

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit



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Upcoming Events:

THE PANTRY

August 27th, 8:00am to
9:30am

ANTI RACISM TRAINING

August 27th, 9:00-4:00
Session is full

SUMMER FOYER PARTY

September 4th, 5:00 -
8:00

OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, September 5th

BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at, 10:30 am
Resumes September 8th

VESTRY MEETING

September 8th, 6:30 pm

SASSE LUNCHEON

September 9th, noon

MEN'S BREAKFAST

September 10th, 8:00-
10:00 am

KICK-OFF SUNDAY

September 11th

PASTORAL CARE MEETING

September 14th, 10:30 am

CAREGIVER'S GROUP

September 15th, 6:30 pm

COHI MEETING

September 17th, 10:00 am -
noon

NEWCOMER'S RECEPTION

September 18th after 10:45

Late August Edition

From the Rector:

Last Wednesday evening, August 17, our building dedication celebration was the joyous culmination of years of prayer, planning, and hard work by many people. It was a good chance to thank those who did so much and remember dear friends and members of this parish who have died. It was very emotional-joy, excitement, sorrow, and even a little anxiety as we worried about fitting everyone in the parish hall. But the evening was wonderful-God was worshiped and thanked, we felt encouraged by the words that were shared, and 170 of us enjoyed a great meal together. Thanks again to everyone involved!

Now that the construction is completed, our work begins. One key is how we will use our new space to serve God's purpose. There will need to be various meetings in the weeks ahead to talk about outreach and community engagement, children and youth, Christian formation, and ways to build deeper relationships between members of all ages. It will be an exciting process! We will need to remain open as we reevaluate our old ways of doing things and consider and experiment with new ways.

One guiding principle as we begin this next stage of our work is **synergy**. We had our annual staff retreat on August 24 and I emphasized our need to look for new ways to work together to achieve our ministry goals. For example, how can we further involve parish youth in our outreach and worship? How can our preschool continue to explore ways to serve children with special needs? How can cooking in our new kitchen be a way for younger and older members to work and play and learn together? How can our beautiful expanded building be used creatively to serve the needs of our community? The idea is to think beyond our individual areas and

service.

**FALL SCHEDULE BEGINS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH
Services at 8:30 and 10:45**

LUNCH WITH BR. KENNETH

*On hiatus until some time in
August. More info to come.*

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday

Holy Eucharist, 8:30 am
Holy Eucharist, 10:00 am

Monday

AA Meeting, 12:30 pm

Tuesday

AA Meeting 12:30 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 &
Litany Prayer Hour (first
Saturday of the month)

Sunday Lessons

28th, 2016

Sirach 10:12-18

Psalm 112

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Fr. Keith's Lessons

& Questions:

*Coming back soon to the
website!*

Next Sunday's Lessons

consider how we can be more effective and faithful
by working together.

I hope you will join our clergy and staff in this
effort to experiment to be more synergistic in our
common life and ministry. If we are willing, it will
lead to some surprising "accomplishments which
satisfy and delight us" (BCP, 836). I look forward
to trying new things with you.

Keith+

From the Youth Minister:

For Our Youth!

**We're ready to GO! The NEW YEAR
is beginning!**

***Here's what's still happening in
August:***

**Aug 27 Diocesan Youth Day
Retreat: Serve Compassionately**

**Our *second* annual Diocesan Youth Service
Day Retreat. The day will consist of service
learning and projects, fellowship, music,
and Eucharist. Come join us as we explore
what it means to serve compassionately
and grow spiritually! We'll meet at ECOHS
at 9:00 a.m. and head to All Saints in
Atlanta, returning by 5:00 pm.**

Cost: \$5 (for lunch)

***DON'T FORGET TO BRING: 5 canned
goods, 3 used books, and 3 gently-used
clothing articles***

Aug 28 Youth PARENT Meeting

**Parents, please join me right after the
10:00 a.m. service, to hear what we have
planned for the new year! Much to
share!!!**

***Sunday School * Youth Activities *
Confirmation Classes * Today and the
Bible * Mission***

***AND, we'll have snacks available for our
youth while they wait, as well as
playground oversight for the younger
children!***

September 4th, 2016
Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Psalm 1
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14:25-33

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:

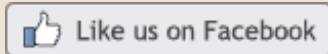
1st of every month

Late Edition:

20th of every month

Send submissions to:
ecohs@bellsouth.net

Stay Connected



Forward to a Friend

And for September, as the program year REALLY begins!

Sep 10 Diocesan Acolyte Festival

We're off to the Cathedral of St. Philip! Plan on an Acolyte Olympics, selfies with the bishops, fellowship with acolytes from around the diocese, and an opportunity to check out the "behind the scenes" places at the Cathedral . . . plus a Commissioning and Holy Eucharist in the Cathedral nave. We'll meet at ECOHS at 8:30 and carpool to the Cathedral, returning by 6:00. *And if you're a Crucifer, you're invited, as well!* ***WATCH for a SignUp Genius notification.***

Cost: \$20, includes lunch

Sep 11 Kickoff Sunday!

