# Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

Website Calendar Youth Ministry Education Links

## **Upcoming Events**

KITE FLYING/MESSY OLYMPICS April 19<sup>th</sup>, CANCELLED!

THE PANTRY
April 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am to 9:30am

THEOLOGY ON TAP

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, after services

SASSE LUNCHEON May 8<sup>th</sup>, Noon

MEN'S BREAKFAST May 9<sup>th</sup>, 8am

VESTRY MEETING May 14<sup>h</sup>, 6:30pm

Contemplative Lessons of the Order of St. Anthony the Great Most Sundays at 2:30 p.m.

## **Weekly Schedule**

#### **Sunday**

8:30a Holy Eucharist 9:30a Christian Formation 10:45a Holy Eucharist 12:30p Youth choir rehearsal

## **Monday**

12:30p EfM 1:00p Women's AA Meeting

## **Tuesday**

12:30p AA Meeting 12:30p Mother's Group

## **Late April Edition**

## From the Rector:

How do you feel when you are invited to a party? Or when you are invited to join a group or an organization? Depending on the context, if you are like me, you feel excited and affirmed in the relationship with the person who invited you. You may also feel curious about what may happen at the party or within the group when you join.

So with those impressions in mind, I would like to invite you to join the Episcopal Church. Many of you are already members, but there are also many who are involved in our parish who have never officially joined. There are two basics ways you can respond "Yes" to this invitation-

- If you have been baptized as an infant or child, but never made a mature profession of faith in another tradition, I invite you to be confirmed within the Episcopal Church.
- If you have made a mature profession of faith in another tradition, through baptism or confirmation, I invite you to be received into the Episcopal Church.

By responding in either of these ways, you affirm that The Episcopal Church in general and our congregation in particular is your spiritual home, the place where you experience God and seek to follow Christ within our common life and faith. To take the next step in order to respond in one of these ways involves meeting with me one-on-one or with others to discuss your questions about the church. Being confirmed or received is your personal decision; you will never feel pressured when we talk.

And if you are new to church and have never been baptized or involved in a church before, I also invite you to join us. The first step would involve a conversation with me to learn what we believe about our risen Lord; why what we believe matters; and how what we believe shapes how we live. You can then decide whether to be baptized. If you do, life becomes about more than each of us individually-instead life is about what God is doing in the world and through us as a community of faith.

So please consider the invitation. The next planned time for you to be received, baptized or confirmed will be when Bishop Whitmore visits us on the Feast of Pentecost, May 24. Several of our youth will be confirmed at that time and it would be exciting to add to their number as people join them in seeking to follow Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. The

6:30p EfM

### Wednesday

9:00a "In Stitches"
Knitting & Crochet
12:00noon Contemplative &
Litany Prayer Hour
5:00p Children's choir
rehearsal
7:30pm Adult choir
rehearsal

#### Thursday

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

#### Friday

10:00a Women's AA Meeting

## Saturday

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

This Sunday's Lessons

- April 19, 2015
Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
John 24:36b-48

## For Keith's Lessons & Questions:

See Home Group tab on church website.

## **Next Sunday's Lessons**

- April 26, 2015
Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

## Stay Connected

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invitation is always open and you are of course welcome to continue with us no matter how you respond.

Easter blessings!

*Keith+* 

## **Announcements**

**BIBLE STUDY** - The Rector's Bible Study will continue with the Book of Mark on <u>Thursdays at 10:30am</u>. Please join us!

## **EYC - Schedule for Remainder of this program year:**

• Sunday May 17th - Last EYC of the program year.



Welcome to Camp Mikell 2015!!

Camp Mikell has provided summer camp experiences since 1941. We are owned and operated by the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, and are an American Camp Association Accredited camp. We are **YOUR** summer camp.

If you are a part of the Mikell family, we welcome you back again this summer. If you haven't been to Mikell before, give us a try. We would love nothing more than to have you as a part of our family. The Summer Staff and Counselors are counting the days until summer starts, the Deans are preparing their programs, the excitement is in the air, and all we need now is YOU!!

