



Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit
The Sunday Dove
September 21, 2025

Welcome to Holy Spirit! We are honored to have you with us in worship and would love to get to know you. Visitors' Welcome Cards are available in the pews and at the entrance doors. Please return the completed card to the usher or place it in the offering plate.

All baptized people of all ages and church backgrounds are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church. If you would like a gluten free wafer for communion, please let the clergy know.

- If you have any questions please contact: Shannon David- Parish Administrator 770-887-8190 or office@ecohs.net
- If have questions about baptism, communion, or any matter of faith, please contact Fr. Brandon at fr.brandon@ecohs.net

Parish Calendar

Sunday, September 21, 2025

8:30 am Holy Eucharist
9:30 am Adult Christian Ed
10:45 am Holy Eucharist
1:00-3:00 pm EfM
8:00 pm Compline Online

Monday, September 22

12:30 pm Women's AA, Parish Hall
6:00-8:00 pm EfM
8:00 pm Compline, On-line

Tuesday, September 23

12:30 pm AA Meeting, Parish Hall
2:00 pm Theology Studies
8:00 pm Compline, On-line

Wednesday, September 24

9:30 am In Stitches
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm Compline, On-line

Thursday, September 25

10:30 am Bible Study
12:05 pm Healing Eucharist
12:30 pm AA Meeting, Parish Hall
6:30 pm Cumming Music Jam
8:00 pm Sung Compline, On-line

Friday, September 26

10:00 am AA Meeting, Parish Hall
8:00 pm Compline, On-line

Saturday, September 27

8:00 am Pantry
11:00 am Diabetes Education
Seminar
8:00 pm Compline, On-line

Full Parish Calendar

For the full Parish Calendar,
www.ecohs.net

On-going Gatherings

Beloved Sisters: 1st & 3rd Fridays at
Noon

Contact: **Joanie Anderton**

Men's Breakfast Club: 1st Saturday
of the month at 8:30,

Contact: **interim Jay Franklin**

In-Stitches: Wednesdays at 9:30

Contact: **Ro Woodhead**

Days for Girls: 1st & 3rd

Wednesdays at 9:30

Contact: **Becky Hitch**

SASSE: The second Friday of the
month at 11:30 Contact: **Alice Bryan**

Cumming Music Jam: 2 & 4th

Thursdays at 6:30 pm

Contact: **Joe Sowards**

Parish Announcements

The office will be closed Monday, September 22-Tuesday, September 23.

Children and Youth

No Sunday School this week – Fall Break

We had a great kickoff Sunday! We closely follow the lectionary although we change it up for different seasons, for example Thanksgiving. We have some fun and creative ideas on tap for Sunday as we learn and grow in our love and knowledge of the Lord and each other. We meet in the preschool area at 9:30, I most often attend the early service and enjoy listening to the sermon and trying to tie it into our lesson.

Julie Wilson jwilsonjat@gmail.com

Youth News

No Sunday School this week due to Fall Break! Enjoy your week! See you next week as we continue studying the Old Testament through the Bible Project. We're planning an October movie day, keep your eye out for the date. And don't forget, we'll have donuts!

Shannon David - 678-457-0192 youth@ecohts.net

Fall Opportunities

- ***Theology: Tuesdays 2:00-3:30 pm*** Come and join the open discussion – next week 9/23, Fr. Brandon will guide the conversation around *Salvation: What is it? Who needs it? Is it necessary?*
- ***Bible Study: Thursdays 10:30 am*** Fall Semester - studying the Gospel according to Luke
- ***Thursday Eucharist resumes weekly at Noon***
- ***Check the church calendar for dates for: Beloved Sisters, Men's Breakfast, Cumming Music Jam, In Stitches & Days for Girls.***
- ***Join the Choir!*** Rehearsals on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Choir Room downstairs
- ***Handbell Choir*** – Organizational meeting, Wednesday, October 1st at 5:00 pm in the Choir Room, downstairs.

ECOHS Library

We have a new project--forming a library at ECOHS which is designed to edify and equip any and all who use it to be a light in the darkness of our world. I have made a registry of books for the purpose of donations. In it there are books on Biblical studies, theology, Church history, philosophy, ethics, psychology, mysticism, sociology, anthropology, music, visual arts, novels, poetry, and many other areas touched by our Anglican/Episcopal way of life. I have chosen books designed to provide an introduction to these things for seekers and to provide a path leading to deeper understanding and knowledge for those who are inspired to know more.

If you wish to support the library, please consider visiting this registry and donating from it.

I deeply appreciate any help you might give.

Fr. Brandon

Amazon registry: www.amazon.com click on "Registry" and enter Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

Outreach

Days for Girls

Days for Girls delivered 50 kits to Amigos for Christ which will be distributed in Nicaragua to young women who need them. Our group continues to meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in the Parish Hall to work on this project. You do not need to know how to sew. Contact: Becky Hitch 770-540-2034

Family Promise Gala

The 6th Annual Family Promise Gala held on September 12th was a huge success thanks to many in our congregation. The elegant evening of dinner, dancing, and socializing also included a chance to bid on over 100 baskets for auction and partake in an astonishing fundraising cake raffle. Next year's date for the Gala will be Friday October 18, 2026. It is the main fundraising event for Family Promise. You don't want to miss it.

