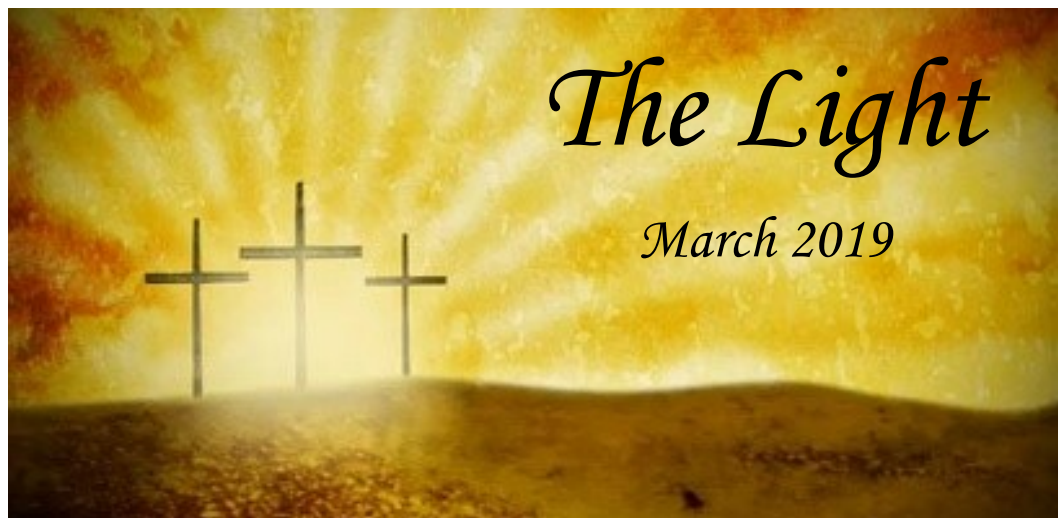




The Light

March 2019



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Pastor David Johnson

(Pastor of Music Ministries)



EPIPHANY LUTHERAN

Spring Fair

and Gardening Extravaganza

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2019

9AM-4PM

Family Life Center

The Women of Epiphany cordially invite you to our curated home, gardening and handmade craft event.

Join us as we shop for a cause!

We are excited to provide a venue for you to support local businesses and artisans in one convenient location. You will be delighted to discover what a talented region we live in! Proceeds from our raffle, plant sale, cafe & bake shop will be given to local and national nonprofits dedicated to supporting our community and world-wide humanitarian efforts. We are also pleased to offer free gardening and wildlife education classes!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Event updates can be found on the "discussion" tab of the Facebook Event and on Epiphany's website:
www.ShiningTheLight.org

FREE ADMISSION * LUNCH CAFE * BAKESHOP
CRAFT MARKET * WHITE ELEPHANT SALE *
RAFFLES * DOOR PRIZES * PLANT SALE *
GARDEN & WILDLIFE EDUCATION CLASSES





ALL CHURCH MISSION TRIP | AUGUST 2-4 CAMP LONE STAR ALL AGES

YOU'RE NEVER TOO YOUNG OR TOO OLD TO SERVE GOD! DON'T MISS THIS AMAZING WEEKEND OF SERVING AT CAMP LONE STAR AND IN THE AUSTIN AREA. ANYONE 14 AND UNDER MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

OVER 18 - \$75 || AGES 5-18 - \$50 || UNDER 5 - FREE
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SIGN UP GO TO
WWW.SHININGTHELIGHT.ORG.

The Key to Successful Living

I was watching TV a while back and saw someone talking about the “Key to Success.” I was intrigued so I decided to watch for a bit. The person told how they had gone from rags to riches. This man’s life was not what he wanted it to be, so he decided to do something about it. He found a key to successful living. The key worked for him and he promised it could work for me too. He wanted to share his success with everyone so they too could share in a successful life. The only catch—he needed to be paid for it.

I thought if he was so concerned about my life why wait until I paid him for his secret. Why not share it for free—if he really was concerned about my life. Of course, I didn’t believe for a second he was concerned about me. He was concerned about himself and making a profit off other people who are discontented with life. Just another scam.

How unlike Jesus Christ! Jesus was truly concerned about our lives and so He became one of us. Jesus was truly concerned so He took our pain, our suffering, our sorrow and our sin upon Himself. He died and rose again so that we might have life abundantly. The cost was great—it cost God everything. But the benefits of God’s great love and sacrifice are offered to us for free.

As we journey through this Season of Lent, I hope we will all see and remember that the key to life is not a key at all. It is a person. A person named Jesus. He comes so that our lives will be changed. He comes to us so that we might be set free from the forces that keep us enslaved and that we might have a new life through a personal relationship with the Lord of Life, Jesus Christ.

If it has been a while since you’ve met with Jesus in His House take Him up on His invitation to renew your relationship with Him this week. Meet Him in His Word and Sacraments. Meet Him and His Body, the Church as we journey toward the Cross and the Empty Tomb. Jesus has a new and wonderful life to give you and He offers it freely because He loves you.

I look forward to seeing you on Sundays and Wednesdays as we receive the new life that only God can give us.



Pastor Jon



A poster for Ash Wednesday Services. It features a large, irregular, brownish-orange stain in the center, resembling a splash of ash or paint. Inside this stain, at the top, is a small black cross. Below the cross, the text "Ash Wednesday Services" is written in a black, serif font. Underneath that, the date "March 6, 2019" is written in the same font. Below the date, the times "4:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m." are written. At the bottom of the stain, there is a small, dark, conical pile of ash. Below the stain, the text "with communion & ashes" is written in a smaller, black, serif font. The background of the poster is a light, mottled grey.

Ash Wednesday Services

March 6, 2019

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

with communion & ashes

A poster for Lenten Services. The background is a dark, stylized landscape with jagged, brownish-orange mountains. In the center, a black cross stands on a hill. The sky is a gradient of orange and yellow, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The word "LENT" is written in large, white, serif capital letters across the middle of the image. Below the word, the times "4:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m." are written in a smaller, white, serif font, underlined. Below the times, the dates "March 13, March 20, March 27, April 3, April 10" are written in the same font. At the bottom, the text "Join us in the sanctuary for our midweek Lenten Services." is written in a smaller, white, serif font.

LENT

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

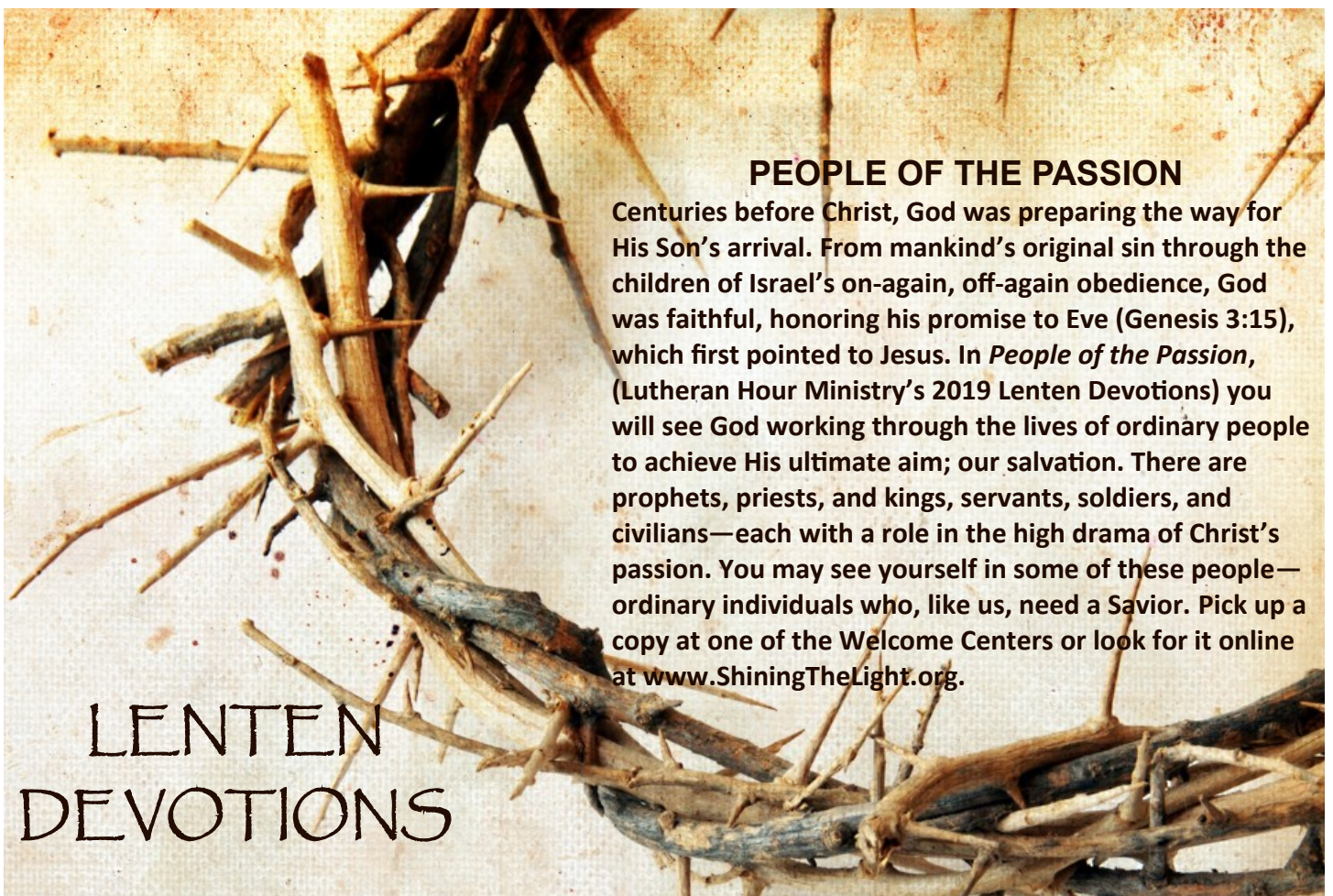
March 13, March 20, March 27, April 3, April 10

Join us in the sanctuary for our midweek Lenten Services.



Lenten Meals

Wednesdays
March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10
5:15 - 6:15 p.m.
Family Life Center



PEOPLE OF THE PASSION

Centuries before Christ, God was preparing the way for His Son's arrival. From mankind's original sin through the children of Israel's on-again, off-again obedience, God was faithful, honoring his promise to Eve (Genesis 3:15), which first pointed to Jesus. In *People of the Passion*, (Lutheran Hour Ministry's 2019 Lenten Devotions) you will see God working through the lives of ordinary people to achieve His ultimate aim; our salvation. There are prophets, priests, and kings, servants, soldiers, and civilians—each with a role in the high drama of Christ's passion. You may see yourself in some of these people—ordinary individuals who, like us, need a Savior. Pick up a copy at one of the Welcome Centers or look for it online at www.ShiningTheLight.org.

LENTEN
DEVOTIONS



ATTENTION: "COMMUNITY REWARDS" PARTICIPANTS!

For those who have been taking part in Kroger's *Community Rewards* program, there has been a change! They have recently upgraded their system and, as a result, Epiphany now has a new account number (PU298). Our previous number will continue to be associated with the church, however, it will not be visible when enrolling.

We encourage you to link your Kroger reward cards to Epiphany's account. The more we shop with Kroger, the more money Epiphany can earn. In the last accounting period (11/01/18 - 01/31/19), we earned \$92.36 due to the participation of the 24 households that are enrolled. If you wish to participate in the program, you may enroll your *KrogerPlus* card online at Kroger's secure website, www.KrogerCommunityRewards.com.

Every time an enrolled participant shops at Kroger using their *KrogerPlus* card, Epiphany will begin to accumulate rewards. In addition, once a household member enrolls his or her card, all linked *KrogerPlus* cards within that household will begin earning funds for Epiphany. Each time you shop at Kroger using your *KrogerPlus* card, Kroger will donate a percentage of your eligible purchases to the Community Rewards program; then Kroger will donate a percentage of the contributions attributable to our church. All funds received from this program will go to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

If you would like to participate in the *Community Rewards* program, just pick up a bright yellow Customer Information Letter at the Welcome Center in the narthex or the AFLC. This letter will explain how to enroll in the program and how your family can begin to earn funds for Epiphany.

(If you wish to participate in the program but do not have internet access, please contact Linda Easto in the church office at 281-485-7833; she will make arrangements to assist you.)



Volunteer Opportunities

Greeter Ministry

Greeters create the first impression that a visitor receives as they enter the church. Welcoming people as they enter the church is more than a hand shake and a smile. It is an opportunity to express God's love through Christ and help set the tone of the upcoming worship service. This is also an excellent way to meet new people.

Being part of this ministry requires approximately 20-30 minutes per month. Each greeter is assigned one Sunday per month to greet at the service which they attend. They need to arrive 20-30 minutes before the service, greet until the service starts and reverse greet after the service. Greeters are also needed for special services such as Lent, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter, Thanksgiving Eve, Advent and Christmas.

If you are interested in becoming part of this vital ministry, please contact Jean Toomes.

Usher Ministry

This is an opportunity for teens, ladies and gentlemen! Ushers serve a vital role for the congregation especially during worship services as they distribute worship folders prior to the service, help people find seats, gather the offering, count service attendees and direct traffic flow during communion. They also collect the attendance sheets and prepare the worship space for the next service. This ministry is an excellent way for anyone to serve the church in an essential function, but without a major time commitment.

Ushers are asked to commit to one Sunday per month and one fifth Sunday a year at the service which they attend. Ushers are also needed for special services such as Lent, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter, Thanksgiving Eve, Advent and Christmas. If you would like to serve, contact Jeff Hartwig.

Connect is committed to growing its ministry. Connect's mission is to get people involved in ministry at Epiphany. We are looking for outgoing people with fresh ideas for getting the congregation involved in ministry.

If you believe Connect would benefit from your involvement, please contact Dorian Cornelius at 281-485-7833 or dorian@epiphanypearland.org.





SOUPER BOWL OF CARING THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Souper Bowl of Caring. \$464.81 in monetary donations was raised and 852 pounds of food was collected for Christian Helping Hands. Thank you also to Epiphany's youth and kids for sorting and packaging the food.

CHH is a non-profit 501(C)(3) organization, formed in 1983 by local churches in our area to help people in need by providing short-term assistance with basic needs. Their goal is to help the less fortunate become more self-sufficient whenever possible. CHH is supported solely by donations of food and money by member-churches, other churches, private individuals, memorials, social and service clubs and corporations.




EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT TO BENEFIT EPIPHANY



Cohen Carpenter, a high school sophomore and member of Epiphany, is working toward his Eagle Rank in Scouting and has chosen a project to benefit our church. For his project, three large crosses will be built and placed on a mound at the front of the church's property facing FM 518. (See rendering to the right.) This will help increase the visibility of the church as well as providing a pleasing aesthetic for all to look at. Anyone willing to make a monetary donation to purchase materials and supplies for this project is asked to **make checks payable to Troop 55 with "Cohen Carpenter Eagle Project" in the memo line.** Checks can be mailed to the church or left in the church office. **(Please do not place these in the offering plate.)** One hundred percent of the proceeds will be used toward the project. Excess funds, if any, will be donated back to the church. Thank you in advance for your support of this project!





March 22
6:00-8:00 pm
Family Life Center Room 203

Pizza & Paint

3yrs-6th Grade
Bring a friend
\$10

More information and registration at ShiningTheLight.org



in a **GALILEE** FAR, FAR AWAY

JUNE 17-22

9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

5TH - 5TH GRADE

SAVE
THE
DATE!

"Houston, we have no problem." We are taking a crew on an interplanetary exploration to discover the Glory of God throughout the universe and beyond! Where will it lead us? Back to a manger in Bethlehem and the Savior of the world, of course. Come aboard the USS Immanuel for an unforgettable adventure!

a kids' Christmas musical of **GALACTIC** proportions
created by ● Steve Moore ● Rob Howard ● David Guthrie



VACATION
BIBLE
SCHOOL
2019



JUNE 3 - 7
9 A.M. TO NOON
3 YEARS - 5TH GRADE

At Miraculous Mission VBS, kids discover Jesus' mission to save the world! Miraculous Mission is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences that kids will see, hear, touch and even taste! Don't miss the fun! Volunteer sign up begins April 7. Registration opens April 14.

Eggstravaganza

IN THE PARK

Saturday, April 20
10:00 a.m. - Noon @ Centennial Park

Fun Run at 10:30 a.m. Egg hunt and puppet show at 11:15 a.m. Visit www.ShiningTheLight.org for more information and to register to volunteer.



Starlight Report

April 5-7

9th-12th Grade

Martin Dies State Park

Cost: \$50

Camping, canoeing and lots of fun. We'll be staying in the screened shelters.
More information and registration at www.ShiningTheLight.org.



Thank you to everyone who came to Epiphatinos: An Evening of Jazz this year! It was a spectacular night filled with great food, dancing, music and fun! Thank you for your generous donations. The night raised over \$13,000 (Our highest amount ever!) for youth ministry at Epiphany. We hope you enjoyed your night as much as we did serving you!



We would like to specifically thank: John Gordon for cooking the wonderful turkey and pork, Dale Green and the Epiphatinos band for the outstanding music and all of the parents who helped make this night a success! We would not have been able to do it without you! We look forward to another great year of youth ministry and cannot wait to serve you again!





BIRTHDAYS

03/01 Barbara Baker
 03/02 David Rumsey
 03/02 Raylan Lausch
 03/02 Nora Hayes
 03/03 Leslie Gordon
 03/03 Wanda Wood
 03/04 Chase Davis
 03/04 Marlo Gordon
 03/04 Heather Eppelheimer
 03/05 Brenda Johnson
 03/06 Brian Bennett
 03/07 Nathan Cloeter
 03/07 Steven Klewer
 03/07 Jessica Williams
 03/09 Bob Lange
 03/09 Makayla St. Romain
 03/10 Oliver Oberlies
 03/12 Vera Armstrong
 03/12 Ethel Keys
 03/12 Emmett Ackerman
 03/12 Dennis Rohne
 03/13 Jolene Kirk
 03/13 Carol Kidd
 03/13 Shirley Juroska
 03/14 Keith Weiss
 03/14 Cameron Beckwith
 03/15 Gene Lester
 03/15 Pastor Nathan Misch
 03/16 Renee Kahre
 03/17 Charlie Fowler
 03/17 Beth Milbrath
 03/17 Luke Fleming
 03/18 Trevor Smith
 03/18 Kyle Rupe
 03/19 Jimmy Dick
 03/20 Luke Kunkel
 03/20 Colton Parrack
 03/20 Jack Armstrong
 03/20 Edie Hardaway
 03/22 Vivian Chudej
 03/23 Lynda Lund
 03/24 EJ Kirk
 03/24 Daniel Karloski
 03/25 Janet Williamson
 03/26 Tammy Earley
 03/26 Nora Snyder
 03/27 Traci Elliott
 03/27 Larry Woelfel
 03/28 Melissa Olesen
 03/28 Patsy Goodman
 03/28 Evyn Carpenter

03/29 Patsy Peloquin
 03/29 Tad Baumann
 03/29 Danielle Ortiz
 03/30 Kylie Brewton



ANNIVERSARIES

03/01 Jason & Krystle Gutierrez
 03/05 Jake & Mallory Fowler
 03/07 Todd & Pamela Van Maaren
 03/11 James & Robin Quinton
 03/11 Kristopher & Rebekah Zapalac
 03/14 Jerry Don & Tammy Earley
 03/19 Wade & Mary Wood
 03/20 Chris & Aleta Parrack
 03/21 Cregg & Gina Dombrosky
 03/21 Scott & Michelle Gilbertson
 03/23 Melchor & Kim Garza
 03/23 Marcus & Brittnee Zimmer
 03/24 Scott & Ruby Troyer
 03/25 Brad & Kim Piel
 03/26 Robin & Kathy Zapalac
 03/27 Kenny & Doris Lilie



BAPTISMS

Gentry Louis Snider
February 17, 2019

Paisley Ray Dill
February 24, 2019



With Deepest Sympathy

SYMPATHY

Shirley Rubright
February 3, 2019



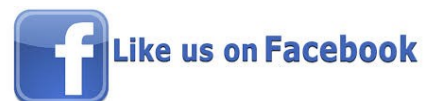
Epiphany's mission is to shine the light of God's love on all people. We can truly say that we have experienced the love of our Lord through the faithful brothers and sisters of our Epiphany family. This same family was a lighthouse beacon to help guide us through the darkness of losing a beloved mom. We heard, felt, and saw the love of God that they reflected upon us. We do continue to grieve for mom but our Epiphany family is by our side as we journey through the grief.

A heartfelt thanks to you all!

