

WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 12

THE STAR

Official Newsletter of Church of the Epiphany-Tempe

Pictured above: Courtyard Fountain Cross



Creation Care Corner

Offering ideas and inspiration for sustainable discipleship

Each year, the United States produces 35.7 million tons of plastic waste. That's equivalent to more than 200 pounds of plastic waste for every single man, woman and child in America. (US Public Interest Research Group) More than 91% of plastic is burned, thrown into a landfill or tossed into our environment. Much of what is left in the environment winds up in the ocean. Scientists estimate that there will be more plastic than sea creatures in the ocean by 2050. (Lauren Spurrier, World Wildlife Magazine, Fall, 2019) We all can play a part in reducing the scourge of plastic, starting here at Epiphany. The Creation Care Committee has set a goal of eliminating as much single use plastic from our garbage as possible. You will see changes coming in the Parish Hall kitchen in the coming weeks. Stay tuned to announcements and information in the Star for more details. A few adjustments in utensils, cups and other items will go a long way toward reaching our goal. We are asking for your help and support in this effort!

-Amy Douglass



Lenten Cereal Drive - Grand Total of 928 Boxes! June Crane

57 boxes of cereal came in on Easter to conclude our Lenten Cereal Drive. That gives us a total of 928 boxes for the food banks at Matthews Crossing and Paz de Cristo and blew past our goal of 700. A huge thank you to everyone at Epiphany who contributed and a very special thanks to George & Margaret Harris and Karen Ford who delivered the cereal every week to the food banks. The grocery cart is out every Sunday for cereal and any other staple food, paper products, or personal care items you would like to donate to Matthews Crossing. Thank you, thank you!

Sunday at Epiphany

The Second Sunday of Easter

Celebrant:

The Rev. Hunter Ruffin

Lay Ministers 8:00AM

Greeter:

Rita Liddy

Readers:

Patricia Young

Acolyte:

Dave Young

Eucharistic Ministers:

John Slaughter

Lay Ministers 10:00AM

Greeters:

Diane Spillum, Heidi Thomas

Readers:

Lynda Woodson, Jane Konrad

Acolytes:

Dave Bauer

Eucharistic Ministers:

Pat Blackman, Ann Tebo

Music:

Dr. Miriam Hickman, Matt Flora, Choir

A/V Ministers:

Cassandra Kariuki

Join us in-person at 8:00 or 10:00, or
online at 10:00

Easter Flower Memorials

Steve & Trish Aquillino	<i>In memory of Carolyn, Ariel, and Myriam</i>
Dave Bauer	
The Bowman Family	<i>In honor of Maria Luisa Gomez & Gail Paige-Bowman; In memory of Carlos Morazan & Ernest Bruss; With thanksgiving for our family.</i>
Yvonne Breslin	<i>In memory of John Breslin</i>
Kathy Carney	<i>In memory of Marsha Heron; With thanksgiving for my church family</i>
June Crane	
Priscilla DeMoss	
Laura Evans	<i>In memory of parents Phil & Mary Teagle</i>
The Fairchild Family	<i>In thanksgiving for the D'Oria family-Gary, Tara, and Noah; In memory of Joan Ann Temple</i>
The Flores Family	
Jack & Mary Harthun	<i>With thanksgiving for our family</i>
Michelle Helm	<i>In honor of Cynthia - sister</i>
The Keith Family	<i>In memory of John D. Keith, Jr.</i>
Tonya Landin	<i>In memory of Trent, Tiki & Tata Ruiz; With thanksgiving for everything</i>
Rupert Loza	<i>In honor & memory of Lorraine Loza; With thanksgiving for a wonderful marriage!</i>
Dave & Valli Mittner-Ripley	<i>In memory of John and Dorothy Hergenrother, Emerson and Mabel Ripley</i>
Phoebe Morgan	
The Owan & Hansen Family	<i>In memory of Christopher & Rowan</i>
Steve Schaitberger	
Joy Shearman	<i>In memory of John, Ethel, Jackie, Dean</i>
Kim Stone	<i>In memory of Pita Sunia, and Jude Wickelgren</i>
Cece Wilhite	<i>In memory of Wm, Bernice, Bill, Pat; With thanksgiving for children, grandchildren, & Epiphany</i>
Anonymous	<i>In celebration of Easter; In memory of Kemp Slaughter</i>

Many thanks to everyone who was able to make a gift and help beautify the church for Easter this year!

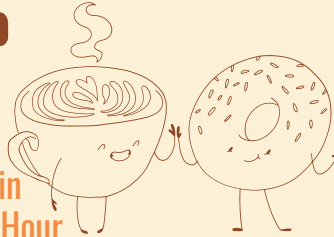
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BAGELS & BEGINNINGS

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 19

AFTER EACH SERVICE

All newcomers to Epiphany, whether very recent or in the past year, are welcome to join our Bagels & Beginnings Newcomers Coffee Hour so you can meet other parishioners. This is an informal time to meet other newcomers and seasoned Epiphany members while enjoying refreshments in our beautiful Memorial Garden. (If it's too hot, we'll be in the Parish Hall.) Contact Pam with any questions at (602)686-1249 or watermanpj28@gmail.com.



Ladies' Tea Planning Meetings



This Sunday, April 12

11:30am-12pm(ish) in the Parish Hall

Primarily for those who are new to hosting a table, but all hostesses are welcome. Sweet treats, and warm fellowship.

