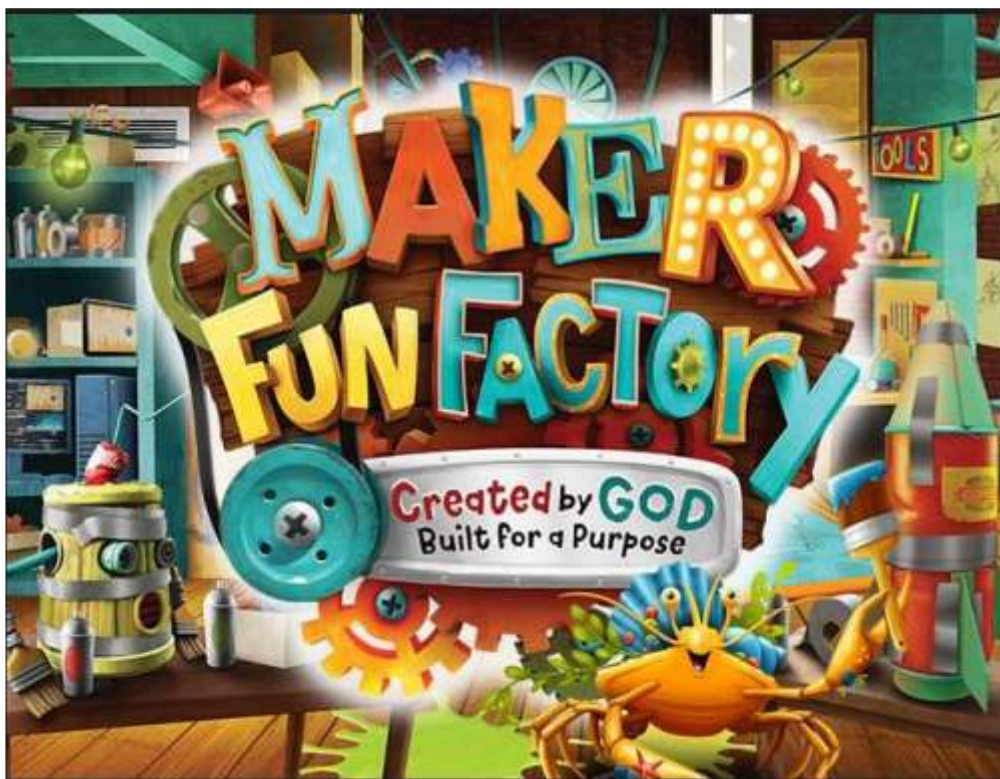


**Epiphany Evangelical Lutheran Church
Elmhurst, Illinois**



Register Now!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

JULY 10 THROUGH JULY 14

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

DINNER – CRAFT- LESSON- GAMES – MUSIC

Ages: Entering Kindergarten – 5th grade

Cost is \$15.00 per child for the week with a maximum of \$40.00 per family.

Questions? Contact Scott Miller at (630) 207-5746 or
Scott.Miller@EpiphanyEmhurst.org

You may register at www.epiphanyelmhurst.org or by filling out a paper registration form available in the main entrance by the Welcome desk and returning it to the church office.

A Few Words From Pastor Feltman



Happy summer, y'all!

I write this on Tuesday, June 20, the summer solstice—my favorite day of the year because it is the longest. I'm "solar powered," so lots of sun and warm weather are good for my soul and my disposition. I pray that you are enjoying the summer as much as I am!

This month, I simply want to share with you some random thoughts and announcements.

First, an update on Pastor Moser and our pastoral staffing plans. Pastor Jen continues to heal from the devastating loss of her husband, Greg, and to plan for her and her children's future. There is, of course, more work to do in that process, but she is ready to resume her work as one of our pastors. Pastor Jen has asked, and gotten approval from Congregation Council, to return to work on a part-time basis beginning August 1. It will be good to have her back among us! She has been sorely missed!

Second, because of Pastor Jen's move to part-time status and the fact that the Youth Ministry Committee has not yet found a youth director to replace Moose Flores when he leaves, we have several holes in our staffing. I've been working hard with the Council and Youth Ministry Committee to fill those positions, and I think the Spirit has provided us an exciting possibility! Stay tuned for more details. You should be hearing about a proposal very soon.

