



# EPIPHANY STAR

## Epiphany Lutheran Church

### Carbondale, Illinois

### October 2024



Pastor Brian Coffey

## Notes from the Pastor

Greetings in the name of our risen and ascended Lord, Jesus Christ!

Welcome to the month of October as we head into the fourth quarter of 2024 and look towards the end of one liturgical year ("B" – Mark) and the start of another ("C" – Luke). In recent weeks we have moved back into the Gospel of Mark as we journey with Jesus and his disciples to Jerusalem – discovering once again what it means to be followers of God's son in our 21<sup>st</sup> Century lives.



Dr. Fred Neider

Thanks to all who have taken time to prepare sermon notes for me and my mentor, **Rev. Dr. Fred Neider** from Crossings. We will continue to work together through October and November, so please submit one or more note sheets for us to review. So far, I have received written feedback from 11 individuals ranging in age from 13 to 91. With an average weekly worship attendance of over 70, more participation would yield a clearer understanding of how my sermons are being received. I'm looking forward to continuing to grow in this key area of public ministry as the new year begins!

October will feature special worship services including Global Mission Sunday (6<sup>th</sup>), LSSI Sunday (20<sup>th</sup>) and Reformation Sunday (27<sup>th</sup>). We will complete this year's cycle of **Tim Fink's** "This is the Day" liturgy on the 20<sup>th</sup> and then transition into a traditional liturgical Setting #3 from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW). **Jane Terry** has volunteered to accompany this setting on our pipe organ.

Also, this month, I will complete the sixth and final session of my "First Call Theological Education." This is a required experience for all ELCA rostered leaders in their first three years of call. It's always a delight gathering in retreat with other new leaders as we share the joys and challenges of ministry accompanied by **Bishop Greg Busboom** and **Pastor Amy Zietlow**. While I will miss gathering twice yearly with my peers, I also recognize this as a milestone in my service as your Pastor.

Thank you for your participation in the ministry of Jesus Christ here at God's mission outpost on Chautauqua. Our life of worship and service in this place is bearing fruit through the power of the Holy Spirit!

Your fellow servant in Christ,

**Pastor Brian**

## “Ideas To Help You Share Your Faith”

A couple of months ago, **Jan Womack** shared a devotion during a council meeting that has been on my mind ever since. My takeaway was that our faith is a precious gift, one that's meant to be shared. While evangelism might seem daunting to some, there are many simple and approachable ways to share your faith and invite others into our church family. She opened my mind to new ways of thinking about evangelism.



**Cory Newman**  
Council President

As members and friends of the Epiphany community, we each have the opportunity—and the calling—to extend this gift to others. The act of sharing our faith isn't just about growing our congregation; it's about offering grace, hope, love, and a sense of belonging to those around us. Here are some straightforward ideas to help you share your faith and welcome new faces to our community:

- Engage with our **social media**: Like, comment on, and share our posts and events on your personal page. This simple act can significantly increase our visibility and reach.
- **Invite** a friend, neighbor, or coworker to an upcoming church service or event. Sometimes, a simple, heartfelt invitation is all it takes.
- Participate in our church's **community service** projects. This allows you to demonstrate faith in action and naturally discuss your motivations with those you're serving alongside.
- Organize a **casual get-together**, like a coffee morning or game night, and invite both church members and non-members. This creates a relaxed environment for people to connect and learn about our community.
- Share your faith story: Be open about how your faith has positively impacted your life. **Personal testimonies** can be powerful and relatable ways to spark interest in others.
- When appropriate, offer to **pray** for people in your life who are going through challenges. This demonstrates the caring nature of our faith community.
- Grab a couple of our **postcards** and hang them (with permission) in local businesses or community centers to help spread the word about upcoming church events.

