



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

RESTORING ALL PEOPLE TO UNITY WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER IN CHRIST

December 3, 2017

Theme for 2017: We Are One Body

For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. – Romans 12:4-5

WELCOME - Thank you for joining us in worship today.

Pledge Cards Due - Thank you to the 91 who have returned pledge cards. We currently have a total of \$349,342 pledged, with a goal of \$387,499. Please return your pledge cards or email your pledge to jloggie@sentbythespirit.org.

Advent Calendar 2017 - Slow down. Quiet. It's Advent! If you'd like, please take a calendar from the back table for daily meditations as you prepare for the coming of our Lord!

"Advent Waiting" Meditations - Starting this Sunday, pick up a copy of the *Daily Reflections of Advent* from the welcome table in the back of the church. The meditation is also available on our group FaceBook page. Email Michelle Autry at holyspirit@sentbythespirit.org if you'd like assistance finding our Facebook page.

Men's Group Meeting, Monday, Dec. 4th, 6:00 pm - All men of the church are invited to this monthly gathering. On Dec. 4th, we will meet at The Yardhouse, 15900 La Cantera Parkway, from 6-9pm. Contact Rafael Morales for more information at ramorales50@outlook.com.

Christmas Pageant, Sunday, Dec. 17th at 10:00 am - If you or your child would like to participate in the pageant on Dec. 17th, a sign up sheet is at the back of church. Rehearsals will be Dec. 3 and 10 after the 10:00 am service, with a dress rehearsal Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6 pm. Contact Jill Byrd for more information at jillbbyrd@gmail.com.

St Clare's Guild Notecards - The St. Clare's Guild proudly presents for purchase the new note cards of the altar kneelers which are being dedicated this morning. Visit the table on the porch after church. Thank you for your support. Contact Rose Damon for further information at rfdamon68@yahoo.com.

Meditations for Advent - The Wednesday Mid-Week Reflection group will start an Advent reflection time using Richard Rohr's *Daily Meditations for Advent*. We will meet at 3:00 p.m. each Wednesday afternoon in classroom 2 at the church. The book can be purchased on Amazon for \$8.99 (or an on-line edition for \$3.99). Contact Cheryl North for more information at clnorth44@yahoo.com.

The C. S. Lewis Society's Advent Study will be on the Psalms as presented by Walter Brueggemann and C. S. Lewis. We will meet at 7 pm on December 7, 14 & 21st at Candy and Chaz Trumpfhellers' home. For further info, please contact Tom McCarty, tmccarty2@satx.rr.com.

Year End Gifts - If you'd like to give a gift of stock to the church before year end, please contact Jeanne Loggie at jloggie@sentbythespirit.org before December 21st so we can make sure you have the proper paperwork. Thank you!

Christmas Poinsettias - You may purchase poinsettias "in thanksgiving for" or "in memory of" a loved one for \$12 each. They will be used to bless the church for our Christmas services- you may take them home after the service on Dec. 25th. A sign up sheet is located at the back of the church. You may put your check in the offering plate or the box on the back table, marked "poinsettias".

Outreach

Thank you to all who assisted with The Project Hope Ministry this past Monday! Mark your calendars for our next distribution day, Monday, December 11th. Contact Penny Herrero at pennybeck@sbcglobal.net for more information about this ministry.

Outreach Opportunities available include: Project Hope/Food Bank (Penny Herrero), Mobile Loaves and Fishes (Cheryl North), Mystic Park Rehabilitation/Senior Center (Peter Scholler), Center for Refugee Services (Charles Patrick), O.P. Schnabel Park (Dave Doss and Nancy Socher), Magdalena House (Leslie Padgett), Good Samaritan Community Services (Cheryl North) and Habitat for Humanity (Jack Hadley). Visit the bulletin board in the Communications Corridor for more information on opportunities to serve or contact Cheryl North (210) 475-1400 for more information.

Children's Ministry

Nursery (12 weeks old up to and including age 3) is available Sunday mornings from 8:45 until 11:45 am and Sunday evenings from 4:00 until 7:00 pm. We partner with *College Nannies and Tutors* to provide trained staff for our Nursery. If you are a nursing mother needing to feed your child, and would like some privacy during the service, feel free to do so in the nursery or in one of the chairs in the church office.

Spirit Time Children's Worship is held in the Chapel of St. Michael and led by Jackie McCarthy. This is a simultaneous worship service for children ages 3 through Grade 5. The children go directly to Spirit Time following the cross at the beginning of the service. Children return to the sanctuary during *The Peace* of the Worship Service so Eucharist can be celebrated together as a family.

Formation - Children's Formation is Sunday morning at 9:00 am. Ages 4 through Grade 2 meet in Classroom One; Grades 3 through 5 meet in Classroom Two. Contact Jason Roberts for more information at jroberts@sentbythespirit.org.

Youth - Grades 6-12

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12

Formation - Youth Bible Study is held each Sunday from 4:00-5:15 pm in Youth Barn. The Youth gather at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings in Fr. Jason's office. Email Eddy emartinez@sentbythespirit.org for more information.

Financial Update - Operating Budget

	Income	Expenses	Result	Borrowed from Reserves
October 2017	\$36,243	\$32,889	\$3,354	
Year to Date 2017	\$372,138	\$356,819	\$15,318	\$11,394
Projected Year End	451,852	451,852	0	

The overall result as of 10/31/2017, is an Operating Surplus of \$15,318, which is largely due to advance payment of annual pledges and some delayed expenses, especially related to staff. In the past years we have borrowed from our reserves to pay operating expenses. Any surplus for 2017 goes to replenish what has been previously borrowed. Thank you for maintaining your pledges and contributions! Email Jeanne Loggie at jloggie@sentbythespirit.org if you would like to check the status of your pledge or contributions.

