

-April-

Dr. Jim Childs

Thursdays 4/7, 14, 21*, 28
7:00-8:00 PM

*4/21 class will begin at 8:00 PM following
our Maundy Thursday Worship

“Decisions at the Beginning and End of Life”

Modern medicine and medical science have created new ethical challenges never before seen in human history. How should individual Christians and the Christian community respond to such issues as in vitro fertilization, embryonic stem cell research, genetic testing, "genetic abortion," "passive euthanasia," assisted dying, etc.

Jim Childs is currently the Edward C. Fendt Professor of Systematic Theology at Trinity Lutheran Seminary as well as the interim Academic Dean of Students. As the former Professor of Theology and Ethics at Trinity, Jim has spent much of the last 30 years at Trinity teaching, speaking and authoring on the topic of Christian ethics.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



....and with all thy getting, get an understanding Proverbs 4:7b



Epiphany U

- Epiphany University brings our congregation's seminary-educated staff and members together as one faculty for a unique year-long learning series.
- Members and guests are highly encouraged to attend each one of these exceptional courses. They are free of charge.
- Each course will be held at Epiphany Lutheran Church.
- We encourage you to bring your Bible to each course, take notes and ask questions!
- Our thanks to each of our faculty members this year and their willingness to share their passion and knowledge with this congregation as we try to grow in faith, love and service.
- Do you have suggestions for future courses? You may email your suggestions or questions to Jeff Mitchell, Minister of Christian Education.

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**“Higher Education
for a Deeper Faith”**

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2011 Class Schedule



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-January-

Pastor Carl Rayburn

Thursdays 1/6, 13, 20, 27
7:00-8:00 PM

“Who Is My Neighbor”

Our faith tradition has always invited us to wrestle with the question “who is my neighbor?” During these four sessions, participants will wrestle with that question in relationship to the challenges and opportunities posed by international people in the world, in the United States and in the Central Ohio area. Resources for the discussions will include: Biblical materials, UN & US government information, a local agency that serves immigrants and refugees, and representatives of the international community as represented by the African International Lutheran Mission.

Pastor Rayburn is a graduate of OSU College of Law and practiced law for 2 1/2 years before entering Trinity Lutheran Seminary. Following his ordination, he served as Pastor of Augsburg Lutheran Church in Cincinnati for some 18 1/2 years. He then served as the Program Director of the International Family Resource Center - a program that provides services to immigrants and refugees. After 5 years with the IFRC, he accepted a Call to serve as Pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Columbus. He now is part-time Pastoral Associate at Epiphany and part-time Interim Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church in Obetz.

-February-

Jeff Mitchell

Tues. 1, 8, 15, 22 OR Thurs. 2/3, 10, 17, 24
7:00-8:00 PM 10:00-11:00 AM

“The God in Nineveh”

You know the story of Jonah, right? “Sure...about the guy who gets swallowed by a fish.” While that’s true, the story takes on so much more meaning when we take our focus off of Jonah and place it on the God who is at work in the most un-expected places in this story. This amazing book is both funny (satirical) and prophetic, and as you see what God is up to in Nineveh, you may begin to see what God wants to do for and in you. If you want to see how the Bible can come to life for you today, this is a great book to get started on. Bring your Bible and be ready to start highlighting!

Jeff Mitchell is the Minister of Christian Education for Epiphany and has been on staff for 9 years. He has a Master’s Degree from Trinity Lutheran Seminary and has been teaching and leading various Bible courses as a full-time minister for over 14 years.

-March-

Dr. Walter Huffman

Sundays 3/6, 13, 20, 27
11:00-12:00 AM

“Making Sense of Sunday Worship”

An opportunity to delve into the meaning of what we do every Sunday morning: worship. Its ancient shape, how it was formed and deformed, our Lutheran liturgical DNA, dramatic developments in the past fifty years, misunderstanding categories of “traditional” or “contemporary,” and a vision for the future.

*For almost 30 years **Walter Huffman** was a professor of worship at our Columbus seminary. In addition to teaching the many facets of our worship, as dean of chapel he led the community’s worship life too. The aim of most of the articles and books he has written were to give congregants a more informed and vital worship experience. He intends to compile a booklet of worship helps for those who attend this four week Lenten series.*

Don’t miss April’s class on the back! ➡

