



The Epiphany Starlet

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 3	Choir Rehearsal Worship with Communion NO Bible Study & Sunday School Today NO Confirmation Class Tonight	8:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
Monday, January 4	Church Office Closed	
Tuesday, January 5	Elder's Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 10	Choir Rehearsal Worship Bible Study & Sunday School Confirmation Class	8:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

Save the Date!

Congregational Meeting, Sunday, January 17, after worship.

Contribution Envelopes & End of Year Donations

Contribution envelopes for 2021 are available for you to pick up in the Narthex. Please check your name to be sure you've got the right set. Do not use your 2020 envelopes for 2021 offerings as it is likely your envelope number has changed. Your unused 2020 envelopes can be recycled. If you did not receive a box of envelopes, and would like to have one, please contact the church office. All contributions must be at church or given online on or before Thursday, December 31, to be counted for 2020. Any donations received after December 31, will be counted in 2021.

Epiphany Sermons on YouTube

Epiphany's Sunday and Advent sermons are posted on YouTube. Click on the link to Epiphany's YouTube page on the Sermon page of our website: <http://elcstl.org/sermons/>.



Welcome visitors! Attendance cards are available in the pew racks. Guest & members, please fill one out listing all members of your family in attendance, all taking communion, and indicate any way in which the people of Epiphany might be of service to you. As the offerings are received, please put your attendance card in the offering basket.

Prayer Requests

Not available online.

Reflections on Stewardship

January 6 – Epiphany: Isaiah 60:6b – “They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.” Faith in God moves the heart toward thanksgiving, which moves us toward making offerings to the Lord in His House. It’s simply what Christians do. Our thanksgiving to our Lord for all His benefits to us simply must overflow into sacrificial giving to the Lord. What Isaiah prophesied, the Wise Men did, and we still do today by giving with a thankful heart.

2020 Giving

Annual Offerings Needed	\$100,000	Weekly amount needed	\$10,492
Needed year to date	\$98,077	Received last week	\$3,642
*Received Year to date	\$89,507	Received l.w. - dedicated accounts	\$174
Difference between actual/needed	\$10,493		

** includes online donations through 11/29/2020*



Thank you to everyone that donated baked goods and gifts, made cards, and or helped deliver the baskets to our homebound members. We have received several notes of thanks from the people we delivered to and they were appreciated by all!

Dear Epiphany Family, Thank you so much for the box of goodies I received today. What a surprise! I have some wonderful elves here (Delmar Gardens) to help me go through everything! God bless you all. Merry Christmas! Carolyn G

Ruth S also sends her thanks for the nice gift basket. She is enjoying it and wishes you a Merry Christmas!

Thank you everyone!

Epiphany Director of Youth & Family

We are very pleased to announce that we have a job opening in our church for the position of Director of Youth and Family. This is a part-time position (15-20 hours per week). The Director of Youth and Family Ministry will assist the Pastor in developing disciple-making relationships with the members of the congregation, focusing on families with school-aged children; minister to youth as individuals, yet always within the context of a household; and minister to parents, encouraging them in their role as their child's primary spiritual caregiver. A description of the position is available in the church office or linked in the 12/9 weekly e-letter.

If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in applying for this position please send a resume with cover letter to Epiphany Lutheran Church, 4045 Holly Hills Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63116 or by email to church@elcstl.org. It is our goal to accept resumes until the middle of January and then begin interviews at that time. Please contact an elder or Pastor Tim Staffeld, PastorTim@elcstl.org, with questions.

Church News

Altar Flowers: The flower chart for 2021 is now posted in the Narthex. Signing up to place the altar flowers is a great way to celebrate a special day, person, or a memory of a loved one. Two vases of flowers is \$25 and you are welcome to take the flowers home after the worship service of the day you sign up for. Please return the vases the following week to the church or church office. You can pay for your flowers online through our website, with your weekly offering, noting that \$25 is for flowers, or put your payment in a special flower envelope that is placed on the podium under the flower chart.

Lutheran Witness: Please let the church office know if you would like to receive a subscription or continue your subscription of the Lutheran Witness. The subscription price of the Lutheran Witness is \$15.96 for 2021 (11 issues - June/July is one issue).

Mask Friendly Reminder: Please wear a mask when entering and exiting the church. If you would like to remove your mask when seated 6 feet apart from other families during worship, please feel free to do so. Thank you for your help!

Online Giving: Now there's an easier way to give - electronic giving. eGiving through Vanco is a fast, secure way to make donations. With eGiving, you can give in the moment without writing a check or preparing an envelope. Make a one-time stewardship pledge or set up recurring payments using your bank account, debit or credit card. To learn more, visit <http://elcstl.org/online-giving/> or call the church office. We thank you for your continued support of our mission and appreciate your generosity!

Area News & Events

Feed My People Virtual Trivia Night: Decade Dilemmas: Rockin' the 50s, 60s, 70s, and 80s! Register as part of or as an entire table of 8 for the January Virtual (ZOOM) Trivia Night. Registration limited to first 100 persons per event. Not familiar with Zoom? Not a problem! We will walk you through it. Participants can log in from different locations or gather your virtual table of 8 in one location. All registered participants will be emailed a Virtual Trivia Night kit prior to trivia. Visit <https://www.feed-my-people.org/virtual-trivia-nights> to register and for more information.

Oasis Senior Classes: We're getting healthy in 2021. Won't you join us? We're committed to helping you start 2021 right – by offering you three (3) FREE exercise programs. No strings attached! Simply register online to reserve your spot. This grant funded opportunity won't last forever. So, tell a friend and sign-up today at www.stloasisnet.org or click on the classroom numbers highlighted in blue. When you register, enter special code SeniorFund21 to take advantage of this free offer! Don't wait. Spaces fill quickly. ExerStart *31 FREE Sessions, [Class #1531](#). Tai Chi for Arthritis for Fall Prevention *16 FREE Sessions, [Class #1550](#) & [Class #1551](#). Use special offer code: SeniorFund21. This is an exclusive offer for the residents of St. Louis City sponsored in part by the St. Louis Senior Fund.

Concordia Seminary 2021 Faith and Film Festival: Space is limited! Online, January 28-29. Register by Jan. 15. Explore Christian themes in contemporary cinema. The event features 13 feature length films, four short films and six documentaries. Participants will view all films on their own before the festival except for those scheduled for the short film sessions. During these sessions, several short films will be viewed together online. The festival is an adult-only, limited-participant event. Registration is \$20 and the deadline to register is Jan. 15, 2021. Participants must pre-register for movie-specific discussions. Continuing education credits are available. Visit their website, csl.edu for more information. Questions? Contact Continuing Education at 314-505-7286 or ce@csl.edu.