

Week of July 16 - 23, 2017

Sunday, July 16th

8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:30 am Coffee Hour, parish hall
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Thursday, July 20th

6:30 pm Bunco, parish hall

Sunday, July 23rd

8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:30 am Coffee Hour, parish hall
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Weekly & Monthly Reminders

Bunco	July 20th	6:30 pm	Parish Hall
Healing Eucharist	Aug 9th	11:00 am	Nave
Men's Prayer Breakfast	Aug 12th	8:00 am	Parish Hall
Vestry Meeting	Aug 13th	11:45 am	Parish Hall
Pack for Beans & Rice	Aug 18th	9:00 am	Parish Hall
Beans & Rice	Aug 19th	9:00 am	Narthex

Taste of the Spirit- Silent Auction Items Needed

We need YOUR help! We are taking silent auction items NOW for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Please think of anything you would personally bid on at an auction. We are taking NEW items valued at \$25.00 or more. We are also looking for big ticket items for our LIVE auction portion. Do you perhaps have a condo you are able to share? Or are you connected for tickets to a special event? If you are unsure of a specific item, but want to donate, contact Allyson Agee, allyagee@bellsouth.net for more information.

ITEMS ARE NEEDED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 24th.

Examples:

Salon Services

Restaurant Gift Certificates

Hotel Accommodations

Entertainment/ Special Events

Hand Crafted Items

Photography Services

Anything Unique (example: last year Space Camp)



Back to School Supply Drive

It's time for our annual school supply drive! Help out our local schools by donating items from the list below and leave in the narthex by **June 30th**! Questions? Contact Tara Portney

Composition Notebooks	Crayola Crayons (24 ct)	Dry Erase Markers (blk)
Fiskars Scissors	Glue Sticks	#2 Pencils (sharpened)
Large Pink Erasers	Plastic Folders	Crayola Markers
Headphones	Kleenex	Hand Sanitizer
Clorox Wipes	Wet Wipes	Paper Towels
White Cardstock	White Copy Paper	Highlighters
Colored Pencils	Construction Paper	Backpacks
	Ziplock Bags (quart & gallon)	

Taste of the Spirit Update: Can you help?

We have set a new date for TOTS, our annual fundraiser.

It will be the evening of **Oct. 28, 2017!**

More details to follow, but first we need COMMITTEES!

(and don't worry about football, both Alabama and Auburn are off this day!)

Sign up at: <http://holyspirit-al.org/volunteer-spot> or in the Narthex

Church Happenings

Bunco, Thursday, July 20th 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)

Back to School Blessing, Sunday, August 6th

All students and education staff are invited to bring their backpacks, briefcases, or tote bags to church for a special blessing to begin the new school year surrounded in prayer.

Aluminum Can Collection

Please remember that we collect aluminum cans to recycle to raise funds for our Beans & Rice Ministry. Drop off your cans on the back porch of the parish hall.

Holy Spirit Calendar

Want to know what's going on at Holy Spirit? Please note that all activities are now available for viewing on our Holy Spirit calendar on our website. Direct link is here: <http://holyspirit-al.org/events/>. Save it as a favorite on your computer.

Diocesan Events

Jonathan Daniels' Pilgrimage, Saturday, August 12th, Hayneville

This year's annual observance of Jonathan Daniels and the Martyrs of Alabama is Saturday, August 12th in Hayneville, AL. The Pilgrimage begins at 11 am in the Hayneville Courthouse Square. Visit http://dioala.org/digital_faith/events/3174268 for more information. There is no cost to participate but space is limited. We encourage you to pre-register online at <https://goo.gl/uQ5esQ>.

Happening #71, November 3rd – 5th, St. Stephen's Birmingham

Open to youth in grades 10 – 12!! During the three-day weekend, the participants spend time seriously considering the person and teaching of Jesus Christ in a relaxed, fun, informal and loving atmosphere. They are provided with opportunities to share, discuss, learn and live with fellow Christians in an environment of acceptance and understanding. **HAPPENING** is not a new form of spirituality, nor is it just another weekend retreat. It is a personal encounter with the living Christ as expressed in the traditions of the Episcopal Church. Hopefully, those who attend a Happening will join those who have gone before them in their desire to serve the Church, to continue in their commitment to Christ and to look for further opportunities to share with others what they have lived and learned. Contact Tara Portney if you have any questions or visit <http://happeninginal.weebly.com/> for more information and registration.

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, July 9, 2017.

Pledged.....	\$4,497.35
Unpledged.....	\$ 138.00
Beans and Rice	\$ 24.78
Flowers	\$ 132.67
Men's Breakfast Group	\$ 42.27
Honduras Mission Trip.....	\$ 197.25
Outreach—school supplies	\$ 49.73
Vacation Bible School.....	\$ 10.00
Bethany Village	\$ 200.00
Total Contributions	\$5,292.05

Avg Sunday Attendance

	Apr	May	Jun
8:30am	16	15	10
10:30am	78	62	68
Total	93	77	78

Please pray for...

Bishops and Clergy: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Michael** Bruce 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; Good Shepherd, Decatur; Good Shepherd, Montgomery; Ministry of the University of the South, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Seminary

Ministries and Programs within The Church of the Holy Spirit: Worship Team (Acolytes, Lectors, LEMs, Ushers), 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: those living in Syria and all war-torn countries

Healing & Guidance for members, relatives and friends of Holy Spirit: **Richard** Smith (Victoria Knierim); **Jo** Cochran (Judy Dykes); **Roxie & Stan** Wright; **Debra** Dewees (Glenda Jones); **Bud** Montgomery, **Henry** (Carol Smedley); **Kim & Luke** Sloan, **Nila** Whetsell, **Roy** Wolfe, **David, Obie, Brian, Bill & Debbie** (Katy Brooks); **Karen** Marshall (Allyson Agee); **Dan** Poset; **Will** Graham; **Lou** Malone (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; **Delauney Family** (Carrie May); **Braden, Doug, Mt. Zion Church family; Bill** Meeks

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: Kyle Salmon (7/17), Al Delchamps (7/18), Nicole Walden (7/21), Harper Cooley (7/22), Nicholas Agee (7/29)

Upcoming Anniversaries: Harriet and Bill Meeks (7/26)

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