

# THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

September 15, 2010

*The mission of the Episcopal Church of the Nativity, as part of the family of God, is to proclaim and spread the word and work of God through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, by Eucharistic worship and by ministry to the world.*

## Rebuilding the Church

On Sunday, September 26, we celebrate St. Francis Day at Nativity. We celebrate God's love and care for all creation bringing our beloved pets with us to church at 8:45 and for the pet blessing at 10:00. Last year, we started a great tradition of holding the Heifer Market Art Fair at 10:00 in the Parish Hall. This vital ministry that our children have led for over 20 years now has resulted in Nativity's reaching out to families across the globe, providing the means of sustainable livelihood through Heifer International's provision of cows, goats, sheep, chickens, and other livestock that produce recurring income and food for the most vulnerable.

Over 800 years ago Francis knelt in the small church of San Damien outside of Assisi and heard Christ tell him in his prayers, "Francis, rebuild my church." Although the church of San Damien was in dire need of physical repair, Francis heard these words as a deeper call to rebuild the church through people's lives and hearts. San Damien was repaired and Francis began his work in the church calling people to a deeper awareness of God's love and mercy. The Kingdom of God increased through a spiritually renewed and rebuilt church.

We began rebuilding Nativity in 2008 after a most generous capital campaign. But we not only began rebuilding and restoring our beloved church buildings, the spiritual foundations of our lives are being rebuilt in significant ways. We see a renewed offering of hearts and lives to Christ. On Sundays and Wednesdays, the halls of Nativity are alive with energy. The classrooms are bustling and the pews full.

A renewed sense of life and ministry at Nativity calls us to be a part of Sunday and mid-week worship, Church School classes and weekly Bible Studies, EFM, centering prayer and reunion groups. Outreach and pastoral care, Wednesday night suppers and monthly fellowship groups, choirs and beautiful music enable us to be the people God has created us to be: faithful stewards of our time, talent and resources. We are becoming larger instruments of God's peace, as Francis' prayer bids.

**Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.**

St. Francis rebuilt his life and subsequently the church on the strong foundation of Christ Jesus. Francis learned that our lives are meant to be vessels of God's love, even as Christ's life was poured out for the sake of the world on the cross. There is much to be rebuilt in our lives and in our nation, even the world. The rebuilding we do at Nativity calls us to be a part of God's Kingdom's increasing in the world. As we become instruments and servants of Christ's peace in all that we do, God is building an unshakeable foundation. So, let us continue building...

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OF THE  
NATIVITY,  
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### Sunday on Thursday

Can't get to Church this Sunday, going out of town, other commitments preventing you from getting to church on Sunday?

Nativity continues to offer a worship opportunity on Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. in Bibb Chapel.

This service utilizes the same readings as the upcoming Sunday, allowing you to say your prayers and worship prior to the weekend if you will be away. It is come as you are, from work or the gym, as casual as you need to be to get here! REMEMBER to make God a part of your weekend pilgrimage, offer your life and purposes to God's holy purposes as we gather for Eucharist on Thursdays.

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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**ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2010**

### **MAGIC AT NATIVITY!**

**Everyone is invited! What fun!**

### **COMEDY MAGICIAN RUSSELL DAVIS**

(fresh from his *"The Magic of Reading"* tour of Alabama public libraries sponsored by the State and by Friends of the Library)

**11:30 a.m. —Appetizers**

**12:00 p.m.—A MAGICAL SALLY STOCKTON LUNCH  
and Russell Davis with his *"Walkaround Magic"***

**1:00 P.M.—The Amazing or Baffling  
*"MAGIC...OF...RUSSELL!"***

**1:30 P.M.—Question & Answer time**

Reservations are required no later than Monday noon, September 27. 256-533-2455

Cost \$8.00 per person—sponsored by Top of The Hill Gang

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### **Nativity will provide a Flu and Pneumonia Vaccine Clinic on Tuesday, September 28 beginning at 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. in Banister Room.**

Shots may be given to anyone 13 years and older (13 to 18 with parental consent)

Cost \$25 and Medicare part B can be filled.

