

The Epiphany Star ✨ *June 2023*

*Newsletter of Epiphany Lutheran Church
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Dear Epiphany,

What is God calling you to do today? Are you being encouraged to step out of your “comfort zone” to do something new in your life? Maybe you are being asked to step back into something that you haven’t done for a while. Why is God calling you to do this?

In Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians 4:11-13 we read, “The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.”(NRSV)

God is calling all of us into mission and ministry. When all of us are doing what God has called us to do together- we have a successful mission and ministry. Yet, how many times have you been asked to do something but found all kinds of excuses as to why you couldn’t complete the project? How many times have you given the excuse for not doing something as, “I can’t fit another thing on our plate of life. Stuff is falling down all around me. I cannot shoehorn another thing on my path of life.” In our minds these are all legitimate reasons why we can’t do something. Yet, then how many of us complain when things are being done or they aren’t being done to our satisfaction? To be honest, we can’t complain if we aren’t willing to be a part of the solution.

During the summer months our life schedules change. Some of us may take a much more leisurely schedule, finding time to spend relaxing in

the warm summer breezes in our back yard or by the lake. Some of us may kick it up a notch and are able to complete projects that we have been putting off as our “normal” schedule does not allow us to complete these projects. In your schedule is there time for you to listen to what God is wanting you to do with your life? Is there time in your schedule for you to listen to your body and hear what it has been trying to tell you for some time? This is where the old saying, “You make time for the things you want and forget the things you don’t want to do.”

Time is a very precious gift. We never really know how precious it is until we don’t have any of it anymore. My suggestion is to find some time this summer to listen to what God is trying to tell you as to what you should do with your gifts for mission and ministry. God has gifted you abundantly. It is up to each of us to use those gifts to give glory to God.

May your summer schedule bring you peace and understanding. Enjoy the summer!

Blessings,
Pastor Richard Hartman

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We are Christians, called by God, committed to:

Sharing the Gospel,
Serving others as Christ taught us, and
Creating disciples for witness.

Epiphany Lutheran Church’s Vision Statement:

A Christian family of God committed to sharing the Gospel and serving others, through joyful worship, education and fellowship.

Please feel free to stop in or call for any of your Pastoral needs.
Our office hours are as follows:



Pastor: Sunday – Thursday 8:00 am – 2:30 pm
Monday evenings

Dia: Monday—Thursday 10:00 am—3:00 pm

Due to unexpected circumstances,
these hours may be subject to change.

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Lutheran Senior Care Ministry Update June 2023
Our Mission: “Sharing Christ’s Love with the ones you love!”

Our 100th Anniversary theme for next year—
Looking Back † Growing Forward
Celebrating a Century of Senior Christian Love

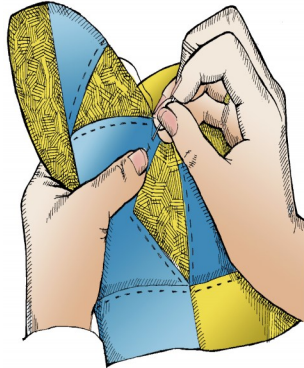
We are planning three different celebrations in 2024:
January Kickoff focusing on the chaplains work at facilities
and will include their member congregations.

We are considering including schools and youth groups
to provide cards for residents throughout the year.

Spring Event to combine awareness and fundraising.
Fall Ambassador Meeting to encourage their involvement
with their congregations.
We currently have 10 congregations without Ambassadors
and are actively seeking their representation.

Our next planning meeting will be the end of May.
Please share your ideas with me.
We want 2024 to be special for LSCM and the residents we serve!
Thank you for your prayers and support of this ministry!

Peace!
Sue



QUILTING GROUP

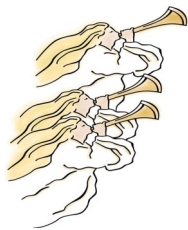
Quilting Group
Meeting Wednesday June 7th
and Saturday June 10th.
From 10am-12pm

We are working on our goal of 100 Quilts for LWR
We blessed 50 quilts May 28th and the balance
hopefully another 50 by pick up day in October.

Come join us, just need to tie a knot or push a pin.
We have 66 in the closet!

Angels Among Us!

We have members of our congregation who do many things behind the scenes, and we want to take the time to recognize just a few of them in this month's newsletter.
Thank you, Angels!



Church Council prepared annual reports for 2023-2024
Epiphany's lawn is once again being mowed regularly
Little Library under repair
Weeds have been sprayed on the property

June
Bible
Readings



June 4th

Holy Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1:1-2:4a
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Matthew 28:16-20

June 11th

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Hosea 5:15-6:6
Romans 4:13-25
Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

June 18th

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 19:2-8a
Romans 5:1-8
Matthew 9:35-10:23

June 26th

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 20:7-13
Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39

Join us for Worship this month!

