



# Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for March 1, 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, [epiphanysuwanee.org](http://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 Epiphany middle and high school youth attended the Southeastern ELCA synod's All Georgia retreat in Roberta, GA last weekend.*** We had over 20 kids from Epiphany attend. Thanks to Laurie Tinc who organized the entire All Georgia weekend, and to Tony Bullard and Kris Perkola for chaperoning and leading our kids!

## ***Epiphany Today***

***Worship services are at 8:30 am and 11 am. Large Group Opening is today at 9:45, followed immediately by our Lent Faith Formation event for all ages downstairs.***

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

***Lenten All-Ages Formation Event TODAY*** The Lenten Cross Generational Formation Event will be held between services today. Join all ages of Epiphany members as we explore our personal Lenten journeys and consider where our journeys will lead us throughout the Easter season. We will connect, grow, and meet new opportunities for serving. Preschool and kindergarten children must be accompanied by an adult.

***Congregational Meeting*** We will have a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, March 8** in between worship services. We will present our annual report, do a recap of 2019 for Epiphany, vote on a new team member for Lead Team, and also present the Serve/Outreach partners that were reviewed by the Serve and Lead teams. Please make plans to be there and be a part of the discussion!

## ***Holy Week Schedule:***

**Sunday, April 5** - Palm Sunday (No Faith Formation time)

**Wednesday, April 8** - No Wednesday night dinner or service due to Holy Week

**Thursday, April 9** - Maundy Thursday services at **12 pm** (Readings & Hymns) and **7:30 pm** (Communion & Foot Washing)

**Friday, April 10** - Good Friday services at **12 pm** (Readings & Hymns) and **7:30 pm**

**Sunday, April 12** - Easter Sunday services at **8:30 am** and **11 am**; Pancake Breakfast serving 7:30 - 10:30 am

**Driver Safety Course** On Saturday, March 7 we'll have a Driver Safety Class that will be held in the Epiphany fellowship hall from 9 am to 4 pm. The AARP Driver Safety class is a 6-hour defensive driving class. The class is open to AARP and non-AARP members; 25 years of age or older. Attendance in the class makes a participant eligible for a multi-year discount on their car insurance. The class discusses such topics as the rules of the road, new traffic laws, and proven safety strategies. The cost is \$15 for AARP members; \$20 for non-AARP members. This is open to the community so you are encouraged to pass this information on to friends. Please sign up on the Blue Slip.

**Just So Seniors** Epiphany Just So Seniors will meet **Thursday, March 12** in the Coffee area to explore their Lenten journey and ways to continue it into the Easter season. The message, the socializing, and the activities promise to carry each participant on their personal thoughtful journey. You are encouraged to wear casual clothing and comfortable shoes. Hopefully your curiosity is peaked and we'll see a great crowd at 10 am on March 12.

**Craft Group Get-Together** Our Craft Group has two events coming up in March! The first one is **Saturday, March 14** at 1:30 pm for the monthly get together. Log into Realm, search for Craft Group and send a request to join the group for details. On **Wednesday, March 18**, there will be another family-friendly craft during the Wednesday night dinner. Stop by any time during the meal from 5:45-6:45 pm.

**Save the Date for VBS** Mark your calendars - Epiphany's VBS will be held **June 22-26** this summer! Kids age 3 (must be potty-trained) through 5th grade are welcome to join us. The cost will be \$25/child, with a \$75 max per family. Registration will open in early April. We need a lot of volunteers to serve around 100 kids that week. Please sign up on the Blue slip if you are interested in volunteering. Volunteers can be middle school age and up. Come join us for a fun week of serving!

**Book Club Selections** March's book for the monthly book club is *A Prayer for Owen Meany* by John Irving. They will meet at La Madeleine French Café - Mall of Georgia/Buford on **Monday, March 16 at 7 pm**. The April book will be *Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead.

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, March 2

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting

### Wednesday, March 4

12:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service  
 5:45 PM Wednesday Night Dinner  
 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service  
 8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 5

10:00 AM Bible Study

### Friday, March 6

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

### Sunday, March 8

8:30 AM Worship Service  
 9:45 AM Congregational Meeting  
 11:00 AM Worship Service  
 12:00 PM CIA Formation Session

**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 am-4 pm; Friday, 9 am-noon.**  
 Contact [laurie.tinc@epiphanysuwanee.org](mailto:laurie.tinc@epiphanysuwanee.org) to schedule meetings; send info for the newsletter to Loren Means at [communications@epiphanysuwanee.org](mailto: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 Pork Tenderloin, herbed potatoes, glazed carrots, salad and dessert.

**Save the Date & Your Stuff** Don't clean out your closet just yet! On **June 6**, we'll be having a church-wide yard sale to raise funds for our youth retreats, so please hold onto anything you'd like to donate to the church for sale. Please email [laurie.tinc@epiphanysuwanee.org](mailto:laurie.tinc@epiphanysuwanee.org) with any questions.

## Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....Chris, Melanie & Caspian Landry  
 Tuesday.....Paul & Landa Larson  
 Wednesday.....Greg & Cathy Laszewski  
 Thursday..Thomas, Marisa, Nicholas, Emily & Ashley Leckwold  
 Friday.....Sharyn Lewis  
 Saturday.....George, Linda & Karen Liskey