**In the ELCA, we firmly believe God's love is for everyone. How can you share that love in the coming weeks?**



## “Confirmation Corner”

Confirmation classes began on September 15. This year we have 6 students preparing for confirmation this spring. Our class is a little unique this year because two sixth graders completed year one last year in our Sunday morning sessions. The class meets every Sunday at 11a.m. Our class this year includes **Addie Miller, Blake Kocher, Addie Terry, Elena Newman, Sidney Viernum, and Cooper Smith.**

Our curriculum this year is collABorate, which is new to us. The curriculum is divided into 4 units of about 16 lessons each, which we hope will fit nicely into a semester for our study. Our unit this semester is Unit 2- Lutheran History and Catechism, and so far we have completed lessons on Martin Luther, Reformation, and the Reformers.

**A highlight of the month was the service project we all attended in Marion packing food with the Southern Illinois conference.** The kids stated that they thought the event was “fun” and “interesting”. We

had several tasks to do, including scooping ingredients into the bags, and eventually packing them in boxes for shipment. Favorite tasks included sealing the bags with the heat sealer (a little scary we admit) and manning the scale to make sure each bag was the appropriate weight. **We were proud to help pack up more than 10,000 meals for people in need, and humbled to learn that each of the bags we packed was supposed to serve 6 people.**



Front row: **Cooper Smith, Tillie Miller, and Addie Miller**

Back Row: **Blake Kocher, Elena Newman, Sidney Viernum, and Addie Terry**

Building on the engagement our students have in sports activities this year, and to help keep our students engaged, we have divided up the students into “teams” and have assigned a confirmation “coach” to each team. The teams are as follows:

**Pastor Brian—Cooper Smith and Sidney Viernum**

**Jan Womack—Addie Miller and Blake Kocher**

**Anne Terry—Addie Terry and Elena Newman**

The coaches will be a primary contact for families and will also help keep students on track should they need to miss class.

In the coming months, we will highlight one confirmand so we can get to know each other better. To begin, we thought you might like to meet the coaches!

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## “Confirmation Corner” (continued)



**Pastor Brian** is completing his third year of Word and Sacrament Ministry as Pastor of Epiphany Lutheran Church. He spent most of his life in the Peoria area. He has a mother, **Mary**, and brother, **Eric**, who live near Peoria. He has a son, **Matthew** (age 23), in Peoria, a daughter, **Emily** (age 25), in Antioch, Illinois and a daughter who is a Saluki alum, **Sarah** (age 29), in Des Moines, Iowa. **Pastor Brian** enjoys living in Southern Illinois and spends time following the local music scene at the wineries and other venues in the area. He is an active member and leader within the Rotary Club of Carbondale - Breakfast. He also likes to hike with the "Shawnee Saunterers." Pastor's favorite Bible verse is found in our baptismal liturgy, "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matt. 5:16)

**Jan Womack** is a life-long Lutheran from a mixed marriage (mom was a Mennonite and dad was Christian Science. She was taught in a Missouri synod school, confirmed in a Wisconsin synod church, and joined the ELCA before it was ELCA! She is a Diakonia graduate. Originally hailing from Davenport, Iowa, she and Jim (whom she met in confirmation class) moved to DeKalb for Jim to work on his Masters. They raised two children there and then followed their son to southern Illinois. Jan has been Christian Education Director for seven years and hopefully for two more. She enjoys making quilt tops for Lutheran World Relief. Jan's favorite hymn is #538 "The Lord Now Sends Us Forth".



**Anne Terry** is a Registered Nurse at the Cancer Institute. She was a teacher for almost 15 years prior to becoming a nurse. She was raised in an ALC church in Rochelle, Illinois where she was baptized and confirmed by the same pastor, **John Place**. She does not have children but does have three cats, **Pepper**, **Muffy**, and **Prince Henry**. She enjoys reading, baking cookies, and volunteering in church. Her favorite Bible verse was pointed out by her mother when she was in high school. Her mom said—"Write that on your heart. It is for you!" It is from Philippians 1, verse 6. "Being confident in this, that he who began a good work in you will be faithful to complete it."

