

Epiphany **Light**

Ministry Highlights for July 20, 2025

NY That all might thrive and serve in the light of God's grace.



Everyone welcome as we end July with a summer fun potluck. Bring your summer fun stories and a dish to share. Mains and drinks provided so be sure to RSVP via Realm so we get enough! What to bring by last name:

A-G / Side dish or vegetable H-O / Salads





P-Z / Desserts

Epiphany Website

Welcome Visitors!

If you are visiting with us, please complete the visitor information on the welcome card in the seat back and place in the offering plate. At Epiphany, we practice open communion, which means ALL are welcome to the table. If you are here, you are invited to take communion with us. Our unstaffed nursery is available for children up to age 5 and is located just outside the doors to the left of the worship center. Check out our website, *epiphanysuwanee.org*, for more information about Epiphany. And don't hesitate to contact us if we can be of service, text or call 770-831-1966. Epiphany is a church that welcomes **ALL!**





Visitor QR code or Pew Card

Offering (Realm) or text "EPIPHANYGA" to 73256

Today at Epiphany

Worship services are at 9 am and 11 am.

Summer Faith Formation Today (Sunday School) Join us downstairs at 10:10 am!

Prayer Circle Join us at 10:45 am in the back of the Worship Center for a time of community prayer. All are welcome!

Connecting and Growing

Bible Studies This Week Wednesday morning at 10:00 am in the High School Room, Thursday morning at 10:00 am on Google Meet, and Friday morning at 6:30 am at Suwanee IHOP.

Book Club Monday, July 21st, 6:00 pm, at The Diner at Sugar Hill. Join us as we discuss our next book, "Crow Mary" by Kathleen Grissom

Stay Informed Use the Realm Connect app or by visiting our updated church website calendar. If you have questions on using Realm or getting around the website, let the church office know, and we will have someone assist you.

The Good Samaritan We continue our series on the well known parable of The Good Samaritan. More than just a well-known story in the Bible, hospitals, assisted living facilities, and even laws are named after this parable! But how often do we go beyond the star of this story, the Samaritan? What can we learn from the victim, those who avoid this individual in distress, and even the innkeeper who provides shelter for the one who was left for dead? There's so much more to this story than just this one kind soul. So make plans to join over the next three Sundays through August 3rd. There's a reason this story is so revered and still speaks to us today. Join us as we take a closer look at this parable and rediscover what it means to "love our neighbor as ourself."

Facilities During the summer months, the church get used by various groups in different ways. Check out the church calendar on our website to be sure your event does not have a conflict. Thanks!

Serving and Giving

Tell the Epiphany Story One of the greatest acts of service is to invite others to experience what makes Epiphany a special place for all. Share the story with others and INVITE them!

Feed My Starving Children Saturday, August 9th Our congregation is joining with Free Chapel Church (3001 McEver Rd, Gainesville) to assemble 270,000 FMSC MannaPack® meals for children in Haiti at their Feed My Starving Children Mobile Packing Event, August 8-9. Volunteers pack assembly line meals in twohour shifts; the usual \$63 fundraising fee is covered by Free Chapel. Free Chapel has opened registration with Epiphany's group time slot as 3:00-5:00 pm Saturday. Children aged 5 and above can participate with adult supervision. Please use the Sign Up Genius link to register for our slot no later than July 31st.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4CAFA623A3FE3-57486260-feed

There will are multiple 2-hour shifts over Friday and Saturday for individuals to register for different or additional time slots independently. <u>https://my.freechapel.org/projectld/2053954</u>

Contact Lisa Prescott, eapresc@msn.com or 623-824-6363 with any questions or help in sign up.

Worship Assistant Recruiting We need additional worship assistant volunteers to participate in our worship services, especially altar and ushers. Worship is always more meaningful when we participate together. Please consider serving in role or a new role. We would like enough volunteers, so everyone is asked to serve only once a month. Below is the link to our website with worship assistant role descriptions.

<u>https://www.epiphanysuwanee.org/serving-in-worship</u> Contact Lisa Prescott, eapresc@msn.com or 623-824-6363 with any questions, to sign up, or schedule training.

Don't Forget Our Ministry Over The Summer We hope everyone enjoys some time off and relaxation over the summer months. Remember the work of the church never stops, so your financial commitments and gifts are important to sustain God's calling for Epiphany!

Wednesday Dinners Help We are looking for volunteers willing to do two dinners per month. The Belfield's will continue to provide two dinners per month. This is a service commitment and not a financial commitment as meal supplies are self-funded via free will offerings. If you are willing to help out, please contact the church office or see Steve Belfield.

Daily Prayer Calendar

Please pray for the following Epiphany community families this week:

Monday	Alan, Mackenzie & Riley Thomas
Tuesday	Debbie & Dave Thomas & Laila Rodriguez
Wednesday	Kathi & Chuck Van Acker
Thursday	Ivy Varenhorst
Friday	Karen Wargo
Saturday	Everyone

Epiphany This Week

Monday, July 21

9:00 am	Staff Meeting (Café)
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Wednesday, July 23

10:00 am	Bible Study (Café)
7:00 pm	Worship Rehearsal (Worship Center)

Thursday, July 24

10:00 am	Bible Study (Google Meet)
7:30 pm	SERVE Team Meeting (Google Meet)

Friday, July 25

6:30 am Breakfast Bible Study (IHOP in Suwanee)

Sunday, July 27

9:00 am	Worship
10:45 am	Weekly Prayer Circle
11:00 am	Worship
12:15 pm	Summer Fun Potluck

Church Office hours 9 am to 4 pm Monday—Friday You can now text to our church phone line 770-831-1966

Upcoming Events:

- Jul 27: Epiphany Summer Fun Potluck
- Aug 3: Back To School Blessings
- Aug 4: Men's Group
- Aug 7: Pub Theology
- ♦ Aug 7-9: Feed My Starving Children Packing Event (off-site)
- ♦ Aug 10: First Fall Semester Faith Formation (Sun. School)
 Formation Kick-off Celebration
- Aug 12-21: Immersion Trip to MILAGRO/ILAG (Guatemala)
- Aug 13: Wednesday Community Night Dinner Resumes 2025-2026 Confirmation Classes Begin
- Aug 17: Bloom & Worship Women's Group Lunch
- Aug 18: Book Club
 Epiphany Personnel Team Meeting
- Aug 23: Stepping Stones (preK-5th) "Lord's Prayer"
- Aug 24: New Member Class
- Sep 4: Pub Theology
- Sep 7: God's Work Our Hands Sunday
- Sep 19-21: Confirmation Retreat
- Sep 20-21: Epiphany @ Suwanee Fest
- Sep 21: Bloom & Worship Women's Group Lunch

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.

