St. George's Episcopal Church

Feb. 5, 2017

Sunday, February 5, 2017

Epiphany 5 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist I

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II

with with Boy Scouts and Childen's Choirs

Nursery and Children's Chapel 12:00 p.m. G-GIFFT Meeting/ Pastoral Care Commitee 1:30 p.m. Sanctifica Rehearsal 3:30 p.m. Schola Choir Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. EYC - Superbowl Party

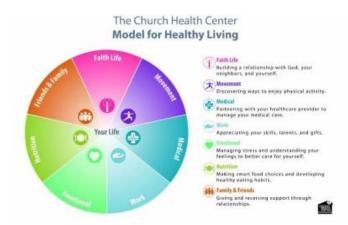
Special this Sunday: Boy Scout and Children's Choirs, Sunday School and Adult Forum will meet, EYC Super Bowl Party

Lectionary: http://www.lectionarypage.net/YearA_RCL/Epiphany/AEpi5_RCL.html

Music for 5 Epiphany A, Feb. 5, 10:30 a.m.

Psalm Psalm 112: 1-9 Spoken Beatus vir OffertoryOffertory O Light Divine! (w/Canterbury) - Alexander Archangelsky Communion Music: O Lord most holy - A. Bruckner

This Sunday at St. George's



Church Health's Model for Healthy Living addresses seven integral components of our lives - Faith Life, Movement, Medical, Work, Emotional, Nutrition, and Friends and Family - as they interconnect in affecting our overall health and well being. Joining us for the next two Sundays in The Forum will be Church Health's Nichole Alexandra Reed, RDN, a Memphisbased Registered Dietitian, who will present "Nutrition 101/Intro to Healthy Eating Habits" and "Meal Planning and Shopping Tips (Q &

A)," to help us create new healthy habits. Nichole graduated from the University of Memphis with her BSEd in Dietetics, and completed her dietetic residency at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Currently, she is the Registered Dietitian at Church Health providing nutrition education to patients, supporting staff's health goals, and teaching diabetes management classes: she also offers nutrition and counseling to individuals and corporations. She is also a Nutrition Coach for AVA, providing coaching for managing health condition like heart disease, cancer, hypothyroid, digestive disorders, and diabetes. Nichole's nutrition philosophy is simple: Food and eating are important parts of our wellbeing and should be enjoyed. Nichole ultimately wants to help others make every day just a little bit healthier.

Boy Scout Sunday and Children's Choirs

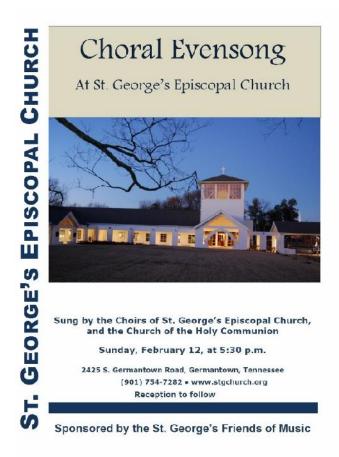
We are so happy to focus on our youth and children today as we appreciate their service and participation in our congregation. The Boy Scouts provide much behind the scenes help at varying events such as The Arcade, More Than a Meal and so much more. The children's choirs are so important in the training of our future choir members and lend their special voices to our services.

G-GIFFT will be meeting at noon following the 10:30 service. Girls Growing in Faith and Friendship Together is having their Valentine's Day Party. This group is open to all girls 8 - 12 years old and meets the first Sunday of each month to get know each other better. If you would like more information, please email Trish at Langetowne@mindspring.com

EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) Superbowl Party starts at 5:00 p.m. this evening. We'll have plenty of food and drink, and be sure to wear the colors of the team you're cheering on! The Party is at the Sellers' home, 8312 Scruggs Dr., 38138.

Compline For This Sunday, Feb. 5 Has Been Cancelled.

COMING UP



It would be greatly appreciated if you could contribute finger foods for our reception following this Evensong. Houston Organist Patrick Parker will present an organ concert at St. George's on Friday, February 24, at 7 p.m.