We are beginning to learn how to identify our prayer needs. This month we were thankful for the needed rain, but remembered all those suffering from the effects of the flooding in the Southeast United States. We also prayed that our sporting events went well, that everyone played their best and no one got hurt. We are praying for success in our academic tasks this week, including upcoming tests.

Wishing you a happy October! **Anne Terry**      **Jan Womack**      **Pastor Brian**

## Food Donated to Good Samaritan Ministries

This load of food that has been donated to Good Samaritan may not look like a great amount ... until you have to make several trips to your car to deliver the groceries. Look on the next page to see how else Good Samaritan Ministries helps folks who truly need some assistance.



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## Good Samaritan Ministries: What Else Do They Do?

**Editor's note: If you haven't been involved (yet) in the work of Good Samaritan Ministries in Carbondale you may be impressed by the information they have available on their website. It's amazing!**

1. Good Samaritan Ministries is a tax-exempt organization established in 1985 by the Carbondale Interfaith Council to provide shelter, food, counseling, and advocacy for the homeless, near homeless and transient individuals and families. We offer an emergency shelter, case management, referral services, a transitional house living program, a food pantry, a soup kitchen, and an emergency assistance program. **Our undertaking is to help the homeless help themselves.** The mission of the Good Samaritan Emergency shelter shall be to provide short-term housing, food and other services to the homeless, transient, low income, individuals and families who have inadequate current resources for obtaining proper living arrangements consistent with their needs.
2. For the fiscal year ending 6/30/24 our residential programs served 287 individuals for a total of 7,322 nights stayed. Our Transitional House Program served 33 persons including 24 men and 9 women and 9 Veterans for a total of 2,034 nights stayed. Our Emergency Shelter served 254 persons including 246 adults and 8 children including 16 Veterans for a total of 5,288 nights stayed. Our Emergency Assistance program served 288 people with rent or utilities.
3. The Food Pantry served 2,564 households including 7,684 individuals and 2,590 children. **Our food pantry is located at the University Baptist Church at 700 S Oakland.** We are open on Monday and Friday from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. Our Soup Kitchen served 30,677 meals, 19,513 to the residents of the shelter and 11,172 to hungry persons from our community. We serve meals to-go from the Soup Kitchen. Our Soup Kitchen is located at the shelter at 701 S Marion St. in Carbondale.

## Les Misérables Musical With Emily Fink



Looks like **Emily Fink** (daughter of **Tim and Lori**) was not only part of the cast of *Les Misérables* but also the "official photographer" for many of her fans from Epiphany Lutheran. These folks traveled on October 1 to Louisville, Kentucky to see and hear Emily perform in the part of "wig maker" and also part of the chorus.

You may be able to identify all the fans, but here are the starting lineups: Beginning with the ladies: **Nan Gher and Trish Welch, Ginny Solverson, Rachel Price and Elaine Melby**

**Now the gentlemen: Chuck Frank, David Melby and (if you look closely) you can recognize Leo Gher.**



## “Spirit of Christmas” — Carbondale Interfaith Council

Each year, along with 14 other faith communities, Epiphany has generously helped provide Christmas to clients and residents of 15 area agencies. **This year, donations will be collected through Sunday, November 10.**

Please write checks to Epiphany and indicate "Spirit of Christmas" on the memo line or outside the envelope.

If you wish to send your support using a credit or debit card, you can use Epiphany's [GivePlus+ portal from Vanco](#).



Thanks for sharing the heart of Christ each year!

There will be a graphic posted in the Fellowship Hall showing the amount raised, at intervals as we progress through the campaign. A document outlining the 14 recipient agencies, their mission statements and populations served also will be found posted near the graphic.

Thanks so much!



Mike Langan



Carolyn Langan

## Time To Save Some Christmas Cards For “Hope For the Holidays”



Perhaps you have begun to receive complimentary Christmas cards from various nonprofits or charities in order to solicit a donation. If not planning to use those cards, rather than tossing them in the recycling, consider bringing them to church and placing them in a box in the fellowship hall marked, **"Hope for the Holidays."** As you may know, Global Refuge (formally known as Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services) is celebrating the 10th year of their annual *Hope for the Holidays* campaign. This program "...collects cards, sharing holiday hope and joy with individuals and families seeking safety in the United States."

