MUSIC MINISTRY

at

EPIPHANY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye lands...

WELCOME!

As a participant in music ministry at Epiphany Evangelical Lutheran Church, you will find the following information useful and helpful. Our musical groups always welcome visitors and new members.

For centuries, music has moved us to the highest level of worship and adoration, and touched our soul's deepest sorrows. Music leads us in exaltation and praise; it provides comfort in times of grief. In keeping with our Lutheran heritage, music is an integral part of our worship services at Epiphany. We are proud of our musical groups. This year, we have eleven (11) musical groups offered at Epiphany: The Cherub Choir, The Singing Saints, The Epiphany Ringers, 8:30 Chancel Choir, 11:00 Chancel Choir, Junior Handbell Choir, Epiphany Brass, Reformation Sounds, Jubilation, the Resurrection Singers, Youth Instrumental Ensemble and Jubilation returns.

The music program falls under the purview of the Director of Music who is supported by the Worship & Music Ministry Team and church staff.

Contacting Music Ministry Leaders

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The Singing Saints
The Epiphany Ringers
8:30 Chancel Choir
11:00 Chancel Choir
Epiphany Brass

| Instruments | | |
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| Robe Coordinator | Gail Lyddane | 804-360-4923 |
| Robe Repair | Betty Ottaway | 804-556-4611 |

Kevin can also be reached by emailing him at <u>kevinbarger@epiphanyelca.org</u>. There is voice mail available by calling the church office at 804-282-6066 and selecting option 7.

Membership

Being a member of an ensemble is part of your contributions of time and talent to Epiphany. Regular attendance is our goal. There are no auditions for any of our choirs. We meet and prepare in the glory of God's greatness! In addition, we strive to have fun and fellowship in all our groups while proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ through music.

Attendance

In an ideal setting, every ensemble member would be present for all rehearsals, worship services, and performances. We recognize, however, that the reality of our busy lives is that there are times when work and family commitments take priority over regular choir events. We challenge you to exercise integrity and self-discipline to attend as often as possible. If you are scheduled to participate in worship and have a last minute emergency, you can call the church office at (804) 282-6066 and select option 7 for music ministry to leave a message.

Weather

Worship services are not regularly canceled due to inclement weather. Because Epiphany's membership draws from a wide geographic region, when bad weather occurs, please use your discretion. In case of bad weather on rehearsal days, we will determine any cancellations by 4:00 p.m. the day of rehearsal. Please call the director of each ensemble to see if rehearsals are canceled or call the church office and select option 7 for a recorded message. We will also implement a phone tree to communicate cancellations. We generally follow guidelines of the Henrico County schools for cancellations due to inclement weather for children's ensembles. For example, if there is an early dismissal or

cancellation due to weather from Henrico on the day of our rehearsal, we will likely cancel.

8:30 Chancel Choir

This group meets at 8:00 a.m. each Sunday morning prior to worship. Please remember that it is extremely helpful if you can be present at this time as we use the few minutes prior to worship to review hymns and liturgy for the day. We are particularly cognizant of beginning the 8:30 service on time as the timing of all other Sunday events at Epiphany are dependent on this service beginning and ending "on time."

We always welcome visitors and/or new members to join us in this choir. As a member of the choir, please remember how you felt when you were new! We should strive to make our guests feel welcome so they will join us on a more regular basis.

Mark Your Attendance

As you enter the Music Room from the hall, there is a bulletin board to the right on the wall. This board not only serves as a place for communication of important messages and fun items, but also the "famed" calendar. Please mark your name on the calendar if you plan to NOT be present on a given Sunday. This system is not to penalize anyone or make you feel guilty about not being present. Rather, it serves as a helpful tool to the director should alternate arrangements need to be made on a given day with limitation imposed by the group being under-represented for a given service.

Music

As you enter the Music Room, please direct your attention to the file cabinets to the right of the white board in the front of the room. This area serves as the location for any music needed for the day's service, announcements, bulletins, or other communications that need to be shared with the group.

If you are participating in a joint chancel choir event, your music will be numbered. Music is very expensive! If you desire to keep a copy of a certain anthem, please discuss the cost and availability with the director. Otherwise, please return all numbered music to this table. It is generally best to do this immediately after we sing so you don't forget. You will be contacted by the director regarding missing pieces of music after a couple of weeks. In the bottom right corner of the white board in the Music Room is a listing of music not yet returned. Be sure to check for your number. You may feel free to keep any music that is not numbered.

You will note the order of music for worship services is on the white board at the front of the room. Please place your music in order so we are able to move quickly from one piece to another and finish in time to begin the service. After rehearsal, you may store

your music in the slots provided on the far left wall in the Music Room. Each member has a slot assigned to him/her.

