

# Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit



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## Upcoming Events:

### THE PANTRY

March 26th, 8:00am to 9:30am

### EfM CLASSES

Day Class: Tuesdays at Noon

Evening Class: Tuesdays, 6:00 pm

### PASTORAL CARE MEETING

March 9th, 9:30 am

### VESTRY MEETING

March 10th, 6:30 pm

### SASSE LUNCHEON

March 11th, noon

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

March 12, 8:00-10:00 am

### HUNGER WALK

March 13th

### CAREGIVER'S GROUP\*

March 17th, 6:30

### PARISH WEEKEND

March 18-20

Camp Mikell

### HOLY WEEK

March 20-27th

### EASTER

March 27th

### WISDOM GROUP

February 21st, 12:30-2:30 pm

## Early March Edition

### From the Rector:

As most of you have heard already, the vestry and I have decided to postpone the building expansion dedication service originally scheduled for April 3. The new date for the dedication service with the bishop is Wednesday, August 17 at 6:30 pm. In addition to notifying you of this liturgical change, I want to update you on our construction status and how we will manage the transition issues after I leave for my sabbatical on April 4.

First, our main "critical path" delay is getting the sprinkler heads completed for the nave. These have to be made specially and have taken longer than we expected. They are scheduled to be shipped to us the week of March 15. After they are installed, we can have the 80% completion inspection from the fire marshal. After his approval, we can move forward with the drywall, insulation, and ceiling completion in the nave. That will make us all feel better!

The timing of this work will likely include at least part of Holy Week, so we are considering other options for our worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday in case we cannot use our space. One option is to attend the services of another church for those two holy days and then have the Great Vigil of Easter and Easter Sunday services back in our space. More to come on those decisions by next week.

The other aspects of the construction project-preschool area, youth area, other classrooms, kitchen, and parish hall and then our punch list items-are targeted to be completed as soon as possible. Our goal is by the middle of May, though that date is subject to various inspector approvals. During this transition period after I am away, the following parish leaders will be responsible for the

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

## **Weekly Schedule:**

### **Sunday**

8:30a Holy Eucharist  
10:45a Holy Eucharist

### **Monday**

### **Tuesday**

12:00p EfM Day Class  
6:00p EfM Evening Class

### **Wednesday**

9:00a "In Stitches"  
Knitting & Crochet \*  
12:00p Contemplative Prayer\*  
7:30 Adult Choir Practice

### **Thursday**

10:30 Bible Study\*  
12:00p Holy Eucharist\*

### ***During Lent:***

Stations of the Cross 12:00\*  
Contemplative Service 12:30\*

### **Friday**

Church office closed

### **Saturday**

8:00am Pantry (the last Saturday  
of the month)  
12:00noon Contemplative &  
Litany Prayer Hour (first  
Saturday of the month)

***Items marked with \* meet in  
the Youth Building.***

***This Sunday's Lessons***  
***-March 13th, 2016:***

**completion of the construction project and for the  
care and leadership of the parish:**

**Associate Rector, Mother Bonnie-- responsible for  
pastoral, liturgical, and sacramental leadership**

**Wardens Mark Bohan/Bill Kukarola-- responsible for  
care of building, grounds and administrative issues**

**Treasurer Bruce Zavitz-- responsible along with the  
wardens and vestry for financial issues**

**Dan Krogh, Building Project Coordinator-  
responsible with vestry for final completion of  
project**

**As we have done for the past several weeks, these  
leaders will continue to meet on a weekly basis with  
Janice Davis, representing RAD Enterprises, to  
review and address construction completion issues.  
Bruce Zavitz and Putnam Smith, vestry liaison for  
Finance and Administration, will be responsible for  
working with our current bank and others to come  
up with mortgage options for the parish.**

**We are planning a Town Hall meeting for March 30 at  
6:30 pm. By this date, we should have a better idea  
of our construction completion status and be able to  
answer any questions you might have. Of course  
feel free to contact me or any member of the vestry  
with your questions at any time.**

~Keith+

## ***From the Youth Minister:***

Yes, there's a lot of construction going on, but  
Youth activities continue! Here's our Lenten  
Schedule!!

