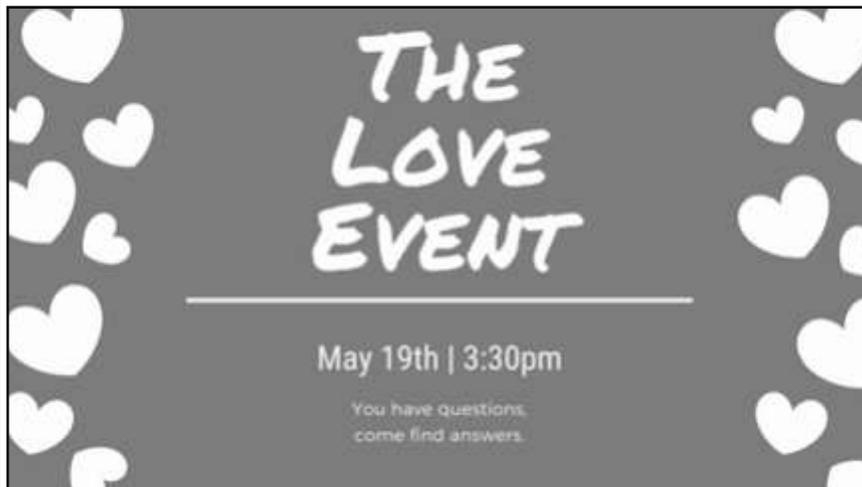




Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for May 19, 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, epiphanyсуwaneе.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!**

The Love Event is today at Epiphany! McKenna Tinc, one of our youth members, along with the Reconciling in Christ team, have put together today's event. This is an all-ages, family-friendly event. There will also be opportunities to learn about Lost and Found Youth, an organization which works to end homelessness for LGBTQIA+ youth and the Atlanta Pride Parade.

Epiphany Today

Worship services are at 8:30 am and 11 am. There are no Faith Formation/Sunday School classes in between services. We will resume classes again in August. We invite you to socialize in our coffee bar area before and after services!

The Love Event is TODAY Come and learn more about our LGBTQIA+ family on **today 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 and family-friendly, we will feature information, activities, and a faith based message for each letter in the LGBTQIA+ acronym. This is a community event where other local churches will also be joining us to learn more about Reconciling in Christ. Please invite others to come and learn more about becoming a stronger ally!

Join Us for Pub Theology Our next Pub Theology is this **Thursday, May 23** at 7 pm. We provide the pizza, you bring your favorite beverage. Kris Perkola leads the discussion topic and you are sure to learn something new or come away with a new perspective. If you haven't made it to one yet, we encourage you to come see what it's all about! Please sign up on the blue slip if you're coming.

Going out of town this summer? The work of Epiphany never takes a vacation, so please don't forget about your giving when you go out of town! Our offering totals dip during the summer months, so please sign up for automatic giving through your bank's bill pay service or through our church website and Epiphany Connect at www.epiphanyсуwaneе.org/giving.

***Our Summer Worship Schedule Starts**

June 2* Please note that our Summer worship schedule will start on **Sunday, June 2**. Worship times will move to **9 am** and **10:30 am**. We will stay on this worship schedule through July.

Epiphany This Week

School's Out Hang Out at Suwanee Town Center

Join us at Suwanee Town Center on **Wednesday, May 22** at 7:30 pm (right after our Wednesday night worship service) as we celebrate the end of the school year and the start of summer! Grab a treat or dessert from Rita's or one of the other shops and hang out with us. All ages are welcome!

Sound Board Training We're looking for more sound board operators for our early service. Sound board operators oversee the sound and microphones during worship service and make sure the sermon is recorded. We'll have an information and training session on **Sunday, May 26** at 9:45 am. Please make plans to join us if you'd like to help serve in an important part of our worship services. Please sign up on the blue slip if you can come or email Tony Bullard at tony@epiphanysuwanee.org.

Registration for Vacation Bible School is now

OPEN - Volunteers Needed 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 - 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 epiphanysuwanee.org/vbs or in the church office. For questions or more information, email epiphansuwaneevbs@epiphanysuwanee.org. Several volunteers are needed in many areas, including: working on decorations before VBS week, set-up for VBS, registration/check-in on June 24, group leaders (adult and youth), group leaders assistants, daily clean-up helpers, end of week ice cream social, and nursery help throughout the week. Can't volunteer all week? No problem! Just let us know what dates you are available. 6th-graders up through all ages of adults are welcome to help out! Sign up on the blue slip, let us know what you'd like to help with and what days you're available.

Book Club Selections The weekly book club meets at **10 am on Tuesdays** at Epiphany and will be reading various short stories for May. The monthly evening book club will meet on **Monday, May 20** at 7 pm La Madeleine French Café in Buford. They are reading *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Della Owens.

Follow us on **Instagram**, [epiphanysuwanee](https://www.instagram.com/epiphanysuwanee) and **Facebook** at [facebook.com/epiphanysuwaneeega](https://www.facebook.com/epiphanysuwaneeega)



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.

May 20

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting
7:00 PM Monthly Book Club—La Madeleine/ Buford

Tuesday, May 21

10:00 AM Weekly Book Club
7:00 PM Rainbow Village Big Recess

Wednesday, May 22

7:00 PM **Worship Service**
7:30 PM School's Out Hang Out at Suwanee Town Center
8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, May 23

10:00 AM Bible Study

Friday, May 24

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

Sunday, May 26

8:30 AM **Worship Service**
9:45 AM Sound Board 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.

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 is at 7 pm.** Worship Rehearsal follows the service at 8 pm. **Our Wednesday Night Dinners are on hold for summer break and will resume in August.**

Busy Bags! Did you know we have a basket of Busy Bags for your children to use? If they get restless, please take a bag from the basket located at the back of the church. Each contains activities for our young ones (age 3+). Then relax and enjoy the service!

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....Lisa, Stuart, Kevin & Eric Ryba
Tuesday.....Tim, Madison & Chance Sanders
Wednesday.....Mark, Sarah, Catherine & Peter Schlueter
Thursday.....Jerry, Courtney & Tyler Seufert
Friday.....Dave & Debbie Shealy
Saturday.....Barry, Tami, Madeline & Logan Sherrick