

## A Note about Giving this Year Stewardship Needs Continue – Even without a Campaign

This time of year, following Easter, usually means we are in our annual stewardship campaign at Epiphany. In the past, this campaign has been used to encourage all of us hear what the Bible says about money and supporting our local Christian community and to develop our church's operating budget for our new fiscal year, which begins on July 1.



Have you been wondering why it hasn't been mentioned? The Finance Committee, chaired by Dennis McNeely, along with me and our Wardens, Andy Plummer and Bryan Saddler, decided that our stewardship efforts this spring and summer should be focused on the capital campaign for our new home at 3863 Centerview Drive.

We appreciate our congregation's regular giving and ask that we all prayerfully consider at least maintaining our current commitment to Epiphany's operating expenses for the year ahead. The Finance Committee and Vestry are using data we know from past years about both expenses and regular giving to build a conservative budget for the year ahead.

If you are new to Epiphany or thinking about making a deeper commitment to our church and would like to get a sense of our church's finances, please feel free to send Fr. Peter ([pfrank@epiphanyanglican.net](mailto:pfrank@epiphanyanglican.net)) or Dennis ([ddmcneely@gmail.com](mailto:ddmcneely@gmail.com)) and email, we would be happy to share financial details and answer any questions you might have.

God Bless,

Peter Frank

Dennis McNeely (on behalf of the Finance Committee)

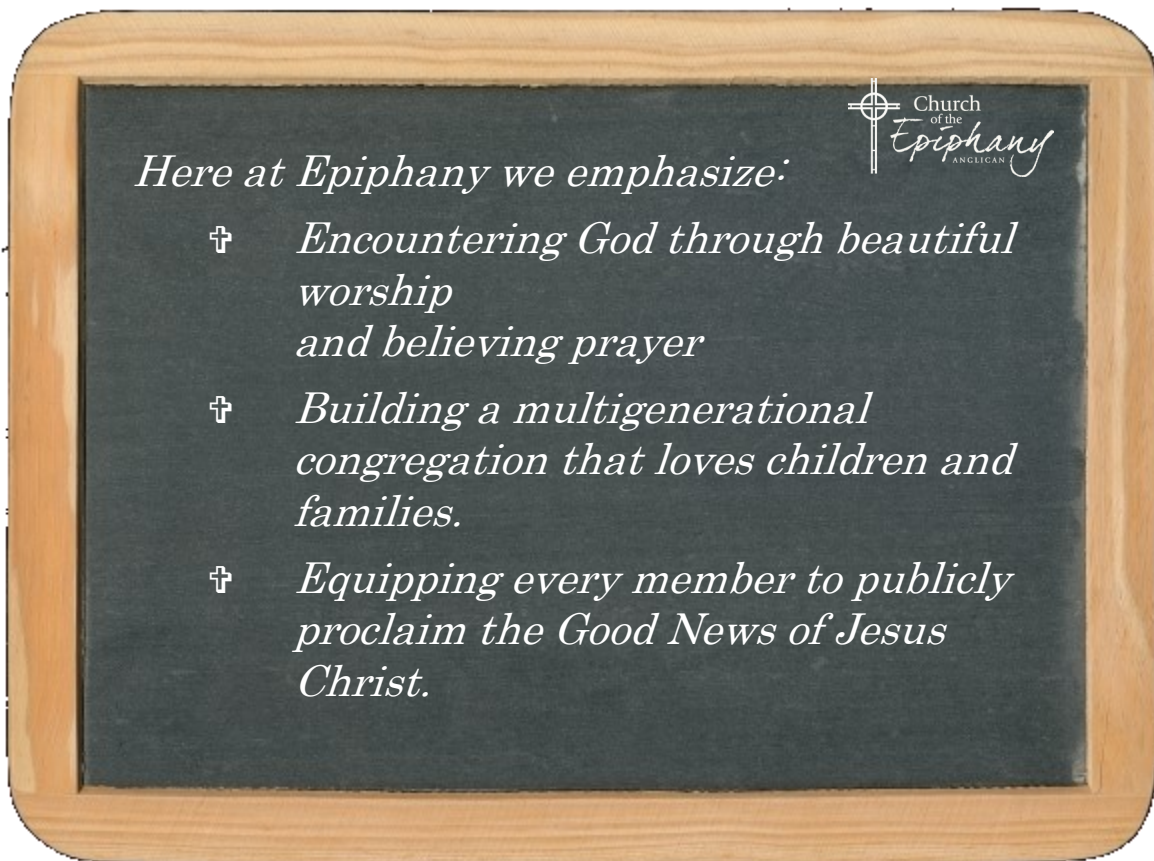
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## Quick Facts about the 2017/18 Draft Epiphany Budget

