

Week of October 22 - 29, 2017

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

Wednesday, October 25th

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

*Living
in the
Spirit*

Saturday, October 28th

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

Join us for a night of fun and fellowship!

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. **Don't wait...get your tickets TODAY!**

Sunday, October 29th

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

Weekly & Monthly Reminders

Sit Quiet	Oct 25th	5:30 pm	Nave
Healing Eucharist	Nov 8th	11:00 am	Nave
Men's Prayer Breakfast	Nov 11th	8:00 am	Parish Hall
Vestry Meeting	Nov 12th	11:45 am	Parish Hall
Bunco	Nov 16th	6:30 pm	Parish Hall
Pack for Beans & Rice	Nov 17th	9:00 am	Parish Hall
Beans & Rice	Nov 18th	9:00 am	Narthex

See you Saturday night at Taste of the Spirit!

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.

Diocesan Convention Delegates

Would you like the honor of representing Holy Spirit at the 187th Diocesan Convention? The convention will be held on February 9th & 10th, 2018 in Decatur, Alabama. Please contact Mandy Golightly, mmgolightly@gmail.com, 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.

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.)*

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>.

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. Register at <http://bit.ly/RegisterDreamwork> (\$85 fee, includes lunch Saturday).

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

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 "yeses" and how they continue to speak to us today. The morning is intended to prepare our hearts for our own holy "yeses" 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 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 15, 2017.

Pledged	\$6,340.00
Unpledged	\$ 139.00
Beans and Rice	\$ 11.64
Men's Breakfast Group	\$ 71.39
TOTS in kind donations	\$ 23.11
TOTS tickets	\$ 920.00
Total Contributions	\$7,505.14

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; **Kee** 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; Diocesan Department of Recovery Ministries; For all who suffer from addiction or effects of addiction

Ministries and Programs within The Church of the Holy Spirit: Parish Life, Choir, Altar Guild, Invite•Welcome•Connect, Stewardship

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; everyone affected by the California wildfires

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; **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, may light perpetual shine upon them.

Upcoming Birthdays: Grace Golightly (10/22), Doug Smedley (10/23), Bill Sorensen (10/24), Jon Nash (10/28), Parker Agee (10/28), Mia Stephens (10/28), Jennifer Creamer (11/4), Fredde Delchamps IV (11/5)

Upcoming Anniversaries: Carol & Doug Smedley (10/24), Mandy & Drew Golightly (11/3)

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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