**Contact church office 256-533-2455 to insure enough vaccine is brought.**

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**CENTERING PRAYER BRUNCH** On Saturday morning, September 18, Diana Tschache, Coordinator of Contemplative Outreach Birmingham, will meet with the Centering Prayer Groups for prayer, brunch and discussion. The meeting is open to anyone who has participated in Centering Prayer at Nativity or another location. If you did not receive an invitation, call Betty Giardini at 539-0973 for information and directions. Diana is a dynamic leader who always presents us with new ideas and challenges. Please join us.

Betty Giardini, Centering Prayer Groups Facilitator

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**Join Linda Martin for "Introduction to SoulCollage®" at Nativity on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.** In this facilitated workshop, participants will discover images that can foster greater self-awareness and personal growth. Learn creative new ways to tap into your own wisdom.

Time: 9:30—11:30 a.m.

Where: Ridley Hall

Cost: No charge

Phone Linda at 256-837-6570 to register for this soul-enriching event!

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### **A THANK YOU FROM TRINITY UMC**

On behalf of Trinity Place Alzheimer's Community Day Services, we would like to thank you for the \$500 donation made to our organization. Your donation will help us as we continue to offer our services to those families suffering through this disease.

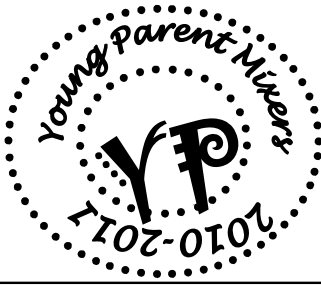
Alzheimer's disease affects approximately four million people nationwide. It can be a devastating disease, not only to the patient but to the victim's family as well. This devastation can be lessened through education, support, respite, and the provision of an atmosphere that brings peace of mind. That is what this program is about.

We appreciate your thoughtfulness in sharing with our program. Thanks again for your contribution.

Sincerely,

Liz Collins, Trinity Place Director

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## **YOUNG PARENTS join the fun!**

Who: Parents of children still living in the house (unless they are 25!)

When: Friday, September 17th at 7:00

Where: home of Shannon and Larry Gunter—1708 Mountainbrook Drive

Bring?: an appetizer to share and an Episcopal Beverage

Questions? - Elizabeth Foster - 533-2455 ext. 211 or [Elizabeth.foster@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:Elizabeth.foster@nativity-hsv.org)

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## **UPCOMING YOUTH EVENT**

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### **WHITE WATER RAFTING ON THE OCOEE**

**Friday, September 24—Sunday, September 26**

Cost: \$175 covers meals, transportation, room, two white water rafting trip, paint ball, and ropes course!

Contact Catti: 256-497-3488 or [catticanton@bellsouth.net](mailto:catticanton@bellsouth.net)

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## **CHILDREN'S NEWS**

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### **Save The Date! September 26**

Please save the date for our annual St. Francis Day celebration on Sunday, Sept 26. This day would not be complete without our Children's Art Sale benefitting Heifer International. There is lots of great art in store for this year, so you won't want to miss out on this one! More details will follow in the weeks to come! Be sure to read Father Anderson's front page article to learn more about Saint Francis of Assisi.

**Blessing of the animals will take place at 10:00 in front of Ridley Hall. You may bring your pet to church for the 8:45 a.m. service. They must be in a crate or on a leash.**

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## **MUSIC NEWS**

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- **Choir *Pastiche* Saturday—September 18, 7:30 p.m. (Ridley Hall)**

The Choir's fun and fabulous night of entertainment from last August will return September 18th and include songs and acts by the choir and friends – in a festive atmosphere! You may call the church to make reservations and pay at the door (\$15); this is a fundraiser for the choir's trip to England next summer. Desserts and beverages will be served.

