

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit



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Upcoming Events:

THE PANTRY

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

VESTRY RETREAT

January 29-31, Camp Mikell

YOUTH SUNDAY

January 31, both services

EfM CLASSES

Day Class: Tuesdays at Noon

Evening Class: Tuesdays, 6:00

pm

ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00 pm service only

PASTORAL CARE MEETING

February 10, 9:30-10:00

VESTRY MEETING

February 11th, 6:30 pm

SASSE LUNCHEON

February 12, noon

MEN'S BREAKFAST

February 13, 8:00-10:00 am

CAREGIVER'S GROUP

February 18, 6:30

WISDOM GROUP

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

Contemplative Lessons of

Late January Edition

From the Rector:

As we begin 2016, I want to let you know some updates about your vestry. As a reminder, I have selected Mark Bohan as our senior warden, a position appointed by the rector. Mark has served as senior warden for ECOHS in the past and was junior warden last year, so he brings much experience and a strong faith. He will focus on personnel and internal communication as well as his other duties as senior warden. The vestry elected Bill Kukarola as junior warden at our January meeting. Bill will be the vestry liaison for pastoral care, which includes Pastoral Support, Community of Hope, and our new Caregivers Group. Bill is passionate about supporting these areas and I know he will be a good leader for the parish along with Mark.

Other vestry liaison roles include the following:

Putnam Smith for Finance & Administration

Wade Baggary for Building & Grounds

Janet Pfaff for PR & Evangelism, which includes how we can use our expanded building in creative ways in order to share the Good News of God's love with Forsyth County.

Karen Allen for Discipleship, which will include not only Adult Christ Education, EFM, Bible study, and other special programs, but also Stewardship. I believe how we think of and use our money are key indicators of our Christian discipleship.

Jennie Zavorsky for Parish Life, which includes many ministries such as Parish Weekend and

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

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)

This Sunday's Lessons

-January 31st, 2016:

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalms 71:1-6

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

For Keith's Lessons & Questions:

See Home Group tab on church website.

Foyer groups.

Lucy Murray for Children and Youth, so primarily supporting the ministry of Bonnie+ and Julie.

Sylvia Cardona for Outreach, which includes not only our Pantry ministry but others we have added (e.g., Backpacks of Love); and more that we may take on in the future. She and Deacon Tom Ader and all involved in Outreach will be discerning how to broaden our reach in 2016.

I am grateful that Bruce Zavitz continues as our Treasurer and Melissa Roehm as our clerk. Each person is faithful and energetic in how they serve God, our congregation, and the wider community through their roles as members of our vestry. Please keep each of them and your clergy in your prayers. Let any of us know any questions, concerns or ideas you may have as we consider how we move forward as a parish led by God's Spirit and our faith in Jesus Christ.

~Keith+

From the Youth Minister:

As we complete the season of Epiphany and move into Lent, here's what's coming up.

2/7: Super Bowl Party! We'll be gathering until half-time. Look for more information.

2/28: EYC 4:30 - 6:30 at ECOHS

Note: EYC will not meet 2/14 (School holiday weekend) or 2/21 (Mother Bonnie out of town).

Lenten Sunday School Program

Since we will not have a Wednesday night program this year due to construction, during Lent we will instead have our Lenten Program on Sunday mornings. **ALL HS/MS students** are invited to meet in the Youth Building, beginning 2/21, for our program, "Who is our Neighbor?" Mother Bonnie will lead these sessions, as we explore

Next Sunday's Lessons

February 7th, 2016

Exodus 34:29-35

Psalms 99

2 Corinthians 9:28-36,

Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

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:
ecohs@bellsouth.net

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issues of race and reconciliation.

Upcoming Diocesan Events - SAVE THE DATES

Happening 65, Feb 19-21: This is our Spring High School retreat, open to all High School students. Sign ups are available now!

Hunger Walk, March 13: Join us on this annual Diocesan Event!

And don't forget about Summer 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.

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.

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.

Please contact me with any questions.

Mother Bonnie+

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Announcements

January 31st - 5th Sunday

This month, our youth will be participating in a new way at our 5th Sunday services, including a Youth Officiant, Youth Preachers, Youth-selected music, Youth readers...you get the idea!

Looking forward to seeing you all at our January 31st services!

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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Ministry of the Month - Pastoral Support

The Pastoral Support Ministry allows members of the congregation to care for each other in time of need under the direction of Fr. Keith. There are six parts of the ministry. They are:

Pastoral Support Group:

Devoted parishioners meet the 2nd Thursday of each month to share concerns and care needs of the congregation. Discussions are confidential. Usually a priest attends. Hospital and home visits, prayer notes and phone calls are carried out by members.

Inreach:

Meals or food is coordinated for those in need via Meal Train, email or phone.

Intercessory Prayer Ministry:

Anyone who wishes to pray for others may participate. Urgent prayer needs are sent to the group by email in real time. Requests may come through the church office or any church member. The prayer list is managed monthly.

Caregivers Group:

A support group for those caring for, having cared for or wanting to help those who require long term care. Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month for an hour.

