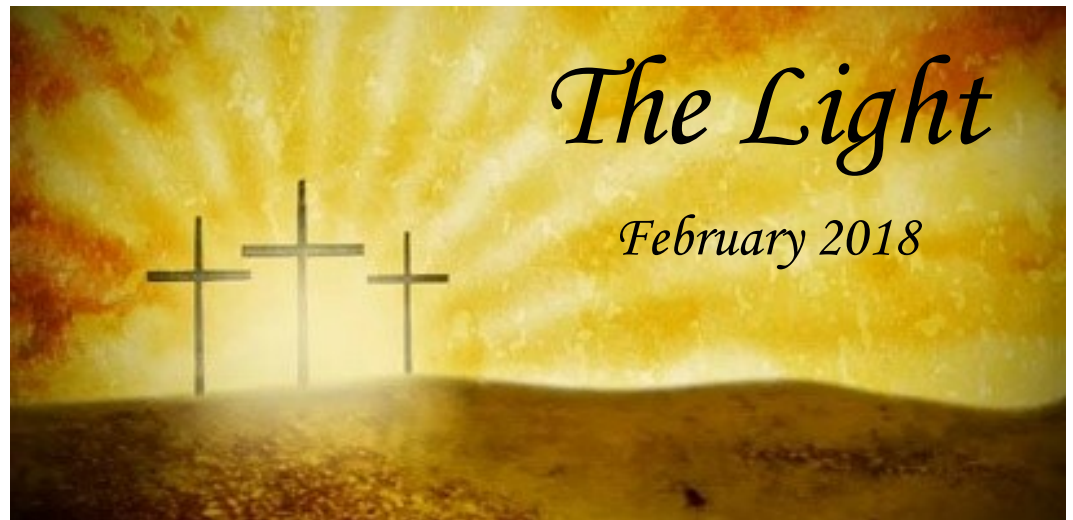


The Light

February 2018



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(Associate Pastor)

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(Pastor of Music Ministries)

FEBRUARY 24

EPIPHATINOS AN EVENING OF JAZZ

GRAB YOUR DANCING SHOES AND JOIN US
FOR A DELICIOUS DINNER PLUS LIVE MUSIC AND
DANCING! TWO GREAT TIMES!

EARLY SEATING: 5:00 P.M.

LATE SEATING WITH EXTENDED MUSIC AND DANCING: 7:00 P.M.

WHAT IS EPIPHATINOS?

Epiphatinos is the major fundraiser for Epiphany's youth. Epiphatinos is supported by free will offerings. Without your generosity, youth ministry and missions at Epiphany would not be possible!

HOW DO I MAKE A RESERVATION?

Reservations begin Sunday, January 28, 2018; in person (Narthex or AFLC), by phone (281-458-7833) or online at www.ShiningTheLight.org.



EPHATINOS

AN EVENING OF JAZZ

MENU 2018

Entrée Choices

Smoked Turkey
Herb Pork Loin
Savory Pot Roast

Sides

Green Beans
Potato Casserole
Seasoned Corn
Rolls

Dessert

Assorted Cobbler
Fudge Brownies

PRAYER SERVICE FOR GOD'S HEALING

On Sunday, February 18 at 5:00 p.m. in the sanctuary we will, once again, hold a special service of prayer seeking God's healing. This is a service of prayer for the sick and suffering which includes the ancient tradition of anointing with oil by the pastor and the laying on of hands by the pastor and the elders.



James, the half brother of our Lord Jesus wrote, "Is any one of you in trouble? He should pray. Is anyone happy? Let him sing songs of praise. Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord.". (James 5:13-14)

You are invited to attend this service on Sunday evening to either receive prayer and anointing by the pastors and elders or to give your support to those who are seeking God's intervention in their time of need.

ARE YOU LISTENING?

