

*The Epiphany Star* ✨ *September 2022*

*Newsletter of Epiphany Lutheran Church  
Fort Wayne, Indiana*

Grace to you and “Peace” from God our Father and our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ. Amen

Dear Epiphany,

I don't know about you, but I am excited about the life of our congregation! I am excited about the new equipment that we have in the sanctuary that adds to both the “in-person” and “Live Stream” worship services. I am excited about the new flooring and the paint in the Fellowship Hall. The new additions have brightened it up and made it easier to maintain. I am excited to see people starting to come back to “in-person” worship and I am excited about the number of people who join us each week online. There is a change in the air!

We have an opportunity to bring some of that excitement into people's lives that we will never meet. On Sunday, September 11 (starting at 9a.m.) will be “God's Work Our Hands.” We will be putting together: Back-to-School backpacks, Health kits, Baby layettes, and a couple of other projects. These are “hands on” projects where you can make radical changes in people's lives. Each of these projects will help the recipient know that God cares for them. At the end of the day, we will box them all up, along with all of the quilts that have been made and ship them off to Lutheran World Federation for their assistance program. There is a change in the air!

There have been so many changes in people's lives that some are becoming angry and are striking out. We need to help people find positive influences in their lives. Each of us can be a source of positive change. We have a lot to offer individuals and families here at Epiphany Lutheran Church. Invite a friend to come to worship with you. Make a positive change in their lives and show them that you care. I would ask that you invite them to join you in worship on Sunday, September 18 and show them you care. If they join you “in person” we will have some refreshments following both services. If they join you on “Live Stream” we will have some special music. It is a win... win for everyone. There is a change in the air!

I am so glad you are a part of the life and ministry of Epiphany Lutheran Church. I ask that you pray everyday that God will use each of us to make a positive impact in people's lives. There is a change in the air and that change is entrusted to you!

Blessings,  
Pastor Richard Hartman

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

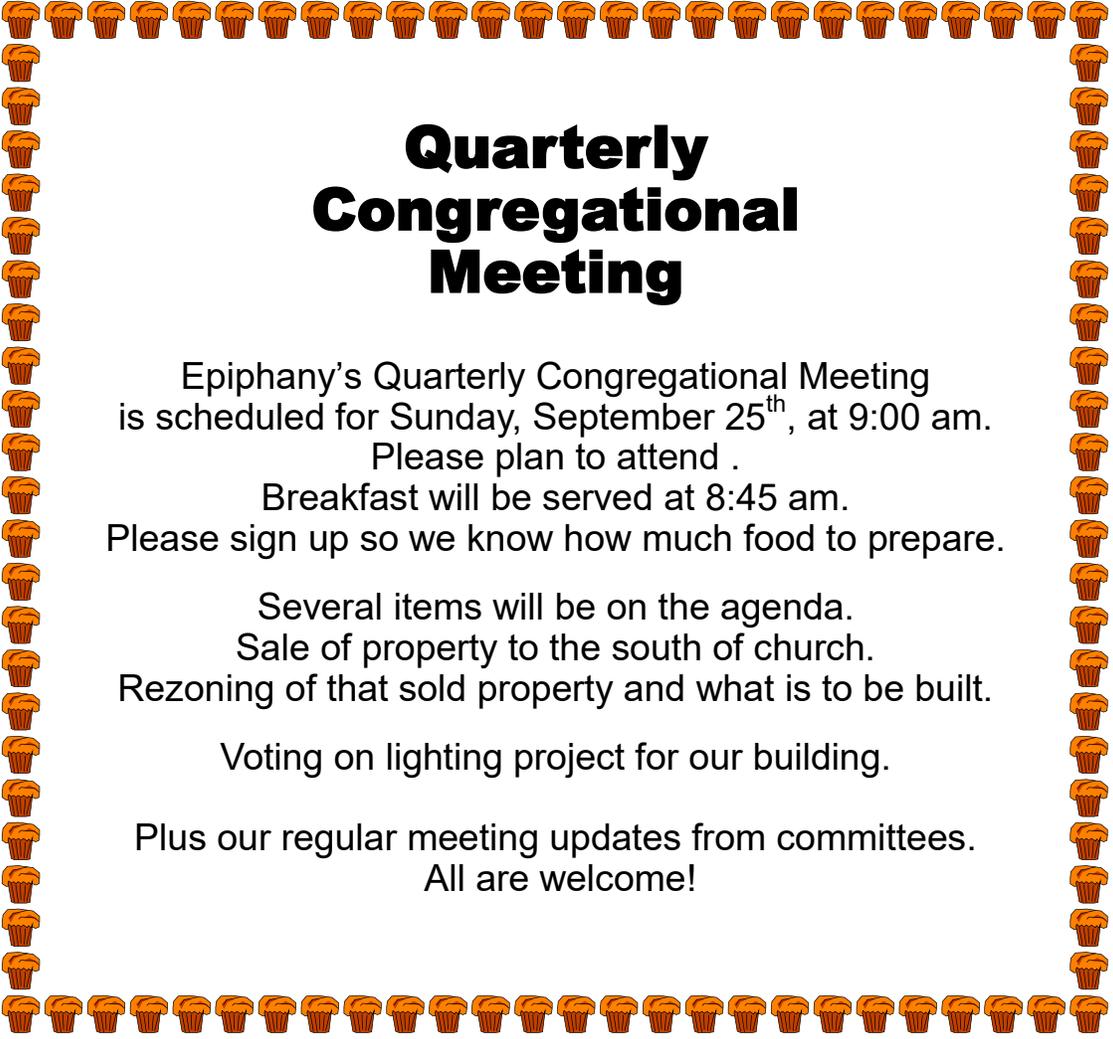
**Dia:** Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Other times as needed  
Due to unexpected circumstances,  
these hours may be subject to change.

