

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

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Upcoming Events:

BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at, 10:30 am

PASTORAL CARE MEETING

August 10th, 10:30 am

VESTRY MEETING

August 11th, 6:30 pm

SMALL GROUP OPEN HOUSE

August 11th, 3:30 and 5:30 pm

SASSE LUNCHEON

August 12th, noon

COHI MEETING

August 20th, 10:00 am -
12:00pm

BUILDING DEDICATION WITH BISHOP WRIGHT

August 17th, 5:30-8:30 pm

CAREGIVER'S GROUP*

August 18th, 6:30 pm

COHI Meeting

August 20th, 10:00-12:00

ANTI RACISM TRAINING

August 27th, 9:00-4:00

Session is full

THE PANTRY

July 30th, 8:00am to 9:30am

WISDOM GROUP

On hiatus until Fr. Keith
returns

SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS

May 29th, Services at 8:30 & 10:00

LUNCH WITH BR. KENNETH

*On hiatus until some time in
August. More info to come.*

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday

Holy Eucharist, 8:30 am
Holy Eucharist, 10:00,am

Monday

Late July Edition

From the Rector:

Hello! It is good to be back! I returned to work from my sabbatical on Monday, July 11th and Sunday July 17th was the first Sunday back for Lynn and me. I am grateful to Mother Bonnie and all the people who did so much to help the parish continue to flourish during my time away. I am impressed that the construction has been completed-- other than for some punch list items and landscaping. I am glad that we did the end of year parish activities that mirrored some of what I was doing on sabbatical-- such as the inter-generational, Dutch Jahnz Kite Flying Day; the day trip to the monastery in Conyers; and of course the youth mission trip to Honduras. I look forward to our opportunities to compare notes and swap stories over the next few months as we catch up with each other.

These first two weeks back have been an opportunity to talk with Bonnie, the staff, and vestry about what I missed. The good news for all of us is that there are no concerns. We are in a good place financially, pastorally, and spiritually. The parish seems primed for whatever is to come next. I am excited about what that could mean for us as a parish community. I have told some of you that I have a long list of ideas that came to me during my time away. As with any list like that, I am going to set it aside and let it marinate. Some ideas will come up in the next few months; some may never see the light of day. Regardless, know that whatever my ideas are, they will come together based on our mutual conversation, prayer, and decisions.

One priority for me is the importance of small

AA Meeting, 12:30 pm

Tuesday

AA Meeting 12:30 pm

Wednesday

"In Stitches" Knitting & Crochet , 9:00a
Contemplative Prayer, 12:00 noon

Thursday

Bible Study, 10:30 am
Holy Eucharist, 12:00 pm
AA Meeting 12:30 pm

Friday

Church office closed
AA Meeting, 10:00 am

Saturday

8:00am Pantry (the last Saturday of the month)

12:00noon Contemplative & Litany Prayer Hour (first Saturday of the month)

Sunday Lessons

July 31, 2016

**Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14,
2:18-23**

Psalm 49:1-11

Colossians 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

**Fr. Keith's Lessons
& Questions:**

Coming back soon to the website!

Next Sunday's Lessons

August 7th, 2016

Genesis 15:1-6

Psalm 33:12-22

Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16

Luke 12:32-40

The Dove Deadlines!

If you would like to have an article or notice published in The Dove, please be aware of our deadlines:

Early Edition:

1st of every month

Late Edition:

groups. Many of us are involved in a small group already-Education for Ministry (EFM), Community of Hope (COHI), and home groups; as well as other groups such as one of the choirs, In Stitches, Bible study, Foyers, youth groups, and so forth. If you are not in one of these groups already (or even if you are), please come to our open house in the parish hall at either 3:30 pm or 5:30 pm on Thursday, August 11. It will be an opportunity to learn about EFM, COHI, home groups, and some new options. If you are curious about participating in a small group, but not able to attend on that day, please call me and we can discuss the questions you have.

Again I am excited to be back and look forward to seeing you soon.

Keith+

From the Youth Minister:

Hope your summer has been wonderful!

