

# EPIPHANY

## BRINGING OUR GIFTS ON EPIPHANY

*Epiphany Coffee House & Service Project  
All Ages Welcome!  
January 5, 2020  
9:30-10:30 am, Fellowship Hall*

For the past two years, we have celebrated Epiphany with a service project on behalf of those in need: Syrian refugees in 2018, and then last year, El Refugio in 2019. For 2020, we have again chosen to offer practical and spiritual encouragement to El Refugio, a house in Lumpkin, Georgia, which provides housing and so much more to families visiting their loved ones at nearby Stewart Detention Center. El Refugio also provides legal aid to detainees and supports those released as they get their feet on the ground!

Join Binkley friends as we enjoy festive music provided by the Old Time Gospel Band, munch on breakfast snacks and sip

coffee, share stories from the holidays, and renew our vision for helping those for whom the new year brings challenges we can barely imagine.

In addition to receiving donations for El Refugio\*, there will be tables set up for you to write to elected officials, create posters, and send thank-you notes to attorneys, social workers, and others who are doing all they can to “welcome the stranger” in the maze of a difficult political landscape.



Ashley Nissler

Ashley Nissler will speak to us about the meaning and importance of our efforts, and will inspire us to future action. So, come and bring your gifts to the Christ child in our midst!

\*A list of items needed by El Refugio, as well as other ways to donate, will be provided in the Friday Update



## EPIPHANY WITH BRAD BERGLUND



Brad Berglund  
Many of you will remember Brad from our Church-Wide retreat in 2018. Brad heads up an ecumenical ministry of worship consulting and renewal seminars. In addition to working with churches throughout the world, Brad and his wife, Rita, who hail from Colorado, lead pilgrimages and retreats (see next announcement for an exciting retreat opportunity with Brad). He will return to us on **Sunday, January 5, 2020** to lead music in 11 am worship and an evening Taizé service at 5 pm.



**THE WAY:**  
*A Walking/Riding Pilgrimage  
Across the Camino de Santiago  
May 26-June 5, 2020:*



Brad Berglund, American Baptist musician, photographer, and director of Illuminated Journeys is offering an opportunity for a pilgrimage to Spain next year. Two opportunities for informational meetings with Brad will be held on **Sunday, January 5 at 6:30 pm and Monday January 6 at 3 pm**, both in the church Library (choose one). Visit Brad's website ([illuminatedjourneys.com](http://illuminatedjourneys.com)) for more information. The pilgrimage (Camino de Santiago) is considered one of the most profoundly rewarding spiritual adventures one can experience. If you plan to attend the info meeting please RSVP to [marcus@binkleychurch.org](mailto:marcus@binkleychurch.org).



# YOGA CLASS RETURNS!

The Health Ministries Committee is excited to host an eight-week yoga session on Thursday evenings 5:15-6:15 in the Fellowship Hall beginning on January 9 (no meeting on February 6). All ages and abilities are welcome. The start of a new year is a great time to begin a new practice that honors your body and your mind. Please join us. Contact Tonya Hamm for more information.

## ENGAGING OUR LATINO NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS



Eliazar Posada

*January 12, 9:30 am,  
Fellowship Hall*

Join us on January 12, 9:30-10:30 am, when adult and youth Sunday School classes gather together jointly in the Fellowship Hall. Eliazar Posada, Community Engagement & Advocacy Department Director for El Centro, will share the hopes and needs of our immediate Latino community in the Durham, Chapel Hill, and Carrboro areas. This is an amazing opportunity to hear from someone “on the ground.” Coffee and juice provided.

An Inquirer's Class opportunity for those interested in learning about the mission and ministries of our church. Facilitated by Senior Minister Dr. Marcus McFaul, these sessions are designed especially for those who are interested in joining by membership. Please register to [office@binkleychurch.org](mailto:office@binkleychurch.org) by January 7.

## WELCOME TO BINKLEY! INQUIRER'S CLASS

*Sundays, Jan. 12, 19 & 26  
9:45 am, Library*

## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP WITH BINKLEY'S NEXT STEP IN RESPONDING TO THE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS?

The Humanitarian Crisis Workgroup is convening an event at Binkley on **Sunday, January 12 at 4:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. We are hoping to have people from numerous religious and non-religious organizations in the area attend. We believe that in order for our country to stop the marginalization and the unjust and inhumane treatment of so many people, we must speak up with one united, visible voice.

## CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

A support group for women battling cancer and survivors will meet Friday, January 17 at 12:30 pm at Carol Woods. Contact Betty Raft ([everraft@aol.com](mailto:everraft@aol.com)) for more information.



# MEREDITH COLLEGE CHORALE AND CONCERT OF SONGS BY SUE KLAUSMEYER:

On Sunday, January 26 the Meredith College Chorale will join us to sing for our 11 am worship service. Then, at 2 pm there

will be a concert to premiere new vocal works by Dr. Sue Klausmeyer, including a piece commissioned for Meredith and pieces that Dr. Klausmeyer wrote for our own Binkley Chancel Choir during her interim last winter.

Meredith College is an historically Baptist college, and we have many connections here at Binkley. Please join us in welcoming these singers, and enjoy their beautiful music, on January 26.

## Sunday, January 26

11 am: Meredith College Chorale in Worship

2 pm: Concert premiering music by Dr. Sue Klausmeyer, with the Meredith Chorale, the Binkley Chancel Choir, and more

*A Concert of Songs By Sue T. Klausmeyer*

Robert Louis Stevenson      Vincent Van Gogh      Dorothy Parker

FEATURING

Andrea Moore, soprano • Michael Boley, tenor • Derek Gracey, baritone  
Cathy Hamner, piano

The Meredith College Chorale      Binkley Baptist Church Choir & Friends  
Shannon Gravelle, Director      Kyle Ballantine, Minister of Music