Third, I'm really enjoying our summer sermon series—***What Is a Lutheran, and Why Do I Want to Be One***. It has challenged me to re-think some of the things we assume about who we are as Lutherans. Won't you join me each weekend as we explore what it means to be a Lutheran?

Fourth, congratulations to Peter Connor, who has earned the rank of Eagle Scout. His Court of Honor will be on July 9 at Bethel United Methodist Church. Kudos also go out to Peter's parents, Brendan Connor and Lisa Kerins, for rearing a great young man!

Blessings for a slow and refreshing summer!

Pastor Ron Feltman

LYO News



Moose Flores

July is here and the mission trip is soon upon us! I have a small number of spaces available if you would like to join up at the last minute. Please send me an email right away.

During the summer, LYO will be doing some different things instead of the usual meetings at 9:30 a.m. We will resume having dinners together, and watch some movies, too.

To sign up to receive weekly LYO news, use the clipboard near the stairs in the Epiphany Center, or email your first & last names to LYO@epiphanyelmhurst.org.

Peace,
Moose

July Calendar

July 2		No LYO - Holiday weekend
July 9	6:00 p.m.	Game Night
July 16	2:00 p.m.	Matinee
July 21, Fri.	5:00 p.m.	Packing Party
July 22-29		Group Work Camp Mission Trip!

Sunday School Teachers Needed

We are in need of additional Sunday School teachers for all grades, kindergarten through 6th grade, for the 2017-2018 school year. Our vision is to have four teachers per grade.

Interested but have never taught? That's O.K.! Our curriculum is easy enough for all to present and provides ideas for each lesson. If you're still hesitant, Scott Miller is available to answer questions. Please contact Scott Miller today at Scott.Miller@EpiphanyElmhurst.org or at (630) 207-5746 to add your name to our Sunday School teaching family!

Cursive Camp

Open to students entering first through fourth grade, learn and practice lower case letters in very unique ways: with music, blindfolds, tactile, and other "fun" methods to master the art of cursive writing. Classes will take place on Sundays in July immediately after the 9:30 a.m. worship service, or on Monday mornings in July at 9:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Class sessions last one hour each with a total of five classes. For more information, contact John Tanis at John.Tanis@Epiphany.Elmhurst.org or (312) 388-7790.

Vacation Bible School Help Wanted



We are looking for helpers to assist with Vacation Bible School July 10-14 from 5:45 - 8:15 p.m. We are looking for the following:

Music: We are Looking for assistants to the Music Leader to help teach the kids the words and the motions to the songs.

Adult Shepherds: Shepherds are needed at church by 5:45 p.m. to welcome the children in each class, then take the kids from station to station and back to their rooms at the end of the evening.

Junior Shepherds: Assist Adult Shepherds taking kids from station to station. Confirmants may use this opportunity to fulfill service hours. LYO students are welcome, too!

Crafts/Games: Helpers are needed to assist in distributing crafts and helping organize and monitor during games. Confirmants and LYO students are needed for Tuesday and Wednesday "Game Days."

Kitchen: Kitchen staff will put out table settings, help cook meals, help serve meals, and clean up the kitchen

Attention All Vacation Bible School Helpers

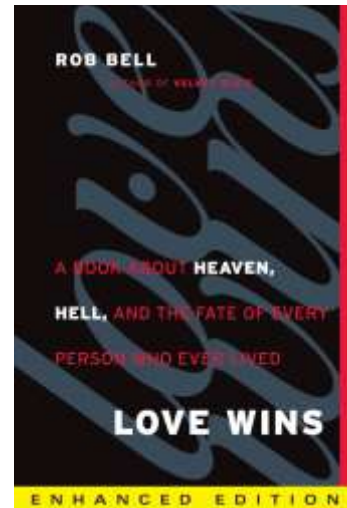
There will be an informational meeting on **Wednesday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m.** at Epiphany in the Chapel. We'll discuss the particulars for Vacation Bible School week. If you would like to assist but haven't contacted us yet, please join us! We're looking forward to a fabulous VBS!