Houston Organist Patrick Parker will present an organ concert at St. George's on Friday, February 24, at 7 p.m. Highly regarded for interpretations of German Romantic composers, Patrick Parker has been hailed for his "excellent technique and musicality" and "strong rhythmic



lines and expressive phrasing...superlative (Classical Voice of North Carolina)" and has been proclaimed "one of the nation's top rising stars of the organ world (American Press)." Patrick has tried out our organ and states that it will be the perfect instrument for his concert, which features the music of Max Reger, Olivier Messiaen and others. This is hosted by the Friends of Music.

FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

Young Adults - Fun and Games!

Young Adults!! Lots of fun and fellowship are in store! Join us February 6, at 7:30 p.m. at Mellow Mushroom in Germantown, for pizza and trivia contests.

Then, Young Adults are invited to join us in the Church Library for Game Night on Tuesday, February 7, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. We'll have pizza and libations (but please feel free to bring a favorite beer or wine!), and games for all to enjoy. A nursery will be provided. Please RSVP to Charlotte Lescinskis (cjalbertson@gmail.com), or (901) 292-1944. Looking forward to seeing the Young Adults at these fun events!

Next Lancers' February 10!



Lancer's will celebrate with a Valentine's theme at the home of Bob and Joyce Vezina at 7225 McVay Manor Cove in Germantown for our monthly Potluck Dinner for adults of all ages. Social hour (BYOB) begins at 6:30 p.m.

St. George's Families! The Table meets again on February 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center.



The Table gives families of children and youth the opportunity to get to know one another better over a shared meal, fellowship and a brief time of informal learning on the second Wednesday of each month. This is a great wait to meet other St. George's parishioners and form friendships. Remember to email Mother Dorothy

at dorothy@stgeorgesgermantown.org to let her know that your coming so that we can have plenty of food for everyone!

Book Club February 14

Book Club will be reading a second book in the Irish Country Doctor series with delightful tales of the colourful Ulster village of Ballybucklebo. This is a great book for a rainy afternoon's read with a cup of tea! Book Club will meet to discuss this book and upcoming selections on Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Library.

Prime Timers for February

Primetimers will meet on Feb 22 at 10:30 at the church to carpool to the Morton Museum in Collierville. We will have a tour of the "Made in Tennessee" exhibit. Lunch will follow at the Silver Caboose on the Collierville Square. Let Kitty or Henry Stokes know if you plan to come. Participants will pay individually for lunch.

Men's Group Meeting

Coming soon is the Men's group meeting on Wednesday February 22nd from 6-8pm.

Our speaker for this month will be Rodney Bright, Deputy of police for the city of Germantown who will be talking about all things related to our city Germantown.

Cost for the evening is \$15 which includes dinner. Please let Ted Morley, (dem6980@gmail.com) know if you will be attending.

EYC Spring Schedule

SPRING 2017 EYC CALENDAR St. George's Episcopal Church

January 22 - Spring Kickoff

January 29 - Trivia Night

February 5 - Superbowl Sunday**

February 12 - Game Night

February 19 - No EYC President's Day

February 26 - Jumping World **

March 5 - Capture the Flag

March 12 - PJ Movie Night

March 19 - No EYC Spring Break

March 26 - Family Bowling **

April 2 - Outside Games

April 9 - Special Friends **

April 16 - No EYC Easter

April 23 - Family Feud

April 30 - Family Redbirds Game **

May 7 - Messy Olympics

May 14 - No EYC Mother's Day

May 21 - End of the Year EYC Party

EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) is open to youth in grades 6-12 & meets Sundays from 5-7 pm at St. George's, dinner included. Events with an ** will meet at a special time and/or place.

Questions? Contact Callie Smith, Youth Coordinator, by calling 901.270.5679 or emailing cksmith827@yahoo.com

We next host *Room in the Inn* on Thursday, February 16!



