

*Week of October 15 - 22, 2017*

**Sunday, October 15th**

8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
9:00 am Choir Practice, choir room  
9:30 am Adult & Children's Christian Formation, parish hall  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:45 am Vestry Meeting, parish hall

**Wednesday, October 18th**

5:30 pm Sit Quiet: A Time of Holy Silence and Prayer, nave

**Thursday, October 19th**

10:30 am Tai Chi, parish hall  
6:30 pm Bunco, parish hall

**Friday, October 20th**

9:00 am Pack for Beans & Rice, parish hall

**Saturday, October 21st**

9:00 am Beans & Rice, narthex

**Sunday, October 22nd**

8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
9:00 am Choir Practice, choir room  
9:30 am Adult & Children's Christian Formation, parish hall  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:45 am Choir Practice, nave

*Living  
in the  
Spirit*

*Save the Date*

**2017 Taste of the Spirit: Jazz & Jambalaya**

Saturday, October 28th 🎵 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Silent & Live Auction

featuring Choko Aiken with Cleve Eaton and Sonny Harris  
also performing, Thompson High School Jazz Combo



**Get the word out!!**

This is our big fundraiser for the fall and we need to get the word out. Invite your family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors! Tickets can be purchased in the narthex or online at [holyspirit-al.org](http://holyspirit-al.org). **Don't wait...get your tickets TODAY!**

**Auction Items Still Needed!**

We still need auction items, especially restaurant gift certificates. We are taking NEW items valued at \$25.00 or more. We are also looking for big ticket items for our LIVE auction portion. Contact Allyson Agee, [allyagee@bellsouth.net](mailto:allyagee@bellsouth.net) or 205-283-7732.

## *Weekly & Monthly Reminders*

Vestry Meeting	Oct 15th	11:45 am	Parish Hall
Sit Quiet	Oct 18th	5:30 pm	Nave
Bunco	Oct 19th	6:30 pm	Parish Hall
Pack for Beans & Rice	Oct 20th	9:00 am	Parish Hall
Beans & Rice	Oct 21st	9:00 am	Narthex
Healing Eucharist	Nov 8th	11:00 am	Nave
Men's Prayer Breakfast	Nov 11th	8:00 am	Parish Hall

## *Vestry & Diocesan Convention Nominations*

### **Vestry Nominations**

Vestry nominations will be here before we know it! This is a very important time in the church and to serve as a member of the vestry. If you would like to serve in this important role please let us know. Requirements for election to the Vestry are:

1. An adult person over the age of 16
2. Confirmed (or Received) in the Episcopal Church
3. Regular in attendance
4. Pledging member of record

Please contact Mandy Golightly, Senior Warden, if you are interested.

## *Church Happenings*

### **Sit Quiet: A Time of Holy Silence and Prayer, Wednesdays at 5:30pm**

Join Father Bill in the nave Wednesdays at 5:30pm for a half hour of holy silence. Richard Rohr frequently calls this holy silence "sit quiet." Many people experience this type of prayer as Centering Prayer. Let's sit quietly together in God's presence.

### **Tai Chi Classes, Thursdays at 10:30 am**

Tai Chi classes will be offered at Holy Spirit for 7 weeks on Thursdays at 10:30 by a certified instructor beginning September 7th. Approved by Fall Prevention and Arthritis Association. Free classes. Sign up in the narthex.

### **Bunco, October 19th at 6:30pm**

Do you want to have a great meal, fellowship and fun? How about joining us for Bunco! We play Bunco on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Cost is \$5 and all money goes to the Beans and Rice ministry. (Adults only please-no childcare is provided for Bunco)

### **Blood Drive honoring Bill Sorensen, Sunday, November 19th 8am-noon**

Many of us have asked what we can do to help our friend and fellow member, Bill, as he battles leukemia. Bill and Kim have learned during their journey that there is a great need for blood. So we decided we could host a blood drive here to help others in our area that are also fighting battles and need blood. Please make plans to be here. There is an appointment sheet in the narthex or you can just show up. There will be biscuits for all donors.

*(Be sure to eat well and drink plenty of fluids before donating.)*

*Thank you...*

Harriet and Bill Meeks would like to thank everyone who helped while Bill was in the hospital and rehab, especially those who drove Harriet to the hospital.

## *Diocesan Connection*

### **Habitat for Humanity, Montevallo**

This is a new construction build for the Moore Family, which is sponsored by the Episcopal Convocation. Volunteers are utilized every Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 8am-3pm with a 30 minute lunch break around 11:30am. Volunteers must be a minimum of 14 years old to be on the construction site. Sign up at <http://give.habitatbirmingham.org/campaigns/4930-moore-family-house-build-sponsored-by-the-episcopal-convocation>.

### **Fall Fling, October 27th – 29th, Camp McDowell**

Fall Fling is a 2 night retreat open to all 5th and 6th graders. If you are missing summer camp, need a break from the fall routine, or are just curious about what Summer Camp is all about, this is the retreat for you. We will have all the exciting camp activities such as hikes, canoeing, arts and crafts, hay rides, s'mores and much more! Register at [campmcdowell.com](http://campmcdowell.com)

### **Dreamwork Immersion Workshop, November 10-11, St. Stephen's, Huntsville**

Join us as we explore how to tend our nightly dreams so that we may live more faithfully. Offered by Metagem Institute, <http://metageminstitute.org>. For more information email: [office@metageminstitute.org](mailto:office@metageminstitute.org). Register at <http://bit.ly/RegisterDreamwork> (\$85 fee, includes lunch Saturday).