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Check It Out!

Have you ever heard an explanation of the Prodigal Son Story that really satisfied you regarding the dutiful son? The "secret deep in the heart of many people, especially Christians: they don't love God. They can't, because the God they've been presented with and taught about can't be loved." When faced with certain facets of God as He is presented in the modern church, most Christians choose not to admit the problem, but wouldn't it be more sensible to think a misunderstanding has occurred? Like Martin Luther observing that divine grace had faded in the church vocabulary, Rob Bell takes a fresh look at the concepts of heaven, hell, and eternity to explain divine love. He is primarily a speaker, and *Love Wins: A Book About Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived* is essentially a transcript of him speaking. He knows his Bible, speaks clearly, and uses a simple type font. A more verbose endorsement of God can be read in *The Confessions of St. Augustine*, which can also be checked out for FREE!

--Assistant Librarian Teri



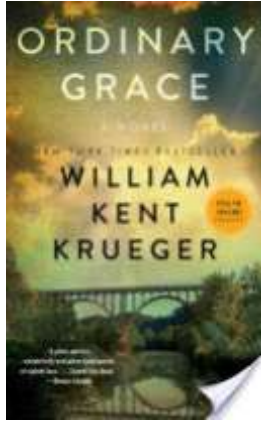
Epiphany Co-Ed Bowling League Starts in September - New Bowlers Wanted

Epiphany's Bowling League completed its most recent season in May, and will begin again in September, providing a weekly night of fun activity and camaraderie for men and women, ages 16 and over. On Thursday evenings beginning after Labor Day, we will gather at Stardust Bowl in Addison. This league is designed for fun, and no matter what your average might be or how long it may have been since you last bowled (if ever!) we guarantee balanced competition and fun for everyone. Teams are formed with a goal in mind of being evenly skilled and having close matches, and close team scores are often the case. We like it best for bowlers to sign up for the full season, which runs until May with a number of holidays taken off during the year. We know that this schedule can be challenging for some people, so if you want to join for half the season, that's O.K., too. The league needs more bowlers, so we're hoping you'll give it a try! If you are interested and/or have questions, please contact Bob Sutherland at (630) 279-1636 or Marty Jensen at (630) 605-6414.

NOTE: Returning bowlers should also contact Bob or Marty as soon as possible to confirm and secure your spot in the league!

Summer Reading Book

Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger



Hosted by: Heather Feltman
Date: Monday, August 21, 2017
Time: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Location: The Feltmans, 596 S. Spring Rd, Elmhurst

From *New York Times* bestselling author William Kent Krueger comes a brilliant novel about a young man, a small town, and murder in the summer of 1961. Published in 2013, this book went on to win the Edgar Award for Best Novel in 2014.

New Bremen, Minnesota, 1961. The Twins were playing their debut season, ice-cold root beers were at the ready at Halderson's Drug Store soda counter, and *Hot Stuff* comic books were a mainstay on every barbershop magazine rack. It was a time of innocence and hope for a country with a new, young president. But for thirteen-year-old Frank Drum it was a summer in which death assumed many forms.

When tragedy unexpectedly comes to call on his family, which includes his Methodist minister father, his passionate, artistic mother, Juilliard-bound older sister, and wise-beyond-his years kid brother, Frank finds himself thrust into an adult world full of secrets, lies, adultery, and betrayal.

On the surface, *Ordinary Grace* is the story of the murder of a beautiful young woman, a beloved daughter and sister. At heart, it's the story of what that tragedy does to a boy, his family, and ultimately the fabric of the small town in which he lives. Told from Frank's perspective forty years after that fateful summer, it is a moving account of a boy standing at the door of his young manhood, trying to understand a world that seems to be falling apart around him. It is an unforgettable novel about discovering the terrible price of wisdom and the enduring grace of God.

Saturdays in July at Millennium Park

This July John Tanis will take the church van after the Saturday worship service to head to free concerts in Chicago's beautiful Millenium Park. Seating in the van is limited to 11 persons. Cost of gas and parking will be split between riders. Enjoy music under the stars. You are welcome to bring food and a blanket to make your evening a pleasant one. Remember to dress for the weather as it's cooler by the lake!

