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The Weekly Lampstand

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Serving on Sunday

Greeter/Gift Bearer – Sue Shields & Lynda Beichner

Acolytes – tba Intercessor – MaryLou Shoemaker

Lector – Katy ReddickHospitality – Annual Meeting's Potluck Luncheon

Eucharistic Minister – Judy Moeckel Altar Guild – Sue Conrad & Ned Cassady

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Announcements for the week of January 31, 2016

Parish Annual Meeting Sunday, January 31 (snow date)

The One Hundred and Fifty-Fourth Annual Meeting of the Parish of the Church of the Epiphany (Episcopal) will be convened on Sunday, January 31, *in the church*, shortly after our 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist.

All "Members in Good Standing" (Voting members are those persons who have been baptized in the Christian church, have taken Holy Communion at least three times in the past year, and are at least sixteen years of age) are urged to attend.

POT-LUCK LUNCHEON FOLLOWING THE MEETING, BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE!

Epiphany announces Rev. Betty Long as Missional Priest

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this past Sunday I was delighted to announce to the parish that as of January 15th, 2016 Church of the Epiphany has called Rev. Betty Ann Long as our Missional Priest.

We all have prayed for Epiphany's future and our prayers have been answered!

With God's help we are no longer facing uncertainty about the future of our little church.

Yet another time has Epiphany family come together, united, put the parish's needs ahead of our own and in tireless work shown that we are a viable religious community.

I would like to thank you all for your efforts and thank God for guiding us.

May we all find our path and place in God's mission under the guidance of our newly called leader!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Faithfully Yours in Him,

Martin Johan Karu Senior Warden

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you for many, many things.

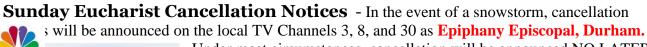
You are a wonderful group of faithful Christians. Filled with the Holy Spirit and the gifts of God's love. You have blessed me and Bill by your welcome and the support you have given to me and Bill during our time of crisis and need: your many, many cards, your wonderful meals and all of the love, compassion and caring that you have showered upon us fill our souls with gladness. Bill and I will be forever grateful for all the support you have given to us as we were "newcomers" in your midst. You are truly an example of Christianity in this broken world.

I am equally thankful for your choosing me to be your Missional Priest. I feel that God has called me to serve you in this gracious and faithful congregation. I pray that I will be able to support all of you with the love, compassion and caring that you have bestowed upon me and I ask you to hold me in your prayers that I can impart to you my faith and trust in God's tender care. Let us together be a beacon of joy to an unhappy and fearful world. Let us strive for justice and peace and hold up in prayer all of God's people into the forgiving and everlasting arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

In Christ's love,

Rev. Betty Long

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Under most circumstances, cancellation will be announced NO LATER than 7:00 a.m. Sunday Morning.



MONDAY BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOK OF GENESIS

Rev. Betty Long will be holding a bible study from 10 to 11:30am on MONDAYS, starting February 1st, in the Bp Williams room.

Join us!

The MUSTARD SEEDS GROUP - Every Wednesday at 7 pm

The group invites you to join them for prayer, silence and meditation on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Bishop Williams Room. *All are welcome!*



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

- 3 Cade Buckheit
- 4 John Beichner
- 9 Brian Ehlers
- 10 Karen Leibiger
- 14 Anne Schmottlach Doyle
- 18 Seamus Doyle
- 19 Ellen Morris Cassady
- 21 Eric Edward Wind
- 24 Virginia Benbow
- 27 Shirley Schmottlach
- 27 Karen McLaughlin
- 29 Lee Meiselman

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES!

- 9 Robert & Deborah Proctor
- 28 Tom Reimer & Carol Buchanan

BEST WISHES TO ALL!



Safe Church Recertification

NOTE TO EPIPHANY PARISHIONERS

Most of the recertification training sessions are not convenient for Durham people, but here is one that is! Help Epiphany can stay compliant - please plan on attending because parishioners who work with children, youth, and/or the elderly are required to receive "Safe Church" training.

This coming **Wednesday evening, Feb 3, from 6:30-9:00pm**, the diocese will be offering a short course **at St. Andrew's in Madison** (232 Durham Rd, Rt. 79, Madison - 20 minutes from Durham center) to recertify those who already attended the full-day program more than three years ago.

This training will offer new and updated information. The focus is on the protection of children and youth and prevention of elder abuse.

The training is open to members of all parishes in the area. To attend you need to register online: https://www.episcopalct.org/Find-Resources/General-Parish-Operations/Safe-Church-Resources/Safe-Church-Training-Schedule/

Hope to see some of you there!



REV. BETTY'S OFFICE HOURS

Rev. Betty will hold office hours on TUESDAYS from 9am to 12pm.



Intercessory prayers are requested for Debbie Proctor and her 52 children in Honduras, Rebecca (her family, and all who loved her), Carla, Hilary, Sharon Lawson, Kathy, Tom B., Bill N., Sylvia Corrigan, Murriel, Kylie Novo and Family, Alice and Dick Shoemaker, Joan, Dottie, Mike Baron, Bill & Betty Long, Amy, Susan, Sylvia Fazzino, Martin, Aldona Houston, Stanley, Marjorie Feitig, Charles Duren, Roger, and Julia Bishop Hahlo.

Please pray for those in the military: Janai Johnson, Ryan Johnson, Brad Crain; Jared DiMarco; Katherine Garvis; Frank Garvis; Melissa Golschneider

PEANUT BUTTER



We have a goal of 50 jars of peanut butter per month for the Amazing Grace Pantry. If each family purchased one jar a month, we would reach our goal! Just think - one a month.... or, two, to help someone in need. Donation bins are in the narthexes. *Thank you for your generous heart!*

It's Your Life, Live it Well ~ Attend a Live Well Workshop at Durham Library
Tuesdays, April 5 through May 10, 10-12:30pm

Attend a Live Well Workshop and learn skills to understand and take control of your chronic health condition. Live Well is a FREE six-week workshop and will be offered at the Durham Library, 7 Maple Avenue. Live Well Workshops are for adults with long term health conditions who want to take charge of their life. Learn better ways of dealing with pain, fatigue, difficult emotions, anxiety and stress. Learn easy exercises to help improve or maintain strength and energy. Learn ways to improve your nutrition and learn appropriate use of medications and more.

Live Well is also beneficial for caregivers, family and friends. Live Well is sponsored by Senior Resources Area Agency on Aging, State of CT Dept. on Aging and CT. Dept. of Public Health through a grant from the Administration on Aging. All are welcome, for more information on how to sign up, contact Claudia White at 860-301-8215.

Pre-registration is required, so if interested please sign up now.

I've learned so much from my mistakes...

I'm thinking of making a few more...

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