- **Friends of Music at Nativity present...A Concert of Violin and Piano, Sunday September 26, 3:00 p.m.**  
Jeffrey Dortch, violin and Dr. Frank Contreras, piano featuring the works of: Bach, Schumann, Rósa, Chopin, and Saint-Saëns

- **Nativity Polo Shirt Sale**

Polo Shirts in Dark Green with a beautiful embroidered steeple logo are available for sale through a choir member or Suzanne. You may also order polos in a variety of colors, or button downs, or fleece, etc. The choir makes a (small) profit from each sale, with the proceeds benefitting our June 2011 trip to England. The cost are: Adult size shirts \$25 and Youth size shirts are \$20, checks are to be made out to Church of the Nativity, annotated Choir

### **Information on Musical Events at Nativity can be accessed online or by phone.**

The church phone number: 256.533.2455 at extension 216 will provide you with up to date information on concerts, including changes due to the weather, etc. Updates, flyers, and more of all things happening at Nativity are found on the main church website (front page, or music tab.)



### **BLUE APRON MINISTRY needs volunteers!**

**Please contact Kim Kerr at 256-772-1972 or**

**[kimskerr@gmail.com](mailto:kimskerr@gmail.com)**



## **ECW Wine and Cheese Social Monday, September 27;**

**6:00 to 7:30 p.m.**

Everyone interested in helping with the Nativity Bazaar join us in Banister Room, Wonderful results from our first Wine and Cheese Social. Please make plans to attend the next one, we will continue working logistics for Bazaar 2010. For more information, please call Glinda at 256.348.5410 or Renee' at 256.783.4167.

## **ECW Bazaar and Bake Sale 2010 - Coming Soon! November 18**

The Bazaar begins at 10:30 a.m.

Luncheon seatings are offered at 11:15 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Take-out Lunches may be picked up between 10:30 and 11:30.

Produced by the ECW, the Nativity Bazaar is our parish's outstanding opener of the holiday season. Traditionally held on the Thursday prior to Thanksgiving, the bazaar offers great shopping for holiday gifts, crafts and baked goods. In addition, the Bazaar offers a delicious eat-in or take-out lunch. This year's Bazaar is chaired by Amy Brooks, Minda Alexander, Renee Elliott, and Glinda Clardy.

The success of the Nativity Bazaar depends on the help of our wonderful parish. You can help both by attending and by sharing your unique talents as a volunteer in any of the following areas.

Please contact the Chair listed below or visit the Bazaar Booth in Ridley Hall after each service.

### **Bake Sale**

Are you a baker? Do you have one of those amazing recipes that brings rave reviews? We need your help! Make your plans now to donate homemade baked goods, cakes, muffins, breads, rolls, canned preserves, pickles, cheese straws, or any wonderful homemade dish of your choice. Sue Rowan and members of the Mission Guild are organizing donations for the Bake Sale, which is chaired by Lane Tutt and Andrea Vandervoort. Please call Sue today at 256-536-1811 to let her know what you would like to donate.

### **Frozen/Refrigerated Foods**

If you love to cook and have a favorite casserole recipe, our Frozen Food Chairs, Bezie Lindsey, and Louise Applegate need you! We even have recipes that we can share with you if you need inspiration. Sue Rowan and members of the Mission Guild are also organizing the donations for this committee and will be happy to take your call for a donation at 256-536-1811.

### **Luncheon**

Tickets for the seated luncheon as well as take-out lunches are now on sale. Tickets are \$15 each. Please call Marilyn Grundy at 256-533-9546 for seated luncheon reservations OR order a take-out lunch by calling Mary Beth Wilson at 256-539-0361. Tickets may also be reserved at the Bazaar Booth after each service.

### **Crafts**

The ECW Bazaar will have an exciting Crafts section this year. Please contact Beth Chenoweth at 256-508-1191 or Cassie Chenoweth at 256-508-4409 as soon as possible if you are interested in participating in this year's Crafts Fair or pick up a vendor application at the Bazaar Booth in Ridley Hall.

### **Raffle**

Pat Goodson, Sarah Gessler, and Jane Brocato are busy acquiring wonderful items for this year's Raffle. If you have an item you would like to donate, please call Pat at 256-533-5202, Sarah at 256-534-4233, or Jane at 256-489-1694. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase as we get closer to Bazaar time.

### **Decorations**

Minnie Lois Neal and Anne Conner are creating beautiful table decorations which will be available for sale at the end of the event.