A few years ago, my daughter got me a wonderful devotional book entitled, *A Year With Dietrich Bonhoeffer*. Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran pastor in Germany during World War II who took an active role in fighting against Hitler and the Nazis. He was executed shortly before the end of the war. This is part of the devotion for January 10: "Many people seek a sympathetic ear and do not find it among Christians, because these Christians are talking even when they should be listening. But Christians who can no longer listen to one another will soon no longer be listening to God either; they will always be talking even in the presence of God. The death of the spiritual life starts here ... ". (12)

In a matter of weeks we will be entering into the Season of Lent. We often describe Lent as a time of repentance and renewal and so it is. But, I want to challenge you to make Lent a time of **listening: listening** first to God and **listening** to others.

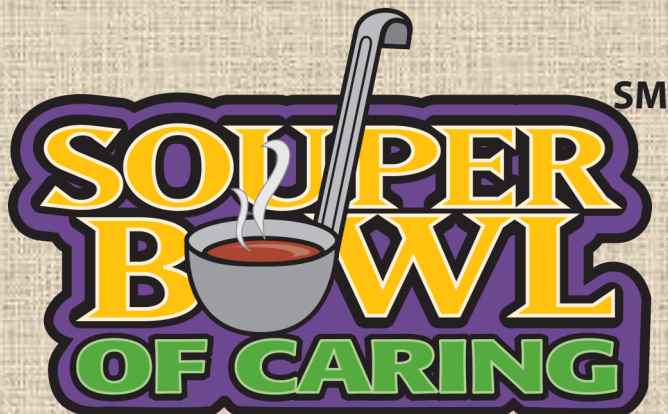
Here are some specific things you can do during this Lent that will help you become better **listeners**:

1. Commit to weekly worship. Come to God's House and spend time **listening** to the words of life that He longs to share with you. Don't let other things become more important than hearing God speak. Make **listening** to the Lord your priority. Don't go to worship expecting to be entertained, but rather focus on **listening** to the voice of God. A person once asked, "Why doesn't God speak today like he did during Biblical times?" The truth is He does continue to speak today, but oftentimes we aren't **listening**.
2. Turn off the tv, the computer, and yes, even your cell phone for a time each day and talk to your spouse, your children, your friends or other important people in your life. One of the best gifts you can give people is your time. But as you give them your time give them your ears too!
3. As you make time for one another, talk about important things. Ask questions like: What are you concerned about? and What do you wish?
4. Ask your spouse, children or a dear friend to finish the following statement: "I feel loved when ... ". Not only will you become a better **listener**, but your love will become more focused and meaningful.
5. Have quiet time each day to reflect upon what you are hearing. Life can get so noisy and hectic we end up missing much of what is important. Slow down and **listen** to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. He speaks most clearly in His Word (a great reason to have daily devotions) but He also can speak through the people in our lives if we will but **listen**.

In Christ's Love,



Pastor Jon



Share the love
of Christ on
Super Bowl
Sunday!

On Sunday, January 28, Epiphany's youth will be passing out bags after the services. Fill the bags with nonperishable food and bring them back on February 4.

All proceeds benefit Christian Helping Hands.



There's
Room
for
YOU!

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

Voters' Meeting & Lunch
Sunday, February 18, 2018
Noon
AFLC Gym

**LET'S HAVE A RECORD TURNOUT FOR
THIS IMPORTANT MEETING!**

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45



Change Is In the Air!

For the past five years, our ministry has gone by the name of Connect. We are changing the name to Serve—a name that is very clear and very action-oriented. Our mission is to help the congregation get involved with ministries at Epiphany.

We are all called by God to serve one another. Not to just serve, but to serve with joy and love. We are called to live beyond ourselves and serve those in need. The need may not be great—it could be something as simple as smiling at a stranger or holding a door open for someone who has full hands. Or the need could be so great that you need assistance from your fellow congregation members—such as collecting blankets for the homeless or meeting a need to get the Bible into the hands of our military personnel through Military Biblesticks.

Each and every one of us has a gift we can share regardless of our stage in life. No matter what situation we find ourselves in, we should look for ways in which God wants to use us. When you rest in God's steadfast love, you become more motivated to please Him, serve Him and love Him.

Think of it this way, Christ died to save us from sin so out of love we ought to be eager to serve Him. Christ died to save everyone. In thanksgiving we respond by serving others and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus.