Every Sunday at 8:00 am
and 10:15 am

Facebook LIVE @ 10:15

Every Monday at 7:00 pm
Grief Support Group

Please join us!

Church Council 2023-2024

President

Dave York 2022-2024

Vice President

Steve Haag 2022-2024

Treasurer

Alicia Davis 2023-2024

Secretary

Sue Davis 2023-2024

Property

Mark Herb 2023-2025

Outreach

Vicki Malott 2022-2024

Fellowship

Sally Mertz 2022-2024

Vacant

Nurture Youth



Mission Moment June 2023

We will continue to collect items
for layettes for Lutheran World relief.

If you shop at garage sales, layettes need receiving blankets,
long sleeve outfits, T-shirts, sweaters or jackets, socks, hats,
hand towels, blankets (not fleece) as well as unscented soap.
Items must be size 6 months to 2T.

The quilters can use blankets, sheets, and mattress pads that
can be used for the middles and backs for our quilts.

Health kids needs includes bath towels,
tooth brushes, bar soap, combs, and nail clippers.

As always, if you don't like to shop
but would still like to donate,
ou can always give a monitory donation.

We have a few members who love to look for a bargain and
will gladly do the shopping for you!

Thank you for all your support!
Alicia Davis

Events in the Fort

- April 25-June 25 Color in Motion at the Botanical Conservatory/Butterflies
- June 1st 1st Thursday every month -Curators Tour of Fort Wayne Museum of Art 12:15-1:00 free with Gallery Admission \$8 adults \$5 Seniors/Students
- May 12-June 4 Garden Party Outdoor Sculptures by Dorothy Gillespie Fort Wayne Museum of Art
- June 1-August 6 Art Deco Glass from David Huchthausen Collection Over 120 pieces form 1910-1949 from the museum of Glass in Tacoma WA.
- June - Aug 31 Lunch on the Square Freiman Square 11:30-1:30 Food Trucks and Music Every Thursday
- June 3-4 ArabFest in Headwaters Pavillion Sat 12-7 Sun 12-5 Music, camel rides, market vendors, dancing, food and characters.
- June 4-11 Germanfest in Headwaters Park \$2 2:00 5, after 5:00 \$5
- Saturdays Farmers Markets - Wayne and Barr 9:00-1:00 Electric Works -1030 Swinney Ave 9:00-1:00 free 2hr parking
- June 3 & 10 Dinner Detective Murder Mystery Show at Marriott
July 8 & 22 Downtown. Actors are hidden in the audience. \$59.95
6:00-9:00 pm
- The Clyde Mondays - Blues
Tuesday - Classic Hits and soft Rock
Wednesday - Jazz
Thursday - Country
Friday - Local and Regional talent
Saturday - Pop, Soul, R&B and Funk
<https://www.clydeclubroom.com/live/>



June Baptismal Birthdays

<i>Nicholas Herb</i>	<i>Nathaniel Herb</i>	<i>Hank Schroeder</i>
<i>Melissa Hartman</i>	<i>Sheryl Goodspeed</i>	<i>David York</i>
<i>Allan Longroy</i>	<i>Sue Davis</i>	<i>Frederick Osheskie</i>

“Happy birthday” to those who celebrate their second birthday during the month of June! Martin Luther said, *“When you wash your face remember your baptism.”* Take time to remember and celebrate this month!

Like to Paint?

We would like to paint the hallway this summer.

Interested in helping let Dia or Mark know.


Most of Mark’s extra time is taken up outside during the summer...

Could we get a crew to work on the painting inside?

We have money for the paint and some rollers and other supplies.

Let us know and we set up a time to paint!

We will also need to do the bathrooms....

	<u>June 4th</u>	<u>June 11th</u>	<u>June 15th</u>	<u>June 25th</u>
	WOV Trinity	WOV	Janzow	WOV
Organist/ Pianist	Amanda Pickett	Alicia Davis	Amanda Pickett	Amanda Pickett
Assisting Minister	Rebecca Norberg	Dia Herb	Jim Davis	Amber Logan
Lector Communion Assistant 8:00 am	Sue Johnson	Sue Davis	Cheryl Ralston	Kim Robinson
Lector 10:15 am	Nina Haag	Mike Rumfield	Rebecca Norberg	Mark Herb
Communion Assistant 10:15 am	NA	NA	Steve Haag	Cathy Rumfield