

Traditional Service

Welcome & Passing the Peace

Prelude & Lighting of Altar Candles: *Cross of Sorrow (Ester Higgins)*

*Call to Worship

We have come this day to learn about what God expects of us.

Sometimes we really don't want to know what God wants.

We are afraid to make the commitments God seeks.

God is persistent. God will not let us off the hook so easily.

But we have failed so many times in the past. How can we possibly serve now?

Open your hearts to receive forgiveness and healing. Listen to God.

Be ready to work with God for hope, peace, justice and love.

Be with us, Lord. Help us to turn around, to see you, to serve you, to witness your Love. Amen.

Opening Hymn: #526 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

*Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

Gentle and loving God, our souls cling to you like a newborn baby clings to its mother. Give us this day the Bread of life, that as we feast at your table, our souls may be filled with your praise. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Children's Anthem: *To Be a Child of God*
Choralfest Choir

Children's Moment

Pastoral Prayer

Announcements

Offering God Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Anthem: *Behold the Savior of Mankind (Williams)*

*Doxology

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 10:1-12

Message: *Test*

Welcoming Children Back to Worship

Holy Communion

Receiving New Members

***Closing Hymn:** #512 *Stand by Me (vs. 1, 2, 3 & 4)*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Are Ye Able*

Organist: Tom Long

Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent:

Joshua 5:9-12 | Psalm 32 | 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 | Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Adult Ministries

Epiphany's 20th Anniversary Celebration Are you interested in planning an event celebration? If you are, we invite you to attend Epiphany's 20th Anniversary Celebration Planning Meeting this Monday, March 4th at 7:00 p.m. Please bring your creativity, ideas and suggestions for this milestone event. The meeting will take place in the Chapel. Please RSVP to Cindy Gordon at cindy.g.eumc@fuse.net. Thanks and Blessings!

2013 Disciplines Daily Devotions Located in the Narthex are a few more of the books so pick-up your very own for only \$14.00. On the honor system, please place a check (*payable to Epiphany UMC with 2013 Disciplines on the memo line*) or cash in the clear acrylic box located on the table.

March Food Donations All food and items donated in the month of March will be going to Milford-Miami Ministry. Items in need: personal hygiene and cleaning items (toothpaste, shampoo, dish soap, laundry detergent and

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toilet paper). Please place on the cart located in the Narthex.

Stephen Ministry A one-on-one care ministry, coming alongside those in need of a listening ear and a little extra support and encouragement. If you or someone you know might be in need of such a ministry, please contact Pastor Lisa at 677-9866 or lkerwin@epiphanyumc.org.

Weekend to Remember The Family Life Weekend to Remember is coming back to Cincinnati on March 8-10. It will be held at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Hotel Downtown. If you are interested in going and would like to register go to weekendtoremember.com. When registering, remember there is a group discount and look for the Epiphany UMC group listed. If you have any questions about the weekend or registering, contact Rob O'Neill at 508-7913 or r_soneill@cinci.rr.com.

Anne Lee: alee@epiphanyumc.org
Pastor Scott Russ: sruss@epiphanyumc.org

Children/Youth Ministries

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 16th at 10:00 a.m. The egg hunt is open to all children. There is no registration and the event is free. There will be coffee, donuts and juice for your enjoyment. If you have any questions, please contact Anne Lee at alee@epiphanyumc.org.



Ever Wonder.... What is going on and happening for your kids in Sunday School? Well now you can find out! Check out the Children's Bulletin Board in the hallway and the Children's Section on our website (Children/Sunday School).

March is Summer Camp Month! Stop by the Children's Ministries Office to pick up information about the various camps. For more

information please contact Anne Lee at alee@epiphanyumc.org.

Save the Date! **VBS - June 24-28** (Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure) and **Springhill - July 22-26** (at Epiphany). For more information regarding any of these events, please contact Anne Lee at alee@epiphanyumc.org.

Youth Small Groups Small Groups will meet on Sunday night, March 3rd. Junior High from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. and Senior High from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

The STORY The next event will be on Sunday, March 10th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The theme is: The Mission of Christ. Come for an interactive night totally lead by our teenagers as we continue to work through the story of God as it progresses through Scripture. All teens are welcome!

