

# Living in the Spirit

Week of May 8 - 15, 2016

## Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Rev. Alison Carmody, celebrant & preacher  
9:30 am Christian Education – All Ages  
EYC (*High School Youth Group*) – meet in Mary Bea's office  
Adult Forum, nave  
*The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12)* with Rev. Alison Carmody  
Rev. Alison Carmody will guide us in a discussion of how the Beatitudes might be used as the operating system for 21st century Christians. Come join the conversation.  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist with Children's Liturgy, Rev. Alison Carmody, celebrant

## Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>

- 5:00 pm Centering Prayer, parish hall

## Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>

- 6:30 pm Women's Circle, nave

## Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

- 7:00 pm Choir Practice, parish hall

## Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00 am Prayer Shawl ministry, nave

## Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> \*\*Pentecost Sunday\*\*

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Adult Forum, parish hall  
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11:45 am Pentecost Parish Picnic, parish hall  
Daughters of the King, nave

## *Save the Date*

- Sun, May 15<sup>th</sup> Pentecost Sunday, Parish picnic following 10:30 am service  
Sun, May 22<sup>nd</sup> Graduating Senior Recognition, 10:30 am service  
Last Day of Sunday School until August  
Sat, June 25<sup>th</sup> Pork Barbeque Sale  
Sat, July 23<sup>rd</sup> Taste of the Spirit,  
Auction, *Three on a String*, & Fundraising Dinner  
Sun, Nov 13<sup>th</sup> Confirmation & Bishop Visit

## Weekly & Monthly Reminders

EYC	May 8th	9:30 am	Rector's Office
Centering Prayer	May 9th	5:00 pm	Nave
Women's Circle	May 10th	6:30 pm	Nave
Choir Practice	May 11th	7:00 pm	Parish Hall
Prayer Shawl Ministry	May 14th	11:45 am	Nave
Daughters of the King	May 15th	11:45 am	Parish Hall
Bunco	May 19th	6:30 pm	Parish Hall
Pack for Beans & Rice	May 20th	9:00 am	Parish Hall
Beans & Rice	May 21st	9:00 am	Narthex
Vestry Meeting	June 12th	11:45 am	Parish Hall
HS 101	June 19th	11:45 am	Rector's Office

## Thank you...

- To all those who helped with the Gumbo Gala, especially Kim & Bill Sorensen, Janet & Buzz Palmer, Marla & David Aldrich, Toni Nash, Mary Joe Logan, Carrie May, Allyson & Chaed Agee, Tara Portney, Eileen Dilbeck, Carol & Doug Smedley, and Mary Hodgetts.
- Robbie McCoy and the support team members!

## Church Happenings

### **Pentecost Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> – Holy Spirit's Feast Day**

Celebrate Pentecost Sunday by wearing red to church May 15<sup>th</sup> and joining for a parish potluck following the 10:30 am service. Bring food for sharing and fellowship.

Sign up at [www.perfectpotluck.com](http://www.perfectpotluck.com) – coordinator is Greer and password is ECOHS.

### **Taste of the Spirit**

Save the date for the Taste of the Spirit, **Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 5:30 pm. Join us for a fantastic evening featuring delectable treats from our very own cookbook, delightful tunes from *Three on a String*, and desirable items from the silent auction. Tickets are \$25/each or \$40/couple and are coming soon.

***Don't miss the deadline to submit recipes!***

Submit recipes to [holyspiritrecipes@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritrecipes@gmail.com) or paper form in the narthex by **May 8<sup>th</sup>**.

### **School of Wizards & Wonders**

It will be a magical summer at Holy Spirit! For five Sundays we will **ALL** enter the school of Wizards & Wonders with our headmistress, Mrs. Julia. Don't miss the train to Hogwarts June 19, 26 and July 3, 10, 17 at 9:30 am.

Register for class now to [julia@holyspirit-al.org](mailto:julia@holyspirit-al.org) or the sign-up sheet by **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

### **Graduating Seniors**

Please email Tara, [tara@holyspirit-al.org](mailto:tara@holyspirit-al.org), the names of any graduating seniors (high school or college) along with the name of their school. We will honor all seniors Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at the 10:30 am service.

## **IT'S A GIRL!!**

The women of the church are invited to a baby shower honoring Elizabeth Vodde Sweeney (daughter of Nan & Ted Vodde), Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1:00 pm-3:00pm, Parish Hall, hosted by M.E. Spencer, Jean Williams and Glenda Jones. Elizabeth is registered at Buy Buy Baby and Target.

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry, Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 9am**

If you knit or crochet please join us in the nave next Saturday as we gather to create prayer shawls to comfort those in need.

## **Please consider...**

- ✧ volunteering once a month to help our mow team ministry. We meet the every Saturday for a couple of hours to groom the grounds. You may choose which week works best for you. Please contact Mike Ghareeb if you'd like to volunteer for this ministry, mikeghareeb@bellsouth.net.
- ✧ bringing can food donations for our Beans & Rice ministry. Our food pantry is getting low and we are in need of can good, especially 15oz cans containing protein.