**MOST IMPORTANTLY please let everyone know that....**

**all proceeds from the Bazaar will benefit**

**Sawyer's Day Camp  
and Oscar Mason Center**



# MISSIONS



**The Mission Guild** will meet **Monday, September 20 at 10:00 a.m.** at the home of Sue Rowan (1121 Harrison Avenue.) Come see a delightful “*Meller Drama*” produced and directed by Mary Vann. Co-hostesses with Sue are Joyce Adams and Mary Vann. Newcomers are welcome to join us!



## Sunday, OCTOBER 3 is HAP Sunday

The Huntsville Assistance Program Pantry Space is complete and we have an opportunity to fill it up. Please bring these items for October delivery: canned meat, cereal, canned fruit, boxed macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, and jelly. **Just put them in the bins marked HAP.**

## Attention Medical Personnel

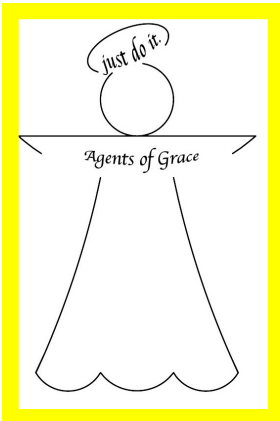


Are you interested in adventure? Are you looking for an opportunity to see the world? Would you like to leave the doldrums of winter in Alabama for a warm tropical climate?

If the answer is YES come join the Medical Mission Group headed to Haiti in January. We are looking for physicians and/or nurse practitioners who have a current Alabama license to help with the annual mission. For details call Bob Serio (256-881-6242) or go to our website for information and

**PARENTS—October 13 and 20—we will have Carol Ozier as guest speaker 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. More information to follow. John Rosemond’s “Discipline for Children”**

## JUST DO IT – AGENTS OF GRACE



“For Christians, service is not something to be tacked onto our schedules if we can spare the time. It is the heart of the Christian life. Jesus came to serve and to give—and those two verbs should define your life on earth, too.” Rick Warren  
Be Ye Doers of the word...James 1:22

JUST DO IT – AGENTS OF GRACE is Nativity’s effort to help our parishioners reach out to be “doers of the word”. The intent of the program is to bring the needs of our community before the people of Nativity so that

those who wish to help are afforded an opportunity. It is a communication program that will help put feet to our faith, so to speak. The needs will be communicated to the parish via email, the Nativity website, and the Steeple.

AGENTS OF GRACE ARE Volunteers— you and me, the people of Nativity. Volunteer needs may be short term, one time only, or ongoing.

CAN YOU HELP –Watch for occasional emails and Steeple articles from Just Do It. When you receive an email and see something you can help with, just hit reply and an Arch Agent (volunteer coordinator) will follow-up with you. If you read about something you can do send an email to Just Do It. If you do not use email you may telephone the Arch Agent on call.

## HERE ARE OUR VERY FIRST VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE REQUESTS:

READING AND MATH BUDDIES – Ridgecrest School – located just off Drake Avenue near the Arsenal. There are 435 students in grades K-5 with 89% of the student population receiving free/reduced meals each day. Reading buddies are needed for grades 1-5 and math buddies for grades 3-5. You may choose your days, time, age child and subject (reading, math, or both). Usually volunteers work with students for about 30 minutes per week. Volunteer training will be provided. You could be the volunteer that makes a difference in a child’s life. Reading is the foundation of education!!

Library Assistant – Ridgecrest School –The student population is one in which a book given to a child at school might be the first book that child has ever known. Check books in and out of the school library. One hour shifts, Monday – Friday from 8:00 -1:00. Volunteers may work one hour or more per week.

Habitat for Humanity – Volunteers needed to make repairs on houses that are being renovated for Habitat - all activities from nailing to mopping. Up to 10 volunteers needed on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays from 8:00 to 2:00. You may choose to work one time, or as many times as possible. Also need a group of 5 or more volunteers on Saturdays from 8:00 – 2:00. See something in this article you can do?

Email [Justdoit@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:Justdoit@nativity-hsv.org). If you do not email, call the Arch Agent on Call, Shirley Hale, 256-536-5644.

