

#### **Blessing of the Animals and Parish Picnic**

By Betty-Jeanne Cousins

On September 30<sup>th</sup>, Epiphany hosted its annual Blessing of the Animals and Parish Picnic. Father Rick O'Brien opened the Blessing of the Animals in prayer and Peter Steinbrenner lead the people in prayer.

Father blessed over 35 dogs – Father thanked God no reptiles were present since Deacon Sam was away.

Mary Ellen Howey and Judy Frankhouser hosted the Parish Picnic and there was more delicious food and deserts than one could image. 18 feet of food - plus a dessert table!

Our special thanks to the men who broke down tables – Peter Steinbrenner, Dave Young and Gary Schmildt (new to Epiphany) - way to go guys!

Family Promise children and moms also enjoyed being outdoors where they could run around and spilling wasn't a problem – our "ants" thank you.

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Remember the butterfly notecards you filled out stating where you wanted Epiphany to be in 3-5 years? Those comments have been written down and presented to Father Rick and the Vestry.

Thank you for your input!



Thank you to the Prayer Shawl Ministry for your latest set of shawls. Your work brings comfort and blessings to many people.

### Epiphany Welcomes the Recent Transfers In!

George and Leta Weir



Thank you Mary Ellen Howey for donating new sails to help shade our outdoor community area!







In September, many
Epiphany children
gathered in the
meeting room to
celebrate Julia Snyder
turning three!



Recently, Julia underwent kidney surgery and the Snyder family is very grateful to the prayers and support they received from their faith family.

## **Epiphany's New Look**by Bill Kohn

Have you noticed Epiphany's new look? It took place in early October. The new look is crisp, simple desert xeriscape landscaping along Gilespie Street that will grow with us. In addition to looking more in keeping with our environment, our new desert friendly landscaping will cut down on our irrigation bill. This new look ties in with previous landscaping changes made to the front area between our two buildings and the parking lot islands. In addition, new irrigation lines were put in along Rush Ave. at the north end of our property.

Great big thanks go out to Jeff and Kathi Colman and the use of their backhoe and Bobcat and Gary Schildt and the use of his truck. Big thanks also to Bev Hart, David Young, Judy Watts, Howard Saxon, Peter Steinbrenner, Squire Dahl and Scott Luttenegger and their son Zack, Fr. Rick, and Kris and Bill Kohn. Thanks also to the generous folks who participated in the landscaping giving tree. None of this would have been possible without your help. And we can't forget Shane Siebert and his SOS Landscaping crew for bringing all of it together. Thank you!



# Thank you to all those who participated in Family Promise!



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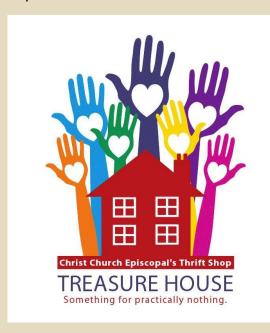






## Treasure House Offers "Something for Practically Nothing"

Treasure House, the thrift store at Christ Church, sells gently used items to support our mission to provide a charitable fund to support many projects, including the Epicenter Food Bank, "camperships" to Camp Galilee, and gifts to churches. We are in need of volunteers to work in the shop on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and/or Saturdays unpacking, hanging, pricing and arranging our many donations. If this ministry interests you, please talk with Judy Koehn about this great opportunity to work with wonderful folks who serve the community.





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If you know of someone who you would like included in the online prayer chain, please visit Epiphany's Facebook page at <a href="www.facebook.com/nvepiphany">www.facebook.com/nvepiphany</a> and add their name to the post for weekly online prayers. If you do not use Facebook but would like a name added, please send the person's name to news@nvepiphany.org

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