

THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

November 16, 2011

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.



CHURCH
OF THE
NATIVITY,
EPISCOPAL

Est. 1843

WORSHIP SUNDAY:

7:45 a.m.

Holy Eucharist
Rite I
(Bibb Chapel)

8:45 a.m.*

Holy Eucharist
Rite II and
Children's Chapel

11:00 a.m.*

Holy Eucharist
Rite II

Church School

10:00 a.m.*

(* Nursery available)

THURSDAY:

6:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist
Rite II
(Bibb Chapel)

Commitment Sundays: Are You Committed?

This past Sunday, 127 of the almost 850 households that make up our Nativity family showed that they are committed. These folks offered their pledge cards as faithful, committed stewards of God's gifts to support the mission and ministry God will offer through Nativity in 2012.

This Sunday we will again see signs of commitment at Nativity as pledge cards are sacramentally offered in the baskets on the chancel steps as we go forward to Communion. **Are you committed? Will you be a committed and faithful member of Nativity? Will you be faithful to God as God is faithful to you? Will you be generous as God is generous?**

The truth is, whether you are committed or not, God is committed to you. And Nativity, as the body of Christ, is committed to you. God keeps on offering us blessings and grace each and every day. God has shown an unbreakable commitment to us in creation. God has shown an unfathomable love to us in Christ Jesus by giving to us all God has to offer: life in its abundance and beauty, even when things don't go as God intends; forgiveness; redemption and salvation; inviting us over and over again into a love in which we live and move and have our being; inviting us to share the love that created the sun and the other stars.

Nativity is the visible expression of God's generous love right here in Huntsville. Nativity is committed to you, whether or not you are committed to God. Our doors are always open for you to find solace, comfort, hope and blessing. All may worship God in the beauty of holiness through inspiring liturgy and music. All may receive the love of Christ's presence in the bread and wine of the Eucharist week in and week out. The lights are turned on and the buildings heated and cooled. We are committed to your comfort and care. Nativity celebrates new life with you through baptisms and celebrates eternal life and hope when it comes time to shuffle off these mortal coils. Will you be committed?

Nativity is committed to you through clergy who offer pastoral care through hospital and home visits as well as meeting with you in pastoral counseling sessions. We are especially here for you in life's crises and at times of loss. Nativity's clergy and our ministries are here for you. We are committed to you. Can you be committed?

Nativity's ministries of education, spiritual growth, music, and fellowship are here for you and your family to participate in whether you are committed or not. ALL may participate. Nativity is committed to you through a talented staff who facilitate exciting programs and who offer behind the scenes administration. Engaging and creative learning and opportunities abound for all ages. Our outreach ministries show that we are committed to offering Christ's healing and reconciling love to the world's deepest needs. God is committed to the world. Nativity is committed to the world. Your commitment helps affirm that. Are you committed?

I believe the Church, Christ's visible body on earth, is the most durable, most vital and needed institution there is. I am committed to it through pledging because I believe we and the world need Christ more than ever. I am grateful for all that Christ has done for me and for countless others. I want to leave the Church of the Nativity stronger than it was when I was called into this family. And this family is here for all of us, every one of us, every member. We are here for each other. We are here for you. We are here for the world.

Will you be committed?

Andy +

PARISH NEWS and EVENTS

MUSIC AT NATIVITY—Organ Recital Friday, November 18, 7:30 p.m.

Bryan Anderson, a student at Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia and “Rising Star” in the American Guild of Organists, will be presenting a solo Organ Recital. Bryan will perform works by Bach, Durufle, Messiaen, and Percy Whitlock.



LAST CALL TO ORDER YOUR THANKSGIVING DEEP-FRIED TURKEY!

You may place your order at Nativity's Bazaar Thursday, church office, or in Ridley Hall this Sunday between services. **Last day to place orders is Sunday, November 20!** Proceeds will benefit The Oscar Mason Library After School Program and Village of Promise.