### **Your Invitation to Holy "YES": Advent Reflection Day, November 18th at 9am**

Join the Diocesan Commission on Spirituality; November 18th at St. Mary's-on-the-Highlands from 9am to noon.

The Reverends Katy Smith and Mary Bea Sullivan will lead us through a restorative morning of reflections, prayer practices, and community. We will consider the affirming stories from long of Mary's and Jesus's holy "yesees" and how they continue to speak to us today. The morning is intended to prepare our hearts for our own holy "yesees" and for the invitation to incarnational living.

Register at <http://bit.ly/2gqt4cg>. Cost is \$15 and includes lunch. Childcare available.

### **The Journey: A Day on Addiction and Recovery, November 18th at 9am**

The Diocese of Alabama Department of Recovery Ministries will be hosting The Journey: A Day on Addiction and Recovery. This year's event will take place on Saturday, November 18 at All Saints in Homewood. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. and the program at 10. This year's schedule will feature two keynoters, David Clark and Josh Horton. There will also be four breakout sessions in the morning and four in the afternoon addressing specific topics of interest for those in recovery, those that support and live with the disease and those simply wanting to learn more about addiction and recovery. Additionally and new this year, there will be a track designed specifically for youth. Lunch will be provided.

Registration will be \$20 per person, which includes lunch. Financial assistance and group rates are available. For more information and to register go to: [www.journeyday.info](http://www.journeyday.info) or call 205-358-9229 for more information.

# Financial Update

## Contributions

Thank you for your generous support of our parish. Below is a summary of the contributions received during the week ending on Sunday, October 1, 2017.

Pledged.....	\$4,310.00
Unpledged.....	\$ 235.00
Parish life.....	\$ 6.53
Total Contributions .....	\$4,551.53

## **Avg Sunday Attendance**

	Jul	Aug	Sept
8:30am	13	12	9
10:30am	54	70	60
Total	67	81	69

*Please pray for...*

**Bishops and Clergy:** Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Michael** Curry, Presiding Bishop ECUSA; **Ke** Sloan, Alabama Bishop; **Bill** Blackerby, Interim Rector; **Stan** Wright, Priest Affiliate

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Our companion dioceses of Alaska & the Virgin Islands & their bishops Mark & Ambrose; Trustees of the Diocesan Trust Funds; Board and Staff of Church Fund; St. Luke's, Birmingham; St. Luke's, Jacksonville; St. Luke's, Scottsboro

**Ministries and Programs within The Church of the Holy Spirit:** Worship Team, Mow & Clean Teams, Daughters of the King, Coffee Hour Ministry

**For Nation and Local Community:** Donald Trump, President; Kay Ivey, Governor; Communities of Calera, Alabaster, Helena, Maylene, & Pelham

**For all people everywhere, especially:** all those impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria; the victims and families of the Las Vegas tragedy

**Healing & Guidance for members, relatives and friends of Holy Spirit:** **Richard** Smith (Victoria Knierim); **Roxie & Stan** Wright; **Bud** Montgomery, **Henry** (Carol Smedley); **Kim & Luke** Sloan, **Nila** Whetsell, **Roy** Wolfe, **David, Obie, Brian, Bill & Debbie** (Katy Brooks); **Karen** Marshall (Allyson Agee); **Will** Graham; **Lou** Malone, **Barbara** (Sharon Poset); **Charlotte** Callough (M.E. Spencer); **Jimmy** Lee (Rodney Dilbeck); **Betty** Marek; **Greg, Tyler, Derek, & Josh** Hussey; **Val** Autrey; **J.T.** Peterson; **Barb** Diehl (Jim Hamilton); **Dawn** Mango (Harriet & Bill Meeks); **Gladys** McKay; **Paul** Clausmeyer; **Ted** Smith (Sally Jorgenson); **Nan** Vodde; **Harriet & Bill** Meeks; **Catherine** Frison, **William** Davis, **Barbara** Banks (Robbie McCoy); **Bill** Sorensen; **Kindle** Stamps (Mandy Curry); **Claire** Stephens (Carrie May); **Dallyne & Jim** Jones (Glenda Jones)

**For those serving in the armed services:** **Hall** Graham (Julia Jackson), **Mark** McKay (Gladys McKay)

**For all who have died,** especially **Margaret** Longenberger and **Amy** Duvall, may light perpetual shine upon them.

**Upcoming Birthdays:** Bill Spencer (10/16), Bill Meeks (10/19), Ryan Leonard (10/21), Grace Golightly (10/22), Doug Smedley (10/23), Bill Sorensen (10/24), Jon Nash (10/28), Parker Agee (10/28), Mia Stephens (10/28)

**Upcoming Anniversaries:** Carol & Doug Smedley (10/24)

**The Rev. Bill Blackerby, Interim Rector**

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Tara's Office Hours: Tues, Wed, & Thurs – 9:00am to 1:00pm

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