



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for October 20, 2019

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 Sign-up Slip in your bulletin. Epiphany's nurseries for infants and toddlers are staffed with adult childcare professionals. Children *age 5 and under* 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, *epiphany-suwanee.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!**

Despite the rainy weather, we had a great turnout for the Atlanta Pride Festival and Parade! Thanks to Teresa Bullard & Kristin Atchison for planning and organizing Epiphany's group and also working with Georgia Lutherans Welcome You. Bishop Strickland was in attendance and served communion before the parade.

Epiphany Today

Worship services are at 8:30 am and 11 am. Sunday

School Faith Formation classes for all ages are 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 the Real Time room

Adults - Downstairs for Bible Study & Dialogues On: Race class

New Member Class TODAY Are you interested in becoming a member of Epiphany? Please join us for our new member class today immediately after the 11 am service. Lunch will be served downstairs and the class will last until 2 pm.

Handbells Rehearsal Dates Our handbell choir will rehearse **TODAY, 12:15-1:15 pm**. Please meet downstairs in the music room.

CIA (Confirmation) session today immediately after the 11 am service.

What Begins Here... By now, you should have received a letter in the mail with details outlining our 2020 General Fund Appeal and the 2022-2022 Capital Fund Appeal. Your pledge card was also enclosed in that letter. **We will be turning in pledge cards TODAY.** Extra pledge cards are available if you forgot yours and you may also bring yours in next week if needed. We need your help to continue our message of All means ALL to our community and to share with others what a unique and special place Epiphany is. In addition to funding our own budget, the generosity that begins here allows us to be generous in assisting others locally and across the globe.

Funding Our Ministry

Month of September

Giving (General & Capital Funds)	\$41,945
Total spending for ministry	\$64,116
Deficit for the month.....	(\$22,171)
Year-to-date deficit	(\$79,525)

October Pub Theology No surprise here—our topic for the October Pub Theology is Theology of Reformation. Come learn and talk about Martin Luther and the Reformation with your fellow Epiphany members this **Thursday, October 24 at 7 pm**. We provide the pizza, you bring your favorite beverage and join the conversations!

Trunk or Treat Is Next Weekend! Get your costumes and trunk themes ready! Our annual Trunk or Treat Fall Festival is coming up on Sunday, **October 27, 4:30—7 pm**. There'll be contests for best trunk, best adult costume, best kid costume, and best family costume. We'll also have a soup & chili cook-off and a best dessert contest (apple and pumpkin). We'll have a corn hole tournament again (teams of 2), so start practicing now! Dinner will be provided, but we need A-L last names to bring a hot side and M-Z last names to bring a cold side dish. Please invite your friends, family and neighbors to join you! Sign up on the blue slip if you're attending and let us know what you'll be bringing as well.

Real Time High School Retreat Just a reminder that the Real Time group will be going on a retreat to Lutheranch in Tallapoosa, GA on **November 1-3**. Cost is \$150 and includes transportation and food. Return time on November 3 will be sometime before the 11 am service at Epiphany. Please see Laurie Tinc or Tony Bullard to get a permission form to fill out.

Save the Date Our annual Women's Ornament Exchange party will be on Monday, December 2 at 7 pm at Gina Hermansen's house. More details to come!

College Care Boxes Each fall we put together care packages for our college students. Please bring in large shoe boxes for our upcoming College Care Box project and take a tag off the board with needed items for the boxes. Items are due back by **November 6**. Parents—please list your college student's name on the blue slip if you'd like a box for them.

Book Club Selections The monthly book club will meet on **Monday, October 21** at 7 pm at La Madeleine French Café in Buford. They will be discussing *Have You Seen Luiz Velez* by Catherine Ryan Hyde. The November book is *Ask Again Yes* by Mary Beth Keane.

Follow us on **Instagram**, *epiphanysuwanee* and **Facebook** at *facebook.com/epiphanysuwaneega*



Epiphany's Official Affirmation of Welcome: Our unity is in Christ. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of any human divisions: race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental conditions, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or **anything** that often divides us.

Epiphany This Week

Monday, October 21

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting

Wednesday, October 23

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

7:00 PM Worship Service

8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, October 24

10:00 AM Bible Study

7:00 PM Pub Theology

Friday, October 25

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

Sunday, October 27

8:30 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Worship Service

4:30 PM Trunk or Treat Fall Festival

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 gathering provides a break in the middle of your week with a short sermon and communion. **Join us for dinner at 6 pm and get to know other Epiphany members over a great meal!** Dinner will be Chicken Pot Pie, red potatoes, green beans salad and dessert. Suggested free-will offering is \$6/adult, \$3/child. Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted. Sign up on the Blue slip. **Worship is at 7 pm.** Worship Rehearsal follows at 8 pm.

Youth Retreat Prince of Peace Lutheran in Johns Creek is hosting their first Reckless Love Youth Retreat on October 26, 5-8:30 pm. Dinner will be served, and there will be small and large group discussions along with worship and a guest speaker. All high/middle school youth welcome!

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....John Pezzino

Tuesday.....Teresa Pino

Wednesday..... Paul, Kathy, Nick, Noah & Valerie Preuss

Thursday..... Jason, Lisa & Joel Pugsley

Friday.....Sam, Sandy & Lisee Pullara

Saturday.....Ram & Pam Ramkumar