**Cards must be submitted by December 2nd.** If you would like to write cards and have them sent as part of a group package from Epiphany, please bring your completed cards to church no later than worship time on Sunday, December 1st. **Individual cards should not be placed in envelopes.** One year, we sent over 300 cards in a single batch!! If you would prefer to send cards yourself, please visit Global Refuge's Hope for the Holidays website

<https://www.globalrefuge.org/get-involved/volunteer/hope-for-the-holidays/> for more information.



## Learning in Retirement: Using Sound to Study Wildlife Ecology

The featured speaker for the October Learning in Retirement program is **Dr. Brent Pease**, who is an assistant professor in the forestry program at Southern Illinois University. His research interests include wildlife ecology, participatory science, and university education in natural resources.

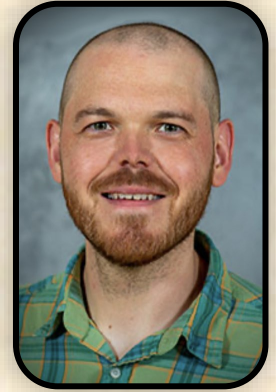
**Dr. Pease** has used citizen-science efforts to listen in on nature before, during, and after the recent solar eclipse. In addition to the Eclipse Soundscapes Project, he also runs the Sounds of Nature project, a citizen science project aimed at understanding changes in biodiversity over time by studying landscapes.

He is very enthusiastic about his work and will offer new perspectives to his audience. He also is a strong supporter of citizen science and is a great resource for those desiring opportunities to be part of science.

A native of Southern Illinois, Brent returned to the region with his wife and two children. Outside of the university, he enjoys family camping trips, mountain biking and working on his firewood pile.

The presentation is free and open to the public and will begin at 10:30 am at Epiphany Lutheran Church at 1501 W. Chautauqua, Carbondale. A coffee hour begins at 9:30 am. For more information about SILIR contact **Diane McIntyre** at **618-536-7751** or email [silir@siu.edu](mailto:silir@siu.edu) or check the website:

[conferenceservices.siu.edu/silir](http://conferenceservices.siu.edu/silir).



**Dr. Brent Pease**

## Plastic Bags Still a Huge Problem

From New York Times, 9/28/24 [edited for length] submitted by **Roland Person** for the Green Team at Epiphany.

A decade ago, California became the first U.S. state to ban single-use plastic bags, the flimsy sacks that regularly blew into waterways, littered streets and collected in landfills. The prohibition, in the nation's most populous state, was considered a turning point in the effort to reduce plastic waste.



"Plastic bags such as this one are typically used for 12 minutes before being discarded."

But the move backfired in a way that few supporters expected. Californians in 2021 actually tossed nearly 50 percent more plastic bags, by weight, than when the law first passed in 2014, according to data from CalRecycle, California's recycling agency.

A loophole in the initial ban allowed retailers to provide thick-walled plastic bags and charge 10 cents a piece for them. Though technically reusable and recyclable, the heavier-duty sacks still ended up in many trash cans after a shopping trip.

Gov. Gavin Newsom [signed legislation](#) on Sunday banning the sale at grocery checkouts of all plastic bags, regardless of thickness. The only option for customers who lack their own reusable shopping bags will be buying paper bags for 10 cents each...

Plastic bags are typically used for 12 minutes before being discarded, according to the California Public Interest Research Group, a consumer advocacy group. But those bags live in oceans and landfills for hundreds of years and can contaminate drinking water and food in the form of microplastics.

