Announcements for June 25, 2017

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY Adult Bible Class — This class, taught by the pastors, meets at 9:15 a.m. in the AFLC gym. The current study is: "Why Is Jesus So Radical?"

The 101 Class: "Discovering the Lutheran Faith" — This class, taught by the pastors, is for those who are interested in learning more about the Lutheran Church, Epiphany in particular. This class is required for those desiring membership at Epiphany. It is held on Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m. in room 202 of the AFLC. The next class will begin in the fall!

The 201 Class: "Prayer – We Speak to God" — This study encourages participants to rejoice in prayer as a great privilege, to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit as they pray, to approach God the Father in prayer with faith in Jesus as their Intercessor, to join with the congregation in praying for the world and more. This class meets at 9:15 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. Contact Kevin Ayres, Jeff West or Rick Wolff for more information.

- **MONDAY** Moms' Bible Study Moms' Bible Study gives mothers with children of all ages a chance to gather together in fellowship and friendship. This class meets every Monday at 9:30 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. This class will resume in the fall!
- **TUESDAY Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** This class meets from 4:00 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in room 202 of the AFLC. A new study, on the book of Isaiah, written by Warren Wiersbe will begin sometime in August. Contact Karen Daugherty for more information.

Friends' Bible Study — This class meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in room 207 of the AFLC. **This class will resume in the fall!**

- **THURSDAY LifeLight Bible Study** This class meets every Thursday at 9:15 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. **This class will resume in the fall!**
- **FRIDAY** Men's Bible Study Group This class meets at 5:30 a.m. on various Friday mornings (check the weekly schedule) in the main building kitchen. The current study is "The Reason for God Belief in an Age of Skepticism" by Tim Keller. Contact Jeff West for more information.
- **SATURDAY Men's Bible Breakfast** The men of Epiphany meet on the second Saturday of the month in the gym at 7:30 a.m. for Bible Study, breakfast and fellowship.



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<u>PORTALS OF PRAYER APP</u> — Portals of Prayer is now available, for \$9.99 a year, as an app for your Apple or Android device. Now you can listen to audio recordings of each day's devotion and take them with you wherever you go. Check your app store! We will still have hard copies for you to pick up at the Welcome Centers.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY — The Tuesday afternoon Bible Study was supposed to start a class on the book of Isaiah last Tuesday, June 20. It has been postponed until sometime in August. The leader is unable to teach at this time due to a medical condition. Stay tuned for updates.

MEALS ON WHEELS THIS WEEK! – Epiphany members will be delivering meals this week; June 26-30. Please check the bulletin board for the schedule. If you would like to help in this important ministry, contact Lillian Barath.

NEXT SUNDAY IS MITE BOX SUNDAY — You see it on the calendar and you may even notice the BIG purple box on the table in the narthex, but what is it? The first Sunday of each month has been designated as Mite Box Sunday here at Epiphany. It allows everyone in the congregation to donate whatever they can, a little or a lot, to help support various LWML mission projects. These collected funds are then sent for mission projects and programs. The LWML has found that even small amounts can add up rapidly when large numbers of people are giving. The widow in Mark 12:41-43 received praise even though she only gave two mites. Won't you help too?

HOUSTON LUTHERAN CHORALE — The Houston Lutheran Chorale invites you to come celebrate with them at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 4, 2017 at Trinity Lutheran Church - Downtown, 800 Houston Ave. They will be singing songs of faith and freedom. Bring your folding chairs and stay for hot dogs and the fireworks. No tickets required.

PSALM 68.5 MINISTRY EVENT — The Psalm 68.5 Ministry will be hosting a gathering for its members (widows and widowers) on Sunday July 16, 2017 in room 203 of the AFLC beginning at noon. A light lunch will be provided. A presentation about Martin Luther, including pictures and recent tour information, will be given. John Lund will share what he's learned and found meaningful from travel to Germany in March. Please RSVP by July 8 to Lynda Lund. We hope you can join us for food, fun and fellowship – Luther style – beer not included!

FLOWER BED WORKDAY — Now that the flower beds have been redesigned and replanted by Tony Kunkel and his company, "The Ground Guys", work can continue on some of the other landscaping items which need to be addressed. On Saturday, July 15, there will be a work day from 8:00 a.m. - noon to beautify the church grounds. Please contact Larry Woelfel at 281-485-7833 to help with this ministry event. You will get to do great things with: pruners, shovels, trucks, trailers, chain saws and other fun yard work tools. Please bring your favorite yard tool and you will get to use it. No lawn mowers needed. Thanks to Tony Kunkel for all his hard work.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> — Do you have some free time on your hands to donate to a worthy organization? The Then & Now Resale Shop, 3330 FM 528 in Friendswood is looking for volunteers, particularly cashiers. Proceeds benefit Bethesda Lutheran Communities. To inquire about volunteer opportunities, call 281-482-2565 to speak with a store manager.

<u>2018 BUDGET REQUESTS</u> — The 2018 Budget request sheets are in all ministry leaders' mailboxes. If you did not receive one or will be starting a new ministry that will need to be funded for 2018, please contact Debbie Oravetz in the church office or email debbie@epiphanypearland.org to get a set of forms. The deadline to turn in budget requests is Sunday, July 30, 2017. The proposed budget will be presented to the Leadership Council for review at their September meeting.

<u>HIRING FOR THE NURSERY</u> — If you love working with children, are 16 years or older and able to work two 4-hour Sunday morning shifts each month and Tuesday evenings, please contact Debbie in the church office for an application or email debbie@epiphanypearland.org. (Background checks are required on all applicants 18 and older).

<u>BILL PAY</u> — Have you ever gotten to church and realized that you forgot to write your check for offering and your checkbook is at home? No need to worry again even while on vacation! Set up Epiphany through Bill Pay at your bank! Just call Debbie in the church office at 281-485-7833 to get your account number for Bill Pay to place on your check. Then complete the Bill Pay set up with Epiphany as a "bill". This can be done on-line or by phone to your bank. What better way to manage your stewardship pledge!

WASN'T THAT A GREAT SERMON? — Have you ever wished you could listen to a sermon again? Well, you can! Sermons are available online. Check out our website at www.ShiningTheLight.org. Click on the "media" drop down, then select "sermons", then click on the sermon to which you would like to listen. This is a great way to access the sermons 24/7 for travelers, those who missed a Sunday service or those who just want to hear a sermon again.

PRAYER REQUESTS — If you would like your prayer to be included on the purple prayer sheet or morning the pastor's Sunday pravers. please send vour request Cindy to (cindy@epiphanypearland.org or 281-485-7833) in the church office and specify where you want your prayer published. You may also submit your prayer requests on the purple prayer request forms which are located in the hallway outside the main office and in the attendance folders. Please remember: If you do not check the box that says you want the congregation to pray, your request will be sent to the pastors only. Also, please obtain permission from the person you are requesting prayers for; not everyone wishes to be prayed for publicly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS — Announcements must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Monday. Please email your announcements to cindy@epiphanypearland.org. Hard copies of announcements can be faxed (281-485-5040) or dropped off in the box outside Cindy Eppelheimer's office. If this is a function to be held at Epiphany, your activity will not be published until a Facility Use Form has been filled out and approved for your event.

WE'RE SAVING A SEAT JUST FOR YOU! COME JOIN US!

Voters' Meeting Sunday, July 2, 2017 Immediately following the late services. AFLC (Baby-sitting provided)







AUGUST 6 | GAME TIME 1:15 P.M. \$18 PER TICKET

EACH TICKET INCLUDES ADMISSION, A HOT DOG AND A DRINK. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP GO TO SHININGTHELIGHT.ORG.