Prices: \$45 each add a flavor for \$5 more (all turkeys are 10-12 lbs)

Orders can be picked up on Wednesday, November 23 between 4 and 6 p.m.

FIVE SUNDAYS FOR NATIVITY OUTREACH COFFEE!!!

Beginning November 20 'til December 18



Outreach will be selling “Nativity Blend” (regular and decaffeinated) for your holiday pleasure and gift-giving.

This year you may purchase the bags ONSITE! The sale table will be located in Ridley Hall between and after services. All proceeds will go to the Haiti Children's Lunch Program. Our gift will provide the village children with one nutritious hot lunch per week.

Enjoy a cup of coffee! Make a child happy!

Many people contributed to a wonderful first year at The Greene Street Market at Nativity.

We would like to thank:

- All the parishioners at the Church of the Nativity for their overwhelming support of the market every Thursday afternoon
- Our vendors
- The chefs and musicians who donated their talents
- Mayor Battle & the City of Huntsville and Commissioner Mike Gillespie & Madison County employees
- The Huntsville Times and WLRH staffs
- Lee McBride, Kathryn Strickland and the North Alabama Food Policy Council
- The Board of The Greene Street Market at Nativity- Hannah Boon, John Cline, Pattie Cline, Marilyn Evans, Lee Foster, Jeff Johnson, Wayne Laney, Suzy Naumann, Freya Neely, Dorrie Nutt, Will Taylor, Jackie Walker



SEE YOU ALL NEXT SPRING

THANKSGIVING, TURKEY AND TORNADOES

What do these three have in common? Our Thanksgiving Offering this year will be designated for our "Tornado Family." If you will not be able to attend the **Thanksgiving Eve Service at 12:00 noon**, and would like to make a contribution, you may drop off your offering at the Church Office, or mail it in. If you are writing a check, please indicate "Tornado Family" on the memo line. This will be a surprise to our family and will enable them to have a nice Christmas.

Share, Save, Spend—what you need to learn to teach your children—last 4 classes!

Schedule for remaining classes of *Prodigal Sons and Material Girls* (Sundays 10:00 a.m.)

November 20	Connie and Rusty Stephenson
November 27	Church School cancelled today
December 4	Minda and Russ Alexander
December 11	Debbie and David Collette
December 18	Minda and Russ Alexander

Event: Bus trip to Sewanee for "Lessons & Carols"

Date: Sunday afternoon, December 4, 2011 (5:00 p.m. Service)

Time: Leave Nativity at 2:00 p.m. *We must arrive at Sewanee by 3:15 p.m.
We should be home around 7:30 or 8:00 p.m.*

Cost: \$25 per person, *prepaid to make reservation.*

Cost covers bus fare and food on the trip.

All parishioners and their guests are welcome. Trip is sponsored by the Top of the Hill Gang. First come, first served basis. **Sign up now in church office during office hours Monday—Thursday 9-4, Friday 9-12:30**

If you are unable to stand in line, please note that so we can request a seat for you inside the Chapel.

NATIVITY YOUTH WEBSITE, check it out to stay informed

www.nativityyouth.org.



As we get closer to the end of the year and things start to slow down, our youth activities are still going strong! **The deadline for the Secular & Sacred Christmas trip to Nashville and Sewanee is quickly approaching (November 21st) so sign up!** It is \$150 per person and there is scholarship assistance available.

This Sunday night, the 20th, we'll have our bonfire at the Ellison's home and parents are welcome, too! We'll meet out there at 5:30 for hotdogs, smores, and hot apple cider so come enjoy the night and have some good fun while we're at it. For directions, email, call, flag me down and I'll get them to you.

Thanksgiving is next week and we **WILL NOT** have YWND on November 23rd or EYC on November 27th. I know I'm going to enjoy my Thanksgiving with my family and I hope y'all do the same. Eat that turkey!

We'll be doing two outreach projects for the holidays this year – one for Oscar Mason Library After School Program and one for Sawyerville. More details on both of those coming soon!!