We're STARTING Sunday School!! Come check out our NEW SPACE at 9:30 and hear about all our plans for the year!

Sep 17 Youth Coffee House

A new event this year! Time for our youth and their friends to come together in the Parish Hall and JUST BE - to enjoy music, food, beverages, and some relaxing fellowship. You can expect youth musicians, open mic time, and fun. Join us from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Sep 18 Church of the Common Ground

Church of the Common Ground is found where its members dwell, in the parks and neighborhoods of downtown Atlanta. Join us as we make bag lunches at ECOHS at 10:30, then carpool to the Church of the Common Ground at 11:30. We will be participating in worship and a Communion service in Woodruff Park, returning to ECOHS by 4:00. Join us as we support this wonderful ministry.

Sep 21 Parish Dinner: Mission!

Come and hear from Fr. Keith and our Youth team about our *ECOHSparallel*

mission trips to Honduras at our first Fall Wednesday evening Parish Dinner. More info to follow!

And finally, Middle School Youth and Parents watch for information about **New Beginnings #36, an event especially designed for our Middle School youth at Camp Mikell. **SAVE THE DATE: Oct 7-9!****

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

Blessings,

Mother Bonnie+

bonnieunderwood@gmail.com,

404-729-5876

Announcements

Third Wednesday Dinners: Sharing our Parallel Paths

September 21: "Listening to our hearts through mission." (Fr. Keith)
"Listening to the Holy Spirit & the marginalized through mission." (Parish)

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)

Children's Christian Ed Quick meeting, Sunday August 28th

We are going to have a quick meeting after the 10:00 service this Sunday the 28th. We will meet in the children's area and will have snacks available to anyone that needs a quick bite.

We are going to be talking about our children's Christian Ed program year, explaining the rotation model and asking for volunteers. Volunteering for Children's Christian Ed does not require a yearlong commitment. We ask for people to volunteer for 4 to 6 week segments as often as they would like. It is

not a daunting task, we provide the curriculum and all the supplies, you might teach the same lesson for 4 weeks to 4 different groups of children using art, music, stories, games, cooking, science or any other center.

Prayerfully consider this ministry! This is a wonderful time to join in as we celebrate and make use of our new space!

Julie Wilson: jwilsonjat@gmail.com

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit Preschool **Our new school year starts Monday, August 29th**

We are over the moon with excitement about our new preschool year starting Monday, August 29th! It is not too late to sign children up, we have spots available! We have the most incredible teachers to go with our incredible space so please spread the word and help us welcome new families into our church and preschool.

It is the goal of our preschool to provide opportunities for children to develop their whole personalities through all the creative activities that preschool offers. We are excited to welcome children of differing abilities and thrilled to be able to offer the services of Kristi Baggarly as a speech therapist on site. Please don't hesitate to call for more information or to arrange an appointment to learn more about our preschool program.

Julie Wilson jwilsonjat@gmail.com

Children's Christian Ed - Kickoff, Sunday, September 11th

Words cannot adequately express how excited I am for us to begin this program year in our new space! It is absolutely thrilling to have our clean new space, downstairs kitchen and playground ready for us to use.

To kick off our program year and Children's Christian Ed we are going to have a "Building to Serve" carnival! What is a Building to Serve carnival you may ask? It promises to be an exciting, engaging and energetic morning! I have asked people with different loves and talents to come in and share their story with us, telling us how their loves and talents have allowed them to serve others in perhaps an unusual or different way.

My hope is this will begin a conversation with our children about how they can use their gifts...their loves and talents to serve God. The kick off would not be

the kick off without perhaps some furry visitors and people with all different talents...so start thinking outside the box and looking forward to a great day! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to email or call me.

~ Julie Wilson
jwilsonjat@gmail.com



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 and Youth Choirs will resume our regular weekly rehearsals beginning on **Wednesday, September 14 @ 5:00 p.m.**

The choirs are St. Cecilia choir (age 4-1st grade), St. Luke choir (2nd - 5th grade), and Youth choir (6th - 12th grade). We invite all interested children and youth to join our choirs.

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*

The Beloved Community, our own Diocesan Commission for Dismantling Racism, is sponsoring a two-part Diocesan series:

Racism and Episcopalian Christians' Responsibility

Part One - August 30 - 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church
805 Mount Vernon Hwy NW- Atlanta, 30327

A diverse panel of clergy and laity will consider the questions:

- * Where is the Holy Spirit guiding us in relationship to the current Civil Rights Movement?
- * How will the Movement remember Episcopalians in the

Diocese of Atlanta during this historic period of American history?

* How are we active, visible and engaged in dismantling racism in our communities?

