

Stewardship

God's Love in Action



Holy Spirit Episcopal Church



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Grace and peace be with you, fellow Holy Spirit member,

These last couple of months we have seen the glory of the Lord at work in our midst. We have seen transformation on our campus. We have been a place where love has taken action after Harvey. We have also experienced the comfort of our normal programs returning and even some new ones beginning. Holy Spirit is a place where so much good takes place that one cannot comprehend the huge impact we make here together. It is your support that makes this possible. Your contribution creates space for God's love to break through. Please consider all the Good News found in the pages that follow and prayerfully consider how you may be a part of *God's Love in Action* here at Holy Spirit.

I am grateful for all the things we share in our church home. Thank you for making our church home possible.

Yours in Christ,



The Rev. Josh Condon

HURRICANE HARVEY



*Recovery &
Community*

Love in Action

- More than 60 families in the Holy Spirit Community were directly affected by flooding.
- Holy Spirit has received donations from 27 states to help our neighbors in need.
- Dozens of homes and hundreds of people have been directly helped by workers from or organized by Holy Spirit.
- We have been able to share hospitality and space with Emmanuel Episcopal Church and School while they rebuild their campus.
- Our church home has been a center of caring and action and will continue to be a place of hope in the months and years to come



BUILDING PROGRESS



HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
GROUND-BREAKING / JULY 30, 2017

Phase One

The vision you have provided for expanding the ministry of our parish and the improvements that are being made to our campus will have a significant impact on our ability to nurture the many programs and gatherings that are at the heart of being our community.

You have helped provide new and improved space for our many ministries to grow. We need your pledged stewardship support to feed that growth.

Our bright and connected nave with stained glass windows newly revealed and more comfortable and welcoming seating will have a significant impact on worship that is at the heart of who we are. The acoustic improvements and new choir room will support our music ministry. The pastoral improvements to bathrooms and audio technology will make our campus more accessible and welcoming. The growth in our children and youth programs will be supported by our new nursery and youth rooms.



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A photograph of a church interior. Several tall, narrow stained glass windows with abstract designs in blue, red, and yellow run vertically along a brick wall. In the foreground, rows of dark wooden pews are visible, some with red cushions. The lighting is warm, coming from the windows.

MINISTERIAL GROWTH

*Outreach &
Fellowship*

Finally, the exponential growth in our outreach programs through Blessings in a Backpack has been remarkable. The new space and equipment along with new additional funding will mean that by the end of this year we will be expanding to feed every student of both of our sponsored schools. We are also seeking to expand to support other area ministries as well, and your pledged support will mean that we can make an even bigger impact.

We have expanded our fellowship and formation by adding new programs and with your support we will be able to fully develop programs like *Seniors, Retirees, and Empty Nesters, the Betweeners, Parents of Little Ones, Parents of Elementary, Parents of Youth, Youth Missions, Bible studies, and more.*



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You are aware that many of our families have been significantly affected by the flood. If you were not flooded, please consider a significant increase in your pledge in anticipation that the pledges of our fellow Holy Spirit parishioners may be affected this year

Your support will allow us to grow in our ministry together. Everything that we do and share at Holy Spirit is only possible because of you. You not only help us keep the lights on and the candles lit, but you also help us to create a place where we are able to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the people of Houston. Please support your church where we get to be a part of God's Love in Action.

Tithing at Holy Spirit Episcopal Church

To better help you reach the goal of tithing, please take some time to review the chart below. Find the income level in the first column that most closely matches your income, and then follow the numbers horizontally to determine your level of giving to Holy Spirit.

Percentages are listed at the top, with tithing amounts (or 10%) at the far right. Consider stepping up your giving by moving one or more columns to the right for your 2018 pledge.

Annual Gross Income	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	10%
\$25,000	\$250	\$500	\$750	\$1,000	\$1,250	\$2,500
50,000	500	1,000	1,500	2,000	2,500	5,000
75,000	750	1,500	2,250	3,000	3,750	7,500
100,000	1,000	2,000	3,000	4,000	5,000	10,000
250,000	2,500	5,000	7,500	10,000	12,500	25,000
500,000	5,000	10,000	15,000	20,000	25,000	50,000

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Goals this year

- ◇ Expand outreach support and ministries to help neighbors in need
- ◇ Add additional clergy to grow our teaching, preaching, and pastoral ministries
- ◇ expand our advertising so that those in our area of Houston who are looking for a relationship with Jesus Christ and a faith home will be able to find us
- ◇ grow and develop the many programs and ministries that have been started in the last year



Our Leadership

Clergy

The Rev. Josh Condon, Rector

The Rev. John Pitts, Priest Associate

Staff

Stephen Morris, Director of Music Ministries

Gardener Headrick, Parish Administrator

Suzy Spencer, Director of Family Ministries

Aimee Donnel, Business Operations

Sophia Hwang, Communications Coordinator

Eleanor Sheldon, Worship Events Coordinator

Shelia Williams, Administrative Assistant

Francisco Miranda, Sexton

Juan Cueves, Sexton

Wardens and Vestry

Dave Schraeder, Senior Warden

Kim Myer, Warden

Ian Bremner, Rich Brzoska,

John Givens, Shelly Lester,

Christy Lock, Nancy Moody,

Scott Owen, Melissa Peter,

Jim Silliman, Karen Walrond,

Charlie Yardley

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