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**NEW WEB SITE:** 2  
Epiphany Lutheran Church [www.epiphanyfw.com](http://www.epiphanyfw.com)



# Quarterly Congregational Meeting

Epiphany's Quarterly Congregational Meeting  
is scheduled for Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am.  
Please plan to attend .

Breakfast will be served at 8:45 am.  
Please sign up so we know how much food to prepare.

Several items will be on the agenda.  
Sale of property to the south of church.  
Rezoning of that sold property and what is to be built.

Voting on lighting project for our building.

Plus our regular meeting updates from committees.  
All are welcome!

STATEMENT  
**Our Mission**  
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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.



**Lutheran Senior Care Ministry Update September 2022**  
**Our Mission “Sharing Christ’s Love with the ones you love!”**

Our Board met on August 17, 2022 and voted on our proposed budget for 2023. The new budget plans to increase the stipend for each chaplain from \$150 to \$180 per month in 2023.

Our chaplains continue to be busy serving 41 facilities and Brightstar on Coldwater Road is now requesting services there. As we seek a chaplain for that site, our leaders are available to meet with any member congregations about LSCM.

We are looking for ideas to celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024 and your ideas are welcome.

On September 15th our Board will meet with chaplains for a brunch as Worship Anew on the Concordia Campus. We look forward to a robust discussion and tour of the facility. Our Executive Chaplain is sending surveys to the chaplains in advance so we can talk about blessings and challenges of their role and how we can support them.

We are pleased with the ongoing support of member congregations (including Epiphany) and the Lutheran Foundation. This is a growing ministry.

Peace!  
Sue

September  
Bible  
Readings



**September 4<sup>th</sup>**

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14:25-33

**September 11<sup>th</sup>**

**God's Work Our Hands**

Exodus 32:7-14

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

**September 18<sup>th</sup>**

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Amos 9:4-7

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

**September 25<sup>th</sup>**

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Amos 8:1a, 4-7

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Luke 16:19-31



**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**Join us for Worship this month!**

Every Sunday at 8:00 am  
and 10:15 am  
10:15 service on Facebook LIVE  
and on YouTube

Every Monday at 7:00 pm  
Grief Support Group  
**Please join us!**

**Ending Hunger:  
What's God Got to Do with It?**

Rev. Dr. Richard L. Hamm  
Saturday September 10th  
10:30 am - 12:15 pm

Grace Episcopal Church  
10010 Aura Place  
Fort Wayne IN 46804

Brought to you by Bread for the World



## **Mission Moment September 2022**

Thank you, thank you, thank you  
for your generous donations for our Lutheran World Relief kits!  
We have enough supplies to do a few more kits than last year,  
which is always our goal.

