

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit



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Upcoming Events:

BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at, 10:30 am

VESTRY MEETING

October 13th, 6:30-8:30 pm

SASSE LUNCHEON

October 14th, noon

HEALING PRAYER SUNDAY

October 16th, during both services.

WEDNESDAY SHARING DINNER

October 19th 5:45-7:30pm

PASTORAL CARE MEETING

October 20th, 10:30 am

MOM'S GROUP

October 21st, 11:00-1:00

THE PANTRY

October 29th, 8:00am to 9:30am

COHI MEETING

October 29th, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

MINISTRY FAIR

October 30th

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday

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

Early October Edition

From the Rector:

This past Sunday, October 9, we had a delicious, youth-prepared breakfast as a fundraiser for Mentor Me. At the same time, we had a parish forum in which we looked at Stewardship and Outreach for our congregation in 2017 and beyond. The purpose of the breakfast-- as well as its energy-- presented a wonderful context for the message of stewardship we heard in the forum.

The youth decided on this activity and its beneficiary. They served a hearty meal and gave the funds raised (almost \$1,000) for the benefit of others. Much planning, hard work, and good cheer surrounded their activity. People were running back and forth from the kitchen and lingering to talk. All this joy and good work characterizes healthy ministry.

The youth gave us a good example as we consider our future. How will we plan and work together for the benefit of our wider community? During the presentation, we reviewed our Stewardship campaign theme for 2017-- "Learn, Pray, Respond." If you missed it, we will have copies of the slides available on-line and at the Stewardship table over the next few weeks. Here are a few highlights:

Stewardship is about more than a fundraising campaign; it is how we consider our whole lives and then set priorities based on our faith in God. Our faith informs us that all that we have is a gift from God-- life itself, our natural abilities, and the character we develop through God's grace. Realizing that our life is a gift from God inspires us

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 a
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
Prayer (first Saturday of the
month)

Sunday Lessons

October 16th, 2016

Genesis 32:23-31

Psalm 121

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Luke 18:1-8

Fr. Keith's Lessons

& Questions:

*Coming back soon to the
website!*

Next Sunday's Lessons

October 23rd, 2016

***Sirach 35:12-17 or
Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-
22***

Psalm 84:1-6

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

Luke 18:9-14

The Dove Deadlines!

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

to be grateful and humble in how we respond to
God's grace and share it with others.

Stewardship is another word for "management." So
part of stewardship includes some practical
management-type work. How we spend our time and
money and offer our gifts to the world are keys to
being faithful stewards. If we take time to reflect on
our lives, we can answer the question, "Does how
we live align with what we believe?"

So I hope we will use this stewardship season as a
time to "Learn, Pray, Respond" to God's goodness
to us. Tom McDonnell and his team will be
communicating to us over the next several weeks.
We hope everyone will respond with their own
renewed commitment to the life and ministry of this
parish in what we give of our time, talent, and
treasure. And beyond that, may we all consider
again our life in the light of God's grace to us.

Keith+

From the Youth Minister:

For Our Youth!

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

Oct 16: Sunday School

**We'll have a special guest today, Easton
Davis, the Diocesan Missioner for Youth
and Young Adults. Easton will be
speaking to both youth and parents in
the Nave, during the Sunday School
hour from 9:30 - 10:30.**

Take a Hike!

**We're heading to Sawnee Mountain to
take a breath and enjoy some outside
time in God's creation. We'll be meeting
at the trailhead by the parking lot at 2:00
and will be done at 4:00. Address is
2500 Bettis-Tribble Gap Rd.**

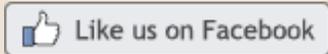
**Oct 19: Parish Dinner-
Pilgrimage!**

Early Edition:
1st of every month

Late Edition:
20th of every month

Send submissions to:
ecoahs@bellsouth.net

Stay Connected



Forward to a Friend

Our 2nd Parish dinner. Come eat and hear about pilgrimage, as experienced by Fr. Keith and our Parish, during Fr. Keith's Sabbatical

Oct 22: Bowling to Support Mentor Me!

Put on your bowling shoes and enjoy both bowling and a pizza lunch as we support Mentor Me! SignUp Genius is out, so be sure to RSVP. We'll meet at Stars and Strikes! It's \$25 to support this good cause!

Oct 30: Youth Sunday!

Our first BIG youth Sunday service for the year, and there are many ways to participate. Watch for more info!

Watch for some great upcoming events, IN NOVEMBER!

Nov 11: Happening at Camp Mikell - for our HS Students

Nov 16: Parish Dinner: Fun and Fellowship! 5:45 - 7:30 p.m.

Nov 18-19: Diocesan Youth Lock-in, Annual Council

Plus other events!

And for High School students, REMEMBER to sign up for Happening at Camp Mikell, NOW!

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

Blessings,

Mother Bonnie+

bonnieunderwood@gmail.com,

404-729-5876

Youth Outreach Breakfast!



Thanks to all who helped support our first youth breakfast! We couldn't have done this without all who helped us organize and prepare you . . . a hearty shout-out to Jennie Zavorski, Jim & Judy Foster, Mark and Patty Blair, Kathy Bochonko, Shawn Campbell, Shannon David, Carol Franklin, Lucy Murray, Fiona Norris, and Jess Underwood . . . plus all who came to eat and so generously gave to support Mentor Me! And a special thanks to Margaret Osmulski who donated the organic free-range eggs.

Our breakfast efforts netted close to \$1000 in donations for Mentor Me!



Music Notes

The ECOHS adult choir has resumed regular weekly rehearsals. We meet each Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in our new choir room. We invite all interested singers to join us.