Don't forget that (not including Thanksgiving week) we have **YWND (Youth Wednesday Night Dinner) at 6:00 every Wednesday and EYC every Sunday with junior high at 5:00, dinner for both junior and senior high at 6:00, and senior high at 6:30.**

Peace!
Liz

Senior Acolytes to receive service recognition Sunday, November 20, 11:00 a.m.



Each year, Church of the Nativity honors its senior acolytes with a silver cross engraved with their initials as they enter the final year of their service to the ministry. The Senior High Acolyte Crosses are given annually in memory of James Robert McCown, Jr. son the late Mr. Jim and Mrs. Jeanne McCown.

These fine young acolytes have served the church for six years, sometimes rising after only a few hours sleep to come in after the prom, drive in from the lake, brave the cold (or heat!) to help lead all of our services here. We are grateful to them for their willingness to serve, their flexibility, and reliability.

Thank you, Seniors: Nancy Kate Baugher, Reece Baugher, Ian Braudaway, Andrew Dunn, Tripp Ford, Harrison Hudson, Harrison Hunter, Cat Kelly, Elizabeth Moody, Paul Naumann, Shep O'Neal, Madeline Sharp, Bird Sherrill, and Katherine Walker.

Stewardship of Creation Tip for November 16, 2011

Energy efficiency = doing more using less energy. As we enter the time of year when we use our heating systems and our energy bills typically go up, let's think about some easy ways to reduce energy usage.

It has been called by some "the fifth fuel" to show the importance of **energy efficiency** in the mix of technologies that produce power for our nation. **Energy efficiency** benefits everyone.

- When you use less **energy** you keep your utility bill down and also reduce the overall demand for power. That delays the need for new power generating plants and reduces the use of coal and demand for imported oil, all of which help save money and the **environment!**
 - A key example of the way **energy** needs can be reduced has been the introduction of national **energy-efficiency** standards for appliances. Due to ever-higher **energy-efficiency** standards, the typical refrigerator today
- consumes 75 per cent less electricity than in 1975, even though the size of the average unit has grown from 18 cubic feet to 22 cubic feet.
 - The **Energy Star** program has also played a role in raising the bar for energy efficient appliances and electronics. **Energy Star-rated** products in more than 60 categories deliver the same or better performance as comparable models while using less energy and saving money. If your fridge dates from the 1980s, **you could save more than \$100 each year by replacing it with an ENERGY STAR Qualified model.**
 - Another specific way to be **energy efficient** is to lower the temperature setting on your thermostat. Of course you will want to balance comfort with **energy – and dollar – savings.** It is surprising how comfortable you can be at a lower indoor temperature once you become accustomed to it. Thereafter, you find yourself uncomfortable at higher indoor temps that used to seem normal. As you get used to

lower temperatures and wear warmer clothing, you will be able to gradually lower it more.

- In addition to **saving energy and MONEY**, there are other advantages to lowering the thermostat setting during winter. If your house temp is lower, it requires less moisture indoors to keep the indoor air at a given relative humidity level. And your furnace or heat pump will last longer and need fewer repairs because the equipment will run less.
- When it comes time to replace your heating and cooling system, **select one of the highest-efficiency** units. The benefits will be immediate in lower utility bills and lower energy usage.
- You can know that you are giving yourself and your family and all the children of the world a wonderful Christmas gift by using less energy and causing less pollution. And you can use the savings that result from your **energy-efficiency** practices to donate to your favorite charity for holiday giving!

Reservation deadline has been extended to **December 15**

for the 3rd Annual Nativity Women's Retreat at St. Mary's, Sewanee, TN

Retreat Dates: Friday, February 24—Saturday morning February 25th. Retreat Cost: \$120.00 per person—includes all meals and accommodations. Memphis author, Linda Douty, will lead our retreat using her book *How Can I Let Go if I Don't Know I'm Holding On?* We want you to come—get a roommate—sign up—and bring your wine for this one night retreat! If you have questions please call Lane Tutt, 256-653-7200

Sunday December 4 is HAP Sunday for the Holiday Month!