Please go to <a href="www.campmikell.com">www.campmikell.com</a> for more information and registration, or give us a call at 706-886-7515. We'll see you this summer at Camp Mikell!!



## IT HAS BEGUN!!!!

## **Groundbreaking Ceremony, April 15th**

Approximately 95 parishioners attended.





## **Music Notes**



The St. Luke (2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Youth choirs will be the CHOIR for the 10:45 service on **Sunday April 26**.

The St. Luke  $(2^{nd} - 5^{th} \text{ grade})$  and St. Cecilia (age  $4 - 1^{st} \text{ grade})$  will sing at the 10:45 service on **Sunday May 10** (Mother's day).

Adult choir meets every Wednesday night at 7:30 and Sunday morning at 10:00 in the church. Youth choir rehearsals are on Sundays after the 10:45a.m. service. Children's choir rehearsals are every Wednesday @ 5:00 p.m.

St. Cecilia Choir - ages 4-1<sup>st</sup> grade St. Luke Choir - 2<sup>nd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> grade Youth Choir - 6<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> grade

Anyone interested in being a part of the music ministry, please see Jeff Daniel on Sunday mornings, or email him at <a href="mailto:ecohsmusic@bellsouth.net">ecohsmusic@bellsouth.net</a>.

- Jeff Daniel



**Treasurer's Report:** 

## ECOHS - Treasury Report - March 2015

	Month	Variance	YTD	Variance
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income				
Pledged	\$ 31,600.44	\$ 3,872.03	\$ 86,792.24	\$ 2,004.98
Other	\$ 10,578.00	\$ 2,403.34	\$ 25,919.96	\$ 11,308.96
	\$ 42,178.44	\$ 6,275.37	\$ 112,712.20	\$ 13,313.94
Expense				
Operatio	\$ 29,920.28	\$ (2,280.21)	\$ 92,294.76	\$ (5,121.03)
Programs	\$ 3,090.54	\$ (874.70)	\$ 7,419.99	\$ (2,872.49)
	\$ 33,010.82	\$(3,154.91)	\$ 99,714.75	\$ (7,993.52)

#### Areas of Note:

None at this time

#### Areas of concern:

None at this time

#### **Summary Statement**

Revenues are up 13% for the first quarter, with expenses being up 9% over budget.

- \* Pledged and plate offerings are running slightly above the budget.
- \* Program revenue is driving the other income.
- \* No one area is driving the expense overage.

#### BALANCES:

Operations \$ 75,441.88

Restricted Identified \$428,099.02 (Includes Capital Funds)

Restricted Available \$150,464.17

Total: \$654,005.07

## Parish Center Capital Funds



#### Areas of Note:

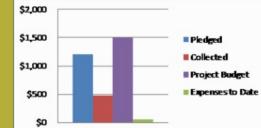
- Received to Date \$469,659.82.
- Total Pledged amount \$1,206,337.76

#### Areas of concern:

None at this time

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Any questions, please email me at Zzprime2@charter.net

- Bruce Zavitz

## Children's Corner:

Just a reminder, with all the construction going on, we realize that we will NOT be able to have Vacation Bible School this summer. While we will miss VBS, we will have several planned days for us to get together and do fun faith based activities. Watch this space for coming details!

- Julie Wilson

## Outreach:

March Pantry Info:

No. of clients served: 149

Pantry Angels: Bert and Midge Printz, Michael Foeller, Karen Schaub, Liz Tanner, Linda Whittle, Cheryl and Steve Howell, Jim and Judy Foster, Julie Anderson, Deacon Tom, Anne Holdgrafer, Tom and Champ McDonnell.

Many thanks to all who braved the cold wind to help with this month's bagging and handout and to all who contributed the ever needed diapers. Sizes needed for next month, 2, 3, and 6.

As always Champ was the champ and Tom the inspiring singer playing a guitar in surely sub freezing temps! Thanks also to Deacon Tom for offering prayers where needed.

The Outreach Committee

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