JAZZ VESPERS: 5:00 PM ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

Second Sundays at 5:00P  
Epiphany Lutheran Church  
Carbondale, Illinois

# Jazz Vespers

an Evening Prayer Service led by **Pastor Brian Coffey**

with members and guests of the **New Arts Jazztet**—Bob Allison, trumpet; Isaac Lausell, guitar; Tom Edgar, piano; Phil Brown, bass; and Tom Hensold, drums—**October 13, 2024**

works by **Sipho Gummede, Eddie Harris, Donald Harrison, Harold Lopez-Nussa, Jesús Molina, and Joe Sample**  
streaming at <https://www.facebook.com/NewArtsJazztet>

## Carbondale High School To Select Their Homecoming “Royalty”

Three members of Epiphany who are students at Carbondale High School were honored to be candidates for the “Royal Homecoming Court.” Congratulations to **Calla Cheatwood**, who is one of six seniors nominated for “Homecoming Queen.”

Two other honorees are members of the junior class, including **Kaelyn Viernum** and **Connor Gulbrandsen** who have been nominated to be honor attendants and part of the Homecoming Court.

Homecoming  
Court



## Worship News



**Tim Fink**  
Worship  
Committee  
Chair

Sometime around 1999 Epiphany's Pastor, **Terry Graunke**, signed me up for a synod "Worship" workshop on 'Worship Style Preferences'. It was held at Our Redeemer's in Marion, the presenter was from the synod, and it had a handout that I've long since lost. But I remember the basic concept that worshipers typically fall into four quadrants of preference styles: intellectual, meditative, emotional, and active. The first three descriptors are easy to understand, the fourth, "active," less so. As I recall, "active" was worshipers that wanted to "do" as part of their worship, ie. maybe have a prayer, a hymn, then start feeding people or building something; or maybe it was people who wanted to be physically emotive, dance and clap during a service. In any case, the presenter said Lutheran services are commonly viewed, right or wrong, as predominantly intellectual, and secondarily meditative. The point of the workshop was an encouragement to "stretch" ourselves.

As we work through the six main seasons of the church year (Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Ordinary, End of Year) the worship committee strives to vary and "stretch" our comfort with worship styles—at least to some degree. As we close out the church year, Reformation through Christ the King, we will return to one of our earlier settings, ELW 3 (1978), accompanied by organ. This will be comfortable for many, and seem like going home, which is what we hope for this "closure" of the church year. This will be in marked contrast to the "This is the Day" liturgy which we've been doing since September 1. For some, this has been a "stretch"— Gospel/pop music, drums, guitars, microphones, and reading off of the screen are a little outside of the comfort zone.

The ELCA has a long history that includes a lectionary (pre-selected biblical readings), a liturgy (a form of the Catholic mass), and perhaps a cannon of more hymns than any denomination ranging from the 15<sup>th</sup> century to the present, with a lot from northern Europe, especially Germany and Scandinavia. We try to stay connected to this history ... AND, as our membership evolves over time, we also strive to attract those of not only different ethnic and racial backgrounds, but also different worship style preferences. We don't want to throw the baby out with the bathwater but build a bigger bathtub for new babies. This is a natural evolution. After all, we are already a long way away from the worship services of 1525.

FYI, the six liturgies we did this last year were published in the following years: ELW 3-1978, ELW 10-1997, WOV 4 & 5-1995, "Now the Feast and Celebration"-1993, "This is the Day"-2023.

## A Memory From the Past: Emily Davis

If you have been at Epiphany for several years, you may recall a graduate student from SIU who attended Epiphany and shared her vocal talents with our congregation. Remember **Emily Davis**?

She was a student of **Tim Fink** and helped with our Sunday School children. Since Emily received her Masters Degree, she has gotten married (last name is now Alvarez) has three children: a son and twin daughters. The photo was supplied by **Susan Rehwaldt** and the information by **Jane Terry**. (Both ladies had wonderful comments about Emily and her terrific musical talent.)



