

# Announcements for October 22, 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 part 3 of “A Man Called Martin”.
- 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 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 207 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 every Monday 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 current study, written by Warren Wiersbe, is on the book of Isaiah. Contact Karen Daugherty for more information.
- THURSDAY**    **LifeLight Bible Study** — This class meets every Thursday at 9:15 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. The current study is on *Prophecy*.
- 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 room 203 of the AFLC at 7:30 a.m. for Bible Study, breakfast and fellowship.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BUDGET FORUM TODAY!** — Come join us for the Annual Budget Forum Sunday at noon in the AFLC Gym. Learn about the proposed budget for 2018. This budget will affect all of Epiphany's ministries and the finances of our church in the coming year. **This is the time for all members to ask questions and to voice their concerns about the proposed budget.** Lunch will be served and babysitting will be available.

**INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP CENTER** — Last month we were blessed to have the Rev. David Cecil and Julie Aftab lead us in worship and the Adult Bible Class. They discussed the ministry of POBLO (People of the Book Lutheran Outreach) and the exciting things that are happening with the International Friendship Centers (IFC). If you would be interested in finding out more about how Epiphany might be able to start an IFC, you are invited to a meeting on Monday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. in room 203 of the AFLC to discuss how to start an IFC.

**OCTOBER LWML MEETING** — Do you know that God has called you to be a mentor? Not sure what that means or exactly what it looks like? Come to the Women of Epiphany LWML gathering on Saturday, October 28 at 9:30 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. Lyn Wolff will lead a discussion on the topic of biblical mentoring. Please come prepared to share several helpful pieces of advice passed on to you by another woman. As always, food and fellowship are included.

**ALL SAINTS' DAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017** — During all three services on All Saints' Day, Sunday, November 5, a bell will toll for each loved one who has gone to be with our Lord during the past year. Please call the church office at 281-485-7833 or email [cindy@epiphanypearland.org](mailto:cindy@epiphanypearland.org) no later than Wednesday, November 1 and let us know of any family members who have died in the faith since last November that you would like to have remembered on All Saints' Day.

**PSALM 68.5 MINISTRY EVENT** — Widows and widowers are invited to join the Psalm 68.5 Ministry for a light lunch and game playing on Sunday November 19 from noon - 2:30 p.m. in room 203 of the AFLC. We will have games available to play or, if there is interest, we can play Bingo or Bunco. If you have a suggestion let Lynda Lund know when you RSVP. We'd like to know how many to prepare lunch for. See you there!

**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.

**BILL PAY** — 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 (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!

**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](mailto: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.**

### Giving Options Increase!

This month and next we are unveiling a new option for giving joyfully out of what God has given to you in terms of treasure. We already accept checks and cash on Sunday mornings, and some of you have been giving through auto-draft (bill pay) for years.

We have partnered with Vanco in order to offer Online Giving. There are two ways you can participate in this:

1. Go to [www.ShiningTheLight.org](http://www.ShiningTheLight.org) and click on the green "Online Giving" button. You will be redirected to another page where you can set up a onetime gift or set up a recurring gift. **(If you already use bill pay, just continue to do that.)**
2. Download the Give+ App for Android or iPhone. Search for Epiphany Lutheran Church by name or zipcode (77581) and then click on Epiphany then follow the instructions to give from your phone.

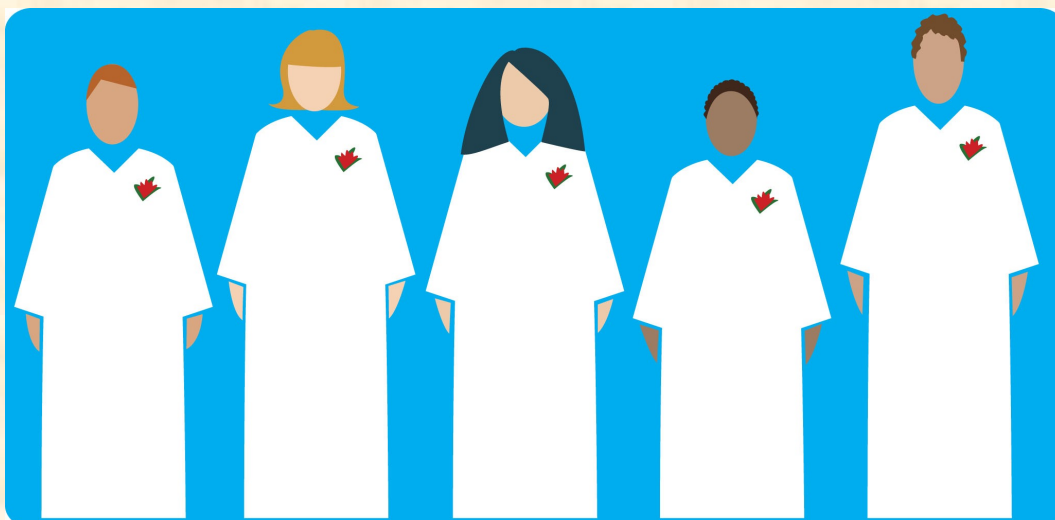
Online Giving (or through the app) is simply one more avenue to express the thankfulness and joy we have for what our God has done for us in Jesus.

# CONFIRMATION SERVICE

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017**

**SANCTUARY**

**4:00 P.M.**



## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDS!**

**ANNE ARMSTRONG**

**EVYN CARPENTER**

**JACKSON CODY**

**JACK DAVIES**

**ROBERT DEWOLFE**

**JAYLA GREER**

**ERYKA GUTIERREZ**

**SOPHIA HEER**

**PRESLEY LESTER**

**OLIVIA MARTINEZ**

**GRACE MILBRATH**

**BRADEN ORSAK**

**GABRIEL ORTIZ**

**KARSTEN QUINTON**

**MADELINE RAESS**

**KATIE RUSSO**

**GRAHAM SILBERFEIN**

**SARAH TOOMES**

**DIANA TUNSTALL**

**JAMES WILLIAMS**

# REFORMATION 500

October 29, 2017

Commemorating the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)

## ONLY TWO SERVICES! WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### 8:00 A.M. – SANCTUARY

*Holy Communion service with hymnody and liturgy attributed to Martin Luther, seasoned by modern day composers of choral song. Accompanied and proclaimed by the Adult Choir, Orchestra and Handbell Ensemble.*

### 10:30 A.M. – AFLC

*A festival service of Word and Song—including the dramatic portrayal of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther with historic images from Germany's Reformation sites. Traditional hymnody and contemporary songs of grace accompanied and proclaimed by The Light Worship Team, Adult Choir, Kids' Choir, Youth Choir and Orchestra.*