In the coming months, we will publicize more opportunities for you to serve both within Epiphany and outside in the community.

Faithful servants never retire. You can retire from your career, but you will never retire from serving God. – Rick Warren

If you want to get involved at Epiphany but don't know where to start, contact me at dorian@epiphanypearland.org so we can talk about your interest in serving at Epiphany.

- Dorian Cornelius





Lenten Meals

Wednesdays
February 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.
Family Life Center

Please sign up to help, either by volunteering
or by donating food, on the bulletin boards
in the narthex or the AFLC.

For more info, contact Celina Brunette at 832-314-5498 or celina.brunette@gmail.com.



LENT

4:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

February 21, February 28, March 7, March 14, March 21

Join us in the sanctuary for our midweek Lenten Services.

SPRING CAMPING TRIP

April 20-22, 2018
Matagorda Bay Nature Park & Campground
6430 FM 2031
Matagorda, TX 77457

Join us for camping, boating, games and just plain fun with a campfire church service and breakfast on Sunday morning. Cost is \$27 (general site), \$32 (preferred site), \$37 (pull through), \$37 (waterfront), plus \$5/day per person over 13 or \$2 for over 65.

- *Camping*
- *Boating*
- *Fishing*
- *Games*
- *Worship*

Make your own reservations at:
www.lcra.org/reserve

If you want your reservation made for you, please pay Tammy or Dale Green one days worth of camping for your preferred site size.



MOTHER'S DAY OUT FALL 2018 REGISTRATION



Registration for next fall will begin on Tuesday, February 6 for families already enrolled in the program and for church members. Children may enroll for 2 days or 4 days (2 days - Tuesday & Thursday or Wednesday & Friday; 4 days - Tuesday through Friday). Community registration will begin on Wednesday, February 14 in the narthex at 10:00 a.m. Please pass the word to your friends and neighbors!

Registration Fee: \$100 per child for 2 days a week
\$200 per child for 4 days a week

Monthly tuition for the 2018/2019 school year is as follows:

<u>1 child 2 days \$190</u>	<u>2 children 2 days \$325</u>	<u>3 children 2 days \$460</u>
<u>1 child 4 days \$380</u>	<u>2 children 4 days \$650</u>	<u>3 children 4 days \$920</u>

**SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 24**

**9:30 A.M.
TO
1:00 P.M.**

**W.I.S.H. DAY IV
(Women Into Serving Him)**

**ALL LADIES
OF THE
CONGREGATION
AGES 8 - 108!**

LADIES—You are invited to come together for W.I.S.H. DAY IV on Saturday, February 24 from 9:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. WISH DAY is an opportunity to get to know each other better, enjoy a light brunch and participate in several mission projects without having to pack a suitcase and find your passport. As we have in the past, we will begin the time with a short devotion, enjoy brunch and then split up into groups to work on the projects. The projects chosen—stamp trimming, quilt tying, and fleece blanket knotting—all lend themselves to working while talking with those around you so we encourage you to move from project to project in order to meet as many ladies as possible. There is the possibility of another project or two being added to the rotation. Watch the bulletin announcements in February for additional information.

Mark your calendars now for the morning of February 24. See you there!



TRIUMPH SPORTS CAMP

Triumph Sports Camp is coming to Epiphany! An awesome sports program where the main ingredient is FUN! Triumph Sports is a Christ-Centered sports camp that uses sports as a means to help spread the Gospel. Camps are open to 5-12 year-olds. Registration coming soon at TriumphSports.com.



- After VBS Camp - June 11-14 || Noon - 4:00 p.m.
- All Sports Camp - July 9-12 || 9:00 a.m. to Noon
- Dodge Ball Camp - July 9-12 || 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.





KID'S NIGHT OUT

Friday, February 9

6:00 to 9:30 p.m.