The Children's choir meets Wednesdays at 5:00 pm.

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

The Youth choir, (6th - 12th grade) will resume our regular weekly rehearsals beginning on **Sunday October 16th** after the 10:45 service. We will be meeting in the choir 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 ecohtmusic@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*

Third Wednesday Dinners: Sharing our Parallel Paths

October 19: "Listening to God through spiritual retreats and pilgrimages." (Fr. Keith)
"Listening to the Holy Spirit through pilgrimage." (Parish)

November 16: "Listening to our soul and body's needs for recreation and play. How we listen
to our hearts through family." (Fr. Keith)
"Listening to the Holy Spirit and family through recreation and fun." (Parish)

Honduras Mission Trip - 2017



Interested in participating in the Holy Spirit Honduras Mission Trip, July 8-15, 2017? This trip is open to youth AND adults. We're hoping to finalize our team members by November 1st, so we can begin our preparations.

**Please contact Mother Bonnie if you are interested in this July trip!
bonnieunderwood@gmail.com**

Reclaiming Hope through Remembering: Pilgrimages to Georgia Sites of Martyrdom

On October 22, 2016, the Diocese of Atlanta is sponsoring the first of several pilgrimages to Georgia sites of martyrdom - most commonly known as a lynching sites. These pilgrimages will be in the spirit of hope and healing.

This initial pilgrimage will begin in Macon at the Tubman African American Museum with a time of memorial, prayer, and healing conversations as a way to remember the past and move forward.

Registration for this Diocesan Event can be found on this [link](#).

All Are Welcome

Community of Hope: Special Speaker on Grief

Our Community of Hope group has invited Rev. Kathie Stasko to speak to us regarding grief support at our Oct 29th meeting. Since we as a church family have experienced so much grief in the past few months, we are inviting the entire congregation to attend this presentation.

Please join us on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2016 from 10:30a - 12:00p.

Rev. Stasko has recommend everyone read a small book about grief called "Markings on the Windowsill" as an aid to her discussion with us. It is on sale now from Amazon at \$7.77. We will be ordering some as well to have available at the church.

Please contact Michael Arens (marens@bellsouth.net or 678-462-8076) if you plan to join us, as we need a head count.

Family Promise - Start up!

The long awaited start-up for Family Promise will begin in September! ECOHS has been named a **Support Church** for two Host Churches; St. Columba's Episcopal Church and Christ the King Lutheran Church.

St. Columba's will host families the week of October 30th -November. 6th. Christ the King, will host families, November 20-27th. and December, 25th-January 1, 2017.

ECHOS role as a support Church is to assist as needed. In most instances we would be given a week lead time. The roles of the volunteers include:

- 1) Dinner Preparers,
- 2) Dinner and Evening Hosts,
- 3) Breakfast Preparers,
- 4) Set-up and Take-down, Sunday morning
- 5) Activities for children and families,
- 6) Laundry
- 7) Supplies

Family Promise requires all volunteers in contact with the families to go through orientation and training. Orientation and Training sessions are as follows:

Christ the King on Monday, November 7, from 7 -8:30.
1125 Bettis Tribble Gap Rd Cumming, 30040

Please be sure to attend this session if you want to be able to volunteer at the Host Churches for the dates noted above. By training at the Host Churches, we will meet their volunteers and familiarize ourselves with the site. The training will be led by Jacob Granados, the Family Promise Director.

Please feel free to e-mail if you have questions.

Yours in service to Christ,

Dennis and Linda Whittle
dpwhittle@bellsouth.net

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!

ECOHS - Treasury Report - August 2016

	Month Actual	Variance Budget	YTD Actual	Variance Budget
Income				
Pledged	\$ 23,435.00	\$ (4,120.00)	\$245,603.00	\$ 25,163.00
Other	\$ 3,212.25	\$ (2,454.07)	\$ 53,825.37	\$ (1,985.19)
	\$ 26,647.25	\$ (6,574.07)	\$299,428.37	\$ 23,177.81
Expense				
Operations	\$ 35,477.76	\$ (4,124.48)	\$306,492.02	\$ (15,321.12)
Programs	\$ 848.82	\$ (127.99)	\$ 14,098.78	\$ (2,201.24)
	\$ 36,326.58	\$ (4,252.47)	\$320,590.80	\$ (17,522.36)
Net	\$ (9,679.33)	\$ (10,826.54)	\$ (21,162.43)	\$ 5,655.45

Summary Statement

Income was down 20% for the month, with expenses being over budget 13%.

* Pledge revenue YTD is 11% above budget with total revenue being up 8% YTD

* Expenses YTD are over budget by 6%.

Areas of Note:

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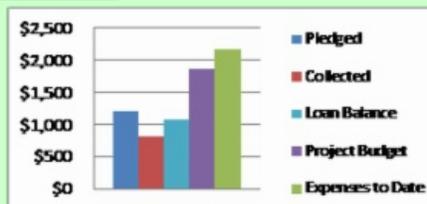
BALANCES:

Operations \$ 19,610.83
 Restricted Identified \$(48,975.95) (Includes Capital Funds)
 Restricted Available \$119,800.00
 Total: \$188,386.78



- Total Project Budget amount \$1,900K > Actual Expenses to date: \$2,162K Expected Project Total \$2,175K
- Total Pledged amount \$1,200K Collected to date \$812K or 68%
- Construction Loan Balance \$1,070K

Building Capital Overview



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

Community Connections

Free to a Good Home:

Maytag Gas Dryer
 Available October 21st
 Call Ed & Lois Smith at 770-781-8035

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