



EPIPHANY

Church of the Epiphany June 2018

The Little White Church on the Corner

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Clergy Clatter

Scene 1:

Setting: The Fernandez back yard at Ariel's graduation party; sitting next to Marcia Cronin.

Marcia: (with a chuckle): "Do you realize you're wearing mismatched socks?"

Richard: "Oh No! That's what happens when you get dressed in the dark."

Richard thinking: "I must be slipping. I didn't even know I had a navy blue sock. I'm throwing it away."

Scene 2:

Setting: Franklin, Virginia; two days later.

I've been helping their Search Committee find a new priest. They wanted me to see their newly redecorated rectory. Their part time interim stays in it when in town.

Franklin has only three main streets, but I can still get lost. I printed out a Google Earth satellite view of the town, with the rectory clearly marked. I also put the address into my car's GPS. The Committee Chair had told me to just walk in when I got there. They would be meeting in the dining room.

I followed my map and found the house. My GPS said, "Your destination is on the right." It was the same house as on my map. I parked in the driveway with a couple of other cars, gathered up all my stuff, and walked into the house. It seemed kind of messy for a freshly redecorated house, but I thought maybe the interim had a lot of stuff. I moved through the house, trying to find the dining room. I called out several times. Two friendly dogs came from somewhere to greet me. After finding a bedroom with an unmade bed, I realized there was no dining room. There also was no Search Committee. I quickly and silently crept back through the house and out the door, only to be met by a bear of a man who growled, "Are you looking for something?" I've never seen the

Franklin jail, but my mind created a horrible one. I listened: no sirens. I stammered something about Emmanuel's Search Committee. I could tell my new friend had no idea what I was talking about. I rustled through my papers and read off the address from my map. "That's three doors down the street," he said, still looking at me with a squint of suspicion. I thanked him profusely as I back stepped to my car, fumbled for my elusive key, and got out of there as fast as I could. Mismatched socks were dancing before me.

Scene 3:

Setting: My primary care doctor's office, two days after Franklin.

Nurse: We're going to start with your dementia test (I can't remember the proper name for the test).

Richard: (Visions of mismatched socks and mismatched houses haunted me). "Do we have to?"

Nurse: "Medicare requires it, in case you shouldn't be driving."

Richard thinking: "Oh, truly I should not be driving. In fact, I should not be getting out of bed."

I passed the test. I can't tell you what it is, in case YOU should not be driving.

One postscript to my Franklin misadventure: the Search Committee was especially curious as to which house I had entered. With a voice of elation they told me there had recently been a murder in that house. Add a gun to my dancing visions.

Thank you, Dear God, for getting me through another week in one piece. I promise to match my socks next week.

Richard+

Vestry Highlights

April 2018 Vestry

- ♦ Reported that Fr. Bridgford will be at Sewanee April 23-26.
- ♦ Reported that both clergy will be attending Diocesan Clergy Day on May 5.
- ♦ Reported Marcie Kidd will be in Spain April 18-May 5.
- ♦ Reported we will observe Rogation Day on May 6 with Beating of the Bounds and a parish picnic following the 11:00 service.
- ♦ Discussed letter from Camp Chanco seeking funds for their capital campaign. Made a modest pledge to the campaign.

May 2018 Vestry

- ♦ Reported that the Roland Park Community will be holding a reunion at Epiphany on May 19.
- ♦ Reported that the low hanging magnolia limb has been removed.
- ♦ Received with regret Todd Bissonnette's Letter of Resignation from the Vestry due to his moving to Massachusetts.
- ♦ Reported that Todd's vacant seat on the Vestry and the positions of delegates and alternates to Diocesan Council be advertised to the congregation prior to the Vestry's filling those positions at the next meeting.

Clear-headed faith

Most often ... worry is a lack of confidence in life, in its purpose, in God. Faith in life, in God, is native to the human spirit. ... Worry is faith in reverse. Not only because most of the things we are anxious over never come to pass, but also because, when we worry, the most obvious things to do in our situation are overlooked. We should relax our tension by trusting God and putting at the disposal of that trust a clear head.