Please bring LOTS of good things for the Needy to have during Christmas time! There will be only ONE collection time to stock their shelves for all the Clients and their families. Items needed are:

Canned Hams (available at Publix, Big Lots and Dollar General)

**Canned Chicken, Canned Sweet Potatoes,
Jello, Canned Cranberries, Peaches, and Pineapple,
Dried Beans, Hot Chocolate Packs,**

Packaged Peppermint Candies, Little Debbie Holiday Cakes

"Save the Date" Sunday, December 11th at 4:00 p.m.

All are invited to take part an inter-generational Advent Event. We will begin by meeting at the church for hot chocolate. In small groups, we will go caroling in the neighborhood. We will end the evening with a wonderful dinner and outreach craft. Hope to see you here!



Caroling and Dinner!

Nativity Welcomes THE SOURCE to open Tuesday November 22, 10:00 a.m.

The Source

The Source Vision: To be a community store for spiritual formation resources: books, spiritual formation tools, and gifts. What it will provide: Quality resource store for spiritual formation anchors: meditation tools such as sacred art, finger labyrinths, books, icons, candles with an emphasis on local and hand--- crafted items.

OPENING NEXT TUESDAY, November 22, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm!

Regular Hours of Operation: Tuesday—Saturday, 10—6pm; Sunday, 9—3pm.

We will be open later during peak traffic flow, i.e. downtown holiday events, art strolls, The Greene Street Market hours.

Location: **Housed in the Church of the Nativity** in Huntsville, AL and situated in the heart of Huntsville, our aim is to provide an alternative resource for enriching individual and communal spiritual formation in an inspiring environment based on the Christian tradition but open to resourcing the faith community at large.

Owner and Operator: Rev. Cheryl Blankenship

Business Administrator: Ms. Donna Martin

Manager/Community Liaison: Ms. Susan Holliday

Interior Design Consultant: Rev. Wren Miller

Advisory Board: Blair Glenn, Catti Clanton, Rev. Dale Clem, Miranng Cho, Allison Zaidchek, Rev. Susan Sloan, Nativity Staff Representative, and Nativity Vestry Representative

2011 CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEDICATION FORM

If you are interested in dedicating flowers for Christmas, please complete and mail this form with your check made out to "Flower Guild" to: Andrea Vandervoort, 434 Locust Ave. Huntsville, AL 35801.

Christmas dedications are \$20 each

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION. THANK YOU.

Your Name as it is to be listed in Christmas Programs: _____

Phone # _____ Do you wish to have your name listed in the Christmas Programs? _____

All dedications will read "To the glory of God and... *in loving memory of* or *in thanksgiving for* or *in celebration of*..."

Please be specific by underlining or circling your desired dedication above

Name for this dedication: _____

ALTAR FLOWERS 2012 DEDICATION FORM

If you are interested in dedicating **Altar flowers for a specific Sunday in 2012**, please complete and mail this form with your check made out to "Flower Guild" and mail to: Andrea Vandervoort, 434 Locust Ave. Huntsville, AL 35801. If you have questions, you may call Andrea at 539-2673.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION, THANK YOU.

2012 Altar Flower Order Form

Altar Flowers are \$40 or \$20 for shared dedications

Date desired _____

Your Name _____

Phone # _____ Would you share a dedication? _____

Do you wish to have your name listed in the bulletin? _____

All dedications read "To the glory of God and... *in loving memory of* or *in thanksgiving for* or *in celebration of*..."

Please be specific by underlining or circling your desired dedication above:

Name for this altar flower dedication: _____

INTERCESSION REQUESTS

We pray for those who are ill or recovering:

Ed Williams, Verna Rizvi, Gilda May, Barbara Hunkapillar, Barbara Chapman, Donald Perry, Ernie Limbo, Nativity's Tornado Family, Bill Marsh, Anita Johnson, Joe Surkin, Edna Warren, Angel Colin, Julie Kirk, Eileen Sullivan, Leigh Wahl, Billy Johnston, Sr., Elsie Olsen, Scott Shelton, Joy Gass, Sara Welch, Emile Joffrion, John, Nancy Kelly, Joan Bennett.