As school gets ready to begin, we will have our *SECOND annual* Blessing of the Bookbags on Sunday, August 7th. *Please bring your backpacks to the church for Mother Bonnie to bless and start off your school year out the right way!*

As we prepare for our program year to begin, expect to see things, both old and new:

- New offerings:

- ♦ ***Coffee House*** for our youth
- ♦ ***Contemplative*** services
- ♦ ***Weekday*** youth bible study gatherings

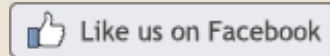
- And old:

- ♦ **Weekly Sunday school, plus Confirmation classes for our High School students**
- ♦ **Regular EYC events, including a Diocesan Youth Service Day,**

20th of every month

Send submissions to:
ecoahs@bellsouth.net

Stay Connected



Forward to a Friend

**Sunday at Common Ground,
Bowling to support Mentor Me,
Diocesan Acolyte Festival, and
much more!**

♦ **Invitations to participate in multiple ministries at Holy Spirit, including Acolytes, Altar Guild, Crucifers, Choir, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and our *NEW* ministry - youth leaders with Children's Chapel!**

♦ **More service and mission opportunities available this year, including another trip to Honduras.**

I'm looking forward to working with all our youth in the new year! If you are not already receiving emails from me about youth events, please contact me, so I can be sure to include you in our youth activities communications.

Blessings,

Mother Bonnie+

bonniegunderwood@gmail.com,
404-729-5876

Announcements

Small Group Open House – August 11th

On Thursday August 11th, we will have two "open house" meetings: ***one at 3:30 pm and one 5:30 pm.*** We will meet in the parish hall to hear an overview of and ask questions about small group options here at Church of the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Keith and lay leaders of these groups will be present for the discussion. The main focus will be on Education for Ministry (EFM), Community of Hope (COHI), home groups, and a new option, Just Faith.

Come and see different ways to grow in your faith, develop your ministry, and deepen your relationships with other members of the church.

Building Dedication with Bishop Rob Wright -- August 17th!

Please join us on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 as we dedicate and celebrate our newly expanded space with Bishop Rob Wright!

The evening will go as follows:

5:30 pm: Snacks laid out in the front of the parish hall for kids and families.

6:00 pm: Liturgy including blessing of our building expansion and the outdoor additions.

7:15: Catered dinner including a program from the Building to Serve Leaders.

Nursery will be provided.

You should have received a Sign-Up Genius email requesting your RSVP to this event. If you have not received this email, or have questions, please contact Cathy in the church office at ecohs@bellsouth.net or 770-887-8190. Thanks!

Dismantling Racism Training – August 27th

A Dismantling Racism Training session led by Dr. Catherine Meeks will be held at ECOHS on Saturday, August 27th. Unfortunately, this session is completely full. Below are other sessions that still have openings available this year:

September 24th in Toccoa (location TBD)

November 5th at St. Timothy's, Calhoun

December 3rd at St. Francis, Macon.

If you are interested in attending one of these sessions, please contact Mary Job at 404-601-5320 at the Diocesan Offices to register.

Due to the overwhelming interest in this seminar, Fr. Keith is working with Dr. Meeks to see if another session at ECOHS can be scheduled some time in 2017. Stay tuned!

For our New Space!

A few items needed for our Youth and Children's classrooms

We're looking for a few classroom items, before our fall program year begins. If you can assist, please contact the Church Office.

Youth Rooms: we have several needs for this new space:

- Smart TV's - we're looking for one large 50+" for our large classroom

March 5: Ladies Prayer Brunch with Sara Beth Wright, PhD
March 18-20: Parish Weekend at Camp Mikell
March 27: Easter Sunday
April 3: Father Keith's last day before sabbatical
April 24: Listening to the Family and Holy Spirit through Fun
May 15: Pentecost
May 21: Parish goes to the Holy Spirit Monastery
June 18-25: Honduras Youth Mission
July 11: Father Keith's first day back at work
July 17: Father Keith and Lynn's first Sunday back at Holy Spirit - one service at 10:00 am with Welcome Back Coffee to follow
August 17: Bishop's visit and building dedication. Building to Serve Dinner & report
September 21: Sharing Supper: Listening through recreation and play
October 19: Sharing Supper: Listening through retreat and pilgrimage
November 16: Sharing Supper: Listening through mission



Music Notes

The ECOHS adult choir will resume regular weekly rehearsals on **Wednesday, August 3** from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in our new choir room

If you are interested in sharing your musical talent with us, please let Jeff Daniel know at ecohsmusic@bellsouth.net OR speak with him at church. There is ALWAYS room for more choir members. We hope you will join us!

Please visit the music portion of the church's website www.ecohs.net to find information about the music ministry of ECOHS.

