



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for February 9, 2020

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!**

"You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world..." Today we thank Brad, Kristin and Brynn Atchison for sharing their light with Epiphany since they joined in 2013. They are moving back to Texas this week and words can't express how much we will miss them. Pride, VBS, Trunk or Treat and many other Epiphany things won't be the same without them!

Epiphany Today

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

School 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 & Multi-Cultural Church class

New Adult Formation Class - *Becoming a Multi-Cultural Church* Over the next few weeks we will do some

listening. We are inviting in some Korean-American neighbors to help us know what it's like to be a Korean-American in this community. As we strive to become a multicultural church, we need to hear from those who we hope to connect with so that we can make sure this is a place where they feel welcome and so Epiphany can be a church that reflects the community in which we reside. Join us on **Sundays at 9:45 am** in the fellowship hall to do some listening, ask some questions, and help us be the church God is calling us to be.

Epiphany's Craft Group Join our Craft Group **TODAY** for a special class on vinyl cutting machines! Our guest speaker is teaching all about using a Cricut and how you can get **FREE** access to a Cricut Maker. The group will also have a craft activity at dinner on February 12.

CIA Formation Session Today Our confirmation (CIA) kids will meet today immediately after the 11 am service.

Funding Our Ministry

Month of January

Giving (<i>General & Capital Funds</i>)	\$50,157
Total spending for ministry	\$58,254
Deficit for the month.....	(\$8,097)
2019 Year-to-date deficit	(\$8,097)

All Georgia Youth Retreat - Needed Items for

Youth Our middle and high school youth will be joining Lutheran youth from all over Georgia at the All Georgia retreat **February 21-23** at Camp Grace in Roberta, GA. **As part of this gathering, we are asking the congregation to help us provide the following NEW items for kids in need:** pillowcase & pillow, blanket, body wash/soap, washcloth & deodorant. Please have these to Epiphany by February 16 and place in the collection bin in the Narthex.

Just So Seniors February Epiphany's seniors group will meet Thursday, **February 13 at 10 am** in the fellowship hall. The theme for the morning is "Historically Speaking". They will try their hand at answering history questions through old-time quiz show formats like Beat the Clock and Name That Tune. What better way to have some fun while jogging memories from all those hours in history classes? A soup and sandwich lunch will follow (\$5 donation). Great time to invite a friend!

Epiphany's Mission & Vision It's been a while since we've discussed our Mission & Vision at Epiphany, so we need you to be a part of this process. As we consider the following questions, we hope to determine what this means for the Epiphany church community. How has our membership changed over the years? Has the community around us changed? Are we living out our mission and core values? **This month's discussion question will be "What are your church experiences?" - what memorable experiences, good or bad, have you had in church?** Our gathering is **Sunday, February 16 at 6 pm**. We will get started over a Potluck dinner downstairs - please bring a dish to share. Childcare will be provided for kids age 5 and under. The upcoming dates we will meet at 6 pm are **March 15** and a future date in the spring to be determined. *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!

Book Club Selections February's book for the monthly book club is *The Girl Who Wrote in Silk* by Kelli Estes. They will meet at La Madeleine French Café - Mall of Georgia/Buford on **Monday, February 17 at 7 pm**. The March book will be *A Prayer For Owen Meany* by John Irving.

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, February 10

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting

Wednesday, February 12

5:45 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

7:00 PM **Worship Service**

8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, February 13

10:00 AM Just So Seniors & Bible Study

Friday, February 14

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

Sunday, February 16

8:30 AM **Worship Service**

11:00 AM **Worship Service**

6:00 PM Mission & Vision Discussion & Potluck Dinner

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.

New Happenings for Wednesdays at the Well Join us for a mid-week break from cooking and fast food at our community meal on Wednesdays. **The meal is served from 5:45 – 6:45 pm prior to our regular worship service at 7:00 pm.** There will be a short "Grub Break" at 6:15 pm for a prayer, announcements, birthday recognition and weekly raffle. Suggested free-will offering is \$6/Adult and \$3/child. Sign up on the blue slip or in Realm. This week's meal is Pasta, mixed veggies, Caesar salad, bread and dessert. Our Craft Group will have a table at dinner with a family-friendly craft activity.

Epiphany Members in the Holy Land If you would like to see pictures and keep up with our group's trip, Pastor Chris will be posting pictures on our Facebook page from time to time. Epiphany's Facebook page is *facebook.com/epiphanysuwaneega*.

Ash Wednesday Services We will have Ash Wednesday services with imposition of ashes at 12 pm & 7 pm on **February 26**.

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....Cindy & Juliana Harding

Tuesday..... Chris, Gina, Kellyn, Kendra & Haydn Hermansen

Wednesday.....Ken & Ann Hintz

Thursday..... Phil, Lisa, Philip, Marissa & Kayla Howey

Friday.....Brad Hull

Saturday..... Greg, Stephanie & Sydney Hutchinson