



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for January 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 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!**

Our Celebrate Epiphany Dinner & Silent Auction is next Sunday! Buy your tickets today! Celebrate Epiphany is our event to celebrate the anniversary of Epiphany Lutheran. Tickets are \$20/ea for the catered dinner and are on sale today and on Wednesday night. Please join us as we raise funds for our youth trips and retreats and enjoy a night of fellowship together!

Epiphany Today

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

Sunday School Formation Time for all ages is 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 & Dialogues On: Turning Conflict Into Community class

- Remember to buy your tickets for Celebrate Epiphany Dinner & Silent Auction

- Quillows Meeting for High School Senior parents at 10 am

- Handbells practice today at 12:15 pm

Congregational Meeting NEXT SUNDAY Mark your calendars for our **Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 27 at 10 am.** We will vote on our budget for 2019, review the results of our "Be the Light" stewardship campaign and talk about what's in store for Epiphany in 2019. **It's important that we have your participation and attendance in order to have a quorum, so please plan on joining us!**

Grab your running shoes - the 2nd Annual Epiphany 5K Run is coming up!

Mark your calendars for our 2nd Epiphany 5K Run on **Saturday, March 9.** Proceeds will go towards youth trips and retreats to help defray the costs for families. The 5K will start at 8:30 am, with the Fun Run for all ages starting at 9:30 am. Registration for the 5K is \$25 (price increases to \$30 after February 25) and the Fun Run is \$15. We will also have the Ghost Runner option again for those of you who would like a t-shirt and would like to donate to our cause, but do not wish to run the race. The Ghost Runner option is \$15 (price increase to \$25 after February 25). You may register now at www.epiphanysuwanee.org/5K. Register early to avoid the price increase and guarantee your t-shirt size!

Silent Auction at the annual Celebrate Epiphany dinner on Sunday, January 27, 5 - 8 pm

We will celebrate Epiphany's anniversary with a catered dinner and silent auction that will benefit youth programs, trips and retreats. We ask the congregation for their full support, either through donations of auction items or financial donations, as well as assisting on the auction team. We will also be having a guess the baby/toddler photo competition at the event, so please submit your baby/toddler photos to Pastor Chris (pastorchris@epiphanysuwane.org) by Sunday, January 20.

Tickets are \$20/ea and on sale starting today in between services and after the 11 am service. Our biggest need is donations for the silent auction - sports memorabilia or tickets, themed gift baskets, a weekend at a vacation home, music/art/cooking lessons - be creative with what you can donate! To help with the event in any way, **sign up on the Blue slip.** Please contact Laurie Tinc (laurie.tinc@epiphanysuwane.org) or Tony Bullard (tony.bullard@epiphanysuwane.org) if you have items you can donate. *Please note that this is an adults-only event.*

Pub Theology Returns Thursday Night After taking a break in December for the holidays, Pub Theology returns on Thursday, January 24 at 7 pm. Pizza is provided; bring your favorite beverage and come for some enlightening conversation. Kris Perkola leads the discussion on a specific topic with a biblical perspective and it's a great chance to get to know more Epiphany people. Sign up on the Blue slip if you can come!

Reconciling in Christ Sunday - January 27 This is the day when we celebrate Epiphany's designation as an RIC congregation that welcomes ALL. The Reconciling in Christ (RIC) program recognizes Lutheran congregations, synods, colleges, and seminaries that publicly declare their welcome to people of all sexual orientations and gender identities.

January Book Club Selections The weekly book club meets at **10 am on Tuesdays** at Epiphany and has chosen *The Road Back to You: An Enneagram Journey to Self Discovery* for January. The monthly evening book club will meet on **Monday, January 21** at 7 pm La Madeleine French Café in Buford. They are reading *The Grave Digger's Daughter* by Joyce Carol Oates.

Follow us on **Instagram**, [epiphanysuwane](https://www.instagram.com/epiphanysuwane) and **Facebook** at [facebook.com/epiphanysuwaneega](https://www.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, January 21

9:00 AM Worship Planning & Staff Meeting

Tuesday, January 22

10:00 AM Weekly Book Club

Wednesday, January 23

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

6:30 PM Children's Choir

7:00 PM Worship

8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, January 24

10:00 AM Bible Study

Friday, January 25

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

Sunday, January 27

8:30 AM Worship Service

10:00 AM Congregational Meeting

11:00 AM Worship Service

12:00 PM CIA (Confirmation) Session & Parent Meeting

12:15 PM Handbells Practice

5:00-8:00 PM Celebrate Epiphany Dinner & Silent Auction

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

Contact laurie.tinc@epiphanysuwane.org to schedule meetings; send info for the newsletter to Loren Means at communications@epiphanysuwane.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 everyone's favorite - Poppy Seed Chicken! - along with buttered noodles, broccoli, rolls 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.....Rodger & Phyllis Bruaw

Tuesday.....Tony, Teresa, Noah & Desi Bullard

Wednesday.....Helen Byepu

Thursday.....Ike, Francis & Victoria Byepu

Friday.....Jim Carella

SaturdayLori & Loren Carella