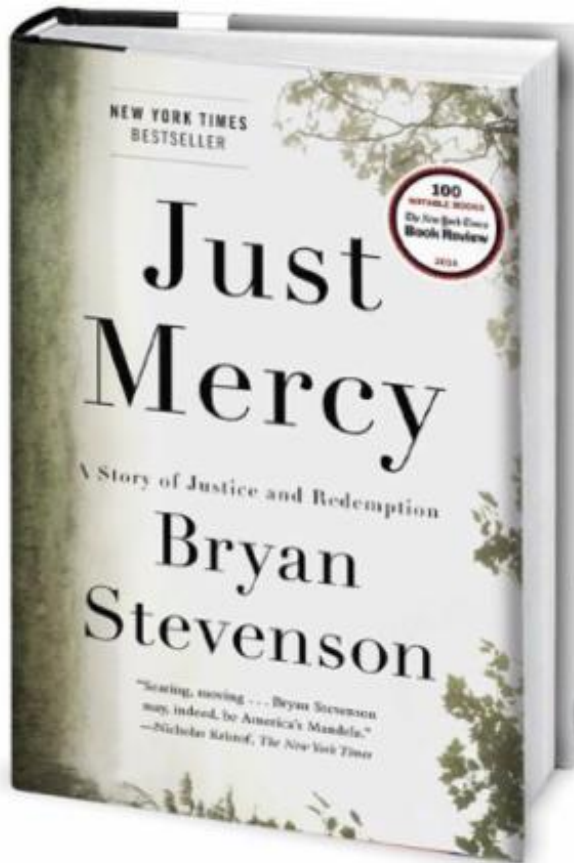
* What does the Black Lives Matter Movement mean to Episcopalians in the Diocese of Atlanta?

Part Two - September 13 - 7p.m. - 9 p.m.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

306 Peyton Rd. SW - Atlanta - 30311

Please consider participating in both forums. Each session will be closed with the celebration of Holy Eucharist. For more information contact Catherine Meeks at kayma46@gmail.com



The Beloved Community:
Commission for Dismantling Racism
Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta

presents

Bryan Stevenson

**Thursday, September 29, 2016
7:00 o'clock P.M.**

**St. Luke's Episcopal Church
435 Peachtree St. NE
Atlanta, GA 30308**

Free parking is available across the street and next door to Custom Signs Shop.

Bryan Stevenson, is the Executive Director of the Equal Justice Initiative (EJI) in Montgomery, Alabama, and professor of law at the New York University Law School. Stevenson was a gifted young attorney when he founded the EJI, a legal practice dedicated to defending the poor, the wrongly condemned and those trapped in the furthest reaches of our criminal justice system.

"A riveting, even shocking narrative...Throughout, though, Stevenson lingers on small moments of grace, forgiveness, encouragement and kindness." – *The Boston Globe*

"Bryan Stevenson is America's young Nelson Mandela, a brilliant lawyer fighting with courage and conviction to guarantee justice for all." - Desmond Tutu, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate

Following his lecture, Mr. Stevenson will sign books in St. Luke's Parish Hall.

This event is made possible by the generous support of the Annie E. Casey Foundation and the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta.

For more information contact Dr. Catherine Meeks, Commission Chair at kayma53@att.net

For our New Space!

A few items needed for our Youth and Children's classrooms

We're looking for a few classroom items, before our fall program year begins. If you can assist, please contact the Church Office.

Youth Rooms: we have several needs for this new space:

- Smart TV - 44" Smart TV for the smaller youth room.

Children/Preschool classrooms:

- Smart TV - one 44" for a classroom.

Support Episcopal Relief and Development

To support flood relief efforts in Louisiana and earthquake relief efforts in Italy:

Checks or money gifts can be sent to
Episcopal Relief and Development
PO Box 7058
Merrifield VA 22116-7058

Please add on Memo line: US Disaster Relief or International Disaster Relief

Or you can donate online at www.episcopalrelief.org

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 - July 2016

	Month Actual	Variance Budget	YTD Actual	Variance Budget
Income				
Pledged	\$ 72,233.00	\$ 44,678.00	\$222,168.00	\$ 29,283.00
Other	\$ 3,325.66	\$ (2,340.66)	\$ 50,613.12	\$ 468.88
	\$ 75,558.66	\$ 42,337.34	\$272,781.12	\$ 29,751.88
Expense				
Operations	\$ 33,354.99	\$ (2,260.07)	\$271,056.26	\$ (11,238.64)
Programs	\$ 3,752.69	\$ (3,331.86)	\$ 13,207.96	\$ (2,073.25)
	\$ 37,107.68	\$ (5,591.93)	\$284,264.22	\$ (13,311.89)

Summary Statement

Revenues were up 25% for the month, with expenses being down 27% from budget.

* Pledge revenue YTD is 9.4% below budget

* Expenses YTD are running close to plan.

Areas of Note:

- The income for the month was \$38,450.98
- YTD deficit is \$1K over the budgeted amount.
- Positive for the month due to summer catch up.

BALANCES:

Operations \$ 60,065.82
 Restricted Identified \$ 36,343.00 (Includes Capital Funds)
 Restricted Available \$119,800.00
 Total: \$216,208.82

Building Capital Overview

- Total Project Budget amount \$1,900K
 Expenses to date \$2,162K
 Expected Project Total \$2,175K

- Total Pledged amount \$1,200K
 Collected to date \$805K or 67%

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



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

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