February is the heart of winter and so many of our neighbors need shelter that sometimes there is a

lottery to see who will get a bed that night. Every first and third Thursday of each month through March, St. George's hosts the **Room in the Inn** ministry that provides a hot meal, bed, shower, and portable necessities to homeless persons in our community. We serve at The Cottage at Germantown United Methodist Church. If you would like to find out more about ways in which you can be part of this ministry, please contact Rick Patterson at rpatter1@comcast.net.

PARISH NOTES

Congratulations to Our New Vestry Members!

Sunday, January 22 at our Annual Meeting we elected five new members to serve on our Vestry - Denise Bovo-Fischer, Rell Fowler, Eve Graue, Sarah Harrison and Barbara Posner. And we offered our thanks to our retiring Vestry members - Lynn Shaw, Sr. Warden, Noma Anderson, Connie Douglass, John Hannum and Mary Thorsberg - for their service. Our new officers are Rick Patterson, Sr. Warden, Leslie Darr, Jr. Warden, Tom McFadden, Treasurer, and Nancy Ligon, Clerk. We thank all who are called to this particular ministry for their service to our church!

From the Bookshoppe Shelves



February's around the corner-and we're ready to celebrate with all kinds of goodies for your Valentine, from cards to candles to jewelry to

home décor!

Our gift offerings have something for everyone-from kids who would love a cuddly stuffed animal for Valentine's Day to that special someone who'd adore a unique jewelry gift from a local artisan.

And don't forget yourself-candles perfect to set a relaxing mood; books for curling up and reading; crosses, crystal hanging ornaments, or wall hangings to decorate your space.

Come see us and help Cupid get the job done! Our hours are 10 AM -2 PM Wednesday-Thursday, and 9 AM - 12:30 PM Sundays.

Watch for our Valentine's Day merchandise, on display soon, featuring cards, gift items, jewelry, candles and more! Remember, we want to be your first choice for books and gifts, so come see us Wednesday-Thursday, 10 AM - 2 PM, and Sundays 9 AM - 12:30 PM!

Padre's Postings

WE LOVE BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US -

I John 4:19

Recently I mentioned in a sermon on the Beatitudes how the "Blessed are the pure in heart..." incorporates the idea of not looking for or questioning the "motive(s)" of acting in service to others--often described as a social "naivete": the simple and



credulous world of a child. And the kingdom of God will be peopled with those who have acted toward others in a loving and trusting way without expecting any hope of gain or reciprocity.

Why should we strive in our Christian growth to grow into that "purity of heart"? Well, there really is a motive for our actions toward others. The author of the First Letter of John tells us that "We love because he first loved us." And that "love" is "agape" love--a love that is an act of the will, exhibiting a willingness to love because of or in spite of everything that would tell us to ignore, hate, or despise the person or object of our loving action(s).

And this is so hard to do in our world of transactions, where we expect to get some benefit back from the loving attention given to the other. "I'll scratch your back, and you'll scratch mine." Jesus in his teachings makes it clear, using other images: "When you give a banquet, invite the poor, the outcasts, for they will be unable to repay you."

Frederick Buechner writes the following in his book, The Magnificent Defeat: "Each one of us somewhere, somehow, has known, if only for a moment or so, something of what it is to feel the shattering love of God, and once that has happened, we can never rest easy again for trying somehow to set that love forth not only in words, myriads of words, but in our lives themselves." And that is as it should be, for in fact,

we are changed by those shattering moments of agape, two of which are our Baptism and the Holy Eucharist---and other moments throughout our lives.

Note that the quote from the Bible does not say "We love him, because he first loved us". Leave out the "him", and you can see the really radical nature of that agape love! "We love_____"

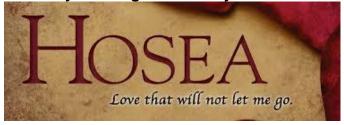
Go ahead and fill in the blank. Whom do we love or claim to love? Go ahead, stop and think a moment. We cannot dam up or freeze the love of God that we are to exhibit in our lives whenever it confronts someone. The love which comes naturally to us for family, friends, or fellow members of our church, class, race, or social club, has got to be much more expansive. Whenever we encounter the most unlikable people, in need of that agape love, we are to act. Perhaps the American poet, Edward Markham sums it up best in these words:

He drew a circle that shut me out, Heretic, rebel, a thing to flout. But Love and I had the wit to win, We drew a circle that took him in.