Wendy's Pantry

September 27 is our next pantry so next week we will go shopping to get items we may need to make our bags.

Remember our bags include laundry detergent, toilet paper, wipes and feminine pads. We like to, every now and again, add a little surprise so in July we added bath soap. For September we would like to do that again. If you give me a cash donation at worship this Sunday, I can go purchase items to add to each bag.

Also, I'm really excited as my neighbor is meeting me at the pantry with her two young children to help me make the bags. It's their fall break, and she wants them to have an experience like this.

On another note, let me know if you are interested in being a backup volunteer on the fourth Saturday from 8am to 9am. Just email me at seowilliams@aol.com. Thanks in advance for all that is done for this ministry. Sue Ellen Williams

Diabetes Education Seminar

Saturday, September 27 at 11 am

Learn life-saving information about Type-2 diabetes, medication, and nutrition from licensed medical professionals. Come find out how it all works together to make you feel better! There will be snacks, glucometer giveaways, and a raffle, all at no cost! For information, call **678-812-6622**.

British Car Show & Chili Cookoff

October 25th 10AM until 2PM

Volunteers for the Car Show, Chili Cookoff and Sweet Shop will be needed...watch for signups.

This Week's Intercessions

Holy Spirit Parishioners: Julie Anderson • Charlotte Bradley • Bobbie Brodie • **Allison Lipscomb Burnett • Waylon Burnett • Sandra Culver • Carol Franklin** • Gregg Harbison • Amy Hill • **Neva Jahnz** • Brad Jameson • Beth Jones • Sean Julien • **Jacquelyn Kenton • Herb & Sharon Linsley** • Rita Munoz • **Jack Murphy** • Doug & Elizabeth Puckett • Bill Putt • **Melissa Roehm • Christina Shumate • John Torres** • Pat Wall • Dennis Whittle • Inge Woods

Family & Friends: Arrendale women & families • DFACs workers & families • **Community of Grace Lutheran Church • Fred Barr** • Bob Bender • Mary Ann & Steve Blanks • Terry Blalock • Pepper Bowe • **Clyde Brown** • Cam Bryant • Chris Carlson • **Jennifer Caso** • Ludie Churchman • Gary Connaughty • Rex & Teresa Cox • Annette Dahlin • Daniel & Edgar • Scott Daniel • **Adam Gudis** • Andrew Hayes • Ruth Steward Holt • Billy Jones • Gary Kochert • Annalise Lupia • Paul Lupia • Dee Dee McClellan • Jeff & Kathy Mello • **Liam Menoni** • Stephanie Milchling • Joe Moore • Kathleen Monaghan • Michael Monaghan • Lynn Oglesby • **Ethan O'Neil** • Bill Pazman • Charles Pickett • Carolyn Reagan • Ben Reece • Michelle Rhodes • Alex Rockwell • Sue Sazima • Rose Scarborough • **Zane Seward** • Lloyd Shipman • Rose Skarda • Chet Smith • **Ricky Stehr** • Edna Story • Abe Vanderweele • Amber Vandinskaite • Dalton Walsh • Wes Wright • Leah Ver Steeg • Diane Weis • **John Werts** • Brandon Williams • Lena Wilson • Terry Yager • Datie Younkins

Armed Forces: Austin Rivers, Aaron Bohan, James Gooch, Ross Feaster, Chad Mixon, Tyler Benson, John Granlund, Matthew McClelland, Zach Taylor, John Taylor, Owen Taylor, Adam Rivers, Jason Warner, William J. Putt, Alex Szokoly, Addison Rivers, Peyton Douglas, Colin Brady, Jack Simons, Alex Downs, Austin Reid, Davis Louis, Joseph Miller, Pedro Silva, Anthony Rosario, Jackson Miller, Deborrah Panowitz, Jaden Ahadzi, Blake Bramlett, Logan Cardin, Jaxon Deems

We give thanks for those who celebrate birthdays this week: Dana Barr, Mandy Ponder, Joe Sowards, Jeff Daniel, Matt David, Skye Norris, Mike Lane, Meredith Schwimmer, Marina Slemmons

We give thanks for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Roger & Siv Keyser

We pray for expectant parents: Christina & Kevin Voss-Thorington

We remember those who have died.

We remember those in our Parish Cycle of Prayer this week: Blair Gatland & Adam Gracyalny, Kathy Gibson, Chris Godbey, Michelle & Will Greer, Gregg & Pat Harbison, Dawn Hayes, Rick & Jill Hayes

Prayer Requests: Email to Julie Wilson jwilsonjat@gmail.com

Financials

Summary of Financials for ECOHS					
			Actual	Budget	
	August 25 Actual	Budget	YTD	YTD	YTD Difference from Budget
Pledges	14,464	30,000	181,987	240,000	-58,013
Offerings	8,074	3,670	43,490	29,365	14,125
Preschool & Other	5,445	14,324	94,632	91,595	3,037
Total Revenues	27,983	47,994	320,109	360,960	-40,851
Expenses	49,841	46,568	403,871	364,695	39,176
Net difference	-21,858	1427	-83,762	-3,735	