## October Birthdays

LOREN COOK	OCTOBER 5
KELSEY (LOGAN) PUTZ	OCTOBER 8
JENNA GRIFFITH	OCTOBER 9
LEZLIE TERRY	OCTOBER 12
SYDNEY COOK	OCTOBER 13
JOE SCIMECA	OCTOBER 19
JIM WOMACK	OCTOBER 19
JESSICA DWYER	OCTOBER 19
ADDIE MILLER	OCTOBER 21
PATRICK SEGER	OCTOBER 24
AL TERRY	OCTOBER 24
FRED WOOD	OCTOBER 25
PASTOR BRIAN COFFEY	OCTOBER 29
JIM PAVLOVICH	OCTOBER 30



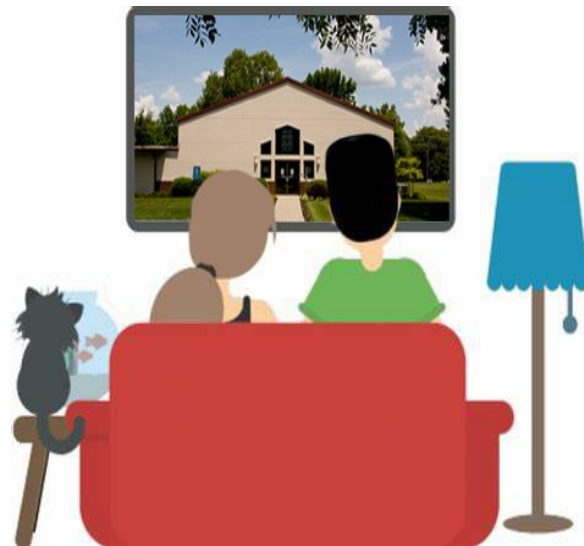
## Worship: The Link for the Zoom Service



Our Sunday morning worship is at 9:30 AM  
(Face-to-Face and livestreamed on Zoom),  
with sung liturgy and hymnody. Here is the link  
for the Zoom services.

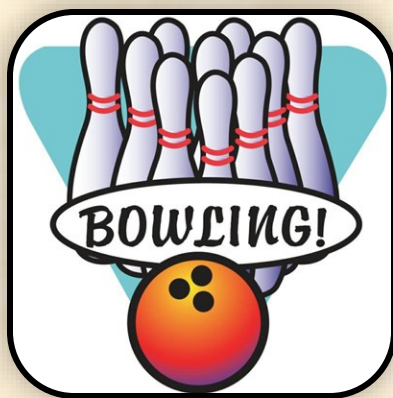
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Phone: 312-626-6799





## John Schneider Wins Silver Medal in Bowling Olympics



John Schneider received a Silver medal in the Special Olympics Bowling tournament held in September. Adding this one to his growing collection John now has 4 Gold and 3 Silver Medals.

Congratulations, John! We hope you continue to enter and participate in the Olympics!



## Global Mission Sunday Is October 6



**Trish Welch**  
Evangelism  
Committee

Singing, worship and food will launch another year for the "Change For Change Jars" project at the October 6<sup>th</sup> Global Mission church service. Members are encouraged to drop their spare change (or any other form of currency) into their jars between now and the first Sunday in Advent, December 8, 2024. (Jars are available in the Narthex.)



As in the past, Epiphany has committed \$1,200 for the sponsorship of our ELCA missionary serving in Madagascar. If you are not familiar with the country, check out the back bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

**To paraphrase the Great Michigan chant of "Go Blue": GO EPIPHANY!!**  
**Trish Welch**

## 50th Annual Sale to Fight Hunger : "We Have a Date"

Yes, we have a date!! The 50th Annual Sale to Fight Hunger will be **Friday May 2 and Saturday May 3, 2025**. We can't accept donations yet, but if you can hold onto your treasures a bit longer, we would love to have them. However, there is no storage space at Epiphany this year! And it's not too early to start plants and pack up extra bulbs. There are also some key **volunteer positions** we need to fill with people who are organized, responsible, and community-minded. If that is you, or someone you know, **let Lori Fink or me know**. It's fun and so rewarding! Thanks for your continued support.

