



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for June 3, 2018

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



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, epiphanyswanee.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!**

Eagle Scout Phillip Howey's extraordinary gift to Epiphany was six beautiful raised bed gardens at the far end of the parking lot. The CIA middle school crew has spent the last few weekends planting vegetables, fruit, and herbs in them! If you would like to help us tend the garden over the summer, there is a sign up sheet on the Serve bulletin board in the Narthex.

Epiphany Today

Our Summer Worship schedule has started

Worship times are now 9:00 am and 10:30 am and there are no formation/Sunday School classes in between services. We invite you to socialize in our coffee bar area before and after services!

Today at both services, we are commissioning our middle and high school youth and adults who will be going to Camp Lutherock in Newland, NC and the ELCA Southeastern Synod Affirm Youth Event in Livingston, AL during the week of June 10-16.

Elementary-Age Kids Lock-In Grab your sleeping bag & pillow and come to the Lock-In on Wednesday, June 6 at 8 pm. If you'll be here for the water balloon battle after the service, bring a towel and clothes to change in to afterwards. Pick up is at 8 am on Thursday. Sign up on the blue slip!

Stay Connected this Summer! Since we are not having Wednesday night dinners or formation classes during the summer, we encourage you to stay connected to your church family with other activities. Mark your calendars now for these Summer Youth & Family events starting next week!

-Wednesday, June 6 - Get ready! Water balloon battle after the 7 pm service and Elementary kids Lock-In at 8 pm

-Wednesday, June 20 - VBS Week at Wednesday Service - everyone gets an instrument! Also, High School Hang Out after the service (location TBD).

-Sunday, June 24 - Middle & High School Kids Lock-In

-Wednesday, July 25 - Join us at Suwanee Town Center after the service. Grab an Italian ice, smoothie or frozen yogurt from one of the shops and hang out with your Epiphany friends!

-Sunday, July 29 - Rising 9th Grade Event - Welcome to Real Time!

Save the Date for our **Car Wash Fundraiser on Sunday, June 17.**

Our high school youth will be washing cars during the 9 and 10:30 am services to raise money for our youth trips.

Register now for Vacation Bible School This year's theme is Rolling River Rampage: Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God! **VBS will be held the week of June 18-22 from 9 am to 12 pm.** VBS is open to all children ages 3-5th grade (*children must be potty-trained*). The cost is \$25 per child or \$50 max/family.

Register on our website at epiphanyswanee.org/vbs or in the church office.

Volunteer for VBS! Several volunteers are needed in many areas, including: working on decorations before VBS week, set-up for VBS on Sunday, June 17, registration/check-in June 18, group leaders (adult and youth), group leaders assistants, daily clean-up helpers, end of week ice cream social on June 22, and nursery help throughout the week. Can't volunteer all week? No problem! Just let us know what dates you are available. 6th graders up through all ages of adults are welcome to help out! **Sign up on the blue slip, let us know what you'd like to help with, what days you are available.** Or, you can email Gina Hermansen at epiphanyvbs@epiphanyswanee.org.

We need to borrow some items for VBS Do you have artificial Christmas trees, camping tents, inflatable rafts, and/or inner tubes we can borrow to use for VBS? All items will be returned to you afterwards. Please sign up on the blue slip or see Tim Murphy if you can provide any of these items.

Hygiene Items for Haiti We will be collecting items to create hygiene kits for our high school youth to distribute in Haiti in July. Please place the items in the collection bin in the Narthex by Sunday, June 24. **The items needed are:** washcloths, full-size bars of soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste and deodorant. We need full-size toothpaste and deodorant (not travel size). You may also make a monetary donation to help purchase hygiene items. Make sure to mark your check or envelope with "HTF Hygiene Kits".

Women's Book Clubs in June. The weekly Women's Book Club is on a break for the summer. Please feel free to join the Monthly book club this summer! They meet once a month in the evening. Coming up for June, the monthly book club will be reading The Story of Arthur Truluv by Elizabeth Berg. They will meet on Monday, June 11 at 7 pm at La Madeleine (Mall of Georgia location).

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Epiphany This Week

Wednesday, June 6

7:00 PM **Worship**
7:30 PM Water Balloon Battle after service
8:00 PM Elementary-age Kids Lock-In
8:00 PM Rehearsal for Sunday Worship

Thursday, June 7

8:00 AM Pick-Up kids from Lock-In
10:00 AM Bible Study

Friday, June 8

6:30 AM Men's Breakfast Bible study, (*IHOP, 3463 L'ville-Suwanee Rd*)

Sunday, June 10

9:00 AM **Worship**
10:30 AM **Worship**

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 am-4 pm; Friday, 9 am-noon. Contact laurie.tinc@epiphanyswanee.org to schedule meetings; send info for the newsletter to Loren Means at communications@epiphanyswanee.org.

Just So Seniors June event The Epiphany Just So Seniors group will meet June 14 in the church fellowship hall. We'll be "exploring a paper trail." The morning will begin with Bo Jangles biscuits and centering. Everyone is asked to bring an example of something printed on or made of paper that holds a special place in their memories. Silly or serious, it doesn't matter. \$5 will cover biscuits and a fun paper project.

Epiphany Gardens - Weed n Water Signup The CIA middle school crew has spent the last few weekends planting vegetables, fruit, **and** herbs in our raised beds at the far end of the parking lot! If you would like to help us tend the garden over the summer, there's a sign up sheet on the Serve bulletin board in the narthex. You may use the hose on the side of the building. Email Julie Sutton for details - juliesutton@gmail.com.

Wednesdays at the Well on June 6 Our midweek gathering provides a "cup of living water" in the middle of your week. Worship is at 7 p.m. The Wednesday night meal is on hold for summer and will return sometime in August. **Join us after the service for a water balloon battle and Elementary kids lock-in!**

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....Tyler, Courtney & Tinsley Schluter
Tuesday.....Jodi Schwering
Wednesday.....Jerry, Courtney & Tyler Seufert
Thursday.....Dave & Debbie Shealy
Friday.....Barry, Tami, Madeline & Logan Sherrick
Saturday....Katie Sieck, Marc, Liam, Logan & Owen Ranfone

Reaching out, raising up, and changing the world through the light of the living Christ!