Here is the schedule:

- July 1:** Canadian Brass
- July 8:** The music of John Williams (composer of Star Wars)
- July 15:** Hindson: Headbanger
Beethoven; Piano Concerto
Strauss: Symphonia Domestica
- July 22:** A Broadway Romance (classic and current music from Broadway)
featuring chorus and soloists
- July 29:** Mozart: Linz Symphony #36
Martin: In Terra Pax (with chorus)

On **July 22 and 29** we will take Metra from Elmhurst due to LYO using the van for Group Work Camp. The cost is \$8.00 round trip. When in the city, we can walk or share cabs to get to and from Millenium Park.

Please sign up with John ASAP for the date(s) you wish to come along. E-mailing him or speaking with him in person are the best options. You can reach John at john.tanis@epiphany.elmhurst.org or (312)388-7790.



Letter From Muriel Lippert

Pastor Muriel Lippert, who grew up at Epiphany and is the daughter of Wilbur and Grace Lippert, was ordained at Epiphany 30 years ago. She was recently recognized for her years of faithful service by the Western North Dakota Synod. Pastor Feltman recently received the letter below from Pastor Lippert. Congratulations, Muriel! We're proud of you!

Dear Pastor Feltman,

On June 7, 1987 (Pentecost Sunday) I was ordained at Epiphany. It was a great day! I can hardly believe it has now been 30 years. I am forever grateful to the community of God's people at Epiphany who, along with my dear parents, nurtured me in a relationship with God and guided my discernment of God's call to ordained ministry.

Peace and Joy,

Muriel Lippert

Thank You

Bob & Martha Haley wish to thank our friends and Epiphany members for their prayers, cards and kind expressions of concern since Martha's recent fall and tough femur surgery.

July Anniversaries

1	Walter and Gale Olson	17	Norman and Jennifer Damer
	Gail and John Sopron	22	Glenda and David Wells
2	Stephen and Joann Callahan		Shannon and Steven Wolsztyniak
3	Paul and Kristi Gibbs	26	Stephen and Laurie Hier
4	Marjorie and Wil Thiel		Wade and Darlene Triska
5	Martin and Sheryl Larsen		Mark and Marjorie Johnson
8	Fred and Beverly Keller	27	Tom and Lisa Michalski
10	Johnathan and Elizabeth Markwald	28	Pat and Tom McGonigle
11	Brian and Rita Adams	29	Dee and Joe Schram
12	Wes and Barb Odean	30	John and Babette Halen
	Patricia and Joe Rogriguez		Ralph and Davina Stauch
		31	Scott and Deb Hawkins

July Birthdays

1	Eric Thiel, James Wegmann, Sarah Crowe	15	Michael Edwards
2	Ken Schroeder, Richard Loeser, Linda Stratton, Greg Schwartz, Jennifer Toreja, Demian Kircher, Michael Merrinette, Steven Schmuhl, Jessica Jensen, Hannah Uribe	16	Jill Mueller
3	Jerri Gortwoski, Lisa Budris, Austin Deye	17	Wilbur Lippert, Karin Hawes
4	Steven Pfaff, Ian Wincentsen, Anthony Brown, Dylan Pozeck, Evan Parker	18	Jennifer Wendell, Chad Frahm, Hunter Hudson, William Sly
5	Kevin Peronto, Sarah Martich, Emily Doering	19	Kyler Kolb
6	Nathan Bushy	20	Sue LoPiano, Sandra Fruzyna, Emily Gonzalez, Devin Fruzyna
7	Jim Browning, Mary Thiel, Kim VanOsdell	21	Gwen Becker, Samuel Phillips
8	Ross Reichert, Ryan Peronto	22	Bryan Keller, Glen Ganser, Hal Garbielsen, Boni Smith, Joseph Clifford, Meghan Sly, Mikayla Southwell, Cassie Adams, Carter Hudson
9	Walter Brasen, Garrett Gross, Brett Bandy, Jake Smith, Paige Vogel	23	Douglas Johnson, Timothy Thomas
10	Dorothy Bonthron, Jason Koval, Katherine Frahm	24	Fred Keller, Kathryn McGirk, Megan Hanebuth, Anna Miehle
11	Beverly Brown, Gary Block, Jacquelyn Diaz, Emma Casey, William Casey	25	Susan Schlosser, Michael Kies
12	David Mooshool	26	Greg Boullion, Dan White, Terry Crowley, Grace Roucka
13	Donna Rathbone, Natalie Stufflebeam, Max Lynch	28	Joan Bell, Jackie Darling
14	Maria Jones, Dawn Becker, Sydney Bonthron, Caitlyn Korzen	29	Bill Edwards, Libby Fisher, Gretchen Hedrick, Jacob Wendell, Brianna Richardson
		30	Margaret Kostecki, Paul Doering, Patricia Stratton, Sydney Cook, Lucas Southwell
		31	Matthew Schwarz