We pray for those in Military Service and those serving with the Peace Corps:

Kuwait: Spencer Colin, Greg Riddle; Afghanistan: Blake Lane The Gambia, West Africa: Marisa Benzle

We pray for the departed: Sarah Dudley Edwards, parishioner; Jim McCown, parishioner

We give thanks for the birthdays of our children:

11/19	Vivian Hinton
11/20	Henry Limbo
11/21	Ernest Artrip
11/22	Nancy Kate Baugher, Reece Baugher, Claire Quirk
11/23	Allie Hergert, Macy Baker
11/24	Wren Bryant
11/25	Ella Rozar
11/28	Paul Naumann
12/1	Claire Husley
12/2	Liam Stevens
12/4	Richard Huskey
12/7	Charles Smith
12/8	Margaret Foster
12/9	Jack McClung
12/10	Vivian Brouse, Patrick Reid

It's time for the Holidays. Outreach: How are we Helping?

The Team for Ministry to Oscar Mason After-School Program recently presented them with a brand new Microwave. The old one was critically ill and had long out-lived its usefulness. They were thrilled with a special model that will enable them to serve hot food to the children in the afternoons! The team also took new warm hats and gloves for the 30 children who regularly come on school afternoons.

The Church School Children will bring new pajamas for Oscar Mason on December 11th and our Team will assist with their Christmas Party. A special treat of a new coat for each child is on the wish list for this year.

Green Street Market has given a generous gift of \$1000 for our Tornado Family's Winter Grocery Expenses! Kroger cards have been purchased to insure their food needs for three teenagers! The tornado mother is scheduled to begin full-time care giving for an elderly couple next week. The Market gift for groceries will allow the mom to pay rent, make car payments and finally purchase some automobile insurance. We continue to be on the lookout for a 3 bedroom rental house – with low rent payments. Contact Mary Anne Akin or Lee Hicklen if you know of possibilities.

Outreach is "gifting" Russell Erskine Apartments with a beautiful Fall Flower arrangement for their front lobby – a gift from YOU to be delivered November 23! At Christmas we will sing Christmas carols one evening and present each resident with a surprise gift from a local textile artist.

Thanks to all for the reaching out to many in our community !

Articles of interest in this issue: Flower Dedication forms, Nativity trip to Sewanee Lessons & Carols, Trip to Holy Land, Concert November 18, Advent Wreath Workshop, Christmas Caroling!

Parish Financial Report Period Ending 10/31/2011

2012 Pledges by Dollar Range

	CURRENT MONTH	BUDGET for PERIOD	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD	November 13, 2011	
Pledges Received Plate	\$ 82,424.10	\$ 99,620.88	\$ 883,268.91	\$ 996,209.16	\$ 500 or <	13
	\$ 5,583.35	\$ 4,610.38	\$ 46,853.75	\$ 46,104.16	\$501 - \$999.99	13
					\$1,000 - \$2,999.99	45
					\$3,000 - \$4,999.99	27
					\$5,000 - \$9,999.99	19
Other Revenues	\$ 6,071.75	\$ 9,169.74	\$ 79,126.47	\$ 91,696.68	\$10,000 - \$14,999.99	4
TOTAL	\$ 94,079.20	\$ 113,401.00	\$ 1,009,249.13	\$ 1,134,010.00	\$15,000 - \$24,999.99	5
					\$25,000 or >	1
Diocesan, School of Theology, & Outreach	\$ 18,308.16	\$ 21,541.74	\$ 169,755.81	\$ 215,417.52	Total Number of Pledges	127
Personnel	\$ 69,501.84	\$ 62,558.33	\$ 634,336.59	\$ 625,583.34	Total Dollar Amount of Pledges	\$447,364.00
Other Expenses	\$ 21,986.91	\$ 29,293.73	\$ 250,789.72	\$ 292,937.54	Average Pledge	\$3,522.55
TOTAL	\$ 109,796.91	\$ 113,393.80	\$ 1,054,882.12	\$ 1,133,938.40		
NET	\$ (15,717.71)	\$ 7.20	\$ (45,632.99)	\$ 71.60		

*Dear Anonymous Parish Donors and Sponsors of the ThanksforGiving Celebration,
Thank you for a wonderful evening together as a Parish Family, celebrating Stewardship and an "Attitude of Gratitude."*

We have so much to be thankful for here at Nativity.

