

THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

May 15, 2013

Mission of the Church of the Nativity

God's family at the historic Church of the Nativity is joyfully and energetically committed to sharing Christ's love and healing by proclaiming the Good News of the Gospel through worship and service to the world.

The Feast of Pentecost: **The Holy Spirit Renewing Your Life for the World**

Easter culminates this Sunday with the Feast of Pentecost when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit with us. Pentecost is called "the birthday of the church" because people's lives fueled by the power of the Holy Spirit formed the church 2000 years ago in Jerusalem. Through men, women and children on fire with the Holy Spirit God renews the face of the earth. And through the power of the Holy Spirit in people's lives today, God continues to call the Church together to be transformed and to transform others by Christ's love.

This Sunday we will witness the Holy Spirit's transformative power when Bishop Kee Sloan makes his annual Episcopal Visit to Nativity and prays for the Spirit's work to increase through the lives of 19 youth to be confirmed, 21 adults making renewed Baptismal Covenant commitments, and one child to be baptized. Nativity is on fire with God's love that is growing and spreading from our life together into the world. **Wear red this Sunday to affirm your participation in that holy and life-giving flame!**

Resurrection finds its meaning as we allow God's Spirit to renew us so that we can share the power of Easter life and love with others: with relationships as close as our families and colleagues, but especially when we share in the church's ministry of renewing and transforming people's lives in the world. God just didn't defeat death on that first Easter morning so we could join Jesus in heaven one day. God defeated death so we can share in the power of resurrection in our lives and in our world today.

Our Christian Feast of Pentecost gives the ancient Jewish Feast of Pentecost new meaning through the community of the Church. The Jewish Feast of Pentecost celebrates God's giving the Law to the people of Israel on Mt. Sinai 50 days after their deliverance from slavery in Egypt in the Passover event. God just didn't want the children of Israel freed from slavery. God wanted them alive to God's holy purposes as they formed a nation of people committed to living God's ways in the world.

This Sunday gives us all the opportunity to allow the Holy Spirit to renew us and create more life and love in the world through our participation in the mission and ministry of the Church of the Nativity. We all renew our own Baptismal Covenant along with the 40 people making commitments this Sunday. Bishop Sloan will inspire us to invite others to join in what we know at Nativity so that their lives, too, can be connected here and transformed.

On the brink of summer, we have the opportunity to allow God to renew us and through us the world. What relationships need renewing? Where is the Holy Spirit leading you in ministry so that you can share the power of Easter Resurrection Life with others? Summer schedules create space in our lives. We all know that fires need some space to burn brightly. This summer let your life be ablaze with the Holy Spirit's love and power. And may the world around you be transformed as you commit anew to God's purposes in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit!

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CHURCH
OF THE
NATIVITY,
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SUMMER WORSHIP TIMES SUNDAY

(* Nursery available)

8:00 a.m. Rite I
Holy Eucharist
Bibb Chapel

10:00 a.m.* Rite II
Holy Eucharist
Children's Chapel

WEDNESDAY

12:00 noon
Holy Eucharist &
Healing
(Bibb Chapel)

THURSDAY

6:00 p.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II
Bibb Chapel



The Nativity Choir In Concert Saturday May 18, 5:00 p.m.

You will not want to miss The Nativity Choir Spring Concert on Saturday, May 18 at 5:00 p.m. in the church Nave. Closing out The Nativity Music Series this year, the concert features The Nativity Choir and Friends singing Louis Vierne's *Mass in C# Minor* with Nicholas Bergin, organist. Dr. Stephen G. Schaeffer, interim Organist/Choirmaster, will conduct. Bergin, organist at First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, will also perform solo organ works by Vierne and Tournemire to frame the choral offering.

The blind French organist Louis Vierne (1870-1937) was organist at Notre Dame from 1900 until his death at the end of his 1750th concert at the console of this famous Parisian church. Vierne composed the *Messe Solennelle (Solemn Mass)* in 1899. Scored for two organs, this majestic and ingratiating choral piece will be sung on May 18th from the new edition for one organ and choir.

Bishop's Annual Visit and Confirmation Sunday to take place May 19

A reception will follow the 10:00 a.m. service in Ridley Hall. The Rt. Rev'd Kee Sloan will be preaching both services and attending the reception in honor of 2013 Confirmands.