- **Personnel** (salaries, insurance, training, mileage, professional, etc.) ..... \$426,384
- **Facility Expenses** (Lease, utilities, repair, cleaning): .....\$311,847
- **Diocesan Support** (diocesan operations and church planting): ..... \$34,000
- **Church Operations** (IT, communications, office supplies): .....\$25,654
- **Missions Support** (giving to nine missionaries/mission agencies) ..... \$22,320
- **Community and Neighborhood Ministry** (Hot Meals, WFCM, evangelism): . \$12,600
- **Worship** (Altar Guild, music, audio visual): ..... \$8,410
- **Finance and Legal** (insurance, fees): ..... \$7,564
- **Congregational Care** (events, men's/women's ministry, hospitality): ..... \$7,435
- **Discipleship** (curricula, youth ministry, nursery): ..... \$3685
- **Total Budgeted Expenses:** (same as last year) ..... \$860,000



## Prayer Walking



If you were at church on Sunday, May 21, you may have heard me refer to Prayer Walking. Sometimes, I introduce a subject that I don't have time to elaborate on in the sermon. One reason for neglecting more detail is that I knew I could go into more detail here.

Most of us are comfortable picturing what I mean when I use the word "prayer." After all, ever since we first learned the Lord's prayer, prayer is something we do as part of our spiritual disciplines.

Most of us are also pretty comfortable thinking about walking too, but putting the two words together: "Prayer Walking" is not as well known or understood.

One of the most wonderful benefits to our church's move to 3863 Centerview Drive is that we have the opportunity to reimagine what mission could look like with a new set of eyes and ears.

Discerning our mission involves exploring, envisioning and testing the waters to see what God is doing and then joining in. The way we can discover our Lord's plans is to involve ourselves in a season of listening. But listening need not entail passively sitting and waiting. Listening is best done in small groups and in our new environment. Some of us have a hard time sitting still anyway, so prayer walking entails slowly walking with a small group and praying while you walk. What happens is that observing our surroundings gives us new ideas. For those who have a hard time because we fall asleep when we pray, Prayer Walking is something we do with our eyes open as we walk.

As we observe what is happening in the world around us, we are given new ideas to pray and some to put into actions right away. Praying in a small group is helpful as we listen to the group members express different prayer needs. We are given new insight to reflect on and ideas that we can then mull over. Our biggest endeavor is to listen and sometimes it is easier to listen, to wait, and to not grow impatient as we walk along. The awkward silence of group prayer is taken away, as we walk. I will not make it sound like Prayer Walking has the added benefit of exercise because, truly, we should call the walking more like a stroll. For our own purposes with the move, we are still exploring areas that would be a natural "neighborhood." Nevertheless, our small group of Barnabas members are open and willing to host others who might want to join us on a Prayer Walk. Right now we meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 for an hour but would be open to other times as well. Let me know, at [pmeeks@epiphanyanglican.net](mailto:pmeeks@epiphanyanglican.net) if you are interested in joining us.

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## Build-Out Update: Reviewing Initial Design

### Beth Monroe, Chair Build-Out Committee



The Architect's rendering of the front of our new sanctuary.

While we were waiting for the final lease to be signed, sealed, and delivered, a part of the build-out committee met with Mark Manetti and his design team to review their initial design for our new facility. After going over the design, focusing primarily on the sanctuary and fellowship hall, a few areas needed additional refinement, such as, counters in the fellowship space and continuing the stairs on the sides of the altar as well as in front.

The scope of work was also presented to Fairfax County for a pre-submittal review. While they met with approval for the most part, we were advised that a family restroom will be required. While this is an additional cost we did not initially plan on, the committee agreed that it would be very useful to have a restroom where you could easily fit a wheelchair and someone to assist or corral a few small children. It will be located by the other restrooms to minimize the additional plumbing that will be needed.

While the design team works to make the requested changes, the design was presented to the entire build-out committee for approval. The overall design, as presented after church on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> by Ross Cummings, was approved by the committee and Mark Manetti was given the go-ahead to refine the design with the changes that were needed. The committee also began the fun task of selecting finishes and fixtures. Our architect plans on submitting the drawings to the county on June 5.