I think I speak for all of us when I express our appreciation for your generosity.

*Peace and love,
Adalene Hay Bledsoe (signed)*

Basye Holland-Shuey to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests

*By the Grace of God The Right Reverend Henry Nutt Parsley, Jr., Bishop of Alabama
and The Right Reverend John McKee Sloan, Bishop Suffragan of Alabama will Ordain
Callie Plunket-Brewton, Derrick Craig Hill, Katherine Toshiko Nakamura,
Marilyn Basye Holland-Shuey*

*to the Sacred Order of Priests in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church
13 December, AD 2011 at 5:30 p.m.*

The Cathedral Church of the Advent, 2017 Sixth Avenue North, Birmingham, Alabama.

Your prayers and presence are requested. Reception Following.

Hillary Jordan, Alabama author to visit Huntsville

December 2 at 6:30 p.m. Hillary Jordan will talk about her new book, *When She Woke*. Hillary was in Huntsville at the Church of Nativity last year researching her book. The last chapter is set at Nativity! Sponsored by the Huntsville Literary Association. You are invited! There will be a time for you to meet her and purchase an autographed copy of her book.

Temple B'nai Sholom & Church the Nativity, Episcopal Reconciliation Ministries are co-sponsoring a workshop with Dr. Michael Cook.

This event will take place December 4, 7:00 p.m. at Temple B'nai Sholom located at 103 Lincoln St. Please join us as we learn together from the author of *Modern Jews Engage the New Testament*. Discussion will be "Painting Judas at the Last Supper: Renaissance Images of the Jews?" Please call the Temple Office for questions or to RSVP 256-536-4771 or contact Brad Landry at Nativity 256-533-2455.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE December 2011-published 11/16/11

THURSDAY, December 1, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher
6:00 PM	Anderson	

SUNDAY, December 4, Second Sunday of Advent

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 AM	Anderson	Anderson	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett
8:45 AM	Akin	Anderson	Mike Ward, Lane Mickle, Warren Vann	Amy Creech, Martha Joffrion	Lee Hicklen
11:00 AM	Landry	Anderson	Janet Robbins, Ed Vaughn, Merrilee Allen	Rich Goodwin, Mary Johnson	Ronnie Rogers

WEDNESDAY, December 7, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 PM	Anderson		Cheryl Watts

THURSDAY, December 8, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher
6:00 PM	Akin	

SUNDAY, December 11, Third Sunday of Advent

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 AM	Anderson	Robison	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett
8:45 AM	Anderson	Robison	Charlie Warren, Lewie Bates	Ed Greene, Lane Mickle	Clay Sherrill
11:00 AM	Anderson	Robison	Marilyn Lands, Cheryl Watts	Roy Gowman, Merrilee Allen	Rich Goodwin

WEDNESDAY, December 14, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 PM	Landry		Marilyn Lands

THURSDAY, December 15, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher
6:00 PM	Anderson	

SUNDAY, December 18, Fourth Sunday of Advent

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 AM	Landry	Landry	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson
8:45 AM	Akin	Landry	Merrilee Allen, Lee Hicklen	Stacy Moon, Buddy Moon	Shirley Hale
11:00 AM	Anderson	Landry	Don Askins, Rich Goodwin	Mickey Ellis, John Conover	Deborah Baker

WEDNESDAY, December 21, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 PM	Akin		Mary Hendricks

THURSDAY, December 22, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher
6:00 PM	TBD	