**3/13: Hunger Walk . . .** make sure you register for this  
event, both through Signup Genius (so I know our count  
and can arrange for transportation), and on the Diocesan  
website (to pay your registration fee, order for your t-shirt,  
and learn more about gathering sponsors). This is a great  
annual event and coming up soon!

**3/18-20: Parish Weekend . . .** with some great youth  
activities on Friday night and Saturday! Hope to see you  
there!

Isaiah 43:16-21  
Psalm 126  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
John 12:1-8

**For Keith's Lessons & Questions:**

See Home Group tab on church website.

**Next Sunday's Lessons**  
**March 20th, 2016**

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**Liturgy of the Palms:**

**Luke 19:28-49**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29**

**Liturgy of the Word:**

**Isaiah 50:4-9a**

**Psalm 31:9-16**

**Philippians 2:5-11**

**Luke 22:14-23:56**

**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:**

**20th of every month**

Send submissions to:  
ecoahs@bellsouth.net

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**EYC will not be scheduled from Palm Sunday (3/20) through Spring Break (4/10). We'll resume on 4/17.**

**Lenten Sunday School Program**

Our Lenten Program, "Who is our Neighbor?" continues on Sunday mornings in Fr. Keith's office. **ALL HS/MS students** are invited, as we explore issues of race and reconciliation. We'll continue to watch and discuss the movie Selma through 3/6, then branch into discussions on our local history, privilege, and sharing Christ's light through loving our neighbors in our own day-to-day lives.

**Upcoming Diocesan Events - Time to Plan for SUMMER:**

**Mission Trip Birmingham, July 10-15:**

Diocesan Mission Trip Birmingham is our high school youth trip. Each participant will spend half the week doing labor intensive service work that includes a coop garden, while the other half of the week will be relational, including volunteering at a local VBS. You can find registration [here](#). Note: Deposit is \$60, and although the deadline has passed, registration will continue until we run out of space.

**Mission Trip:atlSERVE, July 10-15:**

The diocese is partnering with All Saints' Atlanta to provide an Atlanta-based mission trip for middle school youth. We have already partnered with Emmaus House, Meals on Wheels, and the Atlanta Food Bank to provide a good mix of service work. You can find registration [here](#). Note: Deposit is \$50, and although the deadline has passed, registration will continue until we run out of space.

**And one more SUMMER option!**

**SUMMA Theological Debate Society's Summer 2016 Camp** is open to all High School students and will be held July 18-27 at the School of Theology at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee.

**Mother Bonnie+**

[bonniegunderwood@gmail.com](mailto:bonniegunderwood@gmail.com)

## Announcements

### Sunday Lenten Series: Listen with the Ear of Your Heart

Due to construction, we are switching our Lenten Series to Sunday mornings at 9:30 in the parish hall. Supporting Father Keith's sabbatical theme, "Listen with the Ear of Your Heart", our series speakers will be parishioners who are involved in ministry to people outside our church walls. They will share with us what they hear from the people they serve and help us to learn to listen differently-with greater compassion, humility, and hope.

**March 13:** Parishioners Joanie Anderton and Lucy Murray will talk about their experience coordinating our parish's ministry at the Children's Center at Lee Arrendale State Prison. Joanie, Lucy and several other parishioners have heard what it is like to be in prison with family outside (or to be the child of someone in prison). Their talk will help change how we think of prisoners.

## Lent, Holy Week, Easter: The Details, the Reasons, the Translations

### \* Why is Lent 40 days long?

In the Bronze and Iron Ages, during which the Bible was written, most people were both illiterate and innumerate - in other words, most people counted "One, two, three, a lot." For the Hebrews, "40" was a synonym for "a lot," which is why the Great Flood's rains lasted 40 days and 40 nights, the Hebrews wandered in the desert for 40 years, the prophet Elijah fasted for 40 days and nights, etc.

Eventually Lent came to last 40 days (not including sabbath days) to parallel Jesus's 40 days in the wilderness right after his baptism, preparing for his earthly ministry (Luke 4:1-13). It was the Council of Laodicia in 360 A.D. that established the observance of Lent. Before then, some people acknowledged it by fasting for just a day or

two. Some fasted for 40 hours because they believed 40 hours elapsed between Jesus's crucifixion and resurrection. In the early centuries of observing Lent, there was great emphasis on self-denial, mortification, and humiliation, and less emphasis on spiritual renewal. In the 5<sup>th</sup> century some engaged in very strict fasting - one meal a day. Of course, that was in the days before refrigeration, when the winter food supply was running out, and rationing the available food was probably a good idea. Starvation and denial were seen by some as a way to get into heaven and buy time out of Purgatory. By the 9th Century the rules on fasting were relaxed and the emphasis was on penitential works.

