



# Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for March 31, 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, [epiphany-suwanee.org](http://epiphany-suwanee.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!**

**Did you know the Haitian Timoun Foundation (HTF) is headquartered at Epiphany?** This past week, members of the HTF Board came together to hold their meetings at Epiphany. In addition to Erin Murphy & Julie Sutton, the board members are pastors & members of other partnering congregations of HTF. Luckner "Maya" Fond-Rose is the Haiti Country director of HTF and is head of operations there.

## *Epiphany Today*

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

**NO FORMATION TIME TODAY; Formation Time**

**will resume next Sunday after Large Group**

**Opening 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 & the Dialogues On: Sexuality class

**Just So Seniors - April** Our seniors group will meet at the church April 11 at 10 am for a morning of connecting, growth, and service. They'll start off with biscuits (\$5) and centering followed by a choice of onsite service projects including Easter egg stuffing, gardening, and prayer at the labyrinth. Sign up on the blue slip.

## **Registration for Vacation Bible School opens**

**April 1!** Over 100 children from Epiphany and the community attended last year's VBS. This year's theme is To Mars and Beyond: Explore Where God's Power Can Take You! **VBS will be held the week of June 24-28 from 9 am to 12 pm.** VBS is open to all children ages 3-years old - 5th grade (*children must be potty-trained*). The cost is \$25 per child or \$75 max/family. **Register on our website at [epiphany-suwanee.org/vbs](http://epiphany-suwanee.org/vbs)** or in the church office. For questions or more information, email [epiphanysuwaneevbs@epiphanysuwanee.org](mailto:epiphanysuwaneevbs@epiphanysuwanee.org).

**Assisting Minister Training** So you've always wanted to stand next to Pastor Chris as an Assisting Minister, but have been unsure what to do. Well, have no fear - we're here to help you with that! On **April 7** and **April 28** a small group of current Assisting Ministers will conduct a "training session" at 9:45 am in the sanctuary to help prepare you for this wonderful ministry. Come join us as we share some insight into performing this role as you learn to be a vital part of our Sunday worship service.

## Holy Week Schedule

**Palm Sunday** - April 14 - 8:30 am & 11 am

**Maundy Thursday** - April 18: 12 pm - Readings & Hymns  
- 7:30 pm - Foot Washing & Holy Communion

**Good Friday** - April 19: 12 pm - Readings & Hymns  
- 7:30 pm - Traditional Good Friday Service

Fish Fry Dinner - 5:30 pm (benefitting Youth Servant Haiti Trip)

**Easter Sunday** - April 21:

-Sunrise Service at Suwanee Town Center - 7 am

-Pancake Breakfast - 7:30 am - 10:30 am

-Easter Services at Epiphany - 8:30 am & 11 am

**High School Movie & Game Night** Come join us for a night of games and a movie on **Saturday, April 13**, 5 - 9 pm. We'll bring dinner, you bring a beverage to share and a snack for the movie! Bring a friend! Please sign up on the blue slip.

**Good Friday Fish Fry Dinner** Join us on **April 19** at 5:30 pm for our annual Fish Fry! Your free-will offering will help fund our Haitian Timoun Foundation (HTF) Summer Youth Trip to the central plateau of Haiti. Our high school age youth will be serving at VBS-style day camps and will be joined by our friends from the Gwinnett Islamic Center. **Sign up on the blue slip, invite your friends and family and stay for our Good Friday service at 7:30 pm!**

**Time to Order Easter Flowers** Help adorn our altar area with flowers for Easter Sunday. Cost is \$20 and you can take a plant home with you after the 11 am service on Easter. Please order on the PINK slip and place in offering plate.

**Easter Egg Hunt** Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is **Saturday, April 20**, 10 am - 12:30 pm. We will have story time, crafts, games, a photo booth, a bounce house, lunch and the Easter Bunny. We need candy donations for the egg hunt; please place donations in the bin in the Narthex. We need volunteers during the event and for set-up and clean-up. We also need people to bring desserts. Please sign-up on the blue slip if you can help.

**April Book Club Selections** The weekly book club meets at **10 am on Tuesdays** at Epiphany and has chosen *Educated* by Tara Westover for April. The monthly evening book club will meet on **Monday, April 22** at 7 pm La Madeleine French Café in Buford. They are reading *The Rent Collector* by Cameron Wright.

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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, April 1

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting  
7:30 PM Lead Servant Team Meeting

### Tuesday, April 2

- NO BOOK CLUB THIS WEEK -

### Wednesday, April 3 - NO DINNER OR WORSHIP TONIGHT

7:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

### Thursday, April 4

10:00 AM Weekly Bible Study

### Friday, April 5

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

### Sunday, April 7

8:30 AM **Worship Service**  
9:45 AM Large Group Opening & Assist. Minister Training  
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*.

**Love Event - Change of Date** Come and learn more about our LGBTQIA+ family on **May 19 at 3:30 pm**. The Love Event is a learning experience about sexual orientation, gender identity, LGBTQIA+ rights, and how it all fits into the Kingdom of God. Designed for all ages, we will feature information, activities, and a faith based message for each letter in the LGBTQIA+ acronym. Become a stronger ally!

**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. Worship Rehearsal follows the service. Dinner and Wednesday Worship return on April 10.

**\*We will not have Wednesday Dinner or Worship on April 3 (Spring Break week) and April 17 (Holy Week).\***

**(Worship Rehearsal will be held at 7 pm on April 3 & April 17)**

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## Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:  
Monday... Thomas, Marisa, Nicholas, Emily & Ashley Leckwold  
Tuesday..... Sharyn Lewis  
Wed-George, Linda & Karen Liskey, Hannah & Britney Gilliland  
Thursday..... Ronald, Maria & Ethan Lockwood  
Friday..... Eddie, Liz & Catcher Mangan  
Saturday ..... Chip, Sarah, Carson & Campbell Mann

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

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