



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for November 24, 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, 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!**

Our Epiphany Just So Seniors Group met last week for Biscuits, Bible Study and Being Servants. The group completed a holiday project to benefit a local assisted living facility. Just So Seniors meets once a month; they usually meet at Epiphany, but also meet at local restaurants and visit local area attractions and activities.

Epiphany Today

Worship services are at 8:30 am and 11 am. There are no Faith Formation classes today. Please feel free to gather in our coffee area before or after the services.

Elementary & Middle School "Late-In" TONIGHT

From 5 pm to 11 pm, all Elementary and Middle School youth are invited to come hang out, play some games, and watch a movie at our "Late-In". NO sleepover this time around! Parents will pick up kids at 11 pm.

Thanksgiving Eve Service We will have a Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, **November 27 at 7 pm.** The service will be the Holden Evening Prayer service that we use throughout the Advent season. Please bring your family and friends along! There will not be a Wednesday night meal that night.

Holiday Worship Schedule

Wednesdays in Advent with Holden Evening Prayer Service:
December 4, 11, & 18 at 7 pm.
Christmas Eve Services: 5 pm, 7 pm and 11 pm.
Christmas Day Worship at 10 am.
Sunday, December 29—ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10 am

Epiphany's Mission & Vision Every few years it's good for any organization to examine who they are, what they are doing, and make sure they are on the right track. It's been a while since we've done this at Epiphany and we need the congregation to be a part of it. Your voice is important to us. The process for updating our mission and vision statements will extend over the next few months and will be filled with a lot of learning, discussion, self-discovery, and fun. Thank you to those of you who came to our first Mission & Vision discussion. Future meeting dates are **January 12, February 16 & March 15.** *Because this is an ongoing process, we need your attendance and participation at each meeting, not just one.* So, get these dates on your calendar and help Epiphany continue to be the great church that it is!

College Care Boxes Are Ready Many thanks to all of you who donated snack supplies, gift cards and shoe boxes to our College Care Packages project! The awesome CIA of Epiphany made 56 boxes of sugar and love to give to our college students and their roommates and friends to support them while preparing for upcoming finals. Don't forget to pick yours up if you submitted the name of your favorite college student! They are waiting in the narthex right now so you can have them before Thanksgiving break!

Giving Tree Our Giving Tree is up and ready for you to select an angel to provide a gift for a child in need at the Quinn House or Rainbow Village. Please select an angel off the tree and make sure to put your contact information on the sign-up sheet next to the corresponding angel number on the sheet. Return the gift or gift card unwrapped with the original angel securely attached to it no later than **Sunday, December 8**. If you purchase a gift card, please put it in the designated box on the table next to the tree.

Pub Theology Due to the holidays, we are combining the November & December Pub Theology and holding it on Thursday, **December 5 at 7 pm**. Kris Perkola will lead the discussion on Holiness. We provide the pizza, you bring your favorite beverage and join us for some great conversation.

Save the Date for Celebrate Epiphany As you start your holiday shopping, please remember to look for items you can purchase and donate for our annual Celebrate Epiphany dinner and silent auction/raffle. This adults-only fundraiser event will be held the evening of **Sunday, January 26**. Please give any items you purchase to Laurie Tinc and include the cost/value of the item.

Women's Ornament Exchange Our annual Women's Ornament Exchange party will be on Monday, **December 2 at 7 pm** at Gina Hermansen's house. Please bring an ornament no more than \$15 in value to exchange and a snack/appetizer or drink to share. Sign up on the blue slip if you are coming!

Book Club Selections December's book for the monthly book club is *The Christmas Pearl* by Dorothea Benton Frank and they will meet at the home of Cathy Laszewski on December 18. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

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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, November 25

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting

Wednesday, November 27

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

7:00 PM **Worship Service**

8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, November 28– Thanksgiving Day

-OFFICE CLOSED-

Friday, November 29

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

Sunday, December 1 – NO FAITH FORMATION TIME

8:30 AM **Worship Service**

11:00 AM **Worship Service**

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. Our next Wednesday Night Dinner is December 4. **Join us for dinner at 6 pm and get to know other Epiphany members over a great meal!** 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—we'd love to see you there!**

Christmas Candlelight Dinner We will have a Christmas Candlelight Dinner on **Wednesday, December 18 at 6 pm**. Dinner will feature Ham with Cherry Glaze and Rosemary Chicken. *We need a headcount for the dinner, so you need to RSVP and let us know if you'll be attending by signing up on the blue slip.* We invite you to stay after dinner for our Holden Evening Prayer service at **7 pm**.

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....Mark Thielman

Tuesday.....Dave & Debbie Thomas & Laila Rodriguez

Wed.Margaret Thompson

Thursday.....Wade. Renae. Cole, Jack & Peyton Thompson

Friday.....Nate, Laurie, Connor & Kenna Tinc

Saturday.....Chris, Kim, Jack & Lena Towne

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