### **\* How do we determine the date of Easter?**

Easter is always the Sunday after the full moon that occurs on or after the spring equinox on March 21. Easter cannot be earlier than March 22 or later than April 25. There's a table on Page 882 of the Book of Common Prayer to show you each year's date of Easter. Then check Pages 884-85 to find Ash Wednesday. (We don't count Sundays as part of the 40 days of Lent because each Sunday is considered a "little Easter.")

### **\* What does "Maundy" mean, as in Maundy Thursday?**

At his last meal with his disciples (what we call the Last Supper), Jesus gave us the great commandment, or mandate (Latin *mandatum*), to "love one another as I have loved you." That's where the term "Maundy Thursday" comes from.

### **Q. Why do we call it "Palm Sunday"?**

A. The gospels of Matthew, Luke and John describe Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem approximately a week before the Resurrection. (Matthew 21:1-11, Luke 19:28-40, John 12:12-15; Mark 11:11 says only "Jesus entered Jerusalem.") The palm branch was a symbol of triumph, victory and the Greek goddess Nike (Victory). In ancient Egypt, palm fronds symbolized eternal life. Thus, in the early centuries of Christianity,

palm branches came to symbolize the Christian martyrs' victory over death.

### \* Why do we call it "Good Friday"? What's good about the day Jesus died?

Other languages call it "Suffering Friday" (German), "Great Friday" (Greek) or "Long Friday" (Danish, Finnish). No one is certain how the English term evolved. It may refer to an obsolete definition of the word "good" as "pious" or "holy." Or it may be an evolution of "God's Friday," as "goodbye" evolved out of "God be with ye."

### \* When is Lent over?

Most people agree that the 40-day season of penitence that began February 10 ends at noon on Easter Saturday, March 26.

From The Crosstown Newsletter: Crosstown is the newsletter of the people of the Cathedral Church of St. Peter, in St. Petersburg, FL

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## Children's Christian Ed

We are moving through Lent and I wanted to share the Sunday plans as we approach Easter.

**March 13th** - Passover Seder Dinner for children and parents. Parents are invited to share this special meal with us.

**March 20th** - Palm Sunday - also Parish Retreat - For the children at the Parish Retreat we will have a fun and meaningful program centered around Palm Sunday. For the children that are here at church we will dress up and act out Palm Sunday.

**March 27th** - Easter - Easter Egg Hunt during the Christian Ed hour. I'll be asking for people to donate plastic- trinket and candy filled eggs for the hunt.

**April 3rd** - Spring Break - no Sunday School

We have lots to look forward to and much to be thankful for. I am so thankful for your continued support and the blessing of learning from your children every single Sunday! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to email me.

~Julie Wilson

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## Support the Atlanta Hunger Walk!!

Our youth will be participating in the annual Atlanta Hunger Walk on March 13 at Turner Field. We'll start out our day in fellowship with the community of Peoplestown and Emmaus House, then celebrating Eucharist, before heading to Turner Field for the event Saturday afternoon.

All of ECOHS is invited to join us in supporting the Hunger Walk, either by joining us for the walk or through sponsorship of our Diocesan EYC Youth team. Through this link, you can sponsor our team as well as register for the event [here](#). The site allows you to sponsor a specific ECOHS youth/adult team member, or towards the overall Diocesan team.

Hope you'll join our Youth Community in supporting our efforts to fight hunger! Please contact Mother Bonnie with any questions.

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### MINISTRY OF THE MONTH: WORSHIP TEAMS

Our Worship teams include both adult and youth lectors, eucharistic ministers, crucifers, and acolytes. Assignments are made for these Sunday roles each month and, depending on the service preference, occur approximately once every 4-8 weeks. Fourth Sunday's will typically involve more youth assignments as these services include both contemporary music and youth choirs, but all worship team members are welcome to serve at all services, based on availability and needs.

