

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY 15, 2011

Adult Education Opportunities

- SUNDAY** **Adult Bible Class** — This class, taught by the pastors, meets in the AFLC at 9:05 a.m. **A new study on the Gospel of Matthew begins today.**
- The 101 Class: "Discovering the Lutheran Faith"** — Join the pastors on Sundays at 9:05 a.m. in room 203 of the AFLC for the Adult Information Class. This class 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. **This 15 week class is only offered three times a year.**
- The 201 Class: "The Lutheran Difference: Baptism"** — This class is a broad discussion of the significance of baptism including what it does and why we baptize infants. This class meets at 9:05 a.m. in room 9 of the main building. Contact Kevin Ayres, Jeff West or Rick Wolff for more information.
- MONDAY** **Moms' Bible Study** — Moms' Bible Study gives mothers with children of all ages a chance to gather together in fellowship and friendship. This class meets every Monday at 9:30 a.m. in room 209 of the AFLC. Childcare is provided. For more information, contact Amy Choyke. Our new study: *Sacred Parenting* by Gary Thomas has begun.
- TUESDAY** **Friends' Bible Study** — This class meets in room 201 of the AFLC on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. The study is on Revelation. If you have any questions, please contact Terry Schomberg, Paul Myers or Jill Bente.
- LifeLight Bible Study** — This class meets in room 203 of the AFLC on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. The current study is on Hebrews.
- WEDNESDAY** **Nfuzed Sr. High YouthNites** — Don't miss this high energy nite filled with amazing games, free food, music videos, fellowship with friends and an engaging study of the Word. Meet us on the first and third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.
- 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 1 Corinthians.
- 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.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION SUNDAY — If you are graduating from high school or college this year, please call Cindy in the church office at 281-485-7833 (ext.318) or email her at cindy@epiphanypearland.org and let her know **no later than** Thursday, May 26, 2011. Graduates will be recognized at all services on Sunday, June 5, 2011. For high school graduates, we need to know what high school you are graduating from and what your future plans are; college etc. For college graduates, we need to know what degree and what college; e.g. B.S. in Biology from Sam Houston State.

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR THE MEN'S RETREAT! — Join us for the 2011 Epiphany "Man to Man" Retreat at Camp Lone Star in La Grange from Friday, May 20 - Sunday, May 22. All men ages 16 and above are welcome to attend. Festivities open with a BBQ dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and will conclude with worship around the lake led by Pastor Aaron on Sunday morning. We'll head for home at noon. Cost for the weekend is \$104 for adults and \$87 for young men ages 16-17. Sign-up sheets are located on the "schedules" bulletin board across from the main building kitchen and on the bulletin board at the back of the AFLC gym. **The deadline for registration is today!** For more information or to register, contact Jeff West.

BIBLE MARKERS — The Bible Marking group meets the first and the third Monday of every month in room 201 of the AFLC from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. The Bible marking process is very simple so come join us **Monday**, May 16 and enjoy the fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Berdine.

CHRISTIAN HELPING HANDS "STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE" — Christian Helping Hands, 3402 Swensen at Old Alvin Rd. will be receiving donated food from two or three post offices on **Monday**, May 16. We will need "bucket-brigade" volunteers to unload the food from the postal trucks or personal trucks as early as 7:45 a.m. The process will not take more than an hour, once the first vehicle arrives. Of course, you may stay and help sort the donations. Additionally, you may return that night at 7:00 p.m. to help sort. You need not be terribly strong, just show up to help haul in the bags of food.

NFUZED SR HIGH YOUTH NITES — Don't miss this high energy nite filled with amazing games, free food, music videos, fellowship with friends, and an engaging study of the Word. Meet us this **Wednesday** from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. We will begin in the gym. Bring your friends and get ready to be Nfuzed.

CALM MEETING — The CALM (Congregational Assimilation Lay-mobilization) Ministry will be meeting **Thursday**, May 19 at 11:30 a.m. in room 9 in the main building. The purpose of this ministry is to keep and involve Epiphany's members, new and long term, through existing programs and development of new ones. The ministry is also involved with the Welcome Center, new member dinners, Discovery Class and interview process. This is an exciting and interesting ministry and gives one an opportunity to become acquainted with Epiphany membership. Come and join CALM on May 19! If you have any questions or suggestions, contact Donna Ellwanger.

ALL LADIES OF EPIPHANY! — The monthly meeting of the LWML/Women of Epiphany will be this **Saturday**, May 21 in room 203 of the AFLC. All women are invited to join us at 9:30 a.m. for brunch and fellowship followed by Bible Study and a meeting at 10:00 a.m. Come and see how this group, through the study of God's Word, is reaching out to spread the Good News of Christ to others.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY — We are in need of someone to video tape our 8:00 or 10:15 a.m. church service for use with our Member Shut-in Ministry. If you can help, please contact Larry Woelfel at eo@epiphanypearland.org.

JOB OPENING — LINC Houston is adding a part-time Communications Coordinator to our staff. Qualified applicants will have strong written communication skills, marketing skills and the ability to communicate our story to a variety of audiences. This staff member will work closely with our Missions and Program departments to create content to be used inside and outside of the organization in various formats (such as print, web, video, etc.) and will be the point person for our agency-wide communication strategy. This is a 25 hour/week position. Send your resume to hr@linchouston.org.

**Big Jungle Adventure
Vacation Bible School
June 13 - 17, 2011
9:00 a.m. to Noon
2 years – 5th grade**

Grab a friend and join our Big Jungle Adventure! Join us from June 13 – June 17 from 9:00 a.m. - noon. Kids ages 2 – 5th grade meet friends, explore Bible stories, do fun activities, sing great songs, make crafts, play games and eat snacks. We have had a great response, so enroll your child TODAY! To register, see the displays located in the narthex or gym. You can also register ONLINE at.

<https://vbs.cph.org/tools/churchInfo.aspx?Church=980C7385> WE ARE STILL IN DESPERATE NEED OF VOLUNTEERS. Please consider serving in this very important ministry..

The Fruits of the Jungle! Donations are needed to help make our week of VBS a success. If you are able, please take a jungle animal from the displays in the narthex and gym. Please return donations to the boxes located by the VBS displays by May 29.

VBS music cd's will be available for purchase every Sunday in the narthex and the gym before /after each service from now until the start of VBS.

Safe and Secure! If you need training, please attend our Safe and Secure session that will be held DURING the Sunday School hour on May 22 in the sanctuary.

VBS CRAFT DONATIONS NEEDED! The following items are needed for preschool crafts at Vacation Bible School. A collection box is located in the narthex near the VBS display.

- ◆ Gerber plastic rectangular baby food containers with lids (no glass containers). We need 180 containers!
- ◆ Crayons
- ◆ Washable markers
- ◆ Glue Sticks
- ◆ Assorted stickers (fish, jungle theme, or "jewels" for crowns)