Hymnals

We regularly utilize Evangelical Lutheran Worship. The hymnals are available on the bookshelf on the far left wall in the Music Room. Please return hymnals to this location after worship. <u>Please store your hymnal as you would a book in a library – please do</u> not store the hymnal by laying it on its side.

Seating

There is not a "locked in stone" seating chart for the choir; however, the choir generally sits with men and women in sections. Your flexibility is appreciated as we strive for the best delivery of our offerings! As a general rule for this group, the women sit in the front with the men behind.

Robes

Robes are assigned by our Robe Coordinator, Gail Lyddane. Please see Gail or the director before the first service in which you participate if you do not yet have a robe assignment. The Music Room is locked during all worship services; however, we cannot be responsible for valuables.

Your robe, although church property, is your responsibility. Please take your robes home from time to time for washing, as necessary. (Your neighbor will appreciate it!) Please wash on a gentle setting and either hang to dry or tumble dry on air or low heat. Due to cost constraints, please note that there are some robes that may be shared by members of other ensembles. If your robe is shared, you will be made aware of that at assignment. Please coordinate maintenance with the other person at your convenience. Thank you for your willingness to share as this assists us with budgetary costs.

There are lists of robe assignments available on the inside of the robe closet doors. If you have a discrepancy with information on this sheet, please contact Gail.

If your robe needs repair, we are fortunate to have a "resident seamstress." Betty Ottaway coordinates repair of our robes. Please contact her if you need her assistance.

Sunday Mornings

<u>Rehearsal:</u> Rehearsal begins at 8:00 a.m. preceding the 8:30 a.m. worship service, unless otherwise announced. Take time to arrange and/or double check your music in the order

listed in the bulletin/on the front white board. Please ensure that all coffee cups, napkins, tissues, and other trash are placed in trash cans as you leave.

<u>Immediately before the service</u>: We process down the center aisle unless otherwise noted, so we assemble in the narthex in the rear of the sanctuary. Choir members are reminded to remain silent in the narthex prior to the processional. Talking is distracting for choir members and other congregation members who use this time for silent prayer, meditation, reflection or listening to the prelude. Remember, the prelude is part of our worship service. Please allow ample room for persons entering the sanctuary. Do not block the doors! We want to have a welcoming atmosphere at our sanctuary's entrance.

Once the processional cross begins down the aisle, choir members follow in pairs, leaving approximately three (3) pews between pairs. As the choir ascends the stairs to the chancel, each pair continues straight forward to the cross, acknowledges the cross as you feel comfortable, and then proceeds to the choir seating. During the processional and while singing hymns during the service, we hold the hymnal open until the end of the final stanza of the hymn. On Sundays when small numbers may be present, we may process in single file or not at all.

<u>During the service:</u> **The choir's primary function** is to lead the congregation in the musical portions of worship. We should set an example of being interested, active participants in the service. Because the choir is extremely visible to the congregation, we need to present a uniform appearance during services.

- Watch the director and/or pastor for cues to stand and sit as a group for anthem and hymns.
- After singing service music, do not move or put away music until appropriate signals are given.
- Continue to hold anthems or music folders up and open at the end of a piece until you receive the director's cue.
- Be conscious of distracting noises and movements at all times.

After the service: Robes, hymnals and music should be placed in designated areas. Anthems not being used in the near future should be stacked on the file cabinet in the Music Room. Used bulletins are recycled. Please leave your bulletins on the filing cabinet for this purpose if you choose.

Cantors

Those interested in serving as a cantor should complete the cantor information sheet available in the Music Room. Cantors serve a very important role in leading congregational and/or choir singing. Those who wish to serve as a cantor should be confident in their ability to sing individually in front of a large group as your nerves will

likely be heightened as you serve in this important role. This is a ministry, and we appreciate those who feel called to lead in this manner.

A schedule will be posted on a monthly basis for cantors. If you cannot make your assigned day, please do your best to provide ample notice to the director or find a replacement from the other cantors on the list. Your cooperation is appreciated.