**Lectors** are assigned to read Old and New Testament lessons, as well as leading the Psalms and intercessory prayers. Assignments are made in advance to help insure lectors can prepare for the readings. All readings are pre-printed and available at the ambo for each service. Training is provided for new lectors by Meg Davenport.

**Eucharistic Ministers** (EM's) participate in the procession and assist with serving the chalice during the Eucharist. All baptized adult members of the Episcopal church, as well as our high school juniors and seniors, are welcome to join this ministry.

**Crucifers** are assigned for each Sunday service. Crucifers responsibilities include leading the processions and assisting the priest or deacon to set the altar table for Eucharist. Our youth crucifers are normally high school students and often have had

prior experience as acolytes.

**Youth acolytes** are an integral part of our 10:45 service and participate in the processions, as well as receiving the gifts during the offertory. Our 5th - 8th grade youth serve as acolytes.

Our Thursday Eucharist and healing service also includes a crucifer and lectors. A separate scheduling process is used for those worship team members available for this service.

Training is available for all who wish to join this ministries. Meg Davenport provides lector training, Janice Davis trains the adult EM's and crucifers, and Mother Bonnie trains the youth EM's, crucifers, and acolytes. Youth training is held each fall.

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### **February Pantry:**

Number of clients served: 172

Pantry Angels: Bill Kukarola, Michael Foeller, Liz Tanner, Sumner Cahoon, Sharon Linsley, Sandra Culver, Lohr Pickering, Julie Anderson, Emile & Sandi Foisy, Tom & Champ McDonnell, Bill McKeldin, Lexie Jennings, Nichole Freeman, Ro Woodhead.

Many thanks to all who helped collect, bag, handout and donate...all are such vital parts of this ministry!

~The Outreach Committee

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### **Music Notes**



The ECOHS adult choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm. If you are interested in sharing your musical talent with us, please let Jeff Daniel know at [ecohsmusic@bellsouth.net](mailto:ecohsmusic@bellsouth.net) OR speak with him at church. There is ALWAYS room for more choir members. We hope you will join us!

Don't forget to visit the music portion of the church's website [www.ecohs.net](http://www.ecohs.net) to find information about the music ministry of ECOHS.

**- Jeff Daniel**

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## Sabbatical: A Time for Listening and Renewal

As most of you know by now, Father Keith will be on sabbatical from Monday, April 4th until Monday July, 11th, 2016. Following is a brief timeline of the sabbatical activities for Father Keith and for the Parish.

### Father Keith:

April 3rd: Father Keith departs for sabbatical after 10:45 service  
April 14-21: New Camaldoli Hermitage in Big Sur, CA  
April 25-29: Annual Clergy Retreat  
May 1-7: Candler Pastoral Leadership Program, Juarez, MX and El Paso, TX  
May 19-26: Honduras Mission Trip  
July 11: Father Keith's first day back at work  
July 17: Father Keith's first Sunday back at Holy Spirit  
August 21: Welcome Home Celebration for Father Keith and Lynn

### Parish:

March 5: Ladies Prayer Brunch with Sara Beth Wright, PhD  
March 18-20: Parish Weekend at Camp Mikell  
March 27: Easter Sunday  
April 3: Bishop building dedication, reception, Father Keith's last day  
April 5-6: Mentor Me Camp with Sylvia Cardona  
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  
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## Dutch Jahnz Kite Flying Day -- April 24th

Join us on April 24th to "Listen to the Spirit through Family and Fun" at our annual Dutch Jahnz Kite Flying Day with a twist. The youth has planned lunch, games, photos, and truly activities for all ages.

A Sign-Up Genius will go out soon. You won't want to miss out on the fun...or the chance to be the new Kickball, Kite Flying or Bingo Champion!

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### Attention all Golfers! Save the Date!

***The 4th Annual Links for LAMB Golf Tournament is on May 2nd, 2016 at the Trophy Club of Atlanta. All proceeds will directly benefit the children of LAMB.***

The cost is \$150 per person, which includes greens fees, cart, driving range, contests, continental breakfast, hot buffet lunch and beverages. You can sign up as an individual player or bring a foursome. Signup online at [www.tinyurl.com/znpz3q4](http://www.tinyurl.com/znpz3q4) or contact Mother Bonnie with any questions.

*Sign up deadline is 4/22/16.*

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### Coming Soon...Vacation Bible School!