## PRAYER LIST

### We pray for the search process of a Bishop

Almighty God; Send down upon your Church and the Diocese of Alabama the comfort of your Holy Spirit, that this same spirit may lead us in this time of transition. Guide us as we to seek your wisdom so that we choose a bishop who will walk in your ways, and so draw our hearts to you, that in all our works we may glorify your Name. Through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

### We pray for those who are ill or recovering

Frank Lippe, Prentice White, Gregory Ford, Jim McLain, Sara Welch, Evelyn Linn, Gavin Hooker, Nanette Pride, Janet Lyle, Jane Douthit, Angel Colin, Diane Harvey, Charlotte Laxson, Jerry Horton, Emile Joffrion, Gerald McQueen, Donna McLawhorn, Dan Kinard, B. W. Dortch, Jeanne Dowd, Elsie Olsen, Perry McClain, Gene Sullivan, Eileen Sullivan, Leigh Wahl, Bill Marsh, John, Nancy Kelly, Julie Kirk, Joan Bennett.

We pray for our Military: Lourie Formby, Afghanistan; John Orosz, Afghanistan

We pray for Nativity parishioner Mike Ward who will be serving on the music staff of Cursillo #174 September 16-19 at Camp McDowell.

We pray for the departed: James Horton, parishioner

### We give thanks for the birthdays of our children:

9/19 Elise Nelson, Jefferson Retzke, Jack Doty  
 9/20 Caroline Curran  
 9/24 Maura Farrell, Rebeca McCorry  
 9/26 Hattie Landry  
 9/30 Rosie Chilton, Meredith Walker  
 10/1 Hannah Page Clayton  
 10/2 Sarah Moore  
 10/4 Elizabeth Moody, Huston Moring  
 10/6 Chase Rodgers  
 10/7 Katherine Walker  
 10/8 Forrest Webber, Laura Kate Evans, Patrick Rozar

The Episcopal Church is joining other religious denominations and groups in calling for a national day of prayer and action for the Gulf of Mexico on Sunday, October 3rd. Called "Seeking God's Grace for the Gulf: A Day of Worship, Reflection and Healing," the effort is led by the National Council of Churches Eco-Justice Working Group.

"The National Day of Prayer is a way for all of us to remember the tragedy of the oil spill, and to pray for the healing of the Gulf Coast," explained Michael Schut, Episcopal Church Officer for Environmental/Economic Affairs. It's also an opportunity to pray for the healing of our own grief connected to such extensive ecological and economic damage, and to advocate for stronger regulation of oil drilling operations."

Parish Financial Report Period Ending 08/31/2010					
	CURRENT MONTH	BUDGET for PERIOD	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD	
Pledges	\$ 93,313.50	\$ 99,791.67	\$ 668,989.73	\$ 798,333.32	
Plate	\$ 6,572.39	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 29,618.78	\$ 30,000.00	
Other Revenues	\$ 3,484.39	\$ 9,125.00	\$ 79,141.32	\$ 73,000.00	
TOTAL	\$ 103,370.28	\$ 112,666.67	\$ 777,749.83	\$ 901,333.32	
Diocesan, School of Theology, & Outreach	\$ 20,098.86	\$ 22,583.33	\$ 136,095.42	\$ 180,666.68	
Personnel	\$ 59,723.83	\$ 59,598.58	\$ 471,843.44	\$ 476,788.68	
Other Expenses	\$ 24,425.70	\$ 30,456.28	\$ 223,189.43	\$ 243,649.88	
TOTAL	\$ 104,248.39	\$ 112,638.19	\$ 831,128.29	\$ 901,105.24	
NET	\$ (878.11)	\$ 28.48	\$ (53,378.46)	\$ 228.08	

**SAVE  
THE DATE**  
**November 11**  
**6:00 pm**  
**NATIVITY  
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GRATEFUL  
GIVING**  
**At Earlyworks  
Museum**

# **WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE SUNDAYS**

**7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
(Rite I) Bibb Chapel**

**8:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist \*  
(Rite II) and  
Children's Chapel**

**10:00 a.m. Church School \*  
for all ages**

**11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist\*  
(Rite II)**

**\* indicates Nursery available**

## **WEDNESDAYS**

**12:00 pm Holy Eucharist &  
Healing Service  
Bibb Chapel**

## **THURSDAYS**

**6:00 pm Holy Eucharist  
Bibb Chapel**

# **NATIVITY CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

**Sundays 10:00 a.m.**

## **Adult Christian Formation Classes**

\* Nursery available during Church School

The Book Class

A Parenting Class (*Blessing of a Skinned Knee*)

