

# Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit



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## Upcoming Events:

### THE PANTRY

May 28th, 8:00am to 9:30am

### VBS KICK OFF

June 5th after late service

### VBS

June 6-10

### PASTORAL CARE MEETING

June 8th, 10:30 am

### VESTRY MEETING

June 9th

### SASSE LUNCHEON

June 10th, noon

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

June 11th, 8:00-10:00 am

### FISH FRY & BOAT BLESSING

June 12th, 12:00 - 3:00 pm

### CAREGIVER'S GROUP\*

June 16th, 6:30

### WISDOM GROUP

On hiatus until Fr. Keith returns

### SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS

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

### LUNCH WITH BR. KENNETH

1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays  
Marie's Deli at 12:30 pm

## Late May Edition



## From the (Associate) Rector:

We are now half-way through Father Keith's Sabbatical. In the past couple of weeks, Keith and Lynn have had some vacation time together at Rosemary Beach and, as I write this, Father Keith is now in Honduras. He has guided a retreat for the leaders of the Alonzo Movement, an organization that provides a loving, Christian alternative to young people susceptible to gang involvement, and has had the time to renew relationships and share experiences with those who live into Lamb Institute's mission to *Follow the Lamb*. Please hold both Keith and Lynn in your prayers as they continue in this period of

## Weekly Schedule:

### Sunday

8:30a Holy Eucharist  
10:00a Holy Eucharist

### Monday

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

9:00a "In Stitches"  
Knitting & Crochet \*  
12:00p Contemplative Prayer\*

### Thursday

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

### 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.*

### Sunday Lessons

#### May 29th, 2016

1 Kings 8:22-23, 41-43

Psalms 96:1-9

Galatians 1:1-12

Luke 7:1-10

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

On hiatus until Fr. Keith  
returns.

### Next Sunday's Lessons

#### June 5th 2016

1 Kings 17:17-24

Psalms 30

rest and renewal.

Our parish has continued to participate in our own parish-wide activities, striving to listen to the Holy Spirit. Our first parish event to the Monastery in Conyers, *Listening to the Holy Spirit through Pilgrimage*, was well-attended and enjoyed by all, as we discovered new places and ways to explore contemplative time and the chance to recognize the movement of the Spirit within our daily lives.

We have new opportunities available, as we strive to *Listen to the Holy Spirit through Children and the Marginalized*. Mentor Me will be holding a summer camp at Freedom Tabernacle on Freedom Parkway, and is asking for volunteers, ages 14 and up, to assist with this program. More details on how you can help are included in this newsletter.

Progress continues with our construction. We have new sidewalks and will soon have new asphalt laid, a new playground and fence installed, and significant cleaning completed as we prepare for the return of Vacation Bible School this year and expanding our use of the new facilities. Like many of you, I look forward to settling into our new space!

Blessings to you all as the academic year ends and we begin the transition to our summer schedule. Remember that our Sunday service times do change this week to 8:30 and 10:00 a.m., while our Thursday Eucharist and healing service time remains the same, beginning at noon.

Please feel free to contact me or any Vestry member should you have any questions. Blessings to you all.

~Mother Bonnie+

## **From the Youth Minister:**

**A big thanks for all who have participated and helped during our program year! And keep your eyes**

**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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**open for a few summer events.**

**Watch for these events! Some SignUp Genius invitations are out!**

**June 4: Tubing in Helen (Sign up NOW!)**

**June 6-10: Youth helping with VBS and Mentor Me (Sign up NOW!)**

**June 13-17: Youth helping with Mentor Me (Sign up NOW!)**

**July 12: Tuesday afternoon at the movies**

**And there is still time to sign up for these Summer Diocesan Events . . .**

**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: atISERVE, 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.

**And please pray for our Youth Honduras Mission Team members: Jaden Ahadzi, Mary Edwards, Will Murray, Colleen Norris, and Laura Schlecht, as final preparations are made for our first mission trip to Honduras, 6/18-25.**

**Please contact me with any questions.**

*Mother Bonnie+*

bonniegunderwood@gmail.com,  
404-729-5876

## Announcements

Vacation Bible School

June 6<sup>th</sup> - June 10<sup>th</sup>

9:00-12:15

**Under Construction**

**Built to Serve!**

Vacation Bible school is going to be at the start of summer this year, right off the bat! We are going to be learning from Habitat for Humanity a wonderful program that many are familiar with and sets a fantastic example on serving all God's children. Our theme this year is Under Construction: Built to Serve! It seems perfectly fitting as we begin to enjoy our new building and discern how we can best use it to serve our community and those around us.