We have scheduled the dates for Vacation Bible School. We are excited to have VBS this year, we missed it so much last year! The dates for this year are **Monday, June 6th - Friday, June 10th**. The kickoff will be on Sunday, June 5th. We are going to change things up a little this year and have VBS right off the bat... hoping that most people are in town and still in a routine of getting up and going in the morning. We are excited about the downstairs area being finished and looking forward to the space we have for Vacation Bible School! It will be INCREDIBLE! No telling how many children we will have laughing, giggling and growing in their relationship with God!! Thanks be to God!!

Look for more information to come as we begin to have planning meetings!

Julie Wilson [jwilsonjat@gmail.com](mailto:jwilsonjat@gmail.com)

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### REMINDER!

The parish hall and nave are currently unavailable for use Mondays - Fridays. The youth building is available for use during the week and usage can be scheduled

through Cathy at the church office.

Thank you all for your patience and flexibility!

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### Camp Mikell 2016 Summer Schedule

<b>Mini Camp</b> Rising 1st & 2nd grade	May 27-29 \$350 - includes cost for camper& parent/guardian
<b>Youth Camp</b> Rising 10th - Just graduated	June 5-11 \$450
<b>Performing Arts Camp</b> Rising 4th-9th grade	June 12-18 \$450
<b>Intermediate Camp</b> Rising 8th & 9th grade	June 19-25 \$450
<b>Junior Camp</b> Rising 6th & 7th grade	June 26- July 2 \$450
<b>Kid Camp</b> Rising 3rd-5th grade	July 10-16 \$450
<b>Work Camp</b> Rising 10th- Just graduated	July 18-23 \$350
<b>Emmaus House</b> Summer Program	July 22-29
<b>Guest Camp</b> Children, Adults and Families All Ages	September 2-5 (Labor Day Weekend)

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

**[www.campmikell.com](http://www.campmikell.com)**

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### 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!

## Backpacks of Love - Drop Off

Until our construction is complete, please bring your filled Backpacks to the Parish Administrator's office downstairs.

Thank you!

~Cathy Schlecht

### ECOHS - Treasury Report - January 2016

	Month Actual	Variance Budget	YTD Actual	Variance Budget
<b>Income</b>				
Pledged	\$ 32,495.00	\$ 4,940.00	\$ 32,495.00	\$ 4,940.00
Other	\$ 8,913.55	\$ 1,572.23	\$ 8,913.55	\$ 1,572.23
	<u>\$ 41,408.55</u>	<u>\$ 6,512.23</u>	<u>\$ 41,408.55</u>	<u>\$ 6,512.23</u>
<b>Expense</b>				
Operations	\$ 43,872.21	\$ (5,012.82)	\$ 43,872.21	\$ (5,012.82)
Programs	\$ 2,527.11	\$ 371.50	\$ 2,527.11	\$ 371.50
	<u>\$ 46,399.32</u>	<u>\$ (4,641.32)</u>	<u>\$ 46,399.32</u>	<u>\$ (4,641.32)</u>

**Areas of Note:**

- The deficit for the month was less than the project budget deficit: (\$5.0) vs. (\$6.8)
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**Summary Statement**

Revenues were up 18.6% for the month, with expenses being up 11.1% over budget.

\* Revenue includes \$1.8K in prior year pledge payments.

\* Expenses are up primarily due to quarterly payments which hit during the first month.

\* One month does not reflect trends positive or negative.

**BALANCES:**

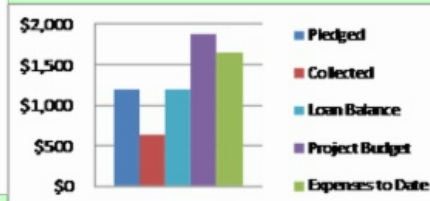
Operations \$ 68,198.92  
 Restricted Identified \$657,447.00 (Includes Capital Funds)  
 Restricted Available \$119,800.00  
 Total: \$845,445.92

### Building Capital Overview

• Total Project Budget amount \$1,900K  
 Expenses to date \$1,645.1K

• Total Pledged amount \$1,200K  
 Collected to date \$641K or 53.4%

• Construction Loan Approved for \$1,500K  
 Borrowed to date \$1200K



Any questions, please email me at [Zprime2@charter.net](mailto:Zprime2@charter.net)

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