

Saturday, March 21

11:00 Tai Chi - CC

Sunday, March 22

8:00 Eucharist Rite 1

9:15 Adult Christian Education - PH

10:30 Eucharist Rite 2

Coffee Hour: Coffee and simple refreshments after each service.

12:15 Choir Practice

Monday, March 23

1:30 EfM - PH

Tuesday, March 24

10:00 Outreach - PH

10:00 Yoga - CC

11:15 Gentle Yoga - CC

12:00 CARES - PH Nursery

4:30 Vestry - PH

Wednesday, March 25

8:30 Morning Prayer - Facebook

9:00 Men's Breakfast - Deb's/Zoom

10:00 Pastoral Care - PH

12:00 Service with Eucharist

2:00 Communications - Zoom

6:00 Lenten Series & Potluck Dinner - PH

Thursday, March 26

9:00 Palm Cross Workshop - PH

12:30 Disciple II - PH

Friday, March 27

9:00 Gilmer Gang

Saturday, March 28

Interment for Mark Goodan in Kentucky

10:00 Welcome Hands Quilters - PP

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Mar. 29 Palm Sunday

Mar. 30-Apr. 1 Holy Week Srvc. @ 10:30

Mar. 30-Apr. 3 JUMC Lunch & Learn @ 12

Mar. 30 Prayer Shawls

Apr. 1 -NO Healing Service this Month

Apr. 2 Fr. Mark Noon Lunch & Learn @ JUMC

Apr. 2 Maundy Thurs Srvc. @ 6:00

Apr. 3 Stations of the Cross @ 10:30

Apr. 3 Good Friday Srvc. @ Noon

Apr. 4 Great Vigil of Easter 8:30-10:00

Apr. 5 Easter Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 with

Festive Easter Breakfast between services

Creating Christian Community:
Serving and Engaging People in Vibrant Ministries

This week at Holy Family



On Sunday, March 15, members of our Holy Family community took part in a joyful and significant milestone in their faith journeys. Ten candidates were confirmed, six were formally received into the Church, and three reaffirmed their baptismal vows. Join us in offering our heartfelt congratulations to our sisters and brothers at Holy Family!



Top, left to right: Fr. Mark Winward, Cole Kendrick (C), Richard Griffin (R), Skip Downs (R), Richard Smith (A), The Right Reverend Robert Wright, Dan Nelson (A), John Susko (R) **Bottom, left to right:** Jeannine Krenson (A), Kathy Paige-Griffin (C), Joan Downs (R), Cindy Smith (C), Cathy Nelson (R), K.C. Susko (R), Carmelita Everette (C), Echo Hopkins (C). **Not Pictured:** Bob Darden (C), Amy Johnston (C), Annabelle Johnston (C), Gary Johnston (C), Connie Moore (C).

[Watch March 15, 2026 Confirmation Here](#)



HAVE YOU LOST IT? In a continuing effort to clean up and out the parish hall kitchen and storage closet, the Hospitality Ministry has placed dishes and, yes, gourds, left after various pot luck functions on the console table outside the kitchen. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Community Thrift Store after **March 29**.



MAGAZINE DRIVE FOR JASPER POINT CONTINUES: The magazines have been well received by both residents and staff, so please keep them coming. Drop them in the labeled bin by the coat rack in the Parish Hall. Questions? Contact Katie Hawkins.



JASPER POINT SPRING CELEBRATION: The Outreach Ministry, the choir, and other interested Holy Family parishioners will provide a wonderful Easter/Spring Celebration again for the residents of Jasper Point Healthcare Center, on **Wed., April 8**. We'll convene at 2:30 pm to set up, then start the celebration at 3 pm. We'll provide delicious snacks, individual gift bags, and melodious music (the residents love to sing hymns and seasonal songs with us)! The two hours we devote to the party are uplifting to everyone involved. Plan to be there if you want to share in the joy of serving others in our community! Jasper Point's address is 618 Gennett Drive, Jasper, GA.

Please use [this link](#) to access our Amazon gift list to purchase items we'll need for the Jasper Point Easter/Spring Celebration. We'd like to have the purchases completed in the next couple of weeks. You can also contribute by bringing soft baked goods to church, even if you're unable to attend the party. Let Steve Franzen or Leamarie True know if you plan to bring food. Thank you, in advance, for your kindness!

the CAMPAIGN for MIKELL
WALKING
in FAITH



As the camp and conference center for the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, Camp Mikell's ministry is to provide an inclusive environment for a faith-based summer camp for children and youth, an outdoor education center, and a conference center for groups and retreats of all types. In a beautiful and natural setting, Camp Mikell strives to be a home away from home that will exceed our guests' expectations.