*The Sacred Art of Lovingkindness*

*The Soul and Relationships: Dancing with Rumi on the Mystic Path*

Zimmerman Bible Class (*Hebrews*)

Ridley Hall

Joffrion 2 East

Joffrion 2 West

Choir Room

Library

## **Youth Christian Formation Classes**

Grades 7-8

Grades 9-12

Ridley 2nd Floor

Joffrion 3rd Floor

## **Children's Christian Formation Classes**

Nursery

Godly Play (3 and 4 year olds)

WoRM (K-Grade 4)

Joffrion 1st Floor

Angel Lane

Angel Lane

*For the first two weeks of Church School (9/12 and 9/19) all children will be busy with 2010*

*Heifer Market Preparation and Art Projects. Be sure your child is present each Sunday to have a*

*project completed for the Art Stroll. Heifer Market Art Stroll and St. Francis Day will be celebrated  
on September 26.*

Club 56 (Grades 5 & 6)

Ridley 2nd Floor

## **Grateful Giving Thoughts**

Reflecting on stewardship "grateful giving", I realized that my commitment to the giving of "my time, my talent, and my treasure" has been a journey much like my spiritual journey. There are times the path has been smooth, sometimes rocky, and not without twists and turns.

I was blest to have parents that were generous and grateful. They taught me to have a grateful heart and to recognize the needs of others. I watched them give generously helping with food, money, and a listening spirit to those who crossed their path. I saw them actively participating in their parish. They believed all we have was given by God.

As I grew older I began to move from the idea that giving was something I "must do" to please my parents to something I "needed to do" to be fulfilled, to be the person God created me to be. He had given me all I had. I began to give my time to committees and projects in our parish, to reading in nursing homes, to visiting with shut-ins, to tithing. The joy this brought me was indescribable. I sought more and more opportunities. Looking to others and their needs with a generous spirit brought a "spring in my step". Giving from the heart, a grateful heart, whether it was money to enable our parish to sustain and grow, participating in programs that touched lives like Bible study, HAP, music, church school, Wednesday night suppers, etc. helped me keep in perspective the gifts and blessings I have received from God. Helping to fulfill others needs helped me to find fulfillment in God's plan for my life. I believe we are designed to share all that God has given us.

God is generous and pours out blessings beyond our expectations. My challenge is to both recognize these blessings, big or small and to remember to give with a grateful heart. I encourage you to do the same. Use your talent for God's glory, give your time for God's work, and increase giving of your monetary resources. Be that person God created you to be.

Rusty Stephenson

# WEEKDAY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

## TUESDAY

Centering Prayer	5:30 pm	Bibb Chapel
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## WEDNESDAY

Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study	7:15 am	Library
The Good Book Women's Bible Study	1:00 pm	Library
Children's Choir and Pizza Supper	5:00 pm	Choir Room
Nativity Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room

## NIGHTS AT NATIVITY

Dinner 5:15 pm (reservations required—by Tuesday noon 256-533-2455) Ridley Hall \$7 for adults,

Nursery 5:30 pm By reservation only (reservations must be made by Tuesday noon)

Programs 6:00 pm:

- The Forum Ridley Hall
- September 15, International Outreach—Tad Clanton
- September 22, Sawyerville Day Camp—Debbie Collette
- September 29, Nativity Youth Confirmation Mission Trip to NY—Catti Clanton

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| • Women's Bible Study  | Library         |
| • Pints and Prayers ( <i>The Search for God and Guinness</i> ) | Joffrion 2 East |
| • Children Enrichment Program (K-Grade 6) 6:00 pm              | WoRM            |
| • Youth Program (Grades 6-12 ) 6:00 pm                         | EYC Rooms       |

## THURSDAY

Reflections Bible Study (nursery available only with prior notice)	9:00 am	Joffrion 2 East
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Centering Prayer	12:00 noon	Bibb Chapel
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*For more information about any of our study programs including EfM, Bible, Book, and church school please contact the church office 256-533-2455*