Calendar

Sunday, December 3, 2017

First Sunday of Advent

- 8:45 am Nursery Opens
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Formation Classes
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- 10:00 am Spirit Time
- 11:30 am Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
- 11:30 am Audit Committee Meeting
- 3:00 pm Youth Confirmation Class
- 4:00 pm Youth Bible Study
- 4:00 pm Women's Bible Study
- 5:30 pm Worship Service w/Communion

Monday, December 4, 2017

- 9:30 am KOKES Dance Class
- 6:00 pm Men's Group Meeting at Yard House
- 6:30 pm Education for Ministry Meeting
- 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 208 Meeting

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

- 9:00 am Morning Prayer
- 9:30 am Staff Meeting
- 5:30 pm Executive Committee Mtg.

Wednesday, December 6, 2017

- 3:00 pm Mid Week Spiritual Reflection
begins Advent Meditations
- 5:30 pm Mid Week Healing Eucharist
- 6:00 pm Cursillo Reunion
- 6:30 pm Vestry Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 7, 2017

- 9:30 am KOKES Chapel Time
- 7:00 pm KOKES Christmas Program
- 7:00 pm C.S. Lewis Advent Study at
Trumpfheller home

Friday, December 8, 2017

- 9:30 am KOKES Chapel Time

Saturday, December 9, 2017

- 10:00 am St Clare's Guild Meeting

Sunday, December 10, 2017

Second Sunday of Advent

- 8:45 am Nursery Opens
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Formation Classes
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- 10:00 am Spirit Time
- 11:30 am Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
- 3:00 pm Packing of Good Sam Bags
- 4:00 pm Women's Bible Study
- 5:30 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast
(Transferred) Worship Service w/
Communion and Mariachi
Campanas de America

Community Life

Today's Altar Flowers -Today's altar flowers have been donated by Fred and Norma Uvalle in celebration of Cristina Uvalle's birthday.

Christmas Dinner Bags- Today is the last day of Our annual drive for Good Sam Christmas Bags. We will accept your offering of \$20 per bag and our Shopping Angels will shop for you! Contact Kiki Foster for more info at dicktief@aol.com.

Advent/Christmas Music Offering - We invite you to make donations toward the music offerings we will have during the Advent and Christmas season. Various dates will include a harpist, flutist, and other offerings; please place your donation in the offering plate marked "special music" or you may donate via paypal through the church website, sentbythespirit.org.

Sock and Book Drive, Dec. 10 & Dec. 17 - Daughters of the King are sponsoring a sock and book drive again this year for families served by Mobile Loaves and Fishes. New socks and gently used books are welcome to the donation table on the porch on these date; contact Kim Najera for more information at liketoread@sbcglobal.net.

Formation Classes

Sunday

9:00 am	Children's Formation	Children ages 4-Grade 2	Classroom 1
9:00 am	Children's Formation	Children Grades 3-5	Classroom 2
9:00 am	Youth Gathering	Youth Grades 6-12	Meet In Fr. Jason's office
9:00 am	Adult Formation		Chapel of St. Michael
3:00 pm	Youth Confirmation Class		Classroom 1
4:00 pm	Youth Bible Study		Youth Barn
4:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	<i>Keeping Place</i>	Classroom 2

Wednesday

3:00 pm	Mid Week Reflection	<i>Advent Meditation begins Dec. 6</i>	Meet in Classroom 2
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Thursday

7:00 pm	C.S. Lewis Study	Advent Study of Psalms	Meet at Trumpfheller's
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Women's Bible Study - Join us on Sundays at 4:00 pm for a study *Keeping Place: Reflections of Home*. Contact Jeanne Loggie for more information at jloggie@sentbythespirit.org.

About Receiving Communion:

We welcome all who are baptized in any Christian tradition to receive Communion at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit. To do so, please come forward, after being directed by an usher, down the center aisle to the altar area. The priest will then offer the consecrated bread for you to receive in the palm of your outstretched hands. The Lay Eucharist Minister will then offer you with the consecrated wine. You may retain the bread to dip lightly into the wine or, having consumed the wafer, sip from the common cup. If you are not baptized and feel compelled to receive communion, please follow the nudging of the Holy Spirit and come forward to receive. Then come and speak with a priest about Baptism. If you prefer not to receive Communion please still come forward to receive a Christian blessing. The priest will know that you would like a Christian blessing when you cross your arms over your chest. Once you receive this blessing, you may return to your seat.

Those Who Serve Today

Presiding	Rev. Ed Dohoney	Acolyte	Carter Miranda
Preaching	Rev. Jason T. Roberts	Coffee Hosts	Dottie Glenney
Eucharist Minister 1	Cheryl North		Barbara Cavazos
Eucharist Minister 2	Alfredo Castillo	Order of St. Luke	Darlene Black
Lector 1	Mary Jane Bonilla		Ed McDuffie
Lector 2	Richard Bonilla	Eucharistic Visitor	Bill Nicholson
Altar Guild	Sally Lindsay	VPOD	Pamela Hoelscher
	Joann Kelly	Asst. VPOD	Mike Foster
	Michelle Little	Nursery - am	Katie Becker
Flower Guild	Alyssa Rousseau	Nursery -pm	Larry Thorp
	Deborah Ewald	Projector	Ashely & Mariah
Ushers #1	Betty Lewandowski	Accompanist-am	Mariah
	Peter Scholler	Accompanist-pm	Duncan McCarroll
Ushers #2	Larry Thorp		Abbie Amick
	Jack Hadley		Pedro Magallan
Ushers #3	John Schenk		
	Bob Crabtree		
	Bill Nicholson		