age 11). Several have even completed the “Safe Sitter” training program offered by St. Rose Hospital!

Connie Barlow and her Border Collie/Kelpie mix had an amazing time competing for the first time in Frisbee freestyle in July in California. This is the routine of athletic tricks and catches. Hours and hours of park time went in to practice and much to their amazement they took home the first place trophy in their division. They competed in the more novice of the divisions, the advanced division had folks you see on “Animal Planet” and Connie says that she and Phoenix are not even close to that level yet. She was interviewed by The San Diego Union Tribune after the competition. To see photos of the event and hear the interview visit

<http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/features/multimedia/wags2006/index.html>

Sr Warden Bert Van Houten and his wife Pat are on the European trip of a lifetime. Pray for their safe travel and we look forward to hearing all the stories of their adventures.

Ava St. John arrived a few weeks early. She is healthy and much celebrated by mom & dad Shauna and Jeff and sister Savannah

Safeguarding God's Children ~

On Sunday, August 27th, Bill Hummel will be back to offer the Safe Guarding God's Children training. This class is required by the National church, for all clergy and lay persons working with children in the Episcopal Church or serving in a leadership position. If you are interested, please join us at 12:00 on the 27th here at Epiphany. We will be serving lunch, so please call Terri Trompak to make your reservation, 263-2442. The training is good for two years.

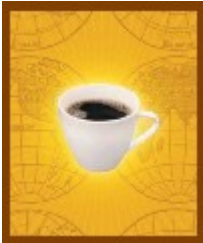
Youth Retreat ~

On Thursday, October 26th, we will be offering our first youth retreat. This will be an overnight event for children in fifth grade and up. Please mark your calendars and be on the look out for more information.

If you are interested in volunteering to work with the youth on this retreat, please contact Terri Trompak, 263-2442. Volunteers don't have to stay all night. We will need volunteers for Thursday night, Friday morning and a few to stay overnight. We hope to recruit volunteers other than the parents of the youth who are participating.

Check out the new coffee at Coffee Hour

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There are a variety of ways to order. See http://www.er-d.org/waystogive_63273_ENG_HTML.htm Who knew we can be supporting Episcopal Relief and Developments worthy causes at coffee hour!