## **Summer Feeding Program**

We have a wonderful opportunity to help children in our community! We are looking for friendly faces to help host! Please consider donating your time in a 2 hour shift any day Monday through Thursday in June. Contact Toni, toni.nash@aol.com with any questions and sign up at <http://vols.pt/xrLEXP>.

## **Shoes for Sister Schools**

THANK YOU to everyone who has donated shoes to help Alabaster City Schools Sister School project where students & staff from ACS travel to Honduras to assist the world's most impoverished and unfortunate people. We are collecting ANY size shoes in good condition until May 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **Mary Bea on Vacation: May 5 – 19**

Mary Bea will be on vacation and unable to respond to text, emails, Facebook, or phone calls. If there is a pastoral emergency, please contact Mandy Golightly, mmgolightly@gmail.com or 410-3013. Tara will be in the office Tuesdays – Thursdays from 8:30am to 2:30pm for routine questions.

## *Diocesan/Local Offerings*

### **Our Time, Camp McDowell June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>**

Our Time is a grief-support retreat in Bethany Village for rising 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders and their adult caregiver(s) who have experienced loss through death of a close relative or friend. Our Time includes large and small group discussion time, music, worship, camp-style activities. The professionally trained program leaders will facilitate opportunities for all participants to reflect on their loss, to express their feelings, and to share common experiences. Mary Bea and Malcolm will both be on staff. Scholarships are available. Contact Mary Bea or Tara to register.

*Please pray for...*

**Bishops and Clergy:** Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Michael** Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop ECUSA; **Kee** Sloan and **Santosh** Marray, Alabama Bishops; **Mary Bea** Sullivan, Rector; **Alison** Carmody, Priest Affiliate; **Malcolm** Marler, Priest Affiliate; **Stan** Wright, Priest Affiliate

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Our companion dioceses of Alaska & the Virgin Islands & their bishops Mark & Ambrose; Clergy and Staff of Carpenter House; Episcopal Bookstore & Staff; Seminarians completing second year of study; Church of the Ascension, Birmingham; Church of the Ascension, Montgomery

**Ministries and Programs within The Church of the Holy Spirit:** Beans & Rice Ministry; Worship Team (acolytes, LEMs, lectors, ushers); Parish Life Ministry; Outreach

**For Nation and Local Community:** Barack Obama, President; Robert Bentley, Governor; Communities of Calera, Alabaster, Helena, Maylene, & Pelham

**For all people everywhere especially:** Migrants killed or injured traveling in the Mediterranean Sea

**Healing and Guidance for members, relatives and friends of Holy Spirit:** **Emma Jean** Livingston (Mandy Heatherly); **Chip & Susan** Battles (Sherry Bowlin); **Doris & Richard** Smith (Victoria Knierim); **Betty & Baylee** Marek; **Kelly** Wrightson (Janet & Buzz Palmer); **Linda** May, **Karen** Marshall, **Carl** Raymond (Allyson Agee); **Susan** Crotzer (Harriet Meeks); **Stan** Wright; **Jo** Cochran (Judy Dykes); **Chris** Kent; **Harry, James** (Katy Brooks); **Donna** Mays (Glenda Jones); **Christopher** McKay; **Arthur** Saylor (Terry Saylor); **JT** Peterson (Val Autrey); **Braylee** Araujo; **Emily** (Quinn White); **Kim & Tom** (Katy Brooks); **Krista** McLemore (Olivia Araujo); **Aletha** Martin, **Shomarie** Chambers (Gladys McKay)

**For those serving in the armed services:** **Hall** Graham (Julia Jackson)

**For all who have died,** especially **Todd** Wrightson, may light perpetual shine upon them.

**Upcoming Birthdays:** Molly Power (5/10), Amanda Wilbanks (5/13), Debbie Cawthon (5/14), Roy Clem (5/17), Maddie Power (5/17), Stella Atkinson (5/18), Tara Portney (5/21)

**Upcoming Anniversaries:** Alison & Steve Smith (5/14), Alyson & Chaed Agee (5/17), Eileen & Rodney Dilbeck (5/20)

## *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, May 1, 2016.

Pledged .....	\$ 2,387.00
Unpledged .....	\$ 129.00
Beans and Rice .....	\$ 15.00
Bethany Village .....	\$ 50.00
Flowers .....	\$ 70.00
Honduras Mission Trip.....	\$ 400.00
Rector's Discretionary Fund .....	\$ <u>200.00</u>
Total Contributions.....	\$ 3,251.00

### **The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit**

**Reverend Mary Bea Sullivan, Rector**

Tara's Office Hours: Tues, Wed, & Thurs – 8:30am to 2:30pm

Rev. Mary Bea's days off are Friday & Saturday (but may be reached for emergency)

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