The aim of the Walking in Faith Capital Campaign, a \$5,000,000 fundraising effort, is to sustain and improve the facilities of Mikell for generations of guests. With community at our core, we will replace and renovate accommodations for visitors from all walks of life, add valuable space for ministry and connection, and improve vital pieces of Mikell infrastructure. Join us as we step toward the future of Mikell.



SAVE THE DATE! A CPR Lifesaver class will be offered this spring on **May 7 from 9 until noon** in the Parish Hall. Mark your calendars and plan to attend! Contact Richard Smith for more information.

WOMEN'S STUDIES: Women's Studies is taking a break until after Easter, but will resume their weekly **Monday night meetings at 7:30 pm** on Zoom on **April 13**.

The Women's Study Group will start a new study on **April 13**. All women of the parish are welcome. The group will be reading and discussing the book, Evelyn Underhill: Essential Writings by Evelyn Underhill (Author) and Emily Griffin (Introduction). The book is available on Amazon. Evelyn Underhill (1875-1941), an Anglican writer and spiritual director, was the author of several classic works on mysticism. Increasingly regarded as an outstanding voice in twentieth-century spirituality, she was largely responsible for the modern rediscovery of mysticism. For Underhill mysticism was not simply an esoteric corner of Christianity, it was a normal expression of authentic spirituality with relevance for all people in everyday life. Questions? Contact Elaine DeNiro at edeniro@bellsouth.net.



EASTER FLOWERS & EASTER MUSICIANS: This year we offer the opportunity to make contributions in memory and/or honor of loved ones to Easter Flowers and/or Easter Musicians. Contributors will be listed in the leaflet if submitted by the deadline date of **Sunday, March 29**. Forms are available in the Church, Parish Hall, and office. Please print neatly and write “Easter Flowers” or “Easter Musicians” on the memo line of your check to ensure our bookkeeper credits the correct fund. Submissions after the deadline date may not make it to print.

CARPOOL NEEDED? Our Lent and Easter schedule are included inside *Touchstone* until Easter and some of you may have noticed we will be having a **Great Easter Vigil from 8:30 -10:00 pm on Sat., Apr. 4**. If you would like to attend but don't like to drive after dark (as with Maundy Thursday), please let the office know and we will see if we can help coordinate/arrange carpools for those services.

LENT IDEA: For Lent, instead of (or in addition to) giving something up, do something positive and new. Grab one non-perishable food item on your way to church each Sunday during Lent and drop it in the CARES donation bin. Imagine how much we could contribute before Easter if each household brought just one can of food per week for CARES to church during Lent!

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LENT & EASTER 2026

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS LENTEN SERIES

This year's Lenten series is based on the video series by N. T. Wright,
People of Promise: Reflecting the Rhythms of Lent.

Starting February 25, we will gather Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall
for a potluck meal, “dinner theater-style”.

(Everyone will get their meals and sit at tables to eat while we watch the video.)

This is a potluck style dinner. If you plan to attend, please bring an entrée, side dish, salad, or dessert to share.

PALM CROSS WORKSHOP, Thursday, March 26 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY, March 29
8:00 & 10:30 Services

Lenten Lunch & Grow Holy Week Series at Jasper United Methodist Church:
March 30-April 3 at noon at JUMC

(The Rev. Dr. Sheila Crowe, Fr. Mark S. Winward, Rev. Preston Jones, Rev. Jerry Gleason)
Five mid-day Holy Week gatherings exploring the decisive moments of Jesus' final days
and how his authority, sacrifice, service, and mercy shape our faith today.

Monday, March 30 — Authority at the Crossroads (Scripture: Matthew 21:12–17; Matthew 21:23–27)

Tuesday, March 31 — The Cost of Fruitful Faith (Scripture: Mark 11:12–14, 20–25)

Wednesday, April 1 — The Crossroads of Loyalty (Scripture: Matthew 26:14–16; Matthew 16:13–23)

Thursday, April 2 — Love That Kneels, **Fr. Mark S. Winward** (Scripture: John 13:1–17)

Friday, April 3 — Mercy at the Crossroads (Scripture: Luke 23:33–34; Luke 23:39–43)

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY, March 30 - April 1
10:30 am Service

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 2
6:00 pm Service

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3
10:30 am Stations of the Cross
12:00 noon Service with Veneration of the Cross

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER, SATURDAY, April 4 at 8:30 - 10:00 pm

The Easter Vigil is the Church's principal celebration of the Resurrection, beginning in darkness with the lighting of the new fire and Paschal candle and moving through readings, baptismal renewal, and the first Easter Eucharist.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5
8:00 & 10:30 Services with a Festive Breakfast in between

PARISH UPDATE

Church Office Addition — Project Overview March 2026 (*New Information in Bold Italics*)

Purpose/Rationale: Currently, our parish office is in a house approximately 0.4 of a mile from the church. As a result, the church must be locked during business hours when it is not otherwise in use and therefore not available to visitors. In addition, visitors to the Rector's current office must navigate a steep, narrow staircase, rendering the space inaccessible to individuals with mobility challenges. Building a single-story office addition to the church building will remedy both issues and provide a readily recognizable and available parish office for parishioners and visitors alike.