Source of some of this material comes from "Moving Toward the Cross: Reflections on the writings of Frederick Buechner" by Martin E. Marty

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Thursday Evening Bible Study



The Thursday Evening Bible Study has started a new study of Hosea. One of the early writing prophets, Hosea used his own experience as a symbolic representation of God and Israel: God the husband, Israel the wife. Hosea's wife left him to go with other men; Israel left the Lord to go with false gods. Hosea searched for his wife, found her and brought her back; God would not abandon Israel and brought them back even though they had forsaken him. Christians extend the analogy of Hosea to Christ and the church: Christ the husband, his church the

bride. Christians see in this book a comparable call to the church not to forsake the Lord Jesus Christ. Join us from 6:45pm 'till 8 on Thursday evenings, Room B. Bring your Bible and an inquiring mind.

Thursday Lunch Bible Study

Every Thursday at noon, a group of women gathers in the Library to study the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday. Join this group for a time to study Scripture and enrich your Sunday experience.

Great Courses Series

The Great Courses resumed meeting on Monday, January 9 at 6:45 in the library. You can join at any point because each week we watch a video and then have a discussion. For information contact Connie Douglass at 901-484-8674 or cquilter@hotmail.com.

Sunday, February 12, 2017 Epiphany 6

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist I 9:00 a.m. Breakfast 9:30 a.m.Children & Youth Sunday Schooll Adult Forum: Healthy New Year series:

> 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II Nursery and Children's Chapel 12:00 p.m. DOK meeting 1:30 p.m. Sanctifica Rehearsal 3:30 p.m. Schola Choir Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. EYC

Special this Sunday: Adult Forum - Healthy New Year series continues with "Meal Planning and Shopping Trips" by Church Health's Nicole Alexander Reed, RDN EYC Game Night 5-7 p.m.

http://www.lectionarypage.net/YearA_RCL/Epiphany/AE bi6_RCL.html

Music for 5 Epiphany A,Feb. 12, 10:30 a.m. (Schola at 8 a.m.)

Psalm If thou but trust in God Wer nur den lieben/J.

Offertory Offertory Teach me, O Lord Benjamin Rogers Communion Music: Lord, for thy tender, red bk. p. 27 J. Hilton - small group

Looking Ahead

- Feb 5 Epiphany 5 Pastoral Care mtg, G-GIFFT, EYC,
- Feb 6 Endowment Comm. mtg (6:30 p.m.); Young Adults Trivia Night at Mellow Mushroom (7:30 p.m.)
- Feb 7 Young Adults Game Night, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Library
- Feb 8 The Table, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Feb 10 Lancers at the Vezinas at 6:30 p.m.
- Feb 12 Epiphany 6 Bldgs & Grounds mtg, DOK Chapter mtg, EYC, FOM Concert series: Evensong with Coventry and Holy Communion Church choirs
- Feb 14 Book Club
- Feb. 16 Room in the Inn
- Feb. 24 FOM Concert series: Organ Concert by Patrick Parker

Weekly at St. George's

Sunday

St. George's Consort (Recorders) TBA Sanctifica (Wind & Brass)1:30 p.m. Schola Cantorum Rehearsal 3:30 p.m. (no rehearsal on 3rd Sundays) Compline 8:05 p.m.

(1st & 3rd Sundays, except as otherwise announced)

Monday

Great Courses Series, 6:45 p.m. (resumes Jan. 9, 2017)

Wednesday

St. Cecilia Choir (Children's) 5:45 - 6:30 pm Canterbury Choir (Children's) 5:30 - 6:30 pm Coventry Choir (Adult) 7 - 9 p.m.