The vestry is working closely with Atlantic Contractors as the prospective general contractor for the build out. The contract has been reviewed by Epiphany's legal counsel and is in process of being updated per their recommendations.

If you have any questions or input regarding the build-out, we would love to hear from you. The building committee continues to need and appreciate your prayers and input as we move forward. We continue to seek God's guidance to bring our vision to fruition. After all, unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

## Bad Pennies – Heresies that Keep Turning Up

The Christian faith has been around for a while, and so have most of the ways it has been misunderstood, misinterpreted and misapplied.

This summer, Fr. Peter Frank will be leading a four-part teaching series called “Bad Pennies – Heresies that Keep Turning Up” on Wednesday night between 6:30 and 8pm. Classes will be June 21, June 28, July 5 and July 12. Dinner will be provided between 6:30 and 7pm. Teaching will be between 7 and 8pm.



“This class will include both ancient history and current application as we look at the ways Christians have had to struggle against charismatic leaders, tempting theologies, and a few out-and-out plots, to confess the faith ‘once delivered to the saints,’” said Fr. Peter. “We’ll also see how many of the ancient heresies that caused conflict in the church in its early days are still with us today, and still tempting to many,” he added.

Sign up for “Bad Pennies” at church on Sunday, or click here to sign up via [Sign Up Genius](#).

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054ca9ad2aa5f58-badpennies>

## Memorandum for: Heads of Ministries



## Pentecost in the Park is Sunday, June 4

Epiphany will be meeting under the pavilion at Frying Pan Park (2739 West Ox Rd, Herndon, VA 20171) this Sunday at 10 am for worship, followed by a church picnic.

Bring a picnic dish to share and something to keep you and your family hydrated. If you have a safe lawn game (no pointy-darts, please) bring that too! The church will provide plates and silverware, as well as water.

This year, we have a special guest preacher, a missionary who worships with us when he is not traveling for his work among people who have never heard of Jesus.

While going to the park is fun, and a reminder of God's faithfulness to our church since our first service there in 2012 while we were between church buildings, meeting together and worshipping outside also serves as a powerful yearly illustration that we are called to "go-out" into the world with our faith, not just keep it shut behind church doors.

See you in the park!



**Main Entrance: 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon, VA 20171**  
**Visitor Center/Shelter Entrance: 2739 West Ox Road Herndon VA 20171**

## Missions Update: SAT-7

*Epiphany has provided financial support to SAT-7, which broadcasts both faith-based and news programs throughout the Middle East. The following is an article from SAT-7's Insight Magazine, discussing how SAT-7 reaches out to women in the region.*

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### **BEING A WOMAN IN THE ARAB WORLD**

Imagine that your whole life is limited to what your family members choose. How would it feel to be denied education, a career, the choice of a partner, or even freedom of movement?

In some ways, the situation for women in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) has improved in recent years. Girls' access to education has increased, as has women's political representation in select countries. But in many places, the situation remains dire. Women may face both gender-based violence and a lack of rights and freedoms. The conflicts that have engulfed parts of the region have only made these problems worse.

#### **Threatened by violence**

Many countries in the MENA do not have laws against domestic violence. Women who act against their family's wishes may be attacked or even killed by male family members in "honour crimes". And in some countries, sexual assault and harassment are rife.

#### **Deprived of rights and freedoms**

In many families in the MENA, depending on the country and community, women have very little control over their own lives. Many women are forced to marry against their will – some while they are still children. Approximately one in five girls in the region are married before the age of 18; in Yemen, it is almost one third. Family restrictions or responsibilities prevent women from seeking work. Even when they are free to seek a career, women may face discrimination in employment and within the workplace. In countries such as Iran, restrictions also limit the way in which women may dress and behave in public.

#### **Victims of conflict**

The violence that has engulfed Syria, Iraq, Libya, and Yemen has blighted the lives of women. In some cases, it has reversed years of progress towards greater equality. Women who have lost their husbands to violence often find themselves the sole parent and provider at a time of severe poverty. More than 70 percent of Syrian refugees are women or children. They are extremely vulnerable to violence, from both outside and inside their families. Displacement can cause domestic violence to escalate. One survey of Palestinian refugees in Jordan reported that 44 percent of women had been beaten by their husbands. Many families in refugee camps are marrying off their daughters as children. They do this in the belief that it will protect them from the general threat of sexual violence.