Chester Imhausen: cimhausen@epiphanyumc.org
John Schwallie: jschwallie@epiphanyumc.org
Beth Price: bprice@epiphanyumc.org

Music Ministries

Choralfest 2013 If you enjoy beautiful, choral music performed by children between the ages of 7 and 14 then I have an event of you. Please join the Epiphany Children's Choir at Choralfest on Sunday, March 9th, at Towne Blvd. Church of God (3722 Towne Blvd., Middletown, 45005). The **FREE** performance begins at 4:00 p.m. I promise you will not be disappointed. Hope to see you there.

Serving the Lord through Music If you enjoy contemporary music, please let **John Schwallie** know if you enjoy singing or play an instrument used often in the contemporary music setting. **Beth Price** welcomes children at any point to come and rehearse on Wednesdays. **Wendy Ransom** and **Chester Imhausen** are

interested in new people that want to join the handbell choirs, or serve on a week-by-week basis as a substitute. Our adult choirs rehearse Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and our Children's choir rehearses Thursday at 4:45 p.m. We have an adult choir open to new members through the spring. Our youth choir is growing again, and your son or daughter should contact Chester Imhausen if they are interested. YVIP (Youth Voices in Praise) rehearses on Sundays from 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. and concludes with pizza. We are always looking for new members in our music groups who are passionate about serving the Lord with their talent.

WELCOME TO EPIPHANY

Welcome to Epiphany United Methodist Church. We hope you find this service of worship to be inspiring and our Christian community to be warm and inviting. If you have any questions today, please direct them to one of our pastors or the greeters at the sanctuary doors. We ask everyone, including our guests, to please complete the communication card found in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for worshiping with us. If you are searching for a spiritual home, we would love to become that home for you.

Please lock doors. If you are at church for a meeting or event, please check to be sure all doors are locked before you leave.



Epiphany Opportunities

Easter Ushers/Greeters Needed Can you help this Easter by being an Usher or Greeter – welcoming our many guests and our Epiphany families on this holy occasion? We are looking for individuals to be Ushers/Greeters for the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Easter services. If you can, please check the service you attend and Rick Annett will be in touch! **Please check the communication card if you are able to serve.**

PIPs Progressive Dinner People in Progress, or people of the age group 55 (plus or minus), are having a Progressive Dinner on Sunday, March 10th at 4:00 p.m. We will begin with appetizers at the home of Anne Charles then on to dinner at the Oasis and finishing up with dessert at the home of Karl & Karrin Schaulin. The price is \$17 per person and each family will be asked to contribute an appetizer or dessert. For more information, contact Chester Imhausen, cimhausen@epiphanyumc.org. **Please check the communication card if you are interested in attending.**

Complete Staff contact list at <http://www.epiphanyumc.org/staff>

Communication Card

Date: March 3, 2013

Service: ___ 5:00 ___ 9:00 ___ 10:30

___ Member ___ Regular Attendee

___ Guest: ___ 1st Time ___ 2nd ___ 3rd

Name _____

Names & Ages of children attending this service: _____

Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

Neighborhood _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

___ This is a change in my information.

Information Desired

- Sunday School @ 5:00pm, 9:00 & 10:30am
- Music Adult/Children/Youth
- Small Groups
- Preschool
- Missions
- Membership
- Stephen Ministry
- Other
- Church Mail Folder*

*You will receive periodic communications in your folder, located in the rolling carts in the Narthex.

Current Opportunities

(Indicate areas in which you are interested.)

Please add your phone no. _____
or email: _____

- Easter Ushers/Greeters
March 31 @ 8:00 a.m. _____
March 31 @ 11:00 a.m. _____
- PIPs Progressive Dinner - Mar. 10

Prayer Requests for E-Mail Prayer Letter

Please indicate the relationship to you (e.g. relative, friend, neighbor, co-worker, etc.)

Please Keep Confidential

(Note: Prayer requests will be linked to Epiphany's web site unless marked confidential.)

Comments/Questions: _____

Place in the offering plate.

Epiphany Mission
 Creating
PASSION for Christ,
LOVE for each other,
 and
CHANGE in our world.



Stephen Ministry Leaders
 (One-On-One Christian Care)
 Ann Frye (295-7528)
 Rev. Lisa Kerwin (256-0481)

When times get tough,
 you don't need to go it alone.
 Stephen Ministers are available to help.
 Call Pastor Lisa (513-256-0481) for a
 confidential one on one appointment.