On September 11 beginning at 9:00, we will have God's Work, Our Hands Day. We will be assembling the school kits, health kits, and layettes in the fellowship hall and Sunday School classrooms. We will continue assembling kits and cleaning up after second service. We need as many people as possible to help with this project as we have over 500 kits in total to assemble and box.

Thank you all so much for your donations.  
Please continue to bring in items the next few weeks as back to school items are still on sale. Also, fall garage sales are just around the corner, so be on the lookout for items for layettes and quilting as you shop so we can get a head start on our collections for next year.

Our September mission will be for the Associated Churches food bank. September is Hunger Action Month, and with the rising prices of groceries there is an increased need for neighborhood food pantries. We would like to do our part to help the hungry families in our area. Please bring your nonperishable food items to the church.

Thank you for your support of Epiphany missions!

Alicia Davis

# September Baptismal Birthdays

*Steve Auman Vera Burton*

*Charlene Schroeder Amber Logan*

*Zoey Osheskie Becky Roemer*

*Reagan Hopkins*

*Jessica Hopkins Colton Hopkins*

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

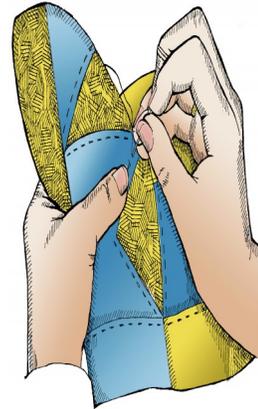


## Comfort Ye My People

We are meeting September 7th and 10th this month.  
That is Wednesday and Saturday 10:00-12:00.

We are getting close to the time we have to box all the quilts up to send to LWR.  
We have October 5th and 8th  
Then blessing and boxing on the 9th.

If you can tie a knot or use a straight pin, you can be a quilter! These quilts can be critically important in the lives of those who receive them, not only as bed covers but also as baby carriers, sunshades, room dividers, and sacks and displays for market merchandise. Please consider joining our group, and help us to be a blessing to others!



QUILTING GROUP



Rebecca Flanigan  
402 Raleigh Ct.  
Columbia City IN 46725  
No more land line

Richard and Melissa Hartman -No more landline

ADD James and Letha Minick  
6106 Prestwick Run  
Fort Wayne IN 46835  
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ADD Cindy Rice  
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Fort Wayne IN 46835  
Contact church office for phone #

CORRECTION Dorothy Zimmerman email  
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UPDATE Rebecca Hartman now Norberg

On Sunday, September 11,  
you can enjoy  
FREE admission  
to 23 of Fort Wayne's  
museums and attractions  
during Be a Tourist in Your  
Own Hometown!

For more information  
call 424-3700 or  
visit [VisitFortWayne.com/  
BeATourist](http://VisitFortWayne.com/BeATourist)

12:00-5:00 pm

Some of the places are:  
Allen County Courthouse  
Library and Rolland Center  
Memorial Coliseum tours  
Artlink  
Diocesan Museum  
Embassy Theatre tour  
1st Presbyterian Church  
Botanical Conservatory  
Freemasons Hall  
History Center  
Lincoln Tower  
The Old Fort  
Riverfront Fort Wayne  
Science Central  
Trinity English Church  
Veterans Shrine & Museum

Bring a friend Sunday  
September 18th!

Read Pastor's Letter on front of newsletter!  
There's a change in the air!

 <b>WORSHIP ASSISTANTS</b>	<u>Sept 4<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Sept 11<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Sept 18<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Sept 25<sup>th</sup></u>
	WOV	WOV	Camp	WOV
<b>Organist/ Pianist</b>	Sara	Sara	None	Amanda
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Jim Davis	Dia Herb	Amber Logan	Rebecca Norberg
<b>Lector 8:00 am</b>	Sue Davis	Kim Robinson	Nancy Lee	Sue Johnson
<b>Lector 10:15 am</b>	Becky Roemer	Mike Rumfield	Steve Haag	Shane Pickett
<b>Communion Assistant 8:00 am</b>	None	Kim Robinson	Richard Lee	Sue Johnson
<b>Communion Assistant 10:15 am</b>	None	Nina Haag	Mark Herb	Dia Herb

Check out the new Website!  
[www.epiphanyfw.com](http://www.epiphanyfw.com)

New page added 8/23/22  
 More new pictures to come!