

## THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY, May 11 - May 17, 2008

### SUNDAY, MAY 4



Contemplative Prayer is from 9:35 - 9:55 am. This time of silent meditation allows those gathered to prepare themselves for worship.

There is no Sunday School and all the kids will be with parents in

church for the baptism of Emma Hsi Billing and the children's sermon.

**GOODBYE SHELLEY** Our seminarian, Shelley Denney, will soon graduate and be ordained. Today is her last Sunday here at Epiphany. Shelley wishes to thank all of the Epiphany Family for their kindness, help, and acceptance during these two years of field education. She says "What a wonderful parish!"

**RECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE** Many thanks to all the parishioners who participated in the application process for the Rector Search Committee. The Vestry could have easily assembled two excellent committees from the number of applications we received. We strived to put together a committee that represents a cross section of Epiphany, and believe we have done that. The Vestry is pleased to announce the members of the Rector Search Committee:

Kristin Anderson – Co-Chair	Mark Loveland
Charlotte Ziems – Co-Chair	Connie Maysonave
Laura Bierwagen	Tamatha Rodwick
John Buchanan	Gretchen Ross
Kent Holubar	H.D. Stevens
Dede Lehmkuhl	Greg Wilson

Thank you also to our Vestry members who willingly met every week for the past several weeks. The meetings were long. As a group, we left the meetings tired, but hopeful. While reviewing applications together, we were reminded of the many excellent people who attend this church, and of the many reasons we love Epiphany and have come to call it our church home.

—Craig DeBrine, Sr. Warden and Liz Olson, Jr. Warden

**PRAYER AND ACTION FOR COLUMBIA** We will be participating in the "Days of Prayer and Action for Columbia," an ecumenical activity to draw attention to the plight of the people in Columbia who have suffered through decades of civil war. Today in our service we will be saying prayers on their behalf, and in the coffee hour we will be signing letters. For more information about the problems in Columbia, see these websites: <http://www.peaceincolumbia.org/> <http://www.witnessforpeace.org/campaigns/days08alert.html> We look forward to your interest and participation. Thanks !

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in gratitude for the gift of their precious daughter, Emma, and in thanksgiving for her baptism today by Millie Hsi and Tim Billing

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### BRUNCH BUNCH ON WEDNESDAY MAY 14.

In this crisp spring weather, come and warm up with fresh bread and a bowl of homemade soup! We'll be meeting directly after the midweek Eucharist at 11 am. Bring dessert or salad to share, bring a friend, or just bring yourself. Need more information? Contact Hailey at [hailey@cyberdeacon.com](mailto:hailey@cyberdeacon.com) or 650-201-6139

**CONFIRMITZVAH** You're invited to a Rite of Passage Service at 7 pm Friday, May 16, 2008, at Epiphany, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. This is Epiphany's first Confirmitzvah, and we hope the community will show up in force to celebrate the commitment to study, prayer and spiritual reflection made by the youth in the last year. At the service, youth will receive stoles as a sign of their readiness to interpret the scriptures and traditions of Christianity as members of the priesthood of all believers. The stoles, beautifully made by Mary Wagner, are displayed in the Parish Hall today so that you can sign them during coffee hour. Please sign each one with a message of your support and respect for the commitment made by our youth.

**EPIPHANY MOVIE NIGHT** On Friday, May 16, at the Aquarius Theatre in Palo Alto (time TBD) we will be seeing a film about human rights, *Standard Operating Procedure*, about the incarcerations and torture at Abu Ghriab prison in Iraq. This film is relevant both for human rights issues, and a study of ethics; how good people can do evil acts. For info about the film, [www.standardoperatingproceduremovie.com](http://www.standardoperatingproceduremovie.com) There will be a discussion at a nearby restaurant after the film; location TBD. If interested in attending, please contact Harry White at [hwhite321@yahoo.com](mailto:hwhite321@yahoo.com) Thanks for your interest!

**SENIOR SUNDAY IS MAY 18<sup>TH</sup>** Graduates from high-school will be honored at the 10 am service. Graduates and their parents are invited to a special Senior Seekers Dinner in their honor. The dinner is in the Parish Hall from 6-7:30.

**MEMORIAL WEEKEND CAMPING TRIP** It is time again for the annual Epiphany camping trip. Come spend Memorial weekend (Friday, May 23 – Monday, May 26) at George Hatfield campground and enjoy the beauty of camping in the outdoors with your Epiphany family and friends. We have room for 35 individuals. So pack up your gear, share the fun and watch the kids go wild! A sign up sheet is in Eastburn Hall or contact Karen Hart at [khart810@gmail.com](mailto:khart810@gmail.com)

**REGISTER ONLINE FOR EPIPHANY'S SUMMER BIBLE CAMP! POWER LAB:** Discovering Jesus' miraculous power in a science-themed camp.

**When:** August 4-8, 9 am-1 pm. Cost is \$50 per child. <https://www.groupvbs.com/webtoybox/myvbs/epiphany2008>

Please remember to silence your cell phone.