Guild of the Christ Child:

Baptism baskets with bib, shell and prayers are prepared for the newly baptized and presented at Baptism.

Ladies Spirituality Program:

This program is supported and funded by the Vestry and Pastoral Support as a pastoral ministry to the women of the church who, themselves, lead and provide many ministries to the church. Usually, two programs are planned annually. All women of all ages are invited to attend.

A Quick Honduras Fundraiser Update

A big thanks to ALL who did so much for our youth with the recent [Dinner by Dan](#), Raffle, and Silent Auction to raise funds for our first Youth Mission Trip to Honduras.

While we're still finalizing all our expenses, I'm happy to report that this event has raised more than \$5000 towards our project at LAMB Institute and helping to send our five youth to Honduras in June.

I'd especially like to thank a few people for helping to make this event possible:

Dan and Hally Krogh, who bring warmth, hospitality, and good cooking to a whole new level

Jim and Jennie Zavorski, who assisted so much with coordination and preparation

Lucy Murray and Jess Underwood, for expertise in the kitchen

All those who contributed beautiful artwork, handcrafted needlework, magnificent jewelry, vacation packages, golfing opportunities, gift baskets, Honduran crafts, and so much more . . .

Karen Allen, Liz Bauer, Carolyn Buckels, Sumner and Jan Cahoon, Sandra Culver, Sylvia Cardona, Paula Dorough, Dan and Hally Krogh, Jim and Shannon Darke, Jay and Carol Franklin, Michael Foeller's friend Bonnie, Emile

And our mission team youth who shared a presentation about LAMB Institute and helped to serve a wonderfully prepared meal.

I am so grateful for this community, for your constant encouragement and assistance. The ongoing prayers and support of our entire Holy Spirit family is a true blessing for our youth community.

Blessings,

Mother Bonnie+

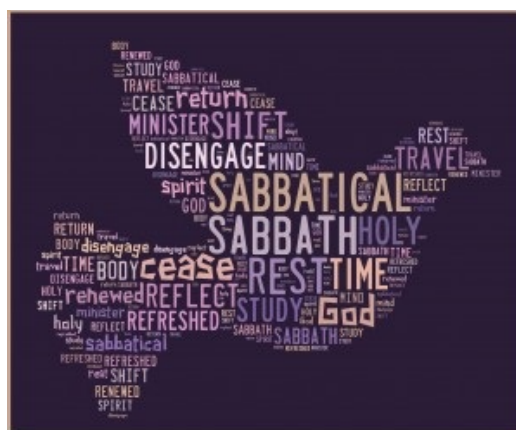


Music Notes

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 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 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: Bishop building dedication, reception and Father Keith's last day
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:

January 23: Mission trip fundraiser -- "Dinner with Dan"
February 7: The Rev. Charles Fischer from St. Paul's will be preaching
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
July 17: Father Keith's first Sunday back at Holy Spirit
August 21: Welcome Home Celebration for Father Keith and Lynn

SAVE THE DATE - April 3, 2016!

Be sure to put April 3, 2016 on your calendar. It will be a big day in our church life together!

Bishop Rob Wright will be here to help us send off Keith and Lynn as Keith departs to take his well-deserved sabbatical as well as to help us dedicate our newly expanded building.

You won't want to miss it!

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 - Year End 2015

	Month Actual	Variance Budget	YTD Actual	Variance Budget
Income				
Pledged	\$ 24,303.00	\$ (567.38)	\$229,619.00	\$ 1,174.00
Other	\$ 62,406.59	\$ 36,345.94	\$218,691.32	\$ 56,892.32
	\$ 86,709.59	\$ 35,778.56	\$448,310.32	\$ 58,066.32
Expense				
Operations	\$ 28,391.95	\$ 1,023.19	\$374,978.58	\$ (18,069.60)
Programs	\$ 1,525.62	\$ (309.78)	\$ 31,531.12	\$ (14,726.12)
	\$ 29,917.57	\$ 713.41	\$406,509.70	\$ (32,795.72)

Summary Statement

Revenues were up 14.9% for the year, with expenses being up 8.7% over budget.

* Pledged revenue was slightly ahead of budget for the year. Other income includes one time gifts.

* Expenses are up primarily due to higher personal costs and the interest expense on the construction loan.

Areas of Note:

- For the year, we ended with a surplus of \$41,800
- This surplus will be added to our reserves for 2016

BALANCES:

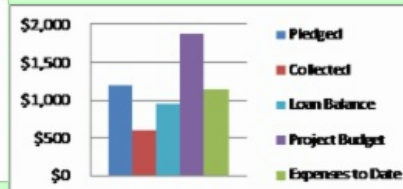
Operations	\$115,038.98	
Restricted Identified	\$627,156.86	(Includes Capital Funds)
Restricted Available	\$ 90,500.00	
Total:	\$832,695.84	

Building Capital Overview

- Total Project Budget amount \$1,900K
Expenses to date \$1,143K

- Total Pledged amount \$1,200K
Collected to date \$598K or 49.8%

- Construction Loan Approved for \$1,500K
Borrowed to date \$955K



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

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