Thursday

Reflective Lectionary Bible Study, 12 - 2 p.m. Thursday Evening Bible Study, 6:45 - 8 pm

Mind the Gap - A Reminder

Mother Dorothy, the Vestry and the Staff all thank you for your continued generous support of the ministries here at St. George's. We appreciate your remembering your pledge and keeping it current.

Thank you for your support!

We're off to a good start in 2017!

As of $01/12/17$	Actual B	udget	Difference
Pledge Offerings	\$58,466	\$24,200	\$34,266
Other Gifts	\$ 4,527	\$ 2,617	\$ 1,910
Total	\$62,993	\$26,817	\$36,176

Giving to St. George's

Remember to Renew Your Community Support Sponsorship (St. George's) on Kroger Accounts

Your Kroger account Community Support Sponsorship for St. George's must be renewed annually for the donations to St. George's. Kroger contributes 3-5% to St. George's on all your grocery and gas purchases. Check to bottom of your receipt to see if you have selected St. George's as you charity organization. If you haven't selected St. George's, go to www.kroger.com and select Community Rewards, then sign in or open an account. To register St. George's for your Community Reward use #80613 or put in the church name and then enroll to establish or renew your donation to St. George's.

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Amazon Smile Community Support

This program also contributes 5% of your purchases to St. George's. When you sign into Amazon, type "Amazon Smile" in the search bar, then follow the simple instructions to choose St. George's Episcopal Church, Germantown to receive your support! Each time that you order through Amazon, you will need to type in Amazon Smile, and once you enter the Amazon Smile portal, you'll see a note at the top of your page that states that you are supporting St. George's! It's an easy way to support the Church while doing your Amazon shopping.

News from Kitchen Committee

This is just a friendly reminder to all Parish Ministries who use the kitchen: Please empty the garbage cans after your event and take garbage to the dumpster. This applies to events held during the week and especially on Sunday. We do not have a Sunday sexton and the cleaning crew does not clean the building until Monday night. Many thanks for doing this, as it will keep down the critter population! Many thanks, from the Kitchen Committee!

Sunday Ministries

Church services go on, even if you're unable to be here. If you are scheduled to serve on a Sunday (Lay Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Acolyte, Usher/Greeter other service) and won't be available, please remember identify to substitute by emailing or phoning others in the group to ask for assistance. It is not the Sacristan's duty to find someone Sunday morning to fill in for you. The Monthly Ministries calendar can be found on the website, from the Worship pull-down menu or as a link from the Sunday Schedule. Thank you for your cooperation!

Please Pray for (updated 1/29/17)

Sylvia, Stuart Owen, The Rev. Ronald Valentine, Elizabeth Mealey, Susan Gregory, Lee Bell, Rob Jones, Kay Easson, George and Nancy Mellios, Fr. Jim and Emmy Marquis, Janna McCormack, Susan, Mary Cifuni, Bob Beighley, Keegan Provost, David Trammell, Nell Newcomb, Alice Saunders, Carol Payne, Renee Clark Guibao, Jim Posner, Allison Meredith, Jean Peyton, Victor Robilio, Tori Johnson, Sharon Walker, Jackie Gray, Billie Moore, Laura Shepard, Tommy Roberson, Janice Doan, Peggy Nichols, Matilda Albertson, Dennis Johnston, Katie Calvin Horton, LaRene Kithcart, Mary Ann and Bill Bettison, Otto Lyons, Christine Uthoff, Larra Huckabey, Brenda Pearce, Christy Aycock, Carla Evans, Laura Schwartz, John Webb, Laura Grubbs, Pat and Nick Kelly, Jo and Larry Quinn, Denise Gilmartin, Mary and Ralph Davies, Cheryl Lee, the Ewen Family, Mary Crawford, Kay McCary, Brian Kellett, Cyd Mosteller, Debbie Pearce, Bill Bloom, Pam Gossett, Peggy Huffman, Savannah Posner, Herb Hilgeman, Shiela Ross, Ken Leonard, Ardelle Hopson, Rachel Anderson, Tom Hatter, Charles Boyanton, Susan Shaw, Kit Decker, the Barker family and the family of Nell Newcomb.

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