

Announcements for August 27, 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 begins September 10!**
- The 201 Class: "Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control: Fruit of the Spirit"** — We look at how to understand deeply the Holy Spirit's work of sanctification, to recognize your personal strengths and weaknesses in view of God's calling, and to identify ways you can bear fruit in the Lord's service. 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** **Ladies' Bible Study** — This Bible Study is open to women of all ages; it's a chance to gather together in fellowship and friendship. This class meets on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. The current study is *Hebrews: A Better Blend* by Leah Adams.
- TUESDAY** **Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** — This class meets from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in room 202 of the AFLC. The next study, written by Warren Wiersbe, will be on the book of Isaiah. Contact Karen Daugherty for more information. **This class begins September 5!**
- 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 begins September 12!**
- THURSDAY** **LifeLight Bible Study** — This class meets every Thursday at 9:15 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. The next study will be *Prophecy*. **This class begins on September 7!**
- 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LWML MONTHLY MEETING RESCHEDULED! — The regular monthly meeting of the LWML/ Women of Epiphany has been rescheduled due to the weather. It will be Wednesday, August 30 at 7:00 p.m. in room 207 of the AFLC. There will be no babysitting.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS — Did you know that the LWML collects used postage stamps? The Texas District LWML collects and sells these stamps to stamp collectors, then uses the proceeds to help Lutheran World Relief in funding the transportation of items sent to other countries. Save your stamps leaving about 1/4" to 1/2" of paper around the stamp when trimming from an envelope. Place your stamps in the new location for used stamps – in the main building kitchen next to the Usher/Greeter name badge wall.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH YOUTH? — Epiphany is getting ready to kick-off a new year of Sunday School and youth ministry. If you are interested in serving as a youth leader or Sunday School teacher, please contact Beth Milbrath or Chase Drake for more information. It is an amazing opportunity to help kids grow in their relationship with Jesus!

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT HELPING OUT AS AN USHER? — The usher ministry is in need of volunteers. It only takes a commitment of one Sunday service per month and one fifth Sunday a year. It's a great way to serve the church. Have questions? Want to give it a try? Contact Jeff Hartwig.

SUNDAY MORNING REFRESHMENTS! — It's that time again when our Sunday morning cookie supply needs help. If you can donate a few dozen cookies, some muffins or coffee cakes to the AFLC kitchen, it would be very much appreciated. Our "cupboard" is practically bare! We have also had requests for a "healthier option" on Sunday mornings; donations of fruit are always enjoyed. The Fellowship budget is very low, so we need your help. All donations will be gratefully accepted!

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY — This Bible Study is open to women of all ages; it's a chance to gather together in fellowship and friendship. This class meets on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. The new study is "Hebrews: A Better Blend" by Leah Adams. In this study, you will learn why Jesus and the salvation He offers is better than that offered to the Hebrews of antiquity, through the Old Covenant. You will be encouraged by the faith journeys of regular men and women who we consider to be heroes of the faith. Along the way you will find encouragement to walk out your own faith journey in a more committed way because of who Jesus is and what He has done for you. Our in-depth study of Hebrews will bring forth beautiful results as you faithfully apply it to your heart and life.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY — The Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study will begin a new class on **September 5**. This 8-week study on Isaiah is written by Warren Wiersbe. The book of Isaiah has been called "the Bible in miniature". Both are comprised of sixty-six sections—chapters in Isaiah, books in the Bible. Isaiah first chronicles a holy God's need to judge sin, reflecting the Old Testament, as latter chapters preface the New Testament, revealing the mercy to come through God's Son. This study examines a sweeping narrative of Israel and explores the very arch of God's redemptive story as sin and judgment are defeated through the grace of our Savior. Study guides are \$10. Please contact Karen Daugherty or Elaine Woods if you need a study guide. This class meets from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in room 202 of the AFLC.

MUSIC MINISTRY BBQ KICK-OFF — All musicians and their families, past, present and future are invited to the annual Kick-off BBQ for all the music ministries at Epiphany. Join us on Wednesday, September 6 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the AFLC.

NEW LIFELIGHT STUDY — When you hear the word prophecy, do you think of predictions about the future of the world or about the Old Testament prophet's warnings of "judgment is coming"? LifeLight's fall study, *Prophecy*, will actually focus on 3 types of Biblical prophecies: "classical" prophecies of the Old Testament which foretell the future of God's chosen people, "messianic" prophecies of the coming of Christ and the things he will do and "end-time" prophecies which focus on life in the church in the in-between times of Christ's first and second comings. This nine-week study begins Thursday, September 7 at 9:15 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. The study guide is \$10 and is available from Marlene Heinrich.

REVOLUTIONARY PARENTING BIBLE STUDY — How can we raise children who will love and serve God as adults? How can we develop future spiritual champions? *Revolutionary Parenting*, a study by George Barna, will help you create a plan for your family to do just that. Drawn from a landmark study of Christian twentysomethings and the parents who raised them, this study is designed to help you build a solid foundation of faith in your child. So whether you're the parent of a

newborn, a teenager, or any age in between, join us on Sunday mornings in room 101 for an 8-week study beginning September 10.

DO YOU HAVE A HEART FOR FELLOWSHIP? DO YOU HAVE SOME IDEAS THAT MIGHT GROW FELLOWSHIP AT EPIPHANY? — Please join Linda Easto and Michelle Gilbertson in a brainstorming session on Sunday, September 10 in room 203 of the AFLC at noon following the last worship service. We will be discussing ideas for church-wide fellowship. There is no commitment beyond brainstorming. Hope you can join us! Please contact Linda Easto at lindae@epiphanypearland.org or Michelle Gilbertson if you are interested in attending the session.

WEEKLY PRAYER EMAIL —While we no longer have “The Table” there is a way for you to post and receive prayers and funeral service information through email. Simply contact Cindy in the church office (phone or email) and let her know you’d like to be a part of the prayer email and she will add you to the list. If you have a prayer you’d like shared, let her know and she’ll include it in the weekly prayer email.

PRAYER REQUESTS — If you would like your prayer to be included on the purple prayer sheet or the pastor’s Sunday morning prayers, please send your request to Cindy (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.



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**K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry
Exploratory Team Meeting
Tuesday, September 12
7:00 P.M.
Room 204 AFLC**

The Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry is a national human-care ministry embracing the unique, calming nature and skills of Golden Retrievers. The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are a bridge for compassionate ministry, opening doors for conversation about faith and creating opportunities to share the **Mercy, Compassion, Presence and Proclamation** of Jesus Christ. LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are working animals, trained to interact with people of all ages and circumstances who are suffering and in need.

Epiphany is forming a team to see if a comfort dog might be a good fit for our ministry at Epiphany. If you'd like to join the team or just want more information, please contact Beth Milbrath at beth@epiphanypearland.org.

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The "Community Sermon Series" continues next week:
September 3 — "Reflected Community in the World"

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FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY FLEX RETURNS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 17

Epiphany will host Dave Ramsey's 9-week Financial Peace University (FPU) FLEX on Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents Biblical, practical steps to get you from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. Learn how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely and much more! The cost is \$93 per family for an FPU member kit. Register now and purchase your materials online at <http://www.fpu.com/1045971>. Contact Jonte' or Tomika Greer (greerjL621@gmail.com) for more information.