This will begin *Summer Worship Schedule* with services at
8:00 a.m. Rite I Holy Eucharist (this service is held in Bibb Chapel)
10:00 a.m.* Rite II Holy Eucharist, Children's Chapel, *Nursery



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at Nativity

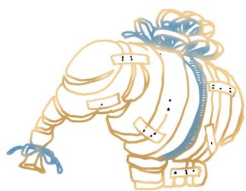
Farmers' Market

Every Thursday Afternoon May 2 – Oct 31

4 – 8 pm from May – August

4 – 7 pm in September

3 – 6 pm in October



White Elephant

Mission Guild will meet on Monday, May 20, at 10 a.m.

at Lois Dreher's home (203 Westchester Ave., SW) for our annual salad luncheon and White Elephant sale. Bring a salad and your beautifully wrapped *White Elephant* - and don't forget your purse! Proceeds from the sale will benefit missions. We'll also get to enjoy the Dreher's' elegant roses. For more information, call Marion Conover (256-539-6222).

HABITAT for HUMANITY UPDATE for house located at 6316 Banks Rd. Huntsville AL

It's not too late for you, a group, or your family to join in this project!

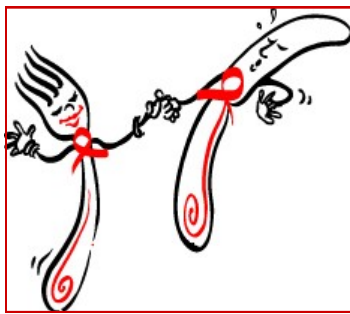
DATE:

May 14, 16, 18
May 21, 23, 24
May 28, 30, Jun 1
June 15

ACTIVITY:

install closet shelving, window blinds, shutters, maybe landscape
catch up work, touch up paint, clean and wax floors
work punch list
DEDICATION CEREMONY at 11:00 a.m.

Regular working hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a break for lunch around noon. Lunches are provided on Saturdays only. Bring carpentry tools, a utility knife, gloves, and safety glasses if you have them. Contact Bill Giardini for more information at 256-539-0973 or giardini2@bellsouth.net



Dining with Friends celebrates 15 Years!

What is Dining With Friends?

Dining With Friends is a fundraiser that benefits people that live with HIV in North Alabama. Supporters host dinner parties and charge \$50 a person to attend. At the dinner party you are given a ticket to the dessert reception, which is organized by the AIDS Action Coalition. Then everyone that has hosted or attended a dinner party comes together for one fantastic night at the dessert reception.

If I don't go to a dinner party can I still come to the dessert reception?

Of course you can! Tickets are available at www.diningwithfriends.org under the section labeled "Tickets."

Held this year at Burritt on the Mountain's Baron Bluff, revelers will enjoy a 1920's Speakeasy setting with decor, costumes, delicious desserts & hors d'oeuvres.

Where is Baron Bluff?

Baron Bluff is the newest event venue at Burritt on the Mountain located at 3101 Burritt Drive SE

In addition to the fabulous desserts we have a new spin on the silent auction "The Shoppes" with specially commissioned art from our great local artist supporters. Plus you will find novelty gaming (Roulette, Blackjack, Poker, Craps,) and feature entertainment straight from New Orleans by jazz vocalist, Ingrid Lucia. In past years attendance has reached 700 guests making it one of the best attended fundraisers in the Tennessee Valley.

How do I bid on auction items?

On the back of your event ticket is your bid number. Use the number to bid on silent auction items throughout the evening.

We are happy to announce this year's Honorary Chairman, Toni Terrell. Toni will be helping AAC celebrate the 15th Anniversary of Dining With Friends as the \$1 Million (since the creation of Dining With Friends) pinnacle mark is within reach in 2013. You don't want to miss this year's Dessert Reception.

What should I wear?

The official theme for this year's Dessert Reception is "The Big Easy Speakeasy" which means you will see a wide variety of clothing styles ranging from 1920's-style costumes to modern casual attire. We suggest you wear something that makes you feel comfortable and attractive, but don't be afraid to have fun! We guarantee you won't be the only person in costume!

Until a cure is found please consider lending your support to help us temper the suffering of those affected by HIV and AIDS.

Tickets are available at www.diningwithfriends.org under the section labeled "Tickets."

Follow Dining with Friends on [Facebook](#)!

HAVEN'T PLEDGED YET? NO PROBLEM!

The Nativity Stewardship Committee reminds you that it is not too late to make a pledge for 2013! We need **every** household to make a financial pledge to God's work through the mission and ministry of the Church of the Nativity. So far, over 425 of your fellow parishioners have committed their support for 2013 and **we hope we can count on you**, too. Pledge cards are available in the pews or you can stop by the church office and complete a card. COMING SOON: On-line pledging! Watch the Nativity website for more information on electronic pledging and giving.



