

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit



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Upcoming Events:

BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 10:30 am

THE PANTRY

January 25th, 8:00am to
9:30am

VESTRY RETREAT

January 27-28th
at the church

VESTRY MEETING

February 9th, 6:30-8:30
pm

SASSE LUNCHEON

February, 10th, 12:00 pm

FEBRUARY 11TH

Men's Breakfast 8:00-10:00
am

FEBRUARY 16TH

Pastoral Care Mtg. 9:30-
10:30 am

HOME GROUP

February 16th, 6:00-7:00
pm

COHI MEETING

February 18th 10:00 am -
12:00 pm

THE PANTRY

February 25th, 8:00 am -
9:30 am

PARISH KARAOKE NIGHT

February 25th, 7:00-9:00
pm

Weekly Schedule:

Late January Edition

From the Rector:

On Sunday, January 22, 2017, I led an "Instructed Eucharist" in lieu of the sermon during the Sunday liturgies. The basic approach is for the priest to help the congregation understand what we do during the liturgy of the Eucharist. This is important because some of us are new to the Episcopal Church and liturgical worship. And even those who are long time Episcopalians usually have more than a few questions. I heard from people in of both of these categories-- and all types in between-- and they were grateful for this opportunity to learn more about our form of worship.

If you missed these services, there are three things I would like us all to remember:

1. Worship is ultimately about God and God's love for us as expressed in Jesus Christ. That is what we pray about, sing in our hymns, and learn from Scripture and sermons. God's love also comes to us through the grace of receiving forgiveness and Holy Communion that empowers us to love others in the power of the Holy Spirit. So if anything in our approach to worship makes us feel proud or judgmental of others for not "doing it right," then WE are doing it wrong.
2. We do follow a prescribed way of worship that goes back to at least 150 AD. We have a written record from Justin Martyr describing a liturgical style of worship that is very similar to what we and other liturgical churches (Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Orthodox, and others)

Sunday

Holy Eucharist, 8:30 am
 Holy Eucharist, 10:45 am

Monday

AA Meeting, 12:30 pm

Tuesday

Morning Prayer 9:30 am
 AA Meeting 12:30 pm
 EfM 12:00-3:00 pm
 EfM 6:00-9:00 pm

Wednesday

"In Stitches" Knitting &
 Crochet , 9:00 am
 "Just Faith" 9:45-11:45 am
 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)
 Cumming Harvest 10:00-
 12:00
 12:00noon Contemplative
 Prayer (first Saturday of the
 month)

Sunday Lessons

January 29, 2017

Michah 6:1-8

Psalm 15

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Matthew 5:1-12

Fr. Keith's Lessons

& Questions:

*Available on the ECOHS
 Website*

Next Sunday's Lessons

February 5, 2017

Isaiah 58: 1-9a

Psalm 112:1-9, (10)

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Matthew 5:13-20

The Dove Deadlines!

If you would like to have
 an article or notice

follow. So our form of worship does matter. It has roots in our Jewish ancestors and their liturgical approach to worship. We seek to honor and more deeply connect with God over the years of our lives.

- As much as what we do in church matters, what we do when we leave this sacred space is important, too-"to do the work God has given us to do." This includes sharing what we have with others, being kind, forgiving others, protecting people who are vulnerable, and sharing the hope we have because of our faith in God. It is like we bring a little bit of church with us as we share with others the grace we have received from God.

So I hope these brief thoughts and what you heard on January 22nd are helpful for you. You will be able to hear what was said once we post the audio on the website. And of course Mother Bonnie and I are glad to meet with you to discuss any questions you might have about our worship of God.

Keith+

From the Youth Minister:***For Our Youth!***

**All our events are open to our youth
 AND their friends!**

Upcoming Events at Holy Spirit!

Jan 28: It's BAAAACK!

Coffee House!! 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Our second coffee house! Come share your skills and talents on our ECOHS stage and/or cheer on others!!

Feb 5: Super Bowl Party at the Franklin's 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Back to the Franklin's for our annual event! We'll share a meal, fellowship, and watch the game together until half-time.

Feb 12: EYC at ECOHS 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

published in The Dove,
please be aware of our
deadlines:

Early Edition:

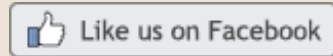
1st of every month

Late Edition:

20th of every month

Send submissions to:
eco@bellsouth.net

Stay Connected



Forward to a Friend

Some time just for us! Meet in the Youth
Rooms.

**Feb 25 Parish Karaoke and
Talent Night - Youth Group
Outreach Fundraiser**

Something new! We're inviting ALL the
parish and hosting a great karaoke and
talent night...kinda like our Coffee House,
but for everyone. We'll be sharing the work
of running our Holy Spirit Concessions
Stand, with profits going towards Outreach.

**Feb 28: Pancake Supper -
Youth Group Fundraiser**

We're back together for cooking and for the
Parish Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.
This particular fundraising event will be for
our own Youth Group!

*And MORE Diocesan Events . .
. check your email and
REGISTER!*

**Feb 3-5: New Beginnings,
Camp Mikell**

**Feb 24-26: Happening, Camp
Mikell**

And MARCH Highlights!

Mar 5: Hunger Walk

Mar 12: EYC at ECOHS

Mar 17-19: Parish Weekend

Mar 26: EYC at ECOHS

Please contact me if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions about our youth programs!

Blessings,

Mother Bonnie+

bonniegunderwood@gmail.com,
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Announcements

A Note of Thanks from Mother Bonnie+

A huge THANK YOU to all participated in our 2nd Annual Honduras Fundraiser, donating so generously of your time, talent, and treasure!





Our Holy Spirit team has grown to 14 members this year and your willingness to support our efforts makes these trips possible.

There were so many Holy Spirit angels who helped make this evening a success that I can't possibly name them all! But I do want to give a special thanks to all who prepped and cooked our fabulous meal: Dan and Hally Krogh, Lucy Murray, Jess Underwood, and Tom Watts; for those who gave of their time to setup and clean up: Joanie Anderton, Jim and Judy Foster, Sharon Linsley, Janet McDermott; to our creative Silent Auction setup team: Michael Arens, Carol Franklin, and Cathy Schlecht; for all those who donated silent auction items, especially those who created beautiful handcrafted treasures; and the many who helped with all the details- from baking desserts, to loaning us lamps, to serving as cashiers - we thank you! What a gift it is to be part of such a loving and thoughtful community.

We were able to raise approximately **\$7359** to help make our July Honduras Mission team a reality. Our team is so blessed to have the continuing support and prayers for our Holy Spirit family, as we work to carry Christ's light into the world.

Blessings,

Mother Bonnie+

Family Promise Volunteer Opportunities

Thank all of you who have assisted with meals and as hosts at St. Columba's and Christ the King in January. Your help has been greatly appreciated!

In our role as a Support Church, we have additional opportunities to contribute to Family Promise in February.

St. Columba's Episcopal Church has asked us to be dinner and evening hosts on February 7th and 9th. The menu items for those dates will be posted on Sign-up Genius in the near future. ***We are sending a special shout-out to any parishioners who live in South Forsyth to help with these dates. Rush hour traffic is a challenge for those who have to travel from the northern parts of the county.***

A second opportunity is with Christ the King Lutheran Church, February 19-27. We have been called upon to take two evenings as dinner and evening hosts. There will be a second posting on Sign-up Genius for those two evenings.

Enjoy our Parish-wide Events? Here's how you can help!

We're looking forward to a great year of growing into our new space, with Wednesday night programs, receptions, and parish-wide events like our recent Honduras Mission Team Fundraiser and our upcoming February Parish Karaoke and Talent night. It takes many hands to put on these great events, and we're always looking for some additional assistance.

First, we'll begin using SignUp Genius to reach out to all the parish, as we determine the specific help needed for setup, food, clean up, etc. If you're available to help with a particular event, please sign up!

And second, we can always use help with a few extra funds, particularly with *Costco gift cards*. These help us to "fill the gaps," particularly if we have events occurring in close succession. Donations of Costco gift cards can be left with the office, or you can make a donation by annotating *Hospitality* on the memo item of your check.

Please contact the Hospitality Chair Sharon Linsley, sharonlinsley@yahoo.com, Kitchen Committee Chair Judy Foster, fosterjt45@yahoo.com, or Mother Bonnie+, bonniegunderwood@gmail.com, if you have any questions.

Fifth Annual Ladies Prayer Brunch...