Next Saturday, April 18

3pm-5pm at Pam's House

(2531 S Saratoga, near Guadalupe and Price (NE corner)). This is THE big planning meeting; we will finalize all details, divide up the preparation tasks, and wrap door prizes.

Contact Pam for more info at

**WatermanPJ28@gmail.com
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Save the Date for the Third Annual Ladies Spring Afternoon Tea!

Saturday, May 9 @ 2pm

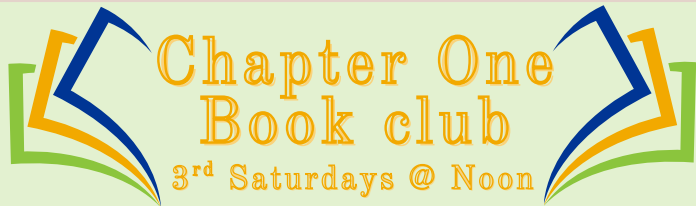
Each year, the women of our community don their favorite tea dresses and hats, with some even hosting beautifully set tables featuring their own china! Together, we gather to enjoy a delightful afternoon of traditional tea, sweet treats, and warm fellowship.

Stay tuned for signups in the coming weeks

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Start Reading for April!

The April book pick is The Six by Laura Thompson, meeting April 18. The May book pick is Bel Canto by Ann Patchett, the May meeting will be May 16. If you would like to join the book club, need the Zoom link, or have any questions, contact Gillian Murphy at: (480)907-4933 or gillian@kirkyhomes.com.



PROPERTY MINISTRY TEAM MEETING THIS SUNDAY

The Property Management Committee team meeting is this Sunday, April 12, at 9am in the education building. They meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month to discuss current and future projects around the parish. Many of these projects are taken on by the Saturday Sod Squad, which is open to all who would like to help spiff up the Epiphany Campus. They clean-up the Courtyard and entryways for Sunday mornings and sometimes do minor repairs to save on costs of the pros. If you're interested in giving your talent to this ministry, the team meeting this Sunday is a great way to learn more and get involved!

A/V Ministers Wanted!



With the recent move towards digital worship guides, we could use one or two more sets of hands and ears in the A/V room on Sunday! The A/V ministry also helps set up music, live-sound systems, and the

projector for special parish events. The equipment is very easy to use and intuitive to learn. If you may be interested in joining the A/V team, contact christian@epiphanytempe.org or see him after worship!

Epiphany is Going Digital!

By now you may have noticed the shift to incorporating digital worship aids into the 10am service. We found it to be largely well received—offering a clear, easy-to-follow format while also helping us be better stewards of our resources. Readings and announcements will continue to be printed, reducing our paper usage by over 50% on the average Sunday! For the time being, full bulletins will continue to be printed for special services such as, but not limited to: Holy Week services, Easter, and Christmas. We look forward to embracing this new, flexible way of engaging in worship together.

This Week's Prayers

We are all invited to pray for these people in our personal prayers throughout the week.

- **Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola
- **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Saint Alban's - Tucson
- **Parish Cycle of Prayer:** Leslie Lay, Leslie Evans, Jack Waterman, Jane Slaughter, Anne Dunning
- **Parish Prayer List:** Aaron, Alvin, Andrea, Ann, April, Armendina, Barbara, Beth, Bill & Lynda, Brady, Carol & Frank & Allen, Carol & Walt, Chris, Connie & Kathy, Cooper, David, Ellen & Richard, Emma, Eric, Iain, Imogen & the Greaux family, Jack & Pam, Jazz, Jillian, Judith, Katie, Levi & family, Linda & John & family, Lou, Lynda, the Martinez family, the Sharp family, Susan & Stuart, the Ruiz family, Nancy, Tony, Wanda

This Week at Epiphany

- **Sunday, April 12-** ~Property Ministry Meeting at 9am in the Ed. Bldg. ~A.A. at 4pm in the Parish Hall. ~Being With: Regular Course at 5pm in the Farmhouse. ~Young Adults Hangout at 5pm in the Courtyard. ~Al-Anon at 5:15pm in the Parish Hall.
- **Monday, April 13-** ~Morning Prayer at 9am in the Chapel. ~A.A. at 6pm in the Parish Hall.
- **Tuesday, April 14-** ~Morning Prayer at 9am in the Chapel. ~Pastoral Care Committee Meeting at 5:30pm via Google Meet. ~A.A. at 6pm in the Ed. Bldg. ~Men's A.A. at 6pm in the Church. ~Women's Ministry Meeting at 7pm in the Ed. Bldg.
- **Wednesday, April 15-** ~Eucharist at 10am in the Chapel. ~Discipleship Group at 11am in the Ed. Bldg. ~Being With: End of Life Course at 6pm in the Farmhouse. ~Men's A.A. at 6:30pm in the Ed. Bldg.
- **Thursday, April 16-** ~Morning Prayer at 9am in the Chapel. ~Business Networking International Meeting at 9am in the Parish Hall. ~A.A. at 6pm in the Parish Hall. ~Choir Rehearsal at 7pm in the Church.
- **Friday, April 17-** ~A.A. at 6pm in the Parish Hall.
- **Saturday, April 18-** ~Chapter One Book Club at 12pm via Zoom.

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The Rev. Tamara Noel – Deacon

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