

Week of November 5 - 12, 2017

Living in the Spirit

Sunday, November 5th

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, November 8th

11:00 am Healing Eucharist, nave
5:30 pm Sit Quiet: A Time of Holy Silence and Prayer, nave

Saturday, November 11th

8:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast, parish hall

Sunday, November 12th

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
11:00 am Vestry Meeting

Save the Date...

Nov 19th Blood Drive Honoring Bill Sorensen, 8:00 am – Noon
Nov 22nd Thanksgiving Turkey Cook & Pick Up
Nov 26th Intergenerational Advent Wreath Making, 9:30 am
Dec 3rd Annual Parish Meeting, 9:30 am
Dec 10th Lessons & Carols, 5:00 pm
Dec 24th Christmas Eve Services, 5:30 pm & 8:00 pm

Weekly & Monthly Reminders

Healing Eucharist	Nov 8th	11:00 am	Nave
Sit Quiet	Nov 8th	5:30 pm	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

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who helped make 2017 Taste of the Spirit a success!! It was a great night and fun was had by all. Thank you to our TotS planning committee, all who donated items for the auction, and those who attended.

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.)*

Healing Eucharist, Wednesday, November 8th at 11:00 am

In need of a mid-week boost? Come join us for a quiet, service of healing November 8th at 11:00 am. Those who wish to stay are welcome to stay for a brown bag lunch immediately following the service.

Men's Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, November 11th at 8am

Join the men of Holy Spirit as they meet once a month on the second Saturday to gather for breakfast, prayer time, and fellowship. **All men are welcome and encouraged to come.** Cooking starts at 7:00 am with breakfast served at 8:00am. Please bring a few dollars to help cover the cost of breakfast. Be sure to wear your favorite hat! If you are interested in cooking breakfast or have other questions, contact Buzz Palmer, buzz.palmer@rawsonlp.com.

Thanksgiving Turkeys

Wanna Get Out of Cooking that Thanksgiving Turkey and support Holy Spirit?

Let Buzz and the Holy Smokers do the work for you! Order your Thanksgiving turkeys now! Each turkey will be 12-14 lbs and costs \$40. They will be ready for pickup at the church 2:00 pm Wednesday, November 22nd. Order online at: <http://holyspirit-al.org/hs-store/>, call the office, or fill out a form in the narthex. Thanks to you we have been able to supply to families in need. If you would like to donate indicate so on your order. If you or you know a family that could use the assistance of a donated Thanksgiving turkey to feed your family, please let the office know, office@holyspirit-al.org.

Want to be a Holy Smoker? The cook will begin at 5:00 am on Wednesday the 22nd. We'll need 10 people there at 5:00 am for an hour. We'll need 6 people around 10:30 am and then 6 people at about 1:00 pm. Contact Al Delchamps, aldel111@aol.com, if you can help out.

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>.

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. Lunch will be provided. Registration will be \$20 per person, which includes lunch. For more information and to register go to: www.journeyday.info or call 205-358-9229.

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 29, 2017.

Pledged.....	\$1,025.00
Unpledged.....	\$ 392.00
Beans and Rice.....	\$ 10.90
TOTS tickets and auction.....	\$4,700.00
Total Contributions	\$6,127.90

Avg Sunday Attendance

	Aug	Sept	Oct
8:30am	12	9	12
10:30am	70	60	59
Total	81	69	70

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; Ministries to the mentally ill and the mentally challenged; All Saints, Aliceville; All Saints, Birmingham; All Saints, Montgomery

Ministries and Programs within The Church of the Holy Spirit: Children's Christian Formation, EYC, Adult Education, Diocesan Connections

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: **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: Fredde Delchamps IV (11/5), Shirley Hamilton (11/9), Mandy Golightly (11/11), Richard Wall (11/11), Brayleigh Araujo (11/16), Sarah Salmon (11/17), Chip Maxwell (11/19), Collin Spicer (11/19), Charles Bainter (11/19)

Upcoming Anniversaries: Mandy & Drew Golightly (11/3)

The Rev. Bill Blackerby, Interim Rector

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