Pastoral Care

If you have a pastoral emergency, you
 may reach Pastor Lisa Kerwin at
 697-0581 or 256-0481 (cell), or
 Pastor Doug Damron, 583-0178
 or 403-2099 (cell).



**Would you like to
 be baptized or
 present your child
 for baptism?**

To schedule a baptism conversation,
 please call Pastor Lisa,
 677-9866, ext. 202 or email:
lkerwin@epiphanyumc.org.
 If you have already attended the
 conversation, please contact
 Dr. Doug or Pastor Lisa to secure
 a date and service time.

Facts and Figures

cagordon@epiphanyumc.org

February 23/24, 2013

Worship Attendance	806
Church School Attendance	251
Offering	\$20,468.33
Offering YTD	\$189,317.26
Offering %	18.9%
2013 Budget	\$1,001,000.00
Offering Ahead YTD:	\$35,317.26
Offering % Ahead YTD:	3.5%



Way to go Epiphany!
This past weekend's attendance
was a new attendance record
for a non-holiday weekend!
Praise God!

Automatic offering withdrawal forms are available
 for your convenience at www.epiphanyumc.org.



Men's Spring Retreat
The Stan Ringstaff Memorial Outing

The Friday morning Men's Group will be hosting a Church-wide
 Men's Retreat on the weekend of May 3-4. The retreat will be held
 at Hueston Woods State Park and will begin with dinner and a
 program. There will be golf tee times, nature hikes, etc. available.
 The Men's Group would like to make this an annual event to
 honor their late good friend Stan Ringstaff.
For more information, contact Ken Holloway (604-7641),
David Bach (677-8775) or Rex Gordon (677-1289).

Meetings

Jr. High Small Groups	Sun., Feb. 24	6:00 p.m.
Sr. High Small Groups	Sun., Feb. 24	7:30 p.m.
Disciple II	Sun., Mar. 3	6:30 p.m.
20th Anniversary Planning Mtg.	Mon., Mar. 4	7:00 p.m.
Love-In-Action	Tues., Mar. 5	9:30 a.m.
Mission Team Mtg.	Tues., Mar. 5	7:00 p.m.
Confirmation Class	Wed., Mar. 6	6:30 p.m.
Financial Peace University	Wed., Mar. 6	7:00 p.m.
Shawl Ministry	Thur., Mar. 7	10:00 a.m.
WIPs	Fri., Mar. 8	9:30 a.m.
Saturday Evening Service	Sat., Mar. 9	5:00 p.m.
Sunday School	Sat., Mar. 9	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Contemporary Service	Sun., Mar. 10	9:00 a.m.
Adult Sunday School	Sun., Mar. 10	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	Sun., Mar. 10	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Traditional Service	Sun., Mar. 10	10:30 a.m.
Sunday School	Sun., Mar. 10	10:30 a.m.
PIPs Progressive Dinner	Sun., Mar. 10	4:00 p.m.

Complete church calendar is located on our website at www.epiphanyumc.org

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
 Phone: (513) 677-9866 : : Email: hello@epiphanyumc.org



Hearing Assistance Available

This facility is equipped with a hearing assistance
 system. Please ask one of the Ushers for a receiver.



March 16	Easter Egg Hunt
March 28	Maundy Thursday
March 29	Good Friday
March 31	Easter Sunday
April 27-28	Confirmation Weekend



We find ourselves now travelling
 through the season of Lent.
 These 40 days are a time for
 repentance before God,
 reconciliation with others, and the
 renewal of our commitment to
 live the way of Christ. Giving up
 a simple pleasure or vice is one
 practical way we remind ourselves
 of the pain Christ endured for us
 and the price of living the way of
 radical love and transformative
 justice. Taking up new practices
 such as Bible reading, prayer,
 fasting, service, and giving is also
 encouraged as a means we draw
 closer to Christ. The season of
 sacrifice ends when we behold the
 miracle of the empty tomb on
 Easter. The liturgical color
 for Lent is purple.

Worship Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Contemporary
 Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Contemporary
 10:30 a.m. Traditional
 Sunday School at all services.
Invite a friend to join you!

March 3, 2013

Sunday Traditional Service



**Conversion School:
 Becoming Wholly Christian**



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Dr. Doug Damron, Senior Pastor

Rev. Lisa Kerwin, Associate Pastor

Rev. Scott Russ, Youth Pastor