Keep Up with Nativity Events on Facebook!

Nativity's Facebook page provides a good way for Nativity parishioners to follow current events and other concerns of church life. You can also let your parish know about events that concern us all. To sign up, just visit the church website at www.nativity.dioala.org and click on the "Follow Nativity on Facebook" link.

Security Locks on Entry Door!

Please note that a keypad has been placed at the double entry doors (entry from back circle drive-parking lot.) Below are things you need to know:

- The doors will be UNLOCKED during all church services and special events (concerts, receptions, etc.)
NO CODE NEEDED!
- The keypad will be enabled all other times and you will use the keypad CODE for entry. The code is the same as the keypad entries to Joffrion Hall and the Church Office.
- As an extra measure of security please be reminder to close the doors after you enter the building. **DO NOT** prop them open. If your group is in a classroom and the doors are left unattended this causes a potential problem of persons entering the premises without anyone's knowledge.

If you have questions they may be directed to Brad Hall, Junior Warden or John Cline, Building and Grounds Chair. If you are uncertain how to use the keypad you may call the church office for instructions.

Parish Pledge Report for May 12, 2013

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|-------------------------|-----|
| \$1,000 or < | 113 |
| \$1,001—\$2,999.99 | 160 |
| \$3,000—\$4,999.99 | 76 |
| \$5,000—\$9,999.99 | 55 |
| \$10,000 —\$14,999.99 | 12 |
| \$15,000—\$24,999.99 | 9 |
| \$25,000—\$39,999.99 | 1 |
| \$40,000 or > | 1 |
| Total Number of Pledges | 427 |

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|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Total Dollar Amount of Pledges | |
| | \$1,345,688.65 |
| Average Pledge | \$3,151.50 |

Suzanne Purtee continues Sabbatical

To follow Suzanne on her sabbatical journey through June 30, a blog is accessible at <http://nativitysabbaticaladventure.blogspot.com/>

Upcoming Baptism date: June 23rd at 10:00 a.m.

Please contact Connie in the church office for scheduling 256-533-2455 or cgaconski@nativity-hsv.org

Choir Fundraiser Continues

The Nativity choir has step-stools for sale with proceeds to benefit the choir tour to England and Scotland 2015. The choir's solid wood stools (choice of three stains) are available for \$50 each. Contact Joan East to place your order; 256-325-1418.

Have you received your Pictorial directory?

If you had your portrait made during the directory photo sessions last October, you may pick-up your directory in the church office during the week. Monday—Thursday 9-4:00

Cruise for a Cause on the The Southern Belle

Tour the Tennessee River, spend quality time with your friends, and raise money for a worthy cause all on a beautiful June evening! Proceeds to benefit Huntsville Assistance Program.



Sunday June 9, 6:00—9:00 PM
Boarding from 5:00—5:45 PM
Depart & return to Ditto Landing in Huntsville
\$60.00 per person
Live Entertainment, heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks
SPECIAL GUEST BISHOP KEE AND TINA SLOAN

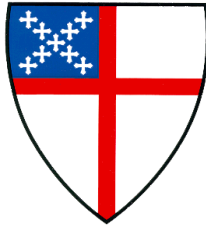
Free child care and meal at St. Thomas/Huntsville 5—9:00 PM. Please call St. Thomas at 256.880.0247 to reserve a spot for your child.

Tickets available online at www.cruiseforacause.org or call 256.880.0247

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Youth



Notes!

Thanks for a great Spring!

The three months I've spent at Nativity have flown by in a blur, so as the program year winds down and we head into summer, I want to thank **you** for the warm welcome you have given me! I have felt supported by people from every corner of this parish: youth and parents, Sunday School teachers and Confirmation Coordinators, Mission Guild members, clergy, staff, vestry, and many more!

There's a lot to be excited about when it comes to youth ministry at Nativity, and one thing I'm particularly excited about is the hard work the members of the Renovation Team, with guidance from our Youth Ministry Architects consultants, have been doing to rebuild youth ministry at our church. Although a great deal of this work is behind the scenes, and some of it can be tedious, it is deeply important and will make this ministry sustainable for years to come.

Parents and youth, keep an eye on your mail for summer and fall calendars. In the meantime, enjoy some pictures from this past semester! Find more at <http://bit.ly/youthpics>.



