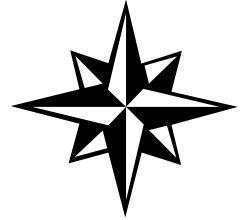


# *The Epiphany Star*



*The Light Shines in Darkness.*

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*Sunday Morning Service Begins at 10 AM  
During June, July and August*

## **Rector's Corner**

Epiphany beloveds,

It's Summer time!!

Remember, church service starts at 10AM, from June to Aug. There will be no Sunday school during the summer.

Vestry June 10

Theology on Tap June 17 at Garcia's kitchen

Deus Semper Amaberis,  
The Rev Dr Kelly Ayer+

***From Base Smith: A big thank you to all for helping with the supper at Straight Street!!!! Donations and physical help!!!***

## *~~ Prayer Requests ~~*

Pray for healing and comfort: Aimee Barrilleaux, Frank Barksdale, Sue Brownlee, Susan Cooke, Andy Cumbee, Gib Darden and family, Jayne Elmgren, Lisa Geloran, Mary Patterson Hayes, Rowan McAdam, Eddie Taylor, Rev. Jack Watson, Barbara Barbery Mann, Jason Rush, Those Unemployed, and The Armed Forces of Our Country.

Prayer requests can be sent to the church in many ways: Our 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

## *June Birthdays and Anniversaries*

June 8:	Paul Abernathy	
June 9:	Elliot Owens Barksdale	
June 11:		Bill and Kara Horner
June 15:	Kara Horner	
June 15:	Patrick Morgan	
June 19:	Donna Babineau	
June 19:	Summer Irons (granddaughter of Lorri Roughton)	
June 24:	Skye Todd	

***Epiphany's expenses continue throughout the year. Pledge payments and contributions may be placed in the offering plate on Sunday or mailed to the Church of the Epiphany, ATTN Harriet Barksdale, Treasurer, 225 West Main Street, Laurens, SC 29360.***

## *June and July Schedule*

### ***LEM***                      ***ALTAR GUILD***

June 2:	Lois Love	Harriet Barksdale & Base Smith
June 9:	Donna Babineau & Loren Taylor	Base Smith & Loren Taylor
June 16:	Loren Taylor	Loren Taylor
June 23:	Graham Duncan	Graham Duncan
June 30:	Mark Adams	Graham Duncan & Harriet Barksdale
July 7:	Lois Love	Harriet Barksdale & Base Smith
July 14:	Donna Babineau & Loren Taylor	Base Smith & Loren Taylor
July 21:	Loren Taylor	Loren Taylor
July 28:	Graham Duncan	Graham Duncan

Want to learn how to set up the altar for communion? Then, the Altar Guild is looking for you! If you are unable to be a regular part of the guild, but you are willing to fill in for someone on an occasional basis, we also want you. We are in the process of making detailed notes for guild members to use for preparing for services. If you are interested, please contact a guild member. This is an important and rewarding way in which to serve God and his church.



## **~~ June 2024 Backpack Ministry Update ~~**

We have finished the Backpack Ministry until the 2024-2025 school year begins in August. We have been involved with the Backpack Ministry for many years. The Backpack Ministry originated in 2012 at the invitation of Atonement Lutheran Church in Laurens. In 2013, five backpacks were delivered weekly to E. B. Morse Elementary School. In 2014, that number was increased to 10 backpacks per week. In 2015, our ministry group was requested to deliver 15 backpacks per week to Ford Elementary School. In 2016, we again delivered 15 backpacks per week to Ford Elementary, and in 2017, we were able to increase the number to 20 backpacks per week. In 2018 Ford Administration sought to increase their backpack number by 150% from 20 per week to 50 per week at Ford Elementary. Because of the generosity of the participating congregations and the generosity of grant funding for milk purchases, we have been able to continue this ministry.

If you wish to donate to the Backpack Ministry, please make your check payable to the Church of the Epiphany and write "Backpacks" on the Memo line. Your check may be placed in the offering during Sunday services or mailed to the Church of the Epiphany's Treasurer: Harriett Barksdale, 225 West Main St., Laurens, SC 29360.

As always, please contact Connie Daniels at [cdaniels1234@hotmail.com](mailto:cdaniels1234@hotmail.com) with any questions, comments, or suggestions for the Backpack Ministry. Thank you for your donations and prayers for this ministry. Have a wonderful summer!

## ***Facebook***

If you have a Facebook account, please like Epiphany's page and posts and share them. Our Facebook page is updated regularly and can be found at [www.facebook.com/EpiphanyOfLaurens](http://www.facebook.com/EpiphanyOfLaurens)

Likewise, visit Epiphany's website, [www.EpiphanyOfLaurens.org](http://www.EpiphanyOfLaurens.org). It is updated weekly with service information and includes links to newsletters and other pieces of information about Epiphany and the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

## ***Miss Lucy's Garden***

Hugh Brownlee has started an Instagram page for Miss Lucy's Garden. It is under the name gardenepiphany. Instagram will be easier than the blog. Hugh plans to keep the blog site, [WWW.GARDENEPIPHANY.WORDPRESS.COM](http://WWW.GARDENEPIPHANY.WORDPRESS.COM), up for now because of the old content. If he eventually deletes the blog, he will let us know.

***Send Items for future editions of the Epiphany Star to Bill Cooper at [mthappy@prtcnet.com](mailto:mthappy@prtcnet.com), telephone 864-969-2707 or mail to PO Box 400, Enoree, SC 29335. Let me know of additions or changes to the birthday and anniversary list.***