**Nan Gher**

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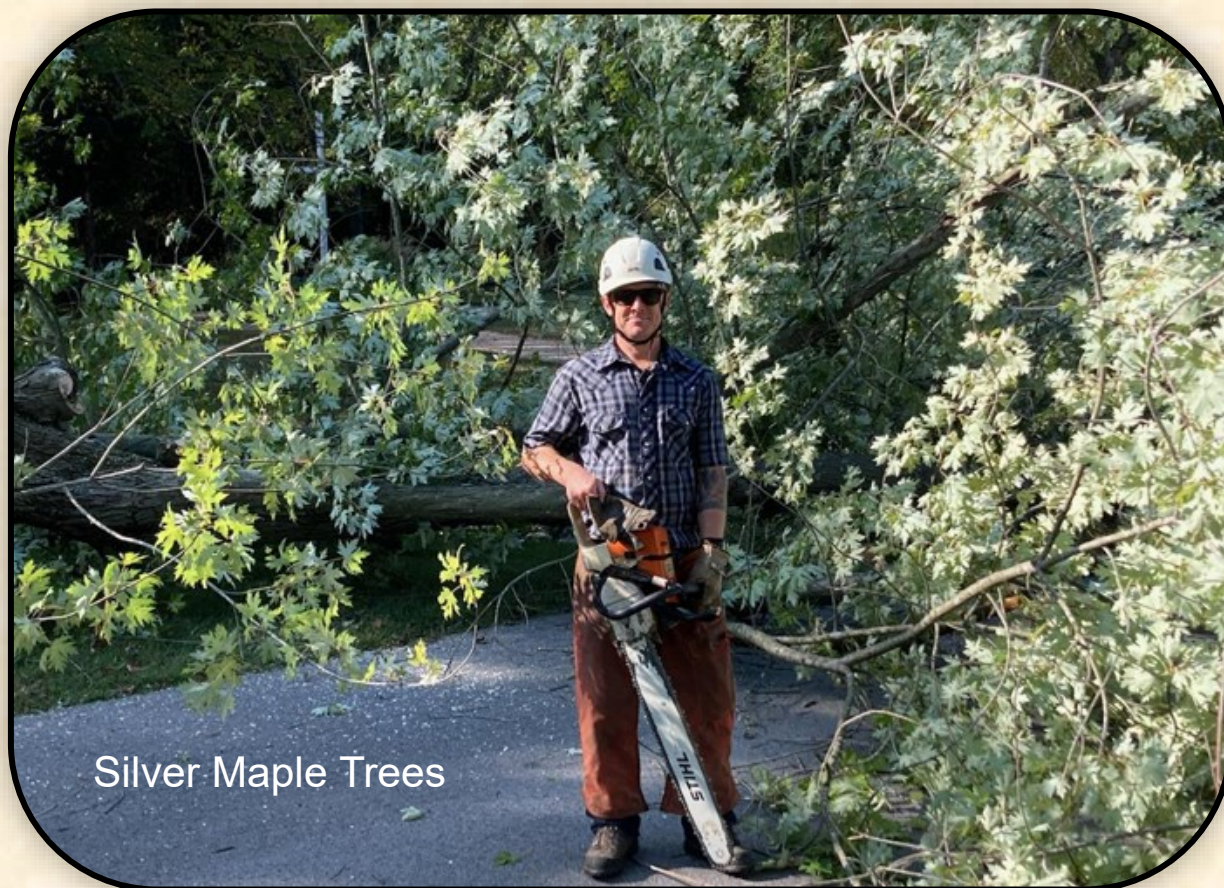
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**Nan Gher**



## Anyone Need Some FREE Wood?



Silver Maple Trees

In the past couple of weeks you probably have noticed some changes on the church property. The chairman of our property committee, **Patrick Seger**, has been busy taking down three dead or dying trees with his chain saw. As you can see from the photo above the first two were huge silver maple trees.

The cherry tree on the northwest edge of the church property wasn't quite the challenge as the first two trees, and Patrick wants everyone to know this is FREE WOOD! The cherry wood is especially valued by woodworkers, hobby grillers, and meat smokers.



If you know folks who may want the wood, tell them to "have at it." They don't need to be a member of Epiphany.