Scope & Use (what will be built): A 35.5' x 48' 1704 square foot office addition with a floorplan to accommodate a reception area, conference room, Rector's office with bath, **three additional offices**, a central work room, secure storage and a mechanical room. The addition will be built at the location identified in the original phase II expansion plans for an office which is immediately off the parish hall where the labyrinth is currently located. ***In accordance with the April 2013 Campus Master Plan the labyrinth will be relocated and replicated near the entrance to the nature trails at the south side of the parking lot. This new labyrinth location will be permanent and well outside the area identified for the entire phase II expansion plan which includes the offices, a new parish hall and kitchen.***

Designs & Where to View Them: ***A perspective drawing and floor plan can be viewed on the free-standing bulletin board in the parish hall and as attachments to future Touchstones.***

Cost & Funding Plan: Parishioners Jim and Jan Braley have made a generous offer budgeted at \$550,000. The Building Committee (BC) is confident in their ability to remain within budget. The current plan is to build without any additional funds.

Approvals, Governance & Decision-Making: The BC includes the donors, Jim and Jan Braley ***who are advisors to the committee***; parishioner Alvin Cox, Member Emeritus of the American Institute of Architects (AIA); parishioner Gary Newell, a licensed commercial contractor and past President of the Georgia Association of General Contractors (AGC); our Rector Fr. Mark Winward; Senior Warden Bob Wheeler; and vestry member and civil engineer Phil Anderson. The BC plans to coordinate the project in-house. The Atlanta Diocese has already approved the office addition concept and just needs to review the final plans. The BC has already met with Pickens County to address local permitting requirements. An on-site county environmental review conducted on Jan. 16 granted approval to connect the office addition to the existing septic tank.

Timeline & Key Milestones: ***The current schedule calls for the completion of plans in March as needed to request a building permit from the county, soliciting proposals from qualified construction contractors in April, and awarding a construction contract in May.***

Impacts During Construction: Materials that make up the existing labyrinth to include the bricks, trellis, statuary, book kiosk, benches, etc. will be removed and temporarily stored off site to accommodate the footprint of the new office addition. During construction the contractor will require both the current labyrinth location and the grass area immediately to the east for the new office and to preposition materials and equipment.

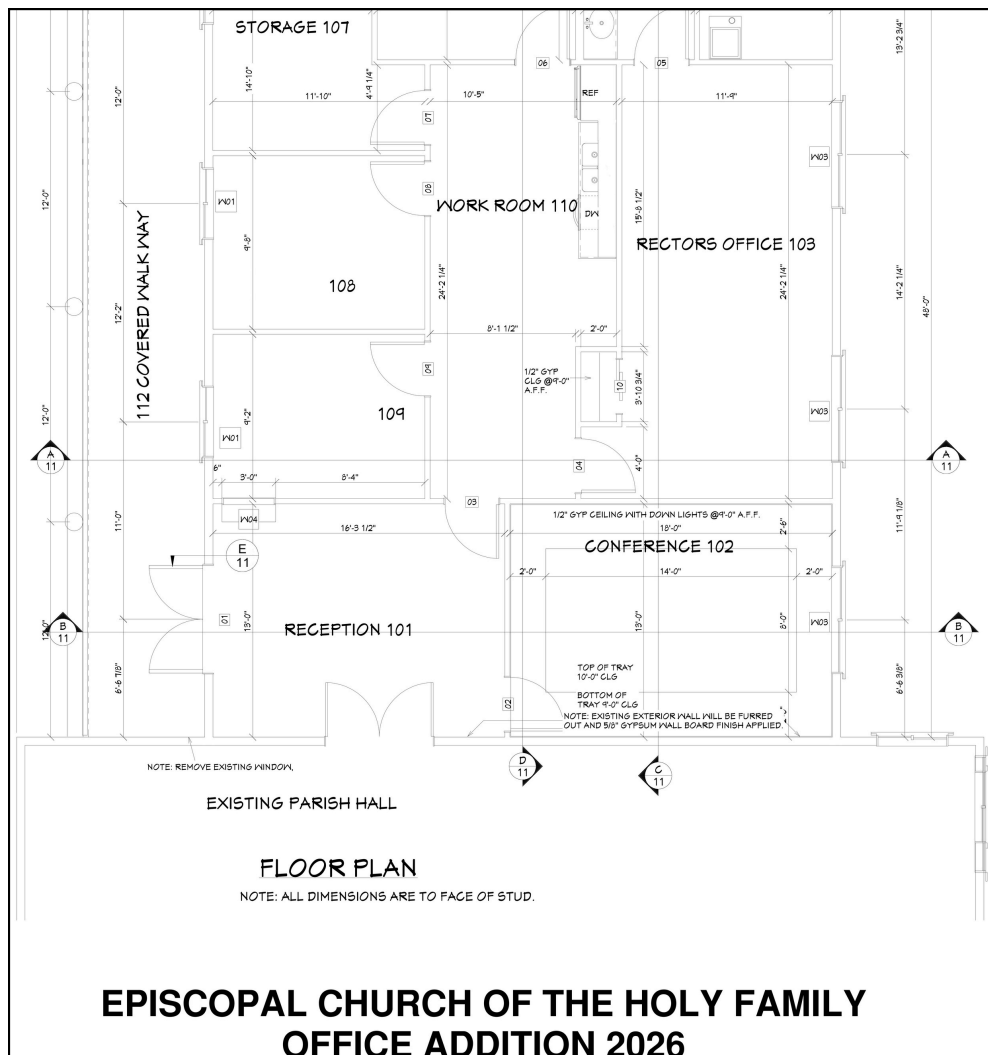
Oversight & Accountability: The BC will provide oversight and be accountable to the vestry for the completion of the project.

