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**Epiphany Lutheran Church Hosting Special “Bee House Build”  
on Mother’s Day Weekend**

*Collierville, Tennessee, USA* – On Saturday, May 12, 2018, Epiphany Lutheran Church will host their Garden Spring Kickoff Event “Bee Ready – Build A Bee House!” This fun, family event at the Epiphany Community Garden (located at the corner of Wolf River Blvd. and Bray Station Road in Collierville) is open to the public and will take place from 9:30 am – noon.

Epiphany will have light refreshments, and special treats and presents for all mothers to honor them on Mother’s Day Weekend will be given away.

Everyone who attends can build a mason bee house to take home, along with instructions on where to place the bee house in their own yard or garden for best results. According to The Honeybee Conservancy (<https://thehoneybeeconservancy.org/>), creating safe havens for mason bees in home gardens can help to protect our environment, and increase their population. These peaceful non-stinging bees supplement the stressed honey bee and can help to sustain our future food supply; they are very productive pollinators for spring flowers and fruits.

In addition, the event is designed to be a great way to meet your neighbors! Along with catching a glimpse of the purple martins who reside at the garden, attendees will have an opportunity to tour the Epiphany Community Garden, which produced over 1,800 pounds of produce in 2017 that was donated to the Collierville Food Pantry and Page Robbins Adult Day Center, as well as Trinity Ministries and the St. Mary’s Soup Kitchen in Memphis. Garden work has begun already for this year, with plans to surpass last year’s total. Volunteers are welcome to come and work the garden on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 8:30 am – 11:30 am (weather permitting).



**About Epiphany Lutheran Church:** Epiphany Lutheran Church worships every Sunday at 10:00 am in Schaeffer Memorial Chapel at Kingsway Christian Church, 7887 Poplar Avenue in Germantown (right next to Whole Foods). Epiphany's Community Garden, tended by volunteers, provided over 1,800 pounds of produce in 2017 to the Collierville Food Pantry, Page Robbins Adult Day Center and other area organizations. For more information, contact Pastor Monica Weber, (901) 861-6227, or visit [www.epiphanylu.org](http://www.epiphanylu.org).

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