- Jeff Daniel

ECOHS Website

Have you checked out the ECOHS website lately? Thanks to parishioner, Sylvia Cardona, it has been revamped and updated! Be sure to visit weekly for updates to Sermons, Ministry Schedule, Church Calendar and more! Check it out at www.ecohs.net!

Family Promise Second Annual Bed Race and Festival

Family Promise is getting very close to being able to host homeless families here in Forsyth County. 13 host churches have been identified, a Day Center has been secured and a Director to oversee the program has been hired! But the need for fundraising continues.

Last year, ECOHS Youth had a wonderful time participating in the Family Promise Bed Race. It's now time to plan for this year's race which is quickly approaching on August 27th from 9am - 2:00 pm at Creekside United Methodist Church.

We are looking for volunteers -- youth and adults -- to be our race team. If you'd like to be a part of the team, contact: Dennis and Linda Whittle at dpwhittle@bellsouth.net or 770-887-7821.

ECW Afternoon Tea Benefitting Camp Mikell - Saturday, August 20th

The Diocesan ECW is hosting an Afternoon Tea for Camp Mikell. They have invited all women from the diocese to attend. Camp Mikell needs a new kitchen floor, stoves and ovens. About half of the money has been raised, but more is still needed.

When: Saturday, August 20th from 3:00 to 6:00 pm

Where: Cathedral of St. Philip
2744 Peachtree St. NW
Atlanta, GA 30305

Tickets are \$25.00/ \$10.00 for students.

Call to reserve your tickets: Gwen Hyman 404-361-8607 or 404-790-5613

Camp Mikell 2016 Summer Schedule

Mini Camp Rising 1st & 2nd grade	May 27-29 \$350 - includes cost for camper& parent/guardian
Youth Camp Rising 10th - Just graduated	June 5-11 \$450
Performing Arts Camp Rising 4th-9th grade	June 12-18 \$450
Intermediate Camp Rising 8th & 9th grade	June 19-25 \$450
Junior Camp Rising 6th & 7th grade	June 26- July 2 \$450
Kid Camp Rising 3rd-5th grade	July 10-16 \$450
Work Camp Rising 10th- Just graduated	July 18-23 \$350
Emmaus House Summer Program	July 22-29

For more information on camp sessions or to register, go to:

www.campmikell.com

A Friendly Request from the Bookkeeper:

We appreciate the pledges and gifts so graciously bestowed upon our church. To make sure they are posted and accounted for correctly, please be sure to note on the memo line on all checks what the funds are for.

Examples: Annual Pledge, Building Fund, Outreach, Honduras Mission Trip, Priest Discretionary Fund, etc.

If you have any questions, please call Cathy at the church office. 770-887-8190.

Thank you!

ECOHS - Treasury Report - June 2016

	Month Actual	Variance Budget	YTD Actual	Variance Budget
Income				
Pledged	\$ 20,645.00	\$ (6,910.00)	\$149,810.00	\$ (15,520.00)
Other	\$ 5,816.53	\$ (1,862.29)	\$ 45,560.88	\$ 1,082.96
	<u>\$ 26,461.53</u>	<u>\$ (8,772.29)</u>	<u>\$195,370.88</u>	<u>\$ (14,437.04)</u>
Expense				
Operations	\$ 24,204.83	\$ 9,136.37	\$227,628.71	\$ 1,093.99
Programs	\$ 2,003.26	\$ 617.57	\$ 9,136.15	\$ 1,577.73
	<u>\$ 26,208.09</u>	<u>\$ 9,753.94</u>	<u>\$236,764.86</u>	<u>\$ 2,671.72</u>

Summary Statement

Revenues were down 25% for the month, with expenses being down 27% from budget.

* Pledge revenue YTD is 9.4% below budget

* Expenses YTD are running close to plan.

Areas of Note:

- The income for the month was \$253.44
- YTD deficit is \$12K over the budgeted amount.
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BALANCES:

Operations	\$ 31,704.02
Restricted Identified	\$409,304.00 (Includes Capital Funds)
Restricted Available	\$119,800.00
Total:	\$560,808.02

Building Capital Overview

- Total Project Budget amount \$1,900K
Expenses to date \$2,148K
Expected Project Total \$2,150K
- Total Pledged amount \$1,200K
Collected to date \$791K or 66%
- Construction Loan Approved for \$1,500K
Borrowed to date \$1,500K



Any questions, please email me at Zprime2@charter.net

Community Connections

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