The Music

The following is the schedule of anthems to be offered at this service (in addition to worship leadership) as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. Some offerings will be at both the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services if they are joint offerings of the chancel choirs from both services. Some offerings will be from this group only as noted. We appreciate your flexibility. These anthems represent various opportunities to join in song! Please prayerfully consider your own participation.

| Sunday, September 29 | Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence | arr. R. Price |
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| Either Service | | |
| Sunday, October 27 | Psalm 46 | M. Mummert |
| Both services | | |
| Sunday, December 15 | The Night Shift Before Christmas | |
| Christmas Festival - aftern | oon | |
| Sunday, December 22 | A Thrill of Hope | J. Raney |
| Both services – during w | vorship | |
| Tuesday, December 24 | In a Lowly Manger Born | Z. Highben |
| | O Holy Night | J. Althouse |
| | 9:00 service only | |
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NOTE: If you prefer to worship at the 7:00 service, we also will have a choir for caroling in the narthex and worship leadership. We will not have a prepared anthem for the 7:00 service.

| Sunday, January 19 | You Are Holy | ELW 525 |
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| Either Service | | |
| Wednesday, March 5 | Remember That You Are Dust | N. Raabe |
| 7:00 p.m. Service | Create in Me a Clean Heart | C. Bonner |
| Sunday, March 16 | All Who Believe and Are Baptized | P. Weber |
| Either Service | | |
| Sunday, April 13 | Hosanna | J. Blersch |
| Both Services | Tree of Life | K. Lee Scott |
| Thursday, April 17 | Lord, I Cry to You (Psalm 88) | Z. Highben |
| 7:00 p.m. Service | | |
| Friday, April 18 | Ah, Holy Jesus | C. Courtney |
| 7:00 p.m. Service | | |
| Sunday, April 20 | Easter Introit | J. Ferguson |
| All services | Christ Is Risen! Alleluia! | D. Schwoebel |

Rehearsal of anthems for 8:30 services only will generally be the four-six weeks prior to their offering in worship during our regular 8:00 a.m. rehearsal on Sunday mornings. For joint anthems, rehearsals are generally the four-six weeks prior to their offering in worship on Wednesday evenings at the beginning of rehearsal (usually 7:15, 7:40 during Lent). If there are sufficient numbers of persons interested in participating in these anthems, we can work in rehearsal on Sunday mornings as time permits or consider a couple of extra rehearsals at a time convenient for most.

Fellowship Activities

The following is the schedule of fellowship activities as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Saturday, December 21 | Christmas Party | 6:00 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, May 14 | Sundaes on Wednesday | 6:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, June 14 | Picnic & Swimming | 3:00 p.m. |

11:00 Chancel Choir

Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Music Room. As a rule, there are not scheduled breaks. Occasionally, rehearsals may be an additional 30 minutes in length depending on upcoming services and/or events. There is also a brief rehearsal on Sunday morning beginning at 10:30 in the Music Room. Please remember that the director has another group rehearsing until 10:30 a.m., so you may have a brief wait if you arrive early. We will do our best to finish the earlier choir on time.

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After rehearsal, you may store your music in the slots provided on the far left wall in the Music Room. Each member has one slot corresponding to the music number assigned.

After we have sung a particular piece in worship, please return your music to the file cabinet in the Music Room. It is generally best to do this immediately after we sing so you don't forget. You may be contacted by the director regarding missing pieces of music after a couple of weeks.

Hymnals

We regularly utilize Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW). *Please have your ELW available for every rehearsal.* Solid leadership of hymnody and liturgy is one of the strongholds for this group. Please return hymnals to appropriate storage locations after worship or rehearsal so our room is clean for the next use. *Please store your hymnal as you would a book in a library – please do not store the hymnal by laying it on its side.*

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As a general rule, the tenors and basses sit in the front row with the altos and sopranos behind.

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Discussion during rehearsal

Please refrain from side conversations during rehearsals. If you have a question or musical concern, please speak to the director. If sections other than yours are rehearsing, please be respectful of their learning, particularly as similarities may appear in your part.

Devotions

As part of our ministry team approach at Epiphany Church, we will have devotions at most rehearsals. Sign up sheets are available on the bulletin board as you enter the Music Room. It is requested that each choir member take a turn throughout the year. Resources are available from the director, in the church library or from our Diaconal Minister, Christy Huffman (282-6066).

At the end of rehearsal

Organize your music for the following service and place it in your assigned location. Return hymnals to assigned locations as well. *Please ensure that all coffee cups, napkins, tissues, and other trash is place in trash cans as you leave.*

Sunday Mornings

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The Music

Organizing sheet music for a choir this size is a complex task. Please be kind by keeping your folders up-to-date. If you have been absent for a week or two, check with other choir members or the director to see if you folder is current. This is particularly helpful as we may borrow music from other congregations, and we need to be prompt in our return of this loan. Your prompt attention allows us to continue borrowing and reserve our limited budget for more wonderful purchases for Epiphany. In the bottom right corner of the white board in the Music Room is a listing of pieces that are not yet returned. Be sure to check for your number.

The following is the schedule of music as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Sunday, September 8 | Rise O church, like Christ Arisen | D. Cherwien |
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| Sunday, September 15 | Peace Like a River | J. Raney |
| Sunday, September 22 | NO ANTHEM | |
| Sunday, September 29 | Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence | arr. R. Price |
| Sunday, October 6 | Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation | J. Raney |
| Sunday, October 13 | Now Thank We All Our God | M. Rosewall |
| Sunday, October 20 | The Keeper of Israel | R. Haan |
| Sunday, October 27 | Psalm 46 | M. Mummert |
| Sunday, November 3 | God Will Give Angels Charge Over You | M. Sedio |
| Sunday, November 10 | Sing with All the Saints in Glory | H. Gerike |
| Sunday, November 17 | Prayer for Peace | J. S. Cool |
| Sunday, November 24 | Rejoice, Rejoice | A.D. Miller |
| Sunday, December 1 | Rejoice! | A.K. Organ |
| Sunday, December 8 | A Voice Cries Out: Prepare the Way of the | Lord L. Larson |
| Sunday, December 15 | Come, Come Emmanuel | J. Raney |
| | p.m. The Night Shift Before Christmas | |
| Sunday, December 22 | A Thrill of Hope | J. Raney |
| Tuesday, December 24 | In a Lowly Manger Bed | Z. Highben |
| 9:00 p.m. service | O Holy Night | arr. J/ Althouse |
| Sunday, December 29 | NO ANTHEM (Soloist Volunteer?) | |
| Sunday, January 5 | The Glory of the Father | E. Hovland |

| Sunday, January 12 | We Are Baptized | P. Weber |
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| Sunday, January 19 | You Are Holy | ELW 525 |
| | Christ Be Our Light | J. Raney |
| Sunday, January 26 | Thy Strong Word | C. Schalk |
| Sunday, February 2 | In All These You Welcomed Me | W. B. Roberts |
| Sunday, February 9 | Send Out Thy Light | D. Cherwien |
| Sunday, February 16 | I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light | K. Langlois |
| Sunday, February 23 | Love One Another | J. Bell |
| Sunday, March 2 | Shine, Jesus, Shine | arr. M. Hayes |
| Wednesday, March 5 | Create in Me a Clean Heart | C. Bonner |
| 7:00 p.m. Service | Remember That You Are Dust | N. Raabe |
| Sunday, March 9 | I Want Jesus to Walk with Me | B. Childers |
| Sunday, March 16 | All Who Believe and Are Baptized | P. Weber |
| Sunday, March 23 | The Lord Is a Mighty God | F. Mendelssohn |
| Sunday, March 30 | Shepherd Me, O God | arr. M. Hayes |
| Sunday, April 6 | For a Thousand Tongues | P. Weber |
| Sunday, April 13 | Hosanna | J. Blersch |
| | Tree of Life | K. Lee Scott |
| Thursday, April 17 7:00 p.m. Service | Lord, I Cry to You (Psalm 88) | Z. Highben |
| Friday, April 18 7:00 p.m. Service | Ah, Holy Jesus | C. Courtney |
| Sunday, April 20 | Easter Introit | J. Ferguson |
| | Christ Is Risen! Alleluia! | D. Schwoebel |
| Sunday, April 27 | We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight | M. Costello |
| Sunday, May 4 | Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ | B. Ellingboe |
| Sunday, May 11 | The Lord's My Shepherd | N. Dexter |
| Sunday, May 18 | I Received the Living God | D. Schelat |
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The following is the schedule of rehearsals and fellowship activities as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Wednesday, September 4 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, September 11 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, September 18 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, September 25 | NO REHEARSAL | _ |
| Wednesday, October 2 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 9 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 16 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 23 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 30 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 6 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 13 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 20 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 27 | NO REHEARSAL | - |

| Wednesday, December 4 | Rehearsal | 7:30 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, December 11 | Rehearsal | 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, December 18 | Rehearsal | 7:36 p.m. 7:15 p.m. |
| Saturday, December 21 | Christmas Party | 6:00 p.m. |
| <u> </u> | NO REHEARSAL | 0.00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, December 25 | | |
| Wednesday, January 1 | NO REHEARSAL | |
| Wednesday, January 8 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 15 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 22 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 29 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 5 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 12 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 19 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 26 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 5 | Rehearsal | 8:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 12 | Rehearsal | 7:40 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 19 | Rehearsal | 7:40 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 26 | Rehearsal | 7:40 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 2 | Rehearsal | 7:40 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 9 | Rehearsal | 7:40 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 16 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 23 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 30 | Rehearsal | 7:15 p.m. |
| Wednesday, May 7 | NO REHEARSAL | - |
| Wednesday, May 14 | Sundaes on Wednesday | 6:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, June 14 | Picnic/Swimming | 3:00 p.m. |
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The Singing Saints

This group is open to all children and youth in the second through sixth grades. There is a focus on learning musical skills through games and movement, as well as learning anthems for more frequent worship participation and leadership. Greater discipline is placed on rehearsal and worship participation decorum and discipline. Children gain self-esteem, learn teamwork and enjoy singing meaningful songs to praise God. This group has a large role in the annual Christmas Musical.

The group meets on Wednesday evenings (generally as a part of Wednesday Evening Ministries, although there are additional rehearsals outside of the Wednesday evening program) from 6:30-7:10 p.m. in the Music Room. Members who are also members of the Junior Handbell Choir are dismissed for handbells at 7:00 p.m. while we continue to work with the younger Saints until 7:10 p.m. While we encourage regular attendance, there is not an attendance requirement.

The Music

The following is a listing of tentative choir anthems for the Singing Saints as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Sunday, September 29 | Angels (M. Burkhardt) |
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| Sunday, October 20 | A New Song (R. Nelson) |
| Sunday, November 17 | Lord, I Pray to You (R.E. Schram) |
| Sunday, December 15 | a.m. "Preview piece" from Christmas Musical |
| | Afternoon Christmas Musical – 4:00 p.m. |
| | The Night Shift Before Christmas |
| Tuesday, December 24 | Musical Selection from Night Shift Before Christmas |
| | 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. services – choose one |
| Sunday, February 9 | This Little Light of Mine (M. Patterson) |
| Sunday, March 2 | Nimemwona Bwana (M. Burkhardt) |
| Sunday, March 16 | Waterlife (H. Hanson) |
| Sunday, April 13 | Hosanna (J. Blersch) |

The following is a listing of planned rehearsals as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

Please note that the Singing Saints are dismissed from the Music Room at the ending time shown in the schedule. Please be prompt picking up your Singing Saint as another group begins rehearsal at 7:15 p.m. If a designated parent or guardian is not present in the hall between the Music Room and the Christian Education wing, remaining members will be dismissed to the Fellowship Hall where parents can meet them.

| Wednesday, September 11 | 6:30 - 7:10 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, September 18 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, September 25 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 2 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 9 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 16 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 23 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 30 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 6 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 13 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 20 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Saturday, November 23 | 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 27 | NO REHEARSAL |
| Wednesday, December 4 | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
| Saturday, December 7 | 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, December 11 | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
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| Saturday, December 14 | 9:00 – noon |
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| Sunday, December 15 | 3:00 p.m tentative |
| Wednesday, January 8 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 15 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 22 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 29 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 5 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 12 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 19 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 26 | 6:30 – 7:10 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 5 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 12 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 19 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 26 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 2 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 9 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 16 | NO REHEARSAL |
| Wednesday, April 23 | 6:30 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 30 | 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – recording night |
| Wednesday, May 7 | MUSIC OLYMPICS $-6:00-7:30$ p.m. |
| Wednesday, May 14 | 6:00 p.m. – Sundaes on Wednesday |

The Cherub Choir

This group is open to children age four – first grade. For this age group, learning is experienced through musical play. Children sing age-appropriate songs to discover their faith and in preparation for skill to be learned.

The Cherub Choir generally participates in worship on the third Sunday of the month during the 8:30 a.m. service and the prelude of the 11:00 a.m. service. The schedule for this year is as follows, as of September 1, 2013. This schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

The Music

The following is a listing of tentative choir anthems for the Cherub Choir as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Sunday, October 20 | God Made the Earth (S. Eltringham) |
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| Sunday, November 17 | Rejoice in the Lord (arr. S. Monteiro) |
| Sunday, December 15 | Night Shift Before Christmas (Afternoon Christmas Musical) |
| Sunday, January 19 | God Is So Good (Traditional) |

Sunday, February 16 The Butterfly Song (B. Howard)
Sunday, March 16 My God Is So Great (Traditional)
Sunday, May 18 The Giving Song (J. Martin)

The Cherub Choir meets in room 104 of the Education Building, beginning September 11. After the Christmas Musical, rehearsals do not begin again until January 8, 2014.

The following is a listing of planned rehearsals as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Wednesday, September 11 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, September 18 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, September 25 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 2 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 9 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 16 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 23 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 30 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 6 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 13 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 20 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 27 | NO REHEARSAL |
| Wednesday, December 4 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, December 11 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, December 14 | 10:30 – 11:30 – rehearsal |
| | 11:30 – 1:30 - party |
| Wednesday, January 8 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 15 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 22 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 29 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 5 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 12 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 19 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 26 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 5 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 12 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 19 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 26 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 2 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 9 | 6:15 – 6:45 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 16 | NO REHEARSAL |
| Wednesday, April 23 | 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, April 30 | 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. |
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The Epiphany Ringers

This choir is comprised of those who enjoy making music with handbells to the glory of God. Membership is open to all those interested, generally from high school age and older. The choir offers an assortment of literature and works to blend and refine using a variety of handbell techniques.

We always welcome visitors and/or new members to join us in this choir. As a member of the choir, please remember how you felt when you were new. We should strive to make our guests feel welcome so they may join us on a more regular basis.

Generally, when The Epiphany Ringers offer an anthem in worship, it is done so at some point in the 8:30 worship service and then again as the prelude to the 11:00 service. Doing this allows our entire congregation to enjoy the beauty of the handbell music.

The Epiphany Ringers rehearse in the balcony of the sanctuary Sunday mornings between worship services from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Please keep in mind that the earlier worship service may run a few minutes past 9:30, so please be respectful of worshippers as you enter the church for rehearsal. The director will meet you in the balcony as soon as the first service has concluded. *Please make every effort to be on time as our time together is short.*

Mark Your Attendance

As you enter the balcony from the rear staircase, there is a calendar located on the table immediately to your left as you face the altar (table number 2). Please mark your name on the calendar if you plan to NOT be at rehearsal or worship service. This system is not to penalize anyone or make you feel guilty about not being present. Rather, it serves as a helpful tool to the director should alternate arrangements need to be made on a given day with limitations imposed by certain parts or the entire group being underrepresented for a given event.

Please remember that regular attendance is a bit more important in this group as compared to a vocal ensemble. Since each ringer has an assigned part, it is difficult to be most productive when individuals are not present. Realizing there are many demands on everyone's time in today's world, we ask that you exercise integrity and discretion in your attendance.

Music

Generally, any new music will either already be at its place on the stands or it may be on the director's stand (located in front of the bass handbell tables). Music is numbered and each member of the choir has a number that will be used throughout the year to ensure proper return of all music to Epiphany's files. Music is very expensive! If you desire to keep a copy of a certain anthem, please discuss the cost and availability with the director. You will be contacted by the director regarding missing pieces of music after a couple of weeks.

You will note the order of music for rehearsals and worship services is on the director's stand. Please place your music in order so we are able to move quickly from one piece to another and finish rehearsal on time.

After rehearsal, *please use the polishing cloths* to take care of our investment and remove any stray marks. Return the bells to their cases and the cases to their locations under the bell tables. Music, pencils, gloves and mallets should be stored neatly on the music racks or under the tables. Please remember that the balcony serves as a worship space when we are not rehearsing or playing!

Handbell Assignments

There is not a "locked in stone" assignment where each bell choir member will play. As a general rule, choir members will play in the same location; however, it may benefit the ensemble and the individual ringer if members take turns in various locations during the year. Your flexibility is appreciated as we strive for the best delivery of our offerings.

Sunday Mornings When We Play

<u>Rehearsal:</u> Rehearsal will generally begin at 7:45 a.m. preceding the 8:30 a.m. worship service, unless otherwise announced. Take time to arrange and/or double check your music in the order listed in the bulletin.

<u>During the service</u>: The choir's primary function is to enhance the worship service with music. We should set an example of being interested, active participants in the service.

- Watch the director and/or pastor for cues to stand and sit as a group for musical offerings, if appropriate.
- Please be in place and ready to play when the director arrives in the balcony.
- Be conscious of distracting noises and movements at all times.

After the service: After the 8:30 service, you should proceed to get ready for our regular rehearsal. After the 11:00 service, bells, gloves, music, mallets and pencils should be put

in their appropriate locations. Please do so quietly as the worship service is continuing for other worshippers.

The Music

The following is the schedule of offerings as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. These offerings will be at both the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services unless otherwise noted. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Sunday, September 29 | Angels (limited with Singing Saints) | M. Burkhardt |
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| Sunday, October 6 | Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation | J. Raney |
| Sunday, October 27 | A Mighty Fortress | A. L. Page |
| Sunday, November 3 | Shall We Gather at the River | M. Tucker |
| Sunday, December 1 | Prepare the Way, O Zion | S. Tucker |
| Sunday, December 22 | A Thrill of Hope | J. Raney |
| | Change Ring Prelude on Divinum Mysterium | F. Gramann |
| Tuesday, December 24 | God Rest You Merry Gentlemen | A. Sherman |
| Sunday, January 19 | Christ Be Our Light (limited number) | J. Raney |
| | Arise, Shine, Your Light Has Come | K. McChesney |
| Sunday, February 16 | I Want Jesus to Walk with Me | L. Stitt |
| Wednesday, March 5 | Lenten Compilation | W. Moats |
| Sunday, April 6 | Caribbean Praise on Azmon | H. Morris |
| Sunday, April 13 | Tree of Life | K. Lee Scott |
| Friday, April 18 | Ah, Holy Jesus | L. Larson |
| Sunday, April 20 | Thine Is the Glory | L. Larson |
| Sunday, May 4 | Come, Let Us Eat | C. Moklebust |

Rehearsals

The following is a listing of planned rehearsals as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – polishing party! – and playing |
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| 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. |
| NO REHEARSAL |
| 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. |
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Sunday, December 8 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 15 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 22 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 29 NO REHEARSAL Sunday, January 5 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, January 12 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, January 19 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, January 26 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, February 2 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, February 9 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, February 16 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, February 23 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 2 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 9 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 16 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 23 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 30 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, April 6 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, April 13 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Sunday, April 20 no rehearsal, but we play Sunday, April 27 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 4 No rehearsal, but we play

Fellowship Activities

The following is the schedule of fellowship activities as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Saturday, December 21 | Christmas Party | 6:00 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, May 14 | Sundaes on Wednesday | 6:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, June 14 | Picnic & Swimming | 3:00 p.m. |

The Junior Handbell Choir

We are pleased to offer this handbell program open to all children in the fourth through eighth grades who are interested in learning to ring handbells.

The group will be learning the fundamentals of ringing handbells and will also have the opportunity to learn some music theory. As such, no previous musical experience is necessary. Attendance at each rehearsal is a commitment we seek with this group as it has unique attendance requirements that a singing group does not have.

The group meets in the balcony of the sanctuary on Wednesday evenings (generally as part of the Wednesday Evening Ministries Program, although there may be additional rehearsals outside of the Wednesday evening program) from 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

The following dates have been scheduled to ring for worship services. The music has been selected but its use will be determined by the group's progress at the time. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Sunday, November 10 | Jesus Shall Reign (M. Prins) |
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| Sunday, February 23 | All Things Bright and Beautiful (S. Eithun) |
| Sunday, May 11 | Have Thine Own Way, Lord (L. Smith) |

The following is a listing of planned rehearsals as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

Those participants that are also in the Singing Saints will be excused from Singing Saints at 7:00 p.m. in order to go the handbell rehearsal.

| Wednesday, September 25 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, October 2 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 9 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m |
| Wednesday, October 16 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 23 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 30 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |

BREAK

| Wednesday, November 13 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, November 20 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |

BREAK

| Wednesday, January 15 | 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, January 22 | 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, January 29 | 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 5 | 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 12 | 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, February 19 | 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. |

BREAK

| Wednesday, April 23 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
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| Wednesday, April 30 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, May 7 | 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. |

Epiphany Brass

This group is comprised of those who enjoy making music with brass instruments and timpani to the glory of God. Membership is open to all those interested, generally from middle school age and older. The ensemble offers an opportunity for brass players to expand their playing abilities in the worship life of our congregation.

Mark Your Attendance

Because this group typically meets only twice a month for a limited time, it is important that you make every effort to be present for each rehearsal. Often times, there will be no one doubling your part. It is fair that you let the ensemble know when situations arise when you will be unable to attend rehearsals. For this purpose, we will have a special calendar in the Music Room specifically for brass players. Please mark your name on the calendar if you plan to NOT be present on a given Sunday. This system is not to penalize anyone or make you feel guilty about not being present. Rather, it serves as a helpful tool to the director and the remaining members of the group as rehearsals are organized.

The brass ensemble rehearses in the Music Room generally on the second and fourth Sundays of the month immediately following the second service at approximately noon until 12:30. Please keep in mind that the worship service may run beyond noon. Our plan is to practice for 30 minutes following the service, whatever time it ends. The director will meet you in the Music Room as soon as he finishes with the postlude.

Music

You will be given all music needed for our offerings at Epiphany. Please remember that the music belongs to the church. Treat it well. Please make markings in pencil and remember to return the music to the director when we have finished with it. Lost music will be your responsibility.

The following is the schedule of offerings as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. These offerings will be at both the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services unless otherwise indicated. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Sunday, September 8 | Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen | D. Cherwien |
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| | (all – no timpani) | |
| Sunday, October 27 | A Mighty Fortress | L. Smith |
| | Hymn accompaniments as well (all) | |
| Sunday, November 10 | Sing with All the Saints in Glory | H. Gerike |
| | French Horn only | |
| Sunday, December 15 | Come, Come Emmanuel | J. Raney |
| | Trumpet and horn | |

| Tuesday, December 24 | O Come, All Ye Faithful | D. Giardiniere |
|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| | Hark! The Herald Angels Sing | arr. L. Smith |
| | O Holy Night | arr. J. Althouse |
| Sunday, April 6 | For a Thousand Tongues | arr. P. Weber |
| Sunday, April 13 | The Tree of Life | K. Lee Scott |
| Sunday, April 20 | Easter Introit | J. Ferguson |
| All services | Thine Is the Glory | L. Larson |
| | Service music | |

Rehearsals

Rehearsals for this group will be on an "ad hoc" basis depending on instrumentation and availability, particularly with our college students' schedules. If you have questions, please contact Kevin at kevinbarger@epiphanyelca.org or 804-282-6066. Watch the bulletin and newsletter (as well as your email) for updates.

Fellowship Activities

The following is the schedule of fellowship activities as of September 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Saturday, December 21 | Christmas Party | 6:00 p.m. |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Wednesday, May 14 | Sundaes on Wednesday | 6:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, June 14 | Picnic & Swimming | 3:00 p.m. |

Instrumental Opportunities

We welcome instrumentalists to share their talents with us throughout the year. Ensembles, duets, trios, etc. can all be programmed in various locations. If you have a desire to participate in this fashion, please contact Kevin in order to ensure that we have room for all groups on a given day. We make music to the glory of God. The worship lie of our congregation is greatly enriched via this ministry.

We also have specific needs on some Sundays where individuals are needed to play with other groups. The schedule is subject to change. If you are willing to serve for any of these services, please let Kevin know. (Note, this list does NOT include brass – please see "Epiphany Brass" for those opportunities.

| Sunday | Instruments needed | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Sunday, September 8 | 4-hand piano | |
| Sunday, September 29 | clarinets | |
| Sunday, October 20 | flutes – 2 (Singing Saints) | |

Sunday, December 15 flute, clarinet, violins, cello, electric bass,

percussion

Sunday, December 22 violin, cello, flute, oboe, horn, percussion

Tuesday, December 24 snare drum Flutes - 2

Sunday, March 9 violin, percussion Sunday, April 27 violen, or c-instrument

The Resurrection Singers

This vocal group is designed to provide musical leadership for memorial and funeral services at Epiphany. The group does not rehearse on a regular basis. Names of those interested will be placed on a list. If your name appears on this list, you will be contacted when we are notified of a death in the congregation and service details have been finalized. You should be in the Music Room 45 minutes before the appointed service time. Depending on attendance, we may put together a short musical offering for the service, or we may simply review the hymns and music for the service. This group is open to all members of our congregation, and singing experience is not required. The main purpose of the group is to serve in a leadership capacity for these services honoring and celebrating the lives of our congregation.

Youth Music

Our youth in junior and senior high school are encouraged to participate in any of the above mentioned groups as they are able. There are also opportunities for those with instruments to participate in worship throughout the year. Please call Kevin Barger at (804) 746-5756 if you wish to be a participant in this fashion at any time throughout the year. See also earlier on this page for additional opportunities.

Youth Instrumental Ensemble

We continue our work on the creation of a more defined group consisting of guitars, piano, percussion and singers for assistance with leadership of hymns in worship. We will actually try to prepare some hymns available to us in a new resource introduced by Augsburg Fortress that gives us many options for use with *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*. This resource provides chords for each hymn in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

As we gain knowledge of those interested in sharing their talents with this group, we will finalize more details. We are looking to meet on Wednesdays in the late afternoon prior

to Wednesday Evening Ministries. Please talk with Pastor Phillip or Kevin Barger if you are interested in sharing your musical talents in worship in this manner.

Jubilation

Jubilation is a flute ensemble that plays throughout the year in worship and at other events including the Christmas Festival and CARITAS weeks. Membership is open to all those interested, generally from middle school age and older. The ensemble offers an opportunity for players to expand their playing abilities in the worship life of our congregation. Please note that the music we prepare with this group can be a bit more challenging for younger flutists.

We will work together to re-establish this group during this year. Stay tuned to emails, newsletters and bulletin announcements for further updates.

Music

You will either be given all music needed or we will use music that you provide for our offerings at Epiphany. Please remember that any music provided by Epiphany belongs to the church. Treat it well. Please make markings in pencil and remember to return the music to the director when we have finished with it. Lost music will be your responsibility.

Rehearsals

Rehearsal schedule will be established by the group.

Fellowship Activities

The following is the schedule of fellowship activities as of September 1, 2009. The schedule is subject to change. We appreciate your flexibility.

| Saturday, December 21 | Christmas Party | 6:00 p.m. |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Wednesday, May 14 | Sundaes on Wednesday | 6:30 p.m. |
| Saturday, June 14 | Picnic & Swimming | 3:00 p.m. |