## MORE NOTES OF INTEREST

### A GIFT OF LOVE—SECOND SATURDAY QUILTERS

Thank you to the quilting group for its gift of a quilt for one small patient at Lucille Packard Children's Hospital and her family. Last week, I met a beautiful and joyful little baby. Only four months old, Gwendolyn was recently diagnosed with a genetic disorder that will shorten her life to only a few years and that will mean that, although her mind is bright and alive, her body will not allow her to walk, talk or speak. When I gave the quilt to Gwendolyn's dad, he said that he was overwhelmed that so many "complete strangers" could love someone they had never met. But of course, (I told him) the Quilters know that his child is special and loved by God and wanted to make sure she knew it too. Thank you to the Second Saturday Quilters. In the coming days, I know that every stitch of that quilt will remind them that, even in her frailty and even as they struggle with the hopes that they had for their daughter, Gwendolyn is special and loved just as she is. Truly, a lesson in love.  
—The Rev. Hailey McKeefry Delmas

### CALENDAR

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 11</b>
8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
9:00 am	Adult Forum
10:00 am	Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm	Seekers — Parish Hall
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 12</b>
3:30 pm	Prayer Service at Bayview Villa
7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous — Lounge
7:00 pm	Spanish Class — Room 108
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 13</b>
7:30 am	Men's Group
7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 14</b>
10:00 am	Holy Eucharist and Healing
7:00 pm	Bad Girls of the Bible — Room 108
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 15</b>
3:30 pm	Joyful Noise Choir — Parish Hall
4:00 pm	Good News Choir — Parish Hall
5:00 pm	Confirmitzvah Rehearsal — Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
8:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous — SPNS Hall
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 16</b>
5:00 pm	Confirmitzvah Rehearsal — Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Confirmitzvah — Sanctuary
8:30 pm	Confirmitzvah Reception — Sanctuary
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 17</b>
9:00 am	Diocesan Confirmation — Grace Cathedral
9:00 am	Pipe Band Practice — Parish Hall
11:00 am	John Zwengel Memorial Service
6:00 pm	No Reservations Practice — Parish Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 18</b>
8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
9:00 am	Adult Forum
10:00 am	Holy Eucharist
5:00 pm	Seekers — Parish Hall

**THANKS TO ALL** who participated in the Blood Drive! The Blood Center of the Pacific collected 11 pints of blood—which will be used to help 33 different patients. This blood will be used within days. Stay tuned for our next Blood Drive!

### YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE PEACE VIGIL

Participants have stood on this same corner every Thursday since October 2001 to say no to war and to speak for nonviolence. All in agreement are invited to stand against all war and pray for all victims of war and violence. Started by two Quaker groups—the American Friends Service Committee and the San Francisco Friends Meeting—the vigil has been joined by Buddhist and Episcopal Peace Fellowships. Some attendees are silent, praying or meditating. Others are motivated to speak. **When:** Every Thursday, noon to 1 pm. **Where:** San Francisco Federal Building, Golden Gate Avenue and Larkin Street. Contact: [sfvigil@mac.com](mailto:sfvigil@mac.com)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

### SEEKERS ON SUNDAY— Come join the fun!

5:00-6:30	Junior Seekers
6:30-7:00	Pizza Dinner
7:00-9:00	Senior Seekers

Contact Amber at [amber@churchoftheepiphany.org](mailto:amber@churchoftheepiphany.org)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

### WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST AND HEALING

Epiphany's best kept secret! A beautiful, intimate service of prayer and healing in the middle of your week. Join us in the Chapel at 10 am.

**BAD GIRLS OF THE BIBLE** The next meeting will be Wednesday April 16—at the same time as the Men's Dinner. We have changed the time and date to every other Wednesday at 7 pm in Room 108. Some of us have found this new time more convenient. This Bible study has been an incredible tool in learning more about a shared spiritual path. Please join us! **Upcoming dates:** May 14 and 28

For more information please contact Mary Birss at [marybirss@comcast.net](mailto:marybirss@comcast.net) or (650) 598-9206

**MEN'S GROUP** Tuesday morning meetings have resumed at 7:30 am at Broiler Express. Please let Cort Bender [csbconsult@comcast.net](mailto:csbconsult@comcast.net) know if you will be attending so that he can have materials available.

**ADULT FORUM** Join us for discussion of the day's bible lessons every Sunday morning in the Library, from 9:05 to 9:50 am. Childcare is provided in the Toddler Nursery.

**EPIPHANY BOOK GROUP** The next meeting is June 8 at the Dina and Howard Marans' home, 2756 Comstock Circle, Belmont at 5:30 pm. Our selection is *The Shadow of the Sun* by Ryszard Kapuscinski. Contact Ginny Grant [ginnagrant@yahoo.com](mailto:ginnagrant@yahoo.com) (650) 593-6217 or Cort Bender [csbconsult@comcast.net](mailto:csbconsult@comcast.net) (650) 591-5356

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### Church Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9 am - 3 pm

Friday 9 am - 12 noon

# THE DAY OF PENTECOST

## May 11, 2008

### *Today's Liturgical Ministers*

Celebrant — The Rev. Amber Stancliffe Evans  
Deacon/Preacher — The Rev. Hailey McKeefry Delmas  
Acolytes — Peter Morrow, Sam Taylor, Matt Morrow, Ben Maisonpierre  
Acolyte Parent — Ginny Morrow  
Altar Guild — Sue Marquis, Barbara Haas  
Lay Readers — (8) Bob French (10) Christine Kelson, Joe Dorocak  
Eucharistic Ministers — (10) Lucy Olson, Charlie Pederson, Nancy Grandfield  
Eucharistic Visitors — Chris Perris, Betsy Althaus, Bob French  
Oblation Bearers — The Stevens Family  
Ushers — (8) Cliff Brown, (10) Bob Birss, Jack Marquis  
Greeter — Diane Roberts  
Coffee Hour Hosts — Mary Wagner, Randy Rae and Lora O'Haver

### *Children's Ministers*

Godly Play PreK/K: *No church school on Pentecost*  
Godly Play 1st/2nd: *No church school on Pentecost*  
Godly Play 3/4/5: *No church school on Pentecost*  
Middle School: *No church school on Pentecost*  
Nursery Teens — Emma Howland, Stephanie Blake, Elisabeth Wilkinson  
Nursery Parent — Jessica and Bob Stafford