



# Epiphany *Light*

Ministry highlights for September 22, 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 *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](http://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!**

*Thanks to everyone who came for our Water and the Word baptismal formation event and to Candace Perkola and her team for organizing it.* We learned about people's baptism stories, why it's an important part of our faith, and got to see some beautiful baptism items from our members.

## *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

**Handbells Rehearsal Dates** Our handbell choir will rehearse **TODAY, 12:15-1:15 pm**, and October 13 & 20. Please meet downstairs in the music room.

**Epiphany Crafting Group** Our crafting group will get together on Saturday, **September 28 at 1 pm** to wrap gift baskets for the HTF Golf Tournament and have a class on glass etching. All supplies for the class will be provided.

**New Happenings in the Nursery** Our new nursery director is Sarah Myers. She is also a Para-Pro at Duluth High School.

Beginning in October, the nursery will have bi-monthly themed activities during service. On the 2nd Sunday of each month, they will do a short bible study followed by a related craft. On the 4th Sunday of each month, they will do a seasonal/Holiday-themed activity and/or craft. First and second graders are invited to join in on the fun after the children's sermon on the *2nd & 4th Sunday each month*. First and Second graders will rejoin you in service during communion. Kids age 3 and older are also welcome to explore the busy bags located in the back of the sanctuary during the service; each contains age-appropriate activities.

Children age 5 and younger may stay in the nursery at any time for the entire worship service. Children age 3 and younger may now join us in between services during formation so parents may attend Sunday School formation time.

## Registration is OPEN for 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 need you to participate and invite others to play too! If golf is not your game, we also need sponsorships and gift cards for the raffle. Please go to [epiphanysuwanee.org](http://epiphanysuwanee.org) and click on the link for the HTF Golf Tournament to register and get more info.

## Save the Date—Atlanta Pride Parade and Poster

**Party** The 49th Annual Atlanta Pride Parade takes place on **Sunday, October 13**. The newly-installed Bishop of the ELCA Southeastern Synod, Bishop Strickland, will be marching with the Georgian Lutherans this year! The Parade kicks off at 12 pm and Bishop Strickland will be presiding over a communion service at 11 am during the parade line-up. Georgia Lutherans Welcome You Booth shifts are also available both Saturday, October 12 and Sunday after parade. We will also have a poster-making and tie-dye shirt party on **Sunday, October 6, 5-8 pm** at Epiphany (bring your own t-shirt). Please sign up on the blue slip to get more details or sign-up for the parade, the booth or the party.

**September Pub Theology** We've had a great turn-out at our last two Pub Theology events and we'd like for you to join us if you haven't made it to one yet! This is a great opportunity to get to know other Epiphany members and participate in some great conversation. This month's topic will be Care of Creation. Kris Perkola will lead the discussion on **Thursday, September 26 at 7 pm**. Pizza is provided, you just bring your favorite beverage!

**College Care Boxes** Each fall we put together care packages for our college students. Please bring in large shoe boxes for our upcoming College Care Box project and take a tag off the board with needed items for the boxes. Items are due back on **November 6 (new date)**. Parents—please list your college student's name on the blue slip if you'd like a box for them.

**Book Club Selections** The monthly book club will meet on **Monday, October 21** at 7 pm at La Madeleine French Café in Buford. They will be discussing *Have You Seen Luiz Velez* by Catherine Ryan Hyde. The November book is *Ask Again Yes* by Mary Beth Keane.

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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, September 23

9:00 AM Staff & Worship Planning Meeting

### Wednesday, September 25

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

7:00 PM **Worship Service**

8:00 PM Worship Rehearsal

### Thursday, September 26

10:00 AM Bible Study

7:00 PM Pub Theology

### Friday, September 27

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

- Kids depart for CIA Fall Retreat -

### Saturday, September 28

1:00 PM Crafting Group

### Sunday, September 29

8:30 AM **Worship Service**

11:00 AM **Worship Service**

**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).

**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**. Dinner will be **Poppy Seed Chicken, rice, salad & dessert**. 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.

**Blessing of the Animals** Please bring your pet to Epiphany on Saturday, **October 5 at 10 am** for our Blessing of the Animals. Invite your friends to come along as well! Please make sure that pets are on a leash or in a crate at all times and pick up after your pet if necessary.

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## Daily Prayer Calendar

Please include these Epiphany families in your prayers this week:

Monday..... George, Linda & Karen Liskey;  
Hannah & Britney Gilliland

Tuesday..... Ronald, Maria & Ethan Lockwood

Wed..... Eddie, Liz & Catcher Mangan

Thursday..... Chip, Sarah, Carson & Campbell Mann

Friday..... Chris Martin & Eddie McClain

Saturday..... Jonathan, April, David & Noah Martinez

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

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