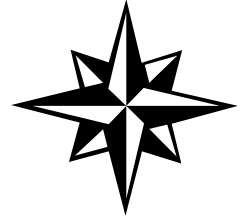


# The Epiphany Star



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*The mission of Church of the Epiphany is to celebrate the light of Christ, proclaim the Gospel, deepen our faith, nurture and encourage all people.*

***Daylight Savings Time Ends Saturday Evening, October 31!!!!!!!!!!!!***



## ***Tithes and Offerings***

***If you are unable to attend church services at this time, you may keep your donations and pledge payments up to date by mailing them to Treasurer Kara Horner at PO Box 742, Laurens, SC 29360.***

## ***A Message From Senior Warden, Bill Horner***

We hope everyone has enjoyed the last three Sundays with the Rev. Dr. Kelly Ayer. She was extremely helpful getting us off the ground and back into a routine again. Her message was informative, and the Vestry has received lots of positive feedback on her message. For the next three Sundays we will host Rev. Daniel Hank. Rev. Hank lives in Columbia, and, if that name sounds familiar, he did meet with our Pastoral Search Committee. He is very enthusiastic about getting to meet everyone and getting into the pulpit again.

Our two services per day for these first three Sundays have met our needs and the guidelines issued by the Bishop's Office. We have not gone over our limit of 12 in any one service, but if we had combined the attendees we would have surpassed the limit of 12 for one service. One item that we have not brought up in the newsletter is what if someone comes down with Covid after attending a service. If this unfortunate incident happens, we ask that you contact a member of the Vestry so that we may notify everyone who attended that particular service. We have a list of the members who attended the services in order to contact those attendees. This is one of many reasons why we have a little shorter service so that the pews can be disinfected in between the services.

We owe a big thanks to the members of the church who are doing double duty for the two services. The Alter Guild, Lay Leaders and Randy, our organist, are all putting in overtime to allow our services to be held seamlessly. Thank you to these team members!

## ***A Message from Junior Warden Brad Holmes***

We have so much appreciation from the church members for Randy. He has kept us going and inspired us with his music and work. I appreciate everything he is doing.

### ***Favorite Hymns***

If you have any favorite hymns, either from our 1982 Hymnal or other hymnals, please drop a note in the basket or let Randy know.

### ***Prayer Requests***

Prayer requests can be sent to the church in many ways. On the website at <http://epiphanyoflaurens.org/find-us> or by e-mail to [PriestInCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org](mailto:PriestInCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org) or by phone at 864.984.7000 (leave message) or drop a note in the basket at the church.

### ***Please Keep in Your Prayers***

Phillip Roughton, the brother-in-law of Lorri Roughton; Marty Joseph; those unemployed; the armed forces of our country; those affected by the Covid 19 Virus; securing a new Priest-in-Charge for the Church of the Epiphany.

## ***LEM Rotation for November (Both Services)***

Nov. 1: Graham Duncan  
Nov. 8: Mark Adams  
Nov. 15: Loren Taylor  
Nov. 22: Graham Duncan  
Nov. 27: Mark Adams



## ***November 2020 Backpack Ministry Update***

We are up and running for the 9<sup>th</sup> year of the Backpack Ministry program. We have gone through a lot of changes and learned a lot, but the dedication of the parishioners of the four partnering churches is as strong as ever.

Beginning 10/26/2020, all elementary students were back in school all five days with the exception of the virtual students. We had been delivering the backpacks twice a week when the students were on the hybrid schedule, but now that the students are back in school full time we will go back to delivering once a week. Our goal is to remain flexible as the Covid 19 situation warrants. The school district is publishing a district wide summary of Covid 19 cases by school every Friday.

With some slight modifications, we have been able to use the space at the District 55 Administration Building that we originally had so we are very grateful for that.

Now that the Backpack Ministry is active again, any donations are gratefully received. Please make your donation payable to Church of the Epiphany and mark that it is for the Backpack Ministry. We are scanning all the ads to get the best price for nutritious food for the weekends for 50 students. We strive to be extremely diligent in the use of your wonderful donations.

Please contact Connie Daniels if you have any questions, comments or suggestions for the Backpack Ministry. Thank you for your donations and prayers. Stay well!

## ***Birthdays and Anniversaries***

Oct. 26: Bre & Graham Duncan  
Nov. 9: Rebecca & Justin McCabe  
Nov. 11: Autumn Irons (granddaughter of Lorri Roughton)  
Nov. 15: MJ Ladd Berryman  
Nov. 20: Barbara Mann  
Nov. 21: Marilyn Ladd  
Nov. 22: Frank Barksdale  
Nov. 27: Laura Hamby

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