## FIRST READING

## Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Don't go the next page yet! Carefully read this page first and then go to page 4. You will see why soon enough.

**If you were in church last Sunday, you probably recall Anne Terry reading the first lesson from the book of Numbers in the Old Testament (or "The Hebrew Bible"). It is sad to hear the many complaints that God (and Moses) had to hear from the Israelites, but if you don't recall this constant bickering, read on:**

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased.

So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors'? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery."

So the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you."

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp.

And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."

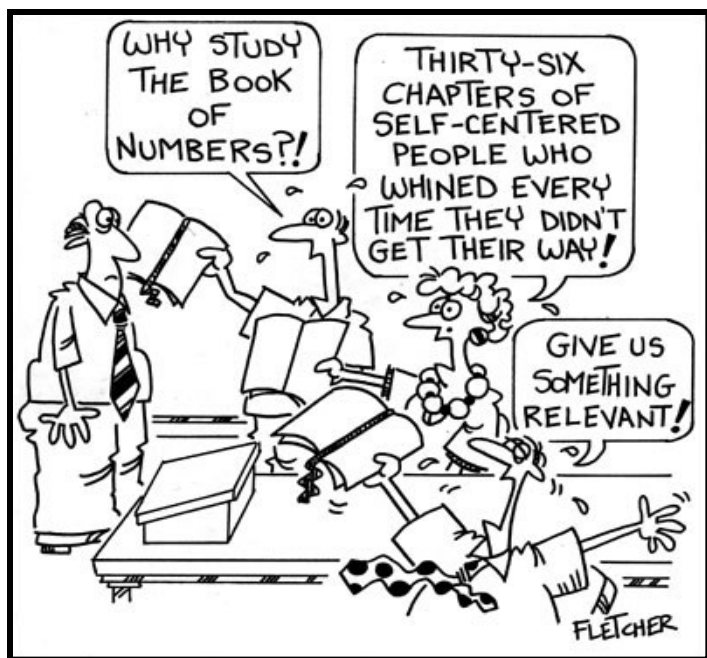
And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!"

But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

So even Moses was complaining to God!



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Well, maybe it wasn't just the ancient Israelites who were constant complainers. How is your day going?



## Sunday School Students Decorate Tables For Rally Day



**1. Isla Griffith**

Theme is  
Easter



**2. Addie,  
Tillie,  
Max and  
Devin Miller**

Theme is Halloween



**3. Nora Geiselman**

Theme is Christmas

**4. Ella Gulbrandsen**

Theme is Valentines  
Day





## October Calendar Items - Provided by Olise Mandat

### Thursday, October 3

- 5:00 - 6:00 pm - Adult Ed: Saint Augustine - Epiphany Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, October 6 – Global Missions Sunday / Change for Change Jars

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education/ Children's Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 10:45 am - Fellowship with African cuisine
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class

DID YOU KNOW THAT OCTOBER IS  
PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH?

### Thursday, October 10

- 5:00 - 6:00 pm - Adult Ed: Saint Augustine - Epiphany Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, October 13 – Pentecost 21

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education/ Children's Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class
- 5:00 pm — Jazz Vespers

### Monday, October 14

- 3:30 pm - Evangelism Committee meeting, Epiphany Fellowship Hall

### Thursday, October 17

- 5:00 - 6:00 pm - Adult Ed: Saint Augustine - Epiphany Fellowship Hall – final class

### Sunday, October 20 – Pentecost 22

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education/ Children's Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class

### Sunday, October 27 – Reformation Sunday

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education/ Children's Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class

### Sunday, November 3 – All Saints Sunday

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class

### Sunday, November 10 – Pentecost 25

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education/ Children's Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class

### Sunday, November 17 – Pentecost 26

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education/ Children's Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 10:45 am — Annual Budget Meeting
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class

### Sunday, November 24 – Christ the King

- 8:30 am – Adult Christian Education/ Children's Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 am – Worship
- 11:00 am – Confirmation class

# Epiphany Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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