VBS offers an active and joy-filled week for us to be in fellowship with children and adults in our community. We have

a program for all children ages 3 (and potty trained) through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. For children 6<sup>th</sup> grade - 12<sup>th</sup> grade we have an abundance of opportunities for volunteering with children, and adults leading the different centers. ***A registration form will be available for pick up in the parish hall. Please fill it out for the children in your life that will be joining us for the week.*** As always we have a suggested donation for VBS, but please do not let that prohibit children from attending, scholarship funds are available.

~Julie Wilson

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**Vacation Bible School!**  
**Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> - Lunch Kickoff!**

Bring your excitement and an appetite to share in our Vacation Bible School kickoff after the 10:00 service on June 5<sup>th</sup>! We will meet in the parish hall to share in a hearty and tasty lunch that should leave you full and ready for a joy filled week of learning and fun. Vacation Bible School will start the next day Monday June 6<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00.

Our theme this year is based on Habitat for Humanity and is **Under Construction - Built to Serve!** A perfect theme to wrap up the construction on our space and help us move towards exploring the ways that we as God's children are built to serve! Lots of great things on the agenda for the week of V.B.S. and as always a few surprises tucked away that we can all look forward to!

Join us for fun and fellowship as we begin to make use of our new space and explore the ways we are built to serve God!

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

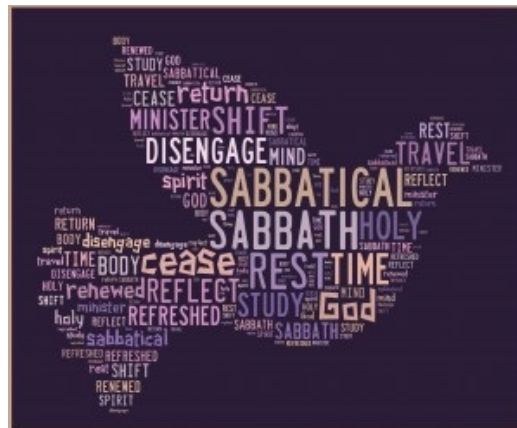


The ECOHS choirs are currently on summer break. We had a WONDERFUL year in our music ministry here at Holy Spirit. Thanks to **ALL** of our musicians for their leadership in our weekly (and additional) services. Weekly hymns, chanting of the Psalm, and service music will continue at the 10:15 a.m. service.

Weekly Wednesday and Sunday choir rehearsals will resume in late August/early September.

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**



## **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 10:00 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: 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's first Sunday back at Holy Spirit - one service at 10:00 am

August 17: Bishop's visit and building dedication

September 21: Sharing Supper: Listening through recreation and play

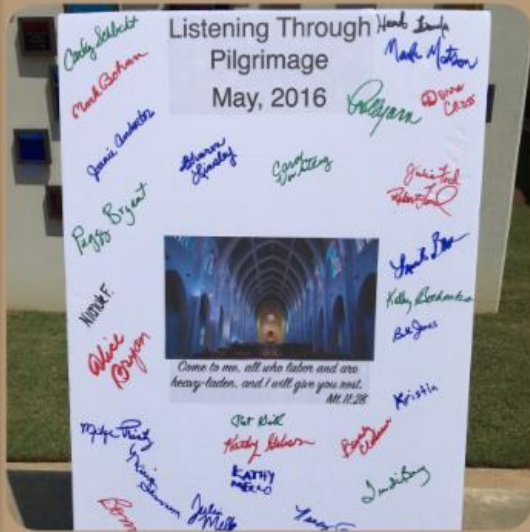
October 19: Sharing Supper: Listening through retreat and pilgrimage

November 16: Sharing Supper: Listening through mission

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**PILGRIMAGE TO THE MONASTERY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

On, Saturday, May 21st approximately 30 parishioners traveled to the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, GA. It was a wonderful day touring the grounds and museum of the Monastery, experiencing noon-day prayer with the monks, enjoying a delicious lunch and shopping in the beautiful Abbey Store and Garden Center.



# Monastery





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## **Listening to Children and the Marginalized**

We are very fortunate to have several opportunities to listen with intention to children and those on the margins of our society. Two of the most recent have been attending Church of the Common Ground serving the homeless in downtown Atlanta and our Prison Ministry at the Arrendale State prison for Women. In each of these settings, certain parishioners have chosen to spend time with those in much different circumstances than themselves. Mostly, they participate with them as they worship, eat and spend precious moments with their children...and they listen to the rhythms of their lives.

One upcoming option is Mentor Me Summer Camp at Freedom Tabernacle on Freedom Parkway. The camp is held in 2 sessions from June 6-10 and June 13-17. There is a training day on June 2. This is a great way to make a difference in a child's life by participating in the camp and listening to their stories. Go to [www.mentorga.org/summer.html](http://www.mentorga.org/summer.html) for more information and to register.

Another opportunity is to listen to our own children during Holy Spirit's Vacation Bible School. VBS meets from June 6-10 and the theme is **Under Construction: Built to Serve !** There are many opportunities for volunteering with our children --having fun as they play and learn, enjoying listening to their ideas and exploring with them their creativity. Julie Wilson welcomes you to serve at VBS.

All these activities, though part of our routine, are far from routine! They can be incorporated into the theme of LISTENING to others and to God as part of our Sabbatical theme in conjunction with Father Keith's time away.

On Sunday, June 26, after the 10:00 am service , a discussion will be facilitated by Joanie Anderton and Putnam Smith to share the insights gained by glimpsing and listening to lives on the periphery of society and to children whose voices inspire us to look beyond ourselves. We hope you'll join us to share your inspirations as well.

Beth Jones,  
For the Sabbatical Planning Committee

## **SAVE THE DATE!**



***ANNUAL FISH FRY AND BOAT BLESSING***  
***Sunday, June 12th***

at  
Neva Jahnz's Home

The Sign-Up Genius has been sent. If you have not received it or are unable to use the Sign-Up Genius, please contact Cathy at the office: 770-887-8190

## Volunteer at **Mentor Me's** Summer Camp

# Wild Animal Safari



### Have fun & earn service hours!

Help K-5 grade students keep up their reading skills and to learn more about animals during our fun summer camp. We will be doing fun activities and visit a petting zoo.

We ask that volunteers make a full one week (one shift) commitment. We have two shifts available, and you can volunteer for more than one.

Earn 20 hours of community service!

Volunteer shifts: Monday - Friday

8:30AM - 12:30PM or 12:30 PM - 4:30PM

Session 1 → June 6-10

Session 2 → June 13-17

VOLUNTEER TRAINING (required): Thursday, June 2 at 3 PM

For more information, email [daniela@mentormenorthga.org](mailto:daniela@mentormenorthga.org) or call 678-341-8028

To sign up:

**[www.MentorGA.org/SUMMER.html](http://www.MentorGA.org/SUMMER.html)**

***Volunteers ages 14 and up are welcome!***

## Dine Out and Help the Pantry!

Marie's Deli has graciously offered to donate 10% of each meal purchased by an ECOHS parishioner back to the church! All funds received from Marie's Deli will be used to offset costs at The Pantry. All you need to do is tell the cashier that you are from or a friend of The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit when you place your order!

Marie's Deli  
580 Atlanta Rd., Cumming 30040  
770-886-0084

### 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)

**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 - April 2015

	Month Actual	Variance Budget	YTD Actual	Variance Budget
<b>Income</b>				
Pledged	\$ 25,582.00	\$ (1,846.43)	\$112,344.24	\$ 128.55
Other	\$ 8,743.00	\$ 5,290.33	\$ 38,658.99	\$ 20,595.32
	<u>\$ 34,325.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,443.90</u>	<u>\$151,003.23</u>	<u>\$ 20,723.87</u>
<b>Expense</b>				
Operations	\$ 32,225.13	\$ (1,233.16)	\$124,553.58	\$ (6,387.88)
Programs	\$ 12,510.84	\$ (9,495.01)	\$ 20,163.83	\$ (12,600.50)
	<u>\$ 44,735.97</u>	<u>\$ (10,728.17)</u>	<u>\$144,717.41</u>	<u>\$ (18,988.38)</u>

#### Summary Statement

Revenues are up 16% year to date, with expenses being up 15% over budget.

- \* Pledged and plate offerings are running close to budget for the year but fell 7% below in April.
- \* Program revenue & Easter offerings are driving the other income.
- \* The jump in expenses for the month was caused by costs for the Parish Retreat coming a month after its revenue stream.

#### Areas of Note:

- None at this time

#### Areas of concern:

- None at this time

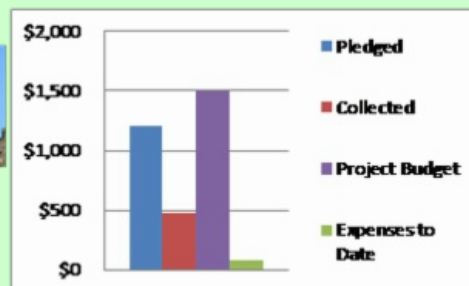
#### BALANCES:

Operations	\$ 63,879.79
Restricted Identified	\$420,647.37 (includes Capital Funds)
Restricted Available	\$150,500.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$635,027.16</b>

#### Parish Center Capital Funds

January Balance	\$ 229,289.53
Income	\$ 227,900.62
Expenses	\$ 79,794.35
Current Balance	\$ 377,395.80

#### Building Capital Overview



#### Areas of Note:

- Received to Date \$470K
- Total Pledged amount \$1,210K
- First Major Expenses will occur in May

#### Areas of concern:

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