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### **How does SAT-7 help?**

Satellite television is an extremely effective way of reaching women, especially those who are isolated and illiterate. When women rarely leave the house, they often spend a lot of time watching television. SAT-7's programming brings the message of God's love to suffering women who desperately need to hear about it. We have many programs especially for women.

### **Among the shows that SAT-7 broadcasts are:**

#### **You are Precious**

Produced in Arabic with Kabyle subtitles, this women's program gives a voice to the troubles and concerns of women from different communities throughout North Africa. The program confronts controversial issues such as divorce, domestic conflict, choosing a spouse, and finding value in one's identity. "We want to remind these women that they are very precious in God's eyes. We want to encourage them to believe in themselves and find peace and comfort in the Lord," says Presenter and Producer Samia Jallali Kessai.

#### **Daughter of the King**

A powerful program now in its fourth season, *Daughter of the King* discusses important issues around women's rights to get an education, work, vote, and take leadership positions in society. Women in the Middle East and North Africa were, and are still, mistreated, abused, and looked down upon as second class citizens. The series shines a light on biblical truths such as the fact that God created woman equally to man and that He loves both genders equally.







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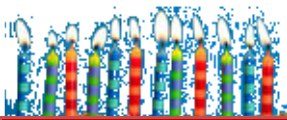
### Publishing Information

The *Epiphany STAR* is generally published monthly and contains articles and information about what God has and is doing in us and through us as the Epiphany Family. It is intended to encourage each of us in our ministry and discipleship by relating how God is working in the midst of us.

The *Epiphany Candle* is published weekly by email, highlighting what is coming in the days ahead at Epiphany and other information that the staff and vestry feel is important to emphasize.

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**Deadlines:**  
**STAR: 21st of the month**  
**Bulletin: Monday, 8 AM**  
**Candle: Wednesday, 8 AM**



#### BIRTHDAYS

1	Ted Hanger	9	Margaret Donivan	19	Tom Will
3	Cindy Allbright		Graham McNeely	20	James Vaughan
	Evan Zimmerman	10	Cyndie Humenik	21	Jennie Beckley
5	Merle Stromberg	11	Frank Cochran	22	Maggie Cottingham
6	Abigail Nadarajah		Jeff Zimmerman		Natalie Plummer
7	Alexa Reed	14	Tom Miller	26	Cindy Newton
	Catie Reed		Margaret Stromberg	27	David Reed
	Diane Reed	17	John Morris	29	Courtney Turner
		18	Jim Humenik		

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2	Frances & Roger Miller	11	Sally & Dennis McNeely
4	Judy & Bob Schulengerg	12	Wyndy & Ted Fredrick
	Jodi & Duncan Sutton	18	Julia & Jim Judkins
9	Ginger & Murray Black	30	Erin & Eric Schultz

### Worship Schedule

#### Sundays

8:00 and 10:00 AM  
 Eucharist and Healing

At the 10 am service:

Nursery available for infants through 2 years old  
 Sunday School for children 3 years old through 5th grade

#### Weekdays

**9:00 AM**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

**12:15 PM**

Wednesdays: Holy Communion

# Resources

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### Vestry Officers

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## Intercessory Prayer Letter

Requests can now be submitted by email at a secure site,

[prayer-request@epiphanyanglican.net](mailto:prayer-request@epiphanyanglican.net)

or written and left in the prayer request box in the Fellowship Area.

All prayer requests are collected after the Sunday morning services and prepared for Monday morning distribution. For more information or questions, contact Faith Fisler at 703-591-6645 or email her at [mizfiz34@gmail.com](mailto:mizfiz34@gmail.com).



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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

June		
4	10:00AM	Pentecost in the Park
4	11:30 AM	Marriage Mentors
4, 18	6:00 PM	Junior Connections
4, 18	6:45 PM	Youth Connections
7	7:00 PM	Ladies Dining Out
13	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
21, 25	6:00 PM	Summer Teaching Series "Bad Pennies"
24	7:00 AM	Youth trip to Kings Dominion
July		
5, 12	6:00 PM	Summer Teaching Series "Bad Pennies"
11	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
31 Jul -Aug 4		Coates Sports Camp
August		
31 Jul -Aug 4		Coates Sports Camp
8	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting

