



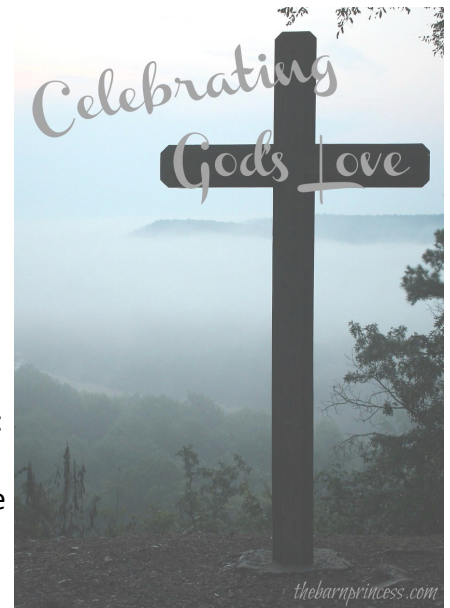
EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Partnering with Christ to Renew Lives

April 2019 Newsletter

Celebrating God's Endless Love....

Praise to the Living God that we've emerge from winter's darkness to be greeted by Spring! While we in the Memphis area can be thankful for a lack of snow and ice this winter, we've faced many dreary, rainy and gusty days. When the sun doesn't shine brightly on us for prolonged periods, our mood becomes sullen, and we trudge along without much joy. Sometimes the season of Lent can make us feel the same way: the solemnity of Lenten discipline can make us anxious to see the light of God's Son Jesus. We want to rush through Lent's six-week period of reflection, to bring back the 'alleluias' and be restored to Easter's bright glory. But Lent isn't 'abnormal': the Christian path should be one of frequent self-examination, reflection on how we live our lives, and repentance. Whether in Lent or at any time of the liturgical year, Christians should always make the cross of Christ Jesus our focal point. When we view the world through the cross, it's easy to see the image of God in everyone we meet. By keeping our focus on Christ and his outpouring of love and mercy for us, we can respond to the world with Christ-like humility, in service that pours out unconditional love. As Lent turns the corner, with Holy Week around the bend, I pray that you will hold close the Lenten habits of reflection and self-awareness, and carry them into Easter and beyond. That is how we live into Christ's Resurrection and fully celebrate God's endless love and grace.



Peace to all here. — *Pastor Monica*

Epiphany's Core Values — Faithfulness, Inclusion, Love

Our Guiding Principles

We accept and appreciate your presence.

We serve everyone.

We grow personally through the word of God.

We are God's hands, feet, and voice to serve our community.

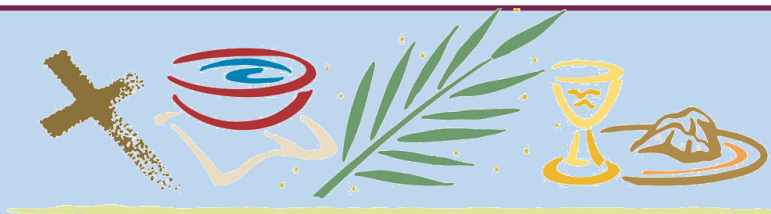
We rejoice and share in the love of God.

Our Purpose — to welcome all, sharing God's promises and love through our actions.

The Band's Getting Back Together!

Hector invites anyone who would like to sing in the Epiphany Choir for special Easter Sunday music to join us for rehearsals throughout Lent at 9:15 am on Sunday mornings.

Come Make A Joyful Noise!



LENT

Lent and Easter Schedule

Wednesdays

Weekly Online Bible Study with Pastor Monica
Access using this link: tiny.cc/EpiphanyLentStudy

April 14 - Palm Sunday

Procession and Worship Service at 10 am
Potluck luncheon following service

April 18 - Maundy Thursday

Worship Service at 6 pm

April 19 - Good Friday

Tenebrae Worship Service at 7 pm

April 21 - Easter

Worship Service at 10 am



Service Opportunities



But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ~James 1:22

Upcoming Outreach/Evangelism Opportunities

Date	Activity	Contact
May 4	Making Bee Houses at the Garden	Jennifer Parker
May 9	Casserole Drive for Trinity/Peace	Becca Schumacher
June 6, 13, 20, 27 (8:30-12)	Volunteer at Collierville Food Pantry	Candy Knight

Worship Servants - a variety of ways to participate in Sunday morning worship. [Sign up here](#), add our name to the clipboard available on Sunday mornings, or [contact Carol Webster](#) to sign up.

Please review the needs for our special Holy Week and Easter worship services.

Epiphany Community Garden - **Please stay tuned for information on when garden work will resume (we will have some special work days soon for maintenance, garden prep, etc.) Thank you to ALL who were such a big part of making our garden grow last year! [Donate here](#) to help the garden grow - we need funding to get started on a bumper crop for 2019!**

Room In The Inn (RITI)

Volunteers will be needed to help serve and cleanup, and help make the sack lunches the guests will take with them Tuesday morning, as well as to pick up sheets and towels on Tuesday to launder and return to Kingsway within the week. If you have never participated in RITI, you will find it to be a most meaningful experience as a volunteer.

Collierville Connected Resource Center (CCRC) - Epiphany is a coalition partner church with the Collierville Connected Resource Center which provides job skills training such as basic computer operation, resume assistance, help with job applications and interview skills, and offers job search tips for unemployed persons. Without at least two volunteers present, the Center cannot open due to Safe Church practices. If you have an hour to spare, CCRC could use your help. Hours are Tuesdays, 9 - 11:30 am and 4 - 7 pm; Thursdays 9 - 11:30am; Saturdays 9 -11:30 am. A one-hour light training session is provided. The CCRC is located in the basement of Sanctuary on the Square, 104 N. Rowlett St., Collierville. See Pastor Monica to volunteer or for more information.

Amazon Smile - Don't forget! Sign up for [Amazon Smile](#) - 0.5% of the price of all your eligible Amazon purchases go directly to Epiphany!

Kroger Community Rewards - [Click here to register](#) with Kroger's Community Rewards program. We are registered as Epiphany Lutheran Church, organization #39854.



Epiphany Lutheran Church wants to provide you the convenience of being able to give the way you want, whenever you want. **Automatic Giving** gives you the opportunity to make secure, automatic contributions from your bank account to our church (from the comfort of your couch, in PJs, even when you're traveling or on vacation!), and offers benefits for you **and** Epiphany!

Benefits for You

- No check writing or ATM stops before church
- Safe, secure, and confidential transactions
- Schedule recurring and one-time donations
- Change a gift or account anytime you like
- View your giving history anytime

Benefits for Epiphany

- Creates peace in knowing giving will continue during summer and vacations
- Reduces check processing fees
- Allows staff more time to focus on ministries
- Provides quick giving history for tax statements

Instructions for Automatic Giving

- On your computer, go to your bank's website.
- Set up access to view your accounts online (checking, savings, etc.)
- Login and select the account you wish to contribute from
- Find a menu (maybe across the top or down the side) where you can select "Pay Bills/Make payments"
- Set up Epiphany as a new "Recipient/Payee" using the following address:
Epiphany Lutheran Church
P.O. Box 1805
Collierville, TN 38027
- Click "Payment" to set up your offering
- Include the payment details such as the amount, the frequency, date to send, unlimited or number of payments
- Click "Send/Complete/Finish"
- To summarize, set up your offering to Epiphany like a recurring monthly bill payment. At anytime, you can login and change/cancel the payment.

There are general instructions; every bank will be a bit different. If you need assistance, please contact Lori Crossmock at epiphanytreasurer1@gmail.com. However you choose to give your time, talent, and treasure, we thank you! Our church and ministries thrive only with your help.

The Garden is Waking Up!

March 2019 Activities

- Scraped up “between” material and applied AHM on raised beds, plus laid stump grindings in the “in-betweens” in A-4 and B-1.
- Fed the worms(layer egg pellets) and applied additional straw over their hang-out pod.
- Laid stump grindings in the “in-betweens” in A-4 and B-1
- Workday with Prannoy Lankapalli to construct his Eagle Scout project - the Epiphany Blessing Box - on 3/10
- Hosted Youth Leadership Collierville for a work day on 3/21



Lent



Lenten Photo Journey

Psalm 51

3/6 Mercy
3/7 Truth
3/8 Wisdom
3/9 Cleanliness
3/10 Joy
3/11 Gladness
3/12 Praise
3/13 Salvation

Psalm 91

3/14 Shadow
3/15 Refuge
3/16 Trust
3/17 Wings
3/18 Darkness
3/19 Angel
3/20 Love
3/21 Trouble

Psalm 27

3/22 Light
3/23 Strength
3/24 Heart
3/25 Beauty
3/26 Voice
3/27 Goodness
3/28 Courage
3/29 Voice

Psalm 63

3/30 Water
3/31 Wilderness
4/1 Hands
4/2 Power
4/3 Glory
4/4 God
4/5 Lips

Psalm 32

4/6 Forgiveness
4/7 Blessing
4/8 Silence
4/9 Prayer
4/10 Waters
4/11 Song
4/12 Teach
4/13 Summer

Psalm 126

4/14 Seed
4/15 Dream
4/16 Laughter
4/17 Nations
4/18 Stream
4/19 Tears
4/20 Sorrow
4/21 Wonder

As we journey through this season of Lent, we invite you to join us with an image-a-day reflection practice and share with our community how you perceive a particular word each day. Share your photo each day on one of our social media sites:

Facebook (EpiphanyLutheran/
Instagram (epiphanylutherancollierville)

Be sure to use these hashtags:
#epiphanylutheran and #lentenphotos2019
You can also hashtag the word of the day (ex. #mercy)



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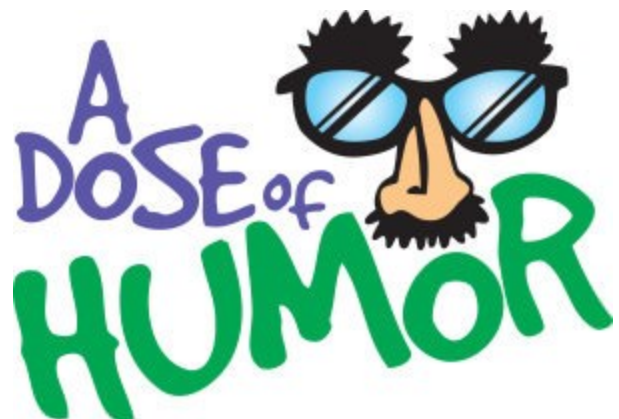
happy
Birthday

**Happiest of Birthdays
and God's Blessings!**

Candy Knight - April 7
Greg Parker - April 11
Elijah Crone - April 24

Have we missed **your** birthday?
Please send the month/day
to Pastor Monica so you can be included!

Holy Humor Sunday April 28th



On Sunday, April 28th, we will celebrate
"Holy Humor Sunday!"

Please plan on joining us for a fun and
uplifting worship service!

Upcoming Events

Prime Timers

The Prime Timers will be attending some of the [Lenten Preaching Series](#) in March and April at [Calvary Episcopal](#) in downtown Memphis. On April 3, the speaker series features Barkley Thompson. Some of the group will eat before the service and some will eat afterwards. You may drive to St. Mary's Episcopal near downtown, park, and then take a shuttle bus to Calvary. Another favorite speaker is Rabbi Micah Greenstein from Temple Israel who will speak on April 4th and 5th at noon with lunch following.

**MOE (Men of Epiphany)
Saturday, April 13**



The Men of Epiphany (MOE) will meet at 8:30 am at IHOP in Collierville for breakfast, fellowship and devotion. Please join us!



**GOE (Gals of Epiphany)
Mary Magdalene Study
Continues April 13 at 9 am**

All women of Epiphany and Kingsway Christian are invited to join us as we examine recent scholarship surrounding Mary Magdalene's life and her important participation in Jesus' ministry. Mary Magdalene was among the first witnesses to the Resurrection, but in the Medieval Era was suddenly viewed as a threat to male power in the Church. Study materials will include a series of articles and The Gospel of Mary Magdalene. This is the final study date for the Magdalene study. For more information, [email Pastor Monica](#). Stay tuned for a possible summer fellowship event!

Confirmation Class Bread Baking & Pizza Party

Confirmands will bake bread to be used during Holy Week & Easter worship services. Pizza will be provided. [Contact Andria Prouty](#) for more information.

Palm Sunday Potluck Brunch



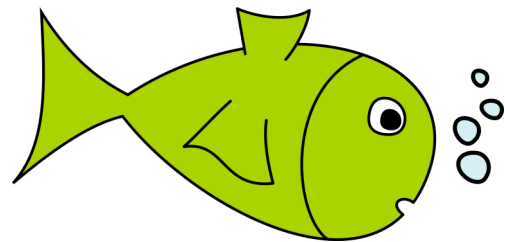
Potluck

We are having a Palm Sunday Brunch, April 14, immediately after church in the Kingsway Fellowship Hall. This will be a pot luck - please sign up at church! Contact [Martha Garner](#) (901-619-8939) for any questions or to volunteer to help.

Bee House Build & Spring Blessing of the Garden

See flyer on next page and share with friends, family, coworkers and neighbors!