In Our Prayers

Our members: Todd Becker, Wayne Bell, Judith Billingsley, Nancy Bode, Marie Buford, Shirley Dochoff, Sienna Dudley, Anita Esposito, Bill Friberg, Babette Halen, Martha Haley, Mary Hanson, Josie Heard, Joyce Hill, Ella Hruby, Catherine Knapp, Pastor Jen, Bob Sutherland, John Tanis, Maria Terracciano, Marlene Tegmeyer

Our friends: Eli James Becker (grandson of Gwen and Richard Becker), Bill and Virginia Bonham (Bill Friberg's brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Evelyn Boutin (Lito Toreja's sister), Laverne Budris (Lisa Budris' mother), Elizabeth Engfer (daughter of Marjorie and Bill Thiel), Don Feld (Lisa Budris' uncle), Marge Flemming (friend of Pat Haidle), Gwen Gorman (daughter of Glen and Elsa Heine-mann), Keith Groenwald (former member), Andy Hamblin (Jan Davis' son, Helen Evensen's grand-son), Lorna Hansen (Amy Rimington's mother), Jan Harms (Jen Mann's mother), Christa Johnson (friend of the Hedricks), John Johnson (Janet Rudhman's brother), Robert Kampf (friend of Daryl Bartelson), Kevorak Kahvedsian (friend of the Haidles), Jan Kopas (nephew of Mary Langer), Glen Kelley (friend of the Haidles), Bob Krzyzewski (Lila Peters' brother-in-law), Cindy Krzyzewski (Lila Peters' niece), Lindsay Larson (Andrea Redfearn's niece), Greg Lechowski (friend of Joe Schram), Bill Lentine (father of Trisha Graham), Marlene Lundgren (Lila Peters' sister-in-law), Lora Corey Marut (friend of Linda Stratton), Harriet Mason (friend of Sandra Vaughn), Karen McCaa (sister of Amy Pilny), Betsy McKeever (Kristin Hall's aunt), Evan Thomas Mevis (Ruth Blair's grandson), Marie Mueller (mother of Keelie Witzel), Gail Nerison, Nancy O'Leary and Family (Sue Mooshool's sister), Mary Overbeck (friend of Karen and Larry Bircher), Patti Paul (friend of Curt Clifford), Joseph Paumier (father of Ben Paumier), Betty Patch (Lori Trimble's mom), Barbara Phelps (Wayne Phelps' mother), Joe Pilny (David Pilny's father), John Rossi, Eva Salems (Lila Peters' sister), the Seeck Family (family of Jackie Darling's sister), Marge Swanson (Shirley Swanson's mother), Pat Swanson (Shirley Swanson's sister-in-law), Joan Sturino (sister of Dawn Sanders), Bea Tanis (John Tanis' mother), Bill Tarnow (friend of Joe Schram), Irma Tena (friend of the Johnson family), Matt Toole (friend of Phyllis Field), John VanFleet (friend of the Tengroths), Jeff Vidt (Sue Kostecki's brother), Diane Viise (family of Annette and Bill Edwards), Eric Von Schaumburg (husband of Lind-say Rudhman), David Wells (son-in-law of Elsa and Glen Heinemann), Cathy Wendell and Gina Ra-paz (sister-in-law and niece of Genevieve Scaro), Lori Wood (friend of Pastor Moser), Betty Zelent (Cindy O'Malley's mother)

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