\$10 per child

3yrs to 6th Grade

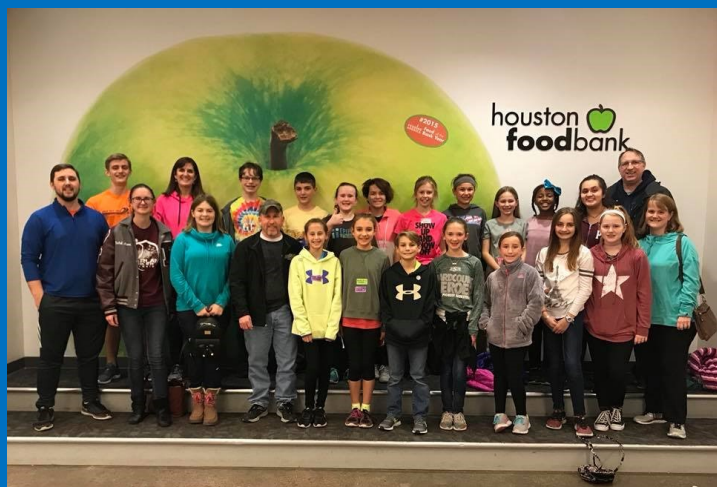
Parents - Enjoy the night out and send your kids to have some fun with Epiphany's 7th - 12th grade youth! Drop off and pick up at Epiphany. Register at shiningthelight.org.



YOUTH NIGHT IN

**Friday, February 9-10
5:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.
7th-12th Grade**

Come serve at the kid's night out to raise money for Heart for Texas, a Lutheran charity providing Harvey relief! After the kids go home, we will stay up late with food and games! Sign up at ShiningTheLight.org



JANUARY TRIPS

Our youth started 2018 growing in the Lord! Our high school to college students went on an overnight retreat to Camp Lone Star January 2-3. Our theme was Reset. We focused on starting the new year not by our own plan, but by praying and listening for God's plan for us. We also took time to have some fun in the cold weather!



On January 12-13, our 5th-8th grade students had a Service Lock-in. We traveled to the Houston Food Bank on Friday night to help those in need. The youth did an excellent job cleaning, sorting and packing food to be sent out to Houston areas! After, we returned to Epiphany for a fun night of crafts, games and Bible Study!



ROAD TRIP



MISSION TRIP



July 15-21, 2018

7th-12th Grade

\$195

Come serve this summer! We will travel to Houston, San Antonio and Austin to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Sign up to hold your spot today at shiningthelight.org. \$100 Deposit due by February 17, 2018!



BIRTHDAYS

02/01 Susan Alderman
 02/01 Iris Lawrence
 02/02 Hayden Scallan
 02/02 Terensa Castro
 02/03 Gavin Latham
 02/03 Jo Lauppe
 02/03 Judy Cotter
 02/04 Nancy Canalito
 02/06 Robin Quinton
 02/06 Ashton Walker
 02/07 Rick Wolff
 02/07 Linda Hornow
 02/07 Christina Hartman
 02/07 Carol Lester
 02/07 Ashley Jones
 02/07 Dave Schlothauer
 02/08 Amanda Clark
 02/09 Becky Broussard
 02/09 Kathryn Ayres
 02/09 Rylee Underwood
 02/10 Dalton Keels
 02/10 Liberty Eubanks
 02/12 Elizabeth Hawkins
 02/13 Mallory Fowler
 02/13 Shirley Hannes
 02/13 Grace Elliott
 02/14 Emma Quinton
 02/14 Cindy Eppelheimer
 02/14 Jean Toomes
 02/15 Brian Wukasch
 02/15 Chris Parrack
 02/15 Mary Gurralla
 02/15 Tristan Long
 02/15 Jack Davies
 02/16 Tony Kunkel
 02/16 Linda Easto
 02/16 Renee Kunkel
 02/16 Sherry Riveness
 02/17 Lauren Ayres
 02/18 Sarah Whalen
 02/18 Sharon Singleton
 02/19 Beth Roos
 02/20 Lois Armstrong
 02/20 Travis Morton
 02/22 Jac Rubright
 02/22 Taylor Stewart
 02/23 Asher Curless
 02/23 Jared Curless
 02/23 Allison Gregory
 02/23 Lilah Gustin
 02/23 Tomika Greer
 02/23 Bradly Dombrosky
 02/24 Bill Bente
 02/24 Betty Stallings
 02/24 Robert Tennesen

