



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for March 25, 2018

That all might thrive and serve in the light of God's grace.



Today is Palm Sunday, a celebration of the day Jesus entered into Jerusalem and the beginning of Holy Week. Jesus entered into Jerusalem with crowds gathered around him, waving palms and shouting "Hosanna!" According to the Gospels, Jesus' followers covered his path in palm fronds and waved them in the tradition of a triumphant procession of a high-ranking person. This journey is the beginning of a chain of events which culminates in Jesus' crucifixion on the cross on Good Friday and his ultimate resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Epiphany Today

Sunday School for all ages downstairs at 9:45 am

Signs outside the classrooms identify the age groups.

K & 1, 2nd & 3rd, 4th & 5th — Spark!

Middle School—downstairs in CIA Room

High School — downstairs in Real Time Room

Adults — downstairs for Bible study & Wired Word discussion

Handbell practice today at 12:30 p.m.

North Gwinnett Co-Op items & monetary donations are due today. The Outreach team wraps up its 500 items/\$500 drive today for the Co-Op. Monetary donations may be placed in box marked "donations" in the Narthex or placed in the offering plate (note North Gwinnett Co-op on envelope).

Holy Week Services and Celebrations

Maudy Thursday, March 29

12 pm - Service with Readings & Hymns

7:30 pm - Service with Foot Washing & Communion

Good Friday, March 30

12 pm - Service with Readings & Hymns

5:30 pm - Fish Fry Fundraiser Dinner

7:30 pm - Traditional Service

Easter Egg Hunt -Saturday, March 31

10 am - 1 pm

(Lunch served 11:30 am - 12 pm)

Easter Sunday, April 1

7 am - Community Sunrise Service at Suwanee Town Center (led by Epiphany)

8:30 am & 11 am - Services with Communion at Epiphany

7:30 am - 10:30 am - Pancake Fundraiser Breakfast at Epiphany

Welcome visitors!

If you are visiting with us, please complete the visitor information on the Blue Signup Slip in your bulletin. Epiphany's nurseries for infants and toddlers are staffed with adult childcare professionals. Children up to kindergarten age are welcome in the nurseries, located just outside the worship center. Of course, children of all ages are invited to worship. **Please have a cup of coffee with us in our Holy Beans Café** in the lobby. Check out our website, epiphanysuwanee.org, for more information about Epiphany. And don't hesitate to contact us if we can be of service, 770-831-1966. Epiphany is a church that welcomes **ALL!**

Can you serve Rainbow Village in April? We are in need of a group of individuals to prepare and serve dinner for Rainbow Village residents on Tuesday, April 10 at 6 pm. If you'd like to help out, please sign up on the Blue slip. Rainbow Village is located in Duluth, about 10 minutes from Epiphany.

There's still time to purchase an Easter plant for

the altar Help adorn our altar area for Easter Sunday with the colorful plants of spring. Cost is \$15 and you can take a plant home with you after the 11 am service on Easter. Most of the plants are ones that can be planted in your yard or in a container so you can enjoy them beyond Easter Sunday. **See the back of the PINK slip insert to sign up; deadline is TODAY.**

Good Friday Fish Fry Make plans to join us for our annual Fish Fry on March 30 at 5:30 pm. Your free-will offering will help fund our Haitian Timoun Foundation Summer Youth trip to Haiti in July. The menu will include fried catfish, baked fish, gluten-free options, hot dogs for kids and desserts. Invite your friends and family to join you and stay for the Good Friday service at 7:30 pm. Sign up today on the blue slip if you're coming!

Annual Easter Egg Hunt, March 31, 10 am - 1 pm There will be music, story time, crafts, indoor games, a photo booth, pictures with the Easter Bunny, a bounce house and lunch (served from 11:30-12 pm). Please bring a canned food donation for the North Gwinnett Co-Op. Candy donations are being collected now and may be placed in the blue bin in the Narthex. **Volunteers are also needed** - please sign up on the Blue Slip if you'd like to help!

Easter Sunday Pancake Breakfast Breakfast will be served by our Men's Group on Easter from 7:30 - 10:30 am downstairs. Your free-will donation will support the Epiphany high school youth trip to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston this summer. Sign up on the blue slip today!

Women's Group April Get-Together Join us for a Paint Party on Tuesday, April 10 at 7 pm at Gina Hermansen's home. It will be led by an artist, so no artistic talent required! Supplies will be provided; there will be a small fee for supplies & a canvas. Sign up on the Blue slip if you can make it!

Just So Seniors April Outing April 12th will find the Epiphany Seniors group touring Barrington Hall in Roswell followed by lunch at a local venue. Bus transportation from the church (leaving at 10 am) will be available. Check the Barrington Hall website for more information about this historic home. Sign up on the blue slip. Friends are welcome!

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Epiphany This Week

Tuesday, March 27

10:00 AM Women's Book Club

Wednesday, March 28

NO Wednesday Night Meal or Service this week

Thursday, March 29 - Maundy Thursday

10:00 AM Bible Study
12:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service - Readings & Hymns
7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, March 30 - Good Friday

6:30 AM Men's Breakfast Bible study,
(IHOP, 3463 L'ville-Suwanee Rd)
12:00 PM Good Friday Service - Readings & Hymns
5:30 PM Fish Fry HTF Youth Trip Fundraiser Dinner
7:30 PM Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 31

10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 1 - Easter Sunday

7:30 - 10:30 AM Pancake Fundraiser Breakfast
8:30 AM **Worship**
11:00 AM **Worship**

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 am-4 pm; Friday, 9 am-noon.

Contact laurie.tinc@epiphanysuwanee.org to schedule meetings; send info for the newsletter to Loren Means at communications@epiphanysuwanee.org.

Wednesdays at the Well Our midweek meal and service will not be held during Holy Week and is also canceled for Wednesday, April 4 due to local schools' spring break week. **Join us again on Wednesday, April 11** for our community meal at 6 pm, Imagine children's choir at 6:25 pm, and worship service at 7 pm.

Child Protection Training Are you planning on helping out with VBS or other youth-related activities? All volunteers that help with kids under the age of 18 must take a child protection training class. Classes will be offered on Wednesday, April 11 at 6 pm and on Sunday, April 22 at 9:45 am. Please sign up on the blue slip.

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....Judy Iski
Tuesday.....Carol Johnson
Wednesday.....Vanessa Johnson
Thursday.....Kevin Jones
Friday.....Sheila Jones
Saturday.....Alan, Bridgett, Eric, Tanner, Christopher & Delaney Jorgensen

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