Collierville Youth Fishing Rodeo



Mark your calendars for the Collierville Youth Fishing Rodeo at Johnson Park on Saturday, May 11th from 9 am to noon. MOE (Men of Epiphany) will gather at 7:30 AM that morning to set up and manage the registration area for the rodeo and also help with the weigh-in at the conclusion of the event. Please contact John Crossmock for more information or to sign up as a volunteer!

Bee House Build & Spring Blessing of the Garden



May 4, 2019
9 am - Noon
Free Family Event!
All Are Welcome!

Please join us for the spring kickoff event for the Epiphany Community Garden! Everyone who attends can build a mason bee house to take home (Hint: Perfect for a Mother's Day gift!), along with instructions on where to place the bee house in their own yard or garden for best results. Light refreshments will be served; bring your own lawn chair!

Other Activities

- Spring Blessing of the Garden by Pastor Monica Weber
- Garden Tour - see what we produce and donate to local area agencies and how you can volunteer!
- Find out more about the Epiphany Blessing Box built by local Scout Prannoy Lankapalli for his Eagle Scout project - a "little free pantry" stocked with non-perishable food items and available to anyone in need

Please invite your friends and family to join us as well!



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April 2019 Calendar of Events

(Please [check our calendar online](#) for the most up-to-date information)

4/3		Online Lenten Bible Study - Lesson 5, Psalm 32 (Link will be live at 9 am)
Sun 4/7	9 am - Bride's Room/Schaeffer Chapel 9:15 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel 10 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel 11:15 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel	Confirmation Class Choir Practice Fifth Sunday in Lent - Worship & Holy Communion Coffee Fellowship
Wed 4/10		Online Lenten Bible Study - Lesson 6, Psalm 126 (Link will be live at 9 am)
Sat 4/13	8:30 am - IHOP Collierville 9 am - Kingsway Library 4 pm - Prouty Home	Men of Epiphany Study & Fellowship (MOE) Gals of Epiphany Study & Fellowship (GOE) Confirmation Class - Bread Baking & Pizza Party
Sun 4/14	9 am - Bride's Room/Schaeffer Chapel 9:15 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel 10 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel 11:15 am - Kingsway Fellowship Hall	Confirmation Class Choir Practice Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday - Worship & Holy Communion Palm Sunday Potluck Luncheon
Tues 4/16	7 pm - Kingsway Boardroom	Church Council Meeting
Wed 4/17		Online Lenten Bible Study - Lesson 7, Psalm 31 (Link will be live at 9 am)
Thurs 4/18	6 pm - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel	Maundy Thursday Worship Service w/ Holy Communion
Fri 4/19	7 pm - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel	Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service w/ Holy Communion
Sat 4/20		Schaeffer Chapel will be open on Holy Saturday for private prayer and contemplation. If you would like to meet with Pastor Monica for counseling, conversation or private confession, please contact her by e-mail at pastormonicaepiphanylutheran@gmail.com .
Sun 4/21	10 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel 11:15 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel	Resurrection of our Lord/Easter Day - Worship & Holy Communion NO CONFIRMATION CLASS
4/22-26		Pastor Monica out of the office
Sat 4/27	1 pm - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel	Adam Waddell and Meagan Crone Wedding
Sun 4/28	9 am - Bride's Room/Schaeffer Chapel 10 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel 11:15 am - Schaeffer Memorial Chapel	Confirmation Class Second Sunday of Easter/Holy Humor Sunday - Worship & Holy Communion Coffee Fellowship



April 2019 Worship Servants

	4/7	4/14	4/18	4/19	4/21	4/28
Altar Setup				N/A	Phil & Lori Goetz	
Altar Cleanup				N/A	Phil & Lori Goetz	
Assisting Minister	Wendell Kruse					
Lector	Diane Kruse			N/A		
Greeter/Usher						
Communion Assistant				N/A		
Communion Linens				N/A		
Coffee & Cookies			N/A	N/A		
Council Money No. 1	Wally Knight	Dan Scherf		Dan Scherf	Lori Crossmock	Martha Garner
Council Money No. 2	Chris Kelyman	Phil Goetz			Andria Prouty	Jennifer Parker
Confirmation Chaperone			N/A	N/A	N/A	

Worship Servants Needed for Holy Week Services!

The 2019 Worship Servant sign-up process will remain on SignUp Genius. [Please sign up](#) at least four weeks in advance if possible in order to assist in planning. You may also [contact Carol Webster](#) for assistance in signing up. Thank you!



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