Topic: "Women of Joy!"

Special Speaker: Mother Bonnie Underwood

When: Saturday, March 4, 10:00 a.m.

Where: ECOHS parish hall

Who: All Holy Spirit Ladies are invited

Brunch: Cheryl Howell will once again prepare a beautiful brunch

Childcare: Provided with Sign Up

More information will follow through email and the Dove. You may contact the office at 770-887-8190 or Beth Jones or Joanie Anderton for questions.



Music Notes

The ECOHS adult choir rehearses Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the music room. We invite all interested singers to join us.

The Children's choirs rehearse Wednesdays at 5:00 pm.

The choirs are St. Cecilia choir (age 4-1st grade) and St. Luke choir (2nd - 5th grade). We rehearse in the music room and youth rooms. All interested children are invited to join our choirs.

The Youth choir, (6th - 12th grade), rehearses after the 10:45 service every

Sunday. We rehearse in the music room. All interested youth are invited to join us.

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



Honduras Mission Trip - Can you help with Frequent Flyer tickets??

We have a new (and LARGER!) team traveling to Honduras in July, 2017 on our second international youth mission. One of the big expenses is airfare. If any of our Holy Spirit frequent flyers would be willing to assist with donating a Delta round-trip ticket to help with flights from Atlanta to Tegucigalpa, please contact Mother Bonnie. We'd love for our youth to get these airline reservations made as quickly as possible!

bonniegunderwood@gmail.com.

**Save the Date - Parish Karaoke and Talent Night
Saturday, February 25, 2016, 6:00 - 9:00 pm**



Get ready to share your talent or enjoying cheering on those who share! It's *Open Mic Night* at ECOHS, a chance for fellowship and fun. We welcome performers of all ages. Just come in and sign up for a time slot!

And bring your hunger and thirst! Your ECOHS youth group will be sponsoring a concession stand offering some favorites, and all proceeds will go to support ECOHS Outreach.

PLUS: childcare will be offered for nursery to grade 5 at a minimal charge, with a reservation.

Hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE!
Atlanta Hunger Walk - March 5th

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 Holy Spirit team. Watch for more details, as we work together to fight hunger! Please contact Sam Norris or Mother Bonnie+ with any questions.

ECOHS - Treasury Report -December 2016

	Month Actual	Variance Budget	YTD Actual	Variance Budget
Income				
Pledged	\$ 31,210.00	\$ 3,648.00	\$352,266.00	\$ 21,599.00
Other	\$ 69,034.55	\$ 32,301.57	\$143,793.25	\$ 33,713.25
	\$ 100,244.55	\$ 35,949.57	\$496,059.25	\$ 55,312.25
Expense				
Operations	\$ 25,368.63	\$ 12,642.31	\$453,789.16	\$ (16,049.54)
Programs	\$ 1,113.06	\$ 635.59	\$ 21,864.02	\$ (1,914.00)
	\$ 26,481.69	\$ 13,277.90	\$475,653.18	\$ (17,963.54)
Net	\$ 73,762.86	\$ 49,227.47	\$ 20,406.07	\$ 37,348.71

Summary Statement

Income was up 60% for the month primarily due to a special gift, and expenses being under budget by 33% due primarily to applying the personnel reserve.

* Revenue YTD is 12.5% above budget

* Expenses YTD are over budget by 4%.

Areas of Note:

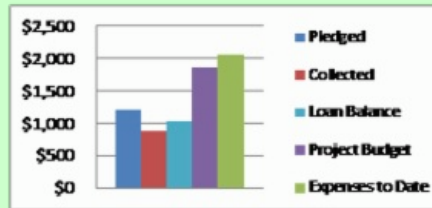
BALANCES:

Operations	\$ 26,105.43
Restricted Funds	\$100,594.68
Restricted Reserve	\$140,206.07
Total:	\$266,906.18



- Total Project Budget amount \$1,900K > Actual Expenses: \$2,054K Complete
- Total Pledged amount \$1,200K Collected to date \$885K or 74%
- Construction Loan Balance \$1,040K

Building Capital Overview



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

Community Connections

Cumming Playhouse Singers - Sing Spirituals, Deep River

March 18th at 8:00 pm
 March 19th at 3:00 pm

Tickets available: 770-781-9178 or www.playhousecumming.com

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