*See page 7 of this newsletter for Sunday Worship and Church School times.*



**SUNDAY, October 3, Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson	Anderson	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett
8:45 am	Akin	Anderson	Warren Vann, Robert Dunn	Dianne Nettles, Lee Hicklen	Shirley Hale
11:00 am	Anderson	Anderson	Don Askins, Marilyn Lands	Lee Coggins, Mary Johnson	Martha Bosworth

**WEDNESDAY, October 6, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 pm	Akin	Akin	Don Askins

**THURSDAY, October 7, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Landry	Landry	

**SUNDAY, October 10, Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM (Akin out)	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Akin	Landry	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson
8:45 am	Akin	Landry	Lee Hicklen, Ralph Shuey, Basye Holland-Shuey	Kachi Ezeibe, Lane Mickle	Virginia Kobler
11:00 am	Akin	Landry	Mike Knight, Walter Thames, Dianna Dabbs	Ed Greene, Sally Ann Culver	Ronnie Rogers

**WEDNESDAY, October 13, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 pm	Akin	Landry	Marilyn Lands

**THURSDAY, October 14, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Akin	Akin	

**SUNDAY, October 17, Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson	Anderson	John Hendricks	John Hendricks	John Hendricks
8:45 am	Akin	Anderson	Charlie Warren, Pat Sampson	Melissa Kirkindall, Amy Creech	Lane Mickle
11:00 am	McCown	Anderson	Robin Cozby	Polly Blalock, Susan Brown	Deborah Baker

**WEDNESDAY, October 20, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 pm	Anderson	Anderson	Pat Sampson

**THURSDAY, October 21, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Landry	Landry	

**SUNDAY, October 24, Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson	Stewardship	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett
8:45 am	Anderson	Stewardship	Lewie Bates, Bob Serio	Buddy Moon, Stacy Moon	Clay Sherrill
11:00 am	Anderson	Stewardship	Peter Cobun, Roy Gowman	John Conover, Mickey Ellis	Sally Ann Culver

**WEDNESDAY, October 27, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 pm	Anderson	Landry	Mary Hendricks

**THURSDAY, October 28, HE**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	TBD	TBD	

**SUNDAY, October 31, Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM (Akin out)	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson	Talbird	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett
8:45 am	Anderson	Talbird	Lane Mickle, Merrilee Allen	Jeannie Robison, Lee Hicklen	Shirley Hale
11:00 am	Anderson	Talbird	Bryan Bennett, Ronnie Rogers	Michael Innes, Walter Thames	Rich Goodwin

**ALTAR GUILD**

2	Louise Reynolds, Judy Vann, Ann Bishop, Mary Johnson, Rose Ann Shearer	9	Kitty Simmons, Judy Heacock, Lea Ann Barnett, Caffey Litkenhous, Flo Stockton
16	Sara Little, Emily Rodgers, Kathryn Mahoney, Suzy Naumann, Laurie Noojin	23	Alice Lanier, Elaine Calhoun, Rose Ann Shearer, Wimberly Watts, Melanie Drenning
		30	Jeannie Robison, Debbie Joyner, Beth Pugh, Linda Watts, Laura Innes

**BLUE APRON**

3	8:45 – Morring & Ellison;	11:00 – Briggs	10	8:45 – Kelly & Hall;	11:00 – L. Watts
17	8:45 – Kerr & Whitehead;	11:00 – Neely	24	8:45 – Mullins & Creech;	11:00 – Suggs
31	8:45 – Whitney & McClung;	11:00 – Fisher			

**CLERGY ON CALL SCHEDULE:**

Sept. 27 – Oct. 3	October 4 – 10	October 11 – 17	October 18 – 24	October 25 - 31
Anderson	Akin	Landry	Anderson	Landry

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The number to call in

**Case of an Emergency Only is**  
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**Saturday, September 18,**

**7:30 pm in Ridley Hall**

A light-hearted evening of entertainment by the choir  
including delicious desserts and beverages.

Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased TODAY or by  
contacting the church office next week 256-533-2455.

Proceeds will benefit the choir trip to England in the  
summer of 2011.