Questions: Questions may be directed to any member of the BC.

**Parish Addition
Update March 2026**

Parish Perspective

Floor Plan



Suggested Lent Reading

Available in the Holy Family Library:

Learning to Walk in the Dark by Barbara Brown Taylor
The Last Week by John Dominic Crossan and Marcus Borg
Wonderous Encounters for Lent by Richard Rohr
From Wilderness To Glory: Lent and Easter for Everyone by N. T. Wright
Failing Into Greatness: 25 amazing verses from 1 Peter for a spiritual journey that will last forever by Allan J. DeNiro
The Lenten Labyrinth by Edward Hays
Lent with Evelyn Underhill, edited by G. P. Mellick Belshaw
The Light of Glory: readings from John Donne edited by Christopher L. Webber
Witness at the Cross by Amy-Jill Levine
When They Crucified My Lord by Brother Ramon
Between Cross & Resurrection by Alan E. Lewis
Have a Beautiful Terrible Day (Lenten section) by Kate Bowler
A Way Other Than Our Own: Devotions for Lent by Walter Brueggemann

Available on the Cathedral Bookstore's Website <https://www.cathedralbookstore.org>

Practical Christianity by Jane Shaw
Let Me Go There; The Spirit of Lent by Paula Gooder
Essential Lenten Prayers by Paraclete Press
Hear Us, Good Lord: Meditations From the Washington National Cathedral
Wild Hope Stories for Lent From the Vanishing by Gayle Boss.

Suggested Lenten Study

The Hardest Part by Kate Bowler
available for free at katebowler.com/seasonal_devotional/the-hardest-part/

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ADULT EDUCATION - SUNDAYS AT 9:15 AM.

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TAI CHI: Saturdays at 11:00 am at the Conference Center with Instructor Jeff Cook

HATHA YOGA: Tuesdays at 10:00 am at the Conference Center with Instructor Becky Hollaway

GENTLE YOGA: Tuesdays at 11:15 am at the Conference Center with Instructor Dennis Kast

For more information, please contact Becky at rhollaw@mac.com or Dennis at denniskast@aol.com

**Service Leaflet
10:30 am**

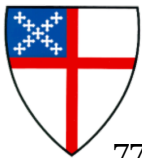
Prayers of the People

Unrestricted Giving Through January 2026

Anticipated Contributions for January \$48,000
Actual Contributions for January \$35,284

Budgeted Contributions Year-to-Date (January) \$48,000
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All loose plate offerings on the last Sunday of the month go to the Rectors Discretionary Fund.



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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

JOIN US - ALL ARE WELCOME

SUNDAYS 8:00 am - Quiet Service with Eucharist, Rite I
9:15 am - Christian Education in the Parish Hall
10:30 am - Service with Music and Eucharist, Rite 2
Coffee and simple refreshments after each service.

WEDNESDAYS 8:30 am - Morning Prayer on Facebook
noon - Service with Eucharist
*(On the 1st Wednesday of each month:
Healing Service followed by lunch)*

The Rev. Mark S. Winward, *Rector*

The Rev. Byron Tindall, *Priest Associate*

John King Carter, *Organist/Choirmaster* • Jacques LeBlanc, *Sexton*

Jim Braley, *Head Verger* • Christie Beiring, *Parish Administrator*

Vision: *Revealing Jesus through our actions by extending his love for us through our service to others*

Mission: *Creating Christian community: serving and engaging people in vibrant ministries*

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[Click here for Vestry Meeting Minutes or contact the church office.](#)

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