SATURDAY, December 24, Christmas Eve

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
4:00 PM	Anderson	Anderson	Charlie Warren, Lewie Bates	Children	N/A
7:30 PM	Akin	Anderson	Robert Dunn, Ronnie Rogers	Melissa Kirkindall, Mike Innes	N/A
10:30 PM	Landry	Anderson	Lea Ellison, Peter Cobun	Debbie Collette, David Collette	N/A

SUNDAY, December 25, Christmas Day

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
10:00 AM	Akin		John Hendricks

WEDNESDAY, December 28, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 PM	Anderson		Don Askins

THURSDAY, December 29, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher
6:00 PM	Landry	

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8:45	Charlie Warren, Bill Johnston, Anne Pollard, Steuart Evans, Kevin Webber, Don Wheeler
11:00	Robin Cosby, Marilyn Lands, Tom Lydon and Michael Shipley

ALTAR GUILD

3	Sara Little, Alice Lanier, Rose Anne Shearer, Suzy Naumann, Elaine Calhoun, Judy Vann, Renee Elliott	10	Lea Ann Barnett, Mary Johnson, Kathryn Mahoney, Kakki Brooks, Wanda Cobb, Sue Johnson
17	Laura Innes, Beth Pugh, Flo Stockton, Judy Heacock, Nancy Colin, Emily Moody	24	Sara Little, Marcia Machek, Louise Reynolds, Alice Lanier, Linda Watts, Rose Anne Shearer, Debbie Joyner, Renee Elliott
31	Mary Johnson, Elaine Calhoun, Suzy Naumann, Wanda Cobb, Judy Vann		

CLERGY ON CALL SCHEDULE

November 28 – December 4	December 5 – 11	December 12 – 18	December 19 – 25	December 26 – January 1
Akin	Anderson	Landry	Akin	Anderson/Akin/Landry

STEEPLE SCHEDULE

The Steeple is published each
1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

To submit events or articles,
you may bring them to Linda
Wheeler in the church office or
email:

linda.wheeler@nativity-hsv.org

The deadline for the next issue is
Monday noon, December 5.

CLERGY & STAFF

The Rev'd Dr. Andy Anderson
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Associate

The Rev'd Brad Landry
Associate

The Rev'd Jeannie Robison
Deacon

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Organist/Choirmaster

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Junior Warden

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AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY

A member of the clergy is
on call each week.

If you need assistance from a priest
outside office hours, the priest on
call will respond to your page.

The number to call *In Case of an
Emergency Only* is 256-533-7007.

All other calls should be directed to
church phone 256-533-2455
and follow the prompts to leave a
message for a priest to respond.

Church of the Nativity, Episcopal

208 Eustis Ave. SE Huntsville, AL 35801

256-533-2455 Fax: 256-533-2374

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Nativity Holy Land trip itinerary!

Rector Andy Anderson and Academy Travel will lead a trip
to the Holy Land October 2012.

Below is information to help you in making your decision to participate:

DATES: October 7-22, 2012

Land Arrangements for 14 nights,

15 days, approximately \$3600 per person

Deposit: \$500 per person—fully refundable until airline tickets secured
(Does not including international airfare from Huntsville too early to
determine pricing)

Accommodation per person in twin room with private bathroom :

Amman – 1 night LandMark Hotel

Petra - 2 nights (five star hotel)

Dead Sea - 1 night Ein Gedi Kibbutz

Tiberias - 5 nights Scotts Hotel

Jerusalem – 5 nights Notre Dame

Three meals daily in Jordan; Two meals daily in Israel

All entrances to the museums/sites as indicated in the itinerary.

Porterage fees and guiding fees

Basic Travel Insurance

Not Included:

Cancellation Insurance – available through Academy Travel
Laundry, telephone calls and other items of a personal nature.

Gratuities for guides and drivers

Single Room Supplement: Approximately \$1000

If interested, please or call the parish office front desk volunteer at 256-533-2455 or via e-mail to linda.wheeler@nativity-hsv.org to get on the list. Deposit deadlines, etc. will be announced later.