02/25 Marsha Ebeling
 02/25 Irene Parker
 02/26 Blaine Birkelbach
 02/26 Michael Rupe
 02/27 Angie Schesser
 02/27 Allison McDonald
 02/28 Mitchell Lester
 02/28 Rick Keniston
 02/28 Sabrina Smith



ANNIVERSARIES

02/04 Patrick & Gail Kramer
 02/05 John & Dottie Reimer
 02/06 Mike & Jodi Harris
 02/09 Dean & Jo Lauppe
 02/12 Sverre & Laila Andersen
 02/12 Daniel & Susan Karloski
 02/14 Keith & Vera Armstrong
 02/14 Thomas & Jeanette Holt
 02/17 David & Judy Klewer
 02/17 John & Lynda Lund
 02/25 Chaplain Ryan & Lisa Rupe
 02/26 Gregg & Allison Lynch
 02/26 Sonny & Melinda Metz



THANK YOU

We had an overwhelming response to the "Share the Warmth" campaign for the Star of Hope. We collected over five 40-gallon trash bags of blankets, towels and washcloths. Thank you so much for your generous contributions!

Dear Rev. Salminen and all the saints at Epiphany,

Thank you for your generous donation to POBLO International! Your financial partnership allows us to continue meeting the physical, social, and spiritual needs of those we come in contact with in the United States and beyond. By His grace we had a Jordanian Muslim family baptized in November. Thank you.

Rev. Farrukh Khan



HELP WANTED

The Altar Guild needs YOU! Men or women. (Yes-men can do this too.) If you can help with setting up communion, now is the time to join the Altar Guild. It's easy to do and it takes about 30 minutes on the day you serve. You never do it by yourself, always with someone else. So please contact Marlene Heinrich at 281-797-8251 to get involved.



Like us on Facebook

Sunday Morning Schedule:

8:00 am - Traditional Worship Service-sanctuary
9:15 am - Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
10:30 am - Blended Worship Service-sanctuary
10:30 am - *The Light* Worship Service-AFLC

*WOR: Worship
COM: Worship with Communion
SS: Sunday School
ABC: Adult Bible Class

February 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 COM/SS & ABC/COM/WOR* Souper Bowl of Caring LWM ML Mite Box Sunday 9:00-10:15am-Blood Pressure Screening-106 9:15am-201 Class-203 9:15am-New Member Class-202 11:45am-Orchestra Practice-sanctuary 11:45am-Kid's Choir-101 2:00-4:00pm-Basketball-gym No Confirmation! No Youth Nights!	5 Announcements Due! Meal On Wheels 9:30am-Ladies' Bible Study-203 10:00-11:30am-Bible Markers-207 7:00pm- <i>The Light</i> Worship Team -AFLC	6 9-2 MDO 4:00pm-Bible Study-202 7:00pm-Board of Elders-202	7 9-2 MDO 6:30pm-PT-sanctuary 7:30pm-Choir-sanctuary	1 9-2 MDO 9:15am-LifeLight-203 7:00-8:15pm-Midweek Meet Up (high school juniors -young adults) 7:00pm-Bell Choir-sanctuary	2 9-2 MDO 5:30am-Men's Bible Study Group -MB kitchen	3
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EPIPHANY'S SPRING CRAFT FAIR AND GARDENING EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, April 14, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Spring Craft Fair & Gardening Extravaganza

**Proceeds will benefit
various missions & ministries.**



Plants * Craft Booths * Baked Goods * Door Prizes

**Interesting classes presented by an
on-site Master Gardener.**

**Classes include information about: Vegetable Varieties,
home composting and the
10 "must-have" flowers for spring.**



**And, don't forget to stop by our Kitchen
for lunch!**

**If you are a crafter and would like to rent a booth,
email Mannie Steglich at
springfair@woodenwonderstx.com.
For more information about the fair,
contact Tammy Green at teveland@hotmail.com.**

