



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for November 25, 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 Sign-up 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!**

Epiphany collected food items and gift cards for the North Gwinnett Co-Op's Thanksgiving boxes. Thanks to your generosity, we met our goal of providing 100 meal boxes and \$20 gift cards for families to purchase turkeys. Thanks to Jerome Brown for delivering the boxes to the Co-Op!

Epiphany Today

Worship services are at 8:30 am and 11:00 am.

No Sunday School Formation time today in between services. We invite you to have some coffee in the gathering space in the Narthex.

There's Still Time to Turn in Your Pledge Card Our appeal for the General Fund, Be the Light, has concluded. *If you haven't turned in your pledge card yet, you may place it in the offering plate today or get it to the church office this week.*

Thank you to those who shared their stories of Being the Light and what it means for them to be a part of Epiphany.

College Care Packages are ready for pick-up

If you signed up for your college student to receive a care package for final exams, they are ready for pick-up today. Each box is labeled with the student's name and will be in the Narthex area. Thanks to everyone who donated items and to our Confirmation kids and guides for helping assemble the boxes!

New Member Class TODAY We will be having a New Member's Class immediately following the 11 am service. Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in learning more about Epiphany and becoming a member, please join us downstairs today!

Giving Tree Angels available now The tree in the Narthex area is our Giving Tree, which helps the Quinn House in Lawrenceville provide Christmas for people in need in the community. Each angel has a requested item on it from a child or a senior citizen. Please take an angel and **make sure to provide your information in the binder next to the listed item so we know who is purchasing that item** and can contact you if the item is not turned in by the deadline. You may take more than one angel if you would like. Bring items back to the church *unwrapped with the original angel securely attached to it.* ALL ITEMS ARE DUE BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16. If you do not get the item back to the church by that date, you will need to take it to the Quinn House as we will not be able to deliver any late items for you.

Join us for Pub Theology on November 29 Come get to know your fellow Epiphany members better, and enjoy some pizza and good conversation on Thursday, **November 29** at 7 pm. Bring your favorite beverage; pizza will be provided. Kris Perkola will be leading our conversation on Salvation. Please sign up on the Blue Slip if you are coming.

Save the date for our annual Advent Sunday

School event Everyone is invited to the all-ages formation event between services on Sunday, **December 2**. We will explore the roles of Elizabeth, Joseph, and the angel Gabriel in the months leading up to the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. Activities will include music, crafts, Bible stories, and more. Preschool and kindergarten-age kids must be accompanied by an adult.

Women's Ornament Exchange All women are invited to this annual event on Monday, **December 10 at 7 pm**. Please bring an appetizer, a drink to share, and a \$10 (max) ornament. The event will be held at the McGinnis Reserve neighborhood clubhouse, 3451 Lake McGinnis Drive, Suwanee. Sign up on the Blue slip.

December Book Club Selections The weekly book club meets at **10 am on Tuesdays** at Epiphany and has chosen *The Rent Collector* by Camron Wright. The monthly evening book club will meet on **Monday, December 19** at 7 pm at the home of Cathy Laszewski in Buford. They are reading *The Deal of a Lifetime* by Fredrick Backman.

Rainbow Village December Dinner We need individuals to prepare and serve dinner at Rainbow Village on Tuesday, December 11. Volunteers needs to be there at 5:15; dinner is served at 6 pm. Please sign up on the Blue slip.

Worship schedule for Upcoming Holidays:

- Sunday, December 23: Normal Worship schedule (8:30 & 11 am)
- **Christmas Eve**, Monday, December 24:
Worship Services at 5 pm, 7 pm and 11 pm
- **Christmas Day**, Tuesday, December 25: Worship at 10 am
- Wednesday, December 26: No Wednesday Dinner or Worship
- Sunday, December 30: Worship service at 10 am (one service)
- Wednesday, January 2: No Wednesday Dinner or Worship

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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

Tuesday, November 27

10:00 AM Weekly Book Club

Wednesday, November 28

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner
 6:25 PM Children's Choir
 7:00 PM **Worship**
 8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, November 29

10:00 AM Bible Study
 7:00 PM Pub Theology

Friday, November 30

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

Sunday, December 2

8:30 AM **Worship**
 9:30 AM Large Group Opening
 9:45 AM Advent Formation Event
 11:00 AM **Worship**
 12:00 PM New Member Class
 12:00 PM CIA Formation Session
 12:15 PM Handbells Practice

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 "cup of living water" in the middle of your week with a short sermon and communion. **Join us for dinner at 6 pm** for Fried Chicken, sweet potato casserole, mixed veggies, salad and dessert! Suggested free-will offering is \$6/adult, \$3/child. Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted. Sign up on the Blue slip. **Children's choir is at 6:25 pm** - pre-school through elementary-age kids. **Worship is at 7 pm.** Worship Rehearsal follows the service at 8 pm.

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:
 Monday.....Donna Rutter
 Tuesday.....Stuart, Lisa, Kevin & Eric Ryba
 Wednesday..... Tim, Madison & Chance Sanders
 Thursday..... Mark, Sarah, Catherine & Peter Schlueter
 Friday.....Jerry, Courtney & Tyler Seufert
 Saturday Dave & Debbie Shealy