Got questions? Call me, William Blackerby, at 205-240-3705, or email wblackerby@nativity-hsv.org

INTERCESSION REQUESTS

We pray for those who are ill or recovering:

Virginia Parnell, Mary Vann, Barbara Hunkapillar, RuthAnn Haymes, Ann Garnett, Louis Amis, Elaine Wood, Don Askins, Bob, Linda Giardini Drzycinski, Richard Martindale, Lynne Swanson, Phyllis Lawson, Eileen Sullivan, E. Ray Tanner, Elsie Olsen, Leigh Wahl, Dot Kitchens, Emile Joffrion, Nancy Kelly.

We pray for those deployed/serving with the:

Military: Afghanistan: Matthew Spivey, Denver Colin; Bahrain: Jonathan Serwecki

We pray for the departed:

Mary Allison, sister of Henrietta Boykin

William K. Orr, brother of Connie Gadomski

We give thanks for birthdays of our children:

5/19 Jackson Morrison, Anna Ayres, Evelyn Warren

5/20 Anthony Landers, McKenzie Hickaby

5/23 Cassidy Bates

5/24 Lochlan Connelly, Juneau Farrell, Kate Burke, Taylor Whitworth

5/25 Sara Huckaby, David DiFranco

5/26 Kelly Hay

5/30 Alexander Grelier

5/31 Britt Webber

6/1 Elena Schuppener

6/2 Elise Roche, Spencer Anglin

6/3 Karsten Correale

6/4 Alexander Bounds, Scott Miller



Vacation Bible School ~ Save the date for July 16,17,18.

VBS is a great time to reconnect with church friends and serve our community. We are excited about our theme this year,

"Breathe it in, God gives life"

Children ages 4-3rd grade will enjoy VBS here at Nativity.

And, children 4th - 6th will go on mini-mission trips around town to spread God's love. It takes a village (and then some) to make

VBS a success. We need you! Email Elizabeth at elizabethfoster1704@yahoo.com

CANTERBURY OF HUNTSVILLE

Canterbury is a ministry founded by the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama and designed for Huntsville area **college students and young adults**. We gather weekly for **fellowship**, monthly for **worship** or theological programs, and semesterly for an **outreach** project. Canterbury seeks to be a ministry through which young adults can build relationships founded upon a shared sense of faith, and all are welcome to take part.

SPRING-SUMMER 2013 EVENTS

- **Tuesday, May 21: Moe's Original BBQ**, 7 pm 445 Providence Main St.
- **Tuesday, May 28: Rosie's Cantina**, 7 pm 6196 University Dr. NW
- **Tuesday, June 4: City Café Diner**, 7 pm 2070 Drake Ave. SW
- **Tuesday, June 11: Viet Houg**, 7 pm 930 Old Monrovia Rd. NW

We will continue to meet throughout the summer -- look for updates on our Facebook page.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Find us on Facebook: Canterbury of Huntsville Email: canterburyhsv@gmail.com

Interns, Claire Douthit & Kristin Hanson

WORSHIP SCHEDULE June 2013, published 5/15/13

SUNDAY, June 2, 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM (Anderson – out) | Lector | Intercessor |
|----------|-----------|----------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 8:00 am | Landry | McCown | Sue Johnson | Steve Johnson | Clay Sherrill |
| 10:00 am | Landry | McCown | Ed Vaughn, Ronnie Rogers, Lee Hicklen | Melisa Kirkindall, Ronnie Rogers | Deborah Baker |

WEDNESDAY, June 5, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
|------------|-----------|---------------|-----|
| 12:00 noon | McCown | Marilyn Lands | |

THURSDAY, June 6, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
|---------|-----------|-----------------|-----|
| 6:00 pm | Anderson | Virginia Kobler | |

SUNDAY, June 9, 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM (McCown – out) | Lector | Intercessor |
|----------|-----------|----------|--|-----------------------|------------------|
| 8:00 am | Landry | Anderson | John Hendricks | Jim Douthit | John Hendricks |
| 10:00 am | Landry | Anderson | Rich Goodwin, Minda Alexander, Pat Sampson | Amy Creech, Ed Vaughn | Sally Ann Culver |

WEDNESDAY, June 12, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
|------------|-----------|----------------|-----|
| 12:00 noon | Anderson | Mary Hendricks | |

THURSDAY, June 13, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
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| 6:00 pm | Landry | Joan East | |

SUNDAY, June 16, 4th Sunday after Pentecost

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM (Anderson – out) | Lector | Intercessor |
|----------|-----------|----------|--|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 8:00 am | McCown | Landry | Linda Boyer | Lee Coggins | Linda Boyer |
| 10:00 am | McCown | Landry | Cheryl Watts, Joan East, Barbara Buice | Cassidy Bates, