



Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for August 18, 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, 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!**

Hard to believe that it's already been 5 years since Pastor Chris and his family came to Epiphany! We called Pastor Chris to be Epiphany's Lead Pastor in 2015 and he and his family arrived here in August of that year. We are all very grateful for all you do for our church and our community and continuing to guide us in our faith.

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 the Real Time room

Adults - downstairs for Bible Study & the Dialogues On: Race class

CIA Confirmation Orientation & Cook Out Our first CIA meeting for middle school-age kids and parents is TODAY at Noon! Come meet our new CIA guides, learn about what this year will cover, get information about retreats & camps, calendars, and everything else Confirmation. Lunch is provided, so come hungry!

Real Time Thrift & Serve Outing Real Time, our High School group, will be heading downtown TODAY after church to the Lost n' Found Youth Thrift store. We'll be helping the store with some cleaning, organization, and then we'll do some shopping of our own! We'll return to Epiphany around 3 pm.

Pub Theology This Thursday Come join us for our next Pub Theology on **August 22 at 7 pm**. Our topic of discussion this month is *Communion: A Sacrament of Conversion* and will be led by Kris Perkola. We'll provide the pizza, you bring your favorite beverage and come ready to have a great conversation with your fellow Epiphany members!

Church Work Day Our next church workday and clean-up is on Saturday, **August 24**, 8 am—2 pm. Please come help out any time you can during that time frame. Sign up on the blue slip so we know how many people we'll have helping out.

First CIA Formation Session Our first CIA (confirmation kids) formation session is next Sunday, **August 25** immediately after the 11 am service. Parents, please pick your kids up at 2:30 pm.

Epiphany This Week

Monday, August 19

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting

Tuesday, August 20

7:00 PM Rainbow Village Big Recess

Wednesday, August 21

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

7:00 PM Worship Service

8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, August 22

10:00 AM Bible Study

7:00 PM Pub Theology

Friday, August 23

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

Sunday, August 25

8:30 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Worship Service

12:00 PM CIA Formation & Foster Care Info Session

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.

PJ's for Foster Children We are collecting NEW

pajamas for Atlanta-area foster children of all ages. We need PJ's for all ages, but don't forget older children & teens are in need as well (PJ pants are great for them). There are two blue collection bins in the Narthex area. We'll be collecting PJ's until **August 25**. After the 11 am service that day, come learn specific ways that you can support the foster care system throughout the year in ways you never thought as Epiphany member Stephanie Boylan tells us about the foster care system in Georgia. Come get questions answered about: What does DFCS really do? What is the current need in Georgia? How does this impact our community? There will be something for everyone to learn! During this session, lunch will be provided for all. Please sign up on the blue slip and write any questions you may have for Stephanie to answer about the foster care system.

Save the Date for the 6th Annual HTF Golf

Tournament With your generous support, last year's HTF Golf Classic raised nearly \$14,000 and was a tremendous success toward its mission. These funds allowed the our HTF partners to lead summer camps in various locations of Haiti. This year, on **Monday, October 7**, we will hold our 6th Annual HTF Golf Classic. It will again be held at Olde Atlanta Golf Club in Suwanee, and we'd be honored to have you participate again. The purpose stays the same: to raise the necessary funds to help support our youth and HTF partners lead camps in the Summer of 2020.

Habitat for Humanity Faith Build Day Epiphany will again be participating in Gwinnett Habitat for Humanity's Faith Build project. Several area churches will be working together on a home build in Lawrenceville. Epiphany's day to help out is **Saturday, September 7, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm**. In addition to our expert craftsmanship, we also get to contribute \$2000 of financial support to make this home a reality for a worthy member of our community. If you would like to donate, you may place a check in the offering plate with "Habitat Build" in the memo line.

Book Club Selections The monthly book club will meet on **Monday, September 16** at 7 pm at La Madeleine French Café in Buford. They will be discussing *Flight of the Sparrow* by Amy Belding Brown. October's book club pick is *Have You Seen Luiz Velez* by Catherine Ryan Hyde.

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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.



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. Suggested free-will offering is \$6/adult, \$3/child. Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted. Sign up on the Blue slip. **Worship is at 7 pm**. Worship Rehearsal follows the service at 8 pm.

Camp Rewind at Lutheranch Many of our kids attend camp at Lutheranch, Lutheridge or Lutherock. Now it's the adults turn! Lutheranch is located in Tallapoosa, GA. Camp Rewind is September 20-22 at Lutheranch and will be a weekend full of fun, camp-themed activities for adults; everything from playing outdoor games and creating your own arts & crafts project, to singing songs and telling stories around the evening campfire. Go to www.lutheranch.org for more information or to register.

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday.....Hildegard Hall

Tuesday.....The Hancock-Darby Family

Wed.....Cindy, Robert & Juliana Harding

Thursday.....Derek, Laura & Adelynn Hecht

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

Saturday.....Ken & Ann Hintz

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