—Howard Thurman, *Deep Is the Hunger*



8	Sage Porter	21	Brandon Berry
11	Kimmie Porter	25	Dolores Grimstead
12	Lisa Kopacz	25	Mary Evelyn Scheible
15	Mary Williams	27	Junie Pritchard
17	Susanna Wilson	28	Anna Cronin
19	Wes Irby	29	Nakiah Newsome



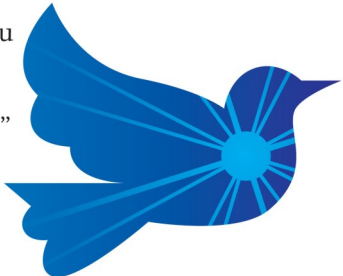
Robert & Marcie Kidd - 9th
 Jonas & Kimie Porter - 10th
 Kenneth & Sharon Barrineau - 14th
 Mike & Gini Scott - 15th
 Brian & Junie Pritchard - 18th

?? ? **Bible Quiz** ? ??

What word can be placed in all four blanks to complete this Bible passage?

"But just as he who called you is _____, so be _____ in all you do; for it is written: 'Be _____, because I am _____.'"

A. righteous
 B. holy
 C. loving
 D. merciful



Answer: B (See 1 Peter 1:15-16, NIV.)



We pray for the repose of the souls of Edward LaPointe (Kevin's dad) and Barbara Isaac (Dotties's sister).





Just a note of thanks to all our volunteers: choir members, ushers, lectors, Vestry members, altar guild, those who bring food/cakes, newsletter folders, kitchen helpers and especially our Sunday School teachers: Jim Fisher and Mike Scott.

Congratulations

... to Ariel Fernandez on her graduation from Tidewater Community College last month with the degree: Applied Science in Early Childhood Education. We're all proud of you, Ariel!



4th of July picnic

Join us for a cook-out on Sunday, **July 1st** after the 11:00 service as we celebrate our national holiday. Bring a dish to share. Meat & drinks are provided.



Epiphany Prayer List

Linda Armstrong

Kevin LaPointe

Roger Bolen

Patty Poore

Sheila Brinck

Mike Scott

Jerry Cronin

Grace Strid

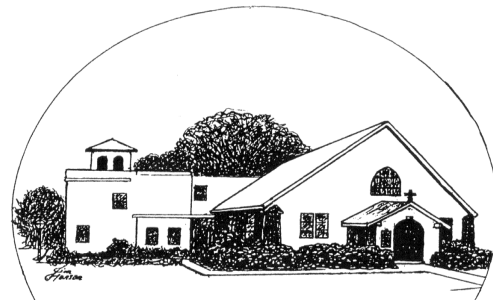
Jim Fisher



Worship Volunteer Schedule

Jun	Lector	Chalicer	Usher
3	M. Kidd	J. Cronin	D. Swain
10	B. Pritchard	M. Scott	K. Moore
17	B. Pritchard	B. Pritchard	G. Irby
24	A. Colburn	B. Pritchard	J. Turner

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Al Anon noon-1 PM	2
3 Holy Eucharist 8 and 11 am	4	5 Office open 9-noon	6 Office open 9-3	7	8 Al Anon noon-1 PM	9
10 Holy Eucharist 8 and 11 am	11	12 Office open 9-noon Rowing Club 6 PM	13 Office open 9-3	14  Vestry 6:30 PM	15 Al Anon noon-1 PM	16
17 Holy Eucharist 8 and 11 am  Happy Father's Day!	18	19 Office open 9-noon Civic League 6:30 PM	20 Office open 9-3	21  First Day of Summer	22 Al Anon noon-1 PM	23
24 Holy Eucharist 8 and 11 am	25	26 Office open 9-noon	27 Office open 9-3	28	29 Al Anon noon-1 PM	30