Family of Dorothy Driessner
Max and Karen Daugherty



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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



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	APRIL NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE MARCH 10!				1 9-2 MDO 5:30am-Men's Bible Study Group -MB kitchen	2
3 COM/CROSS+GEN/COM/WOR* LWML Mite Box Sunday 9:00-10:15am-Blood Pressure Screening-106 9:15am-New Member Class-202 9:15am-FPU-203 11:45am-Orchestra Practice-sanctuary 11:45am-Youth Choir-203 2:00-4:00pm-Basketball-gym 6:00-8:00pm-Confirmation 6:00-8:00pm-Youth Nights-gym/204	4 Announcements Due! Meals on Wheels Week 9:30am-Ladies' Bible Study-203 10:00-11:30am-Bible Markers-207 6:30pm-GriefShare-sanctuary 7:00pm-IFC-ESL Classes-203 7:00pm- <i>The Light</i> Worship Team -AFLC	5 9-2 MDO 9:00am-IFC-ESL Classes-203 4:00pm-Bible Study-202 7:00pm-Board of Elders-202	6 9-2 MDO Ash Wednesday 4:30pm-Ash Wednesday Service w/com 5:15-6:15pm-Lenten Meal-gym 7:00pm-Ash Wednesday Service w/com 7:45pm-Praise Team/Choir	7 9-2 MDO 9:15am-LifeLight-203 7:00pm-Handbells -sanctuary	8 9-2 MDO	9 7:30am-Men's Bible Breakfast-203 9:15am-Elders' Meeting-203
10 WOR/SS & ABC/COM/COM* 9:15am-201 Class-207 9:15am-New Member Class-202 9:15am-FPU-203 11:45am-Orchestra Practice-sanctuary 11:45am-Youth Choir-203 2:00-4:00pm-Basketball-gym No Confirmation! No Youth Nights!	11 Announcements Due! No Ladies' Bible Study! 9:30am-Goodtimers-104 6:30pm-GriefShare-sanctuary No IFC-ESL Classes! 7:00pm- <i>The Light</i> Worship Team -AFLC	12 No MDO! No IFC-ESL Classes! 4:00pm-Bible Study-202 6:00pm-HWS Meeting-202	13 No MDO! 4:30pm-Lenten Service 5:15-6:15pm-Lenten Meal-gym 7:00pm-Lenten Service 7:45pm-Praise Team/Choir	14 No MDO! 9:15am-LifeLight-203 7:00pm-Handbells -sanctuary	15 No MDO! 5:30am-Men's Bible Study Group -MB kitchen	16
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31 WOR/SS & ABC/WOR/WOR* Reception of New Members 9:15am-201 Class-207 9:15am-FPU-203 11:45am-Orchestra Practice-sanctuary 2:00-4:00pm-Basketball-gym 6:00-8:00pm-Confirmation 6:00-8:00pm-Youth Nights-gym/204						



EPIPHANY LUTHERAN

Spring Fair

and Gardening Extravaganza

Recipients Announced

The Spring Fair is the major fundraiser for our Lutheran Women's Ministry League chapter. This year, monies raised will be divided among:

Epiphany elder Saul Pontifes' short-term mission trip. Saul is traveling with a group from Gracious Savior Lutheran (Edwards, Colorado) to rural Cuba later this year. This evangelical mission trip is arranged by East-West Ministries with the goal to plant new churches & strengthen existing ones.

Christian Helping Hands food pantry here in Pearland.

Crossing Cambodia - A missionary organization that provides education and other resources for children living on the streets in Battambang.

We need your help to make this a success!!

-Do you have plants, or are you willing to make homemade cakes, cookies or pies, to donate? We kindly request that you label your homemade baked good donations (i.e. nuts, peanut butter, gluten free). Please label plants with their identity and care instructions. Baked goods and plants may be brought to the AFLC on Friday, March, 29 from 4:00-8:00pm and between 8:00-9:00 am on Saturday, March, 30.

-The White Elephant Sale is in need of items. Do you have gently used or like-new books, movies, home decor, holiday items, or anything else that would be good for a miscellaneous items sale? Donations may be brought to the AFLC Gym on Friday, March 29th after 2:30 pm. Please, no clothes and not before this date!

-Would you take a yard sign to display in your yard the month of March? Pick up location will be posted in the Sunday Bulletin.

-Are you on Facebook? A Facebook "Event" has been created for the fair. Please mark your interest and share it with family and friends!

Questions? Tammy Earley, our LWML president and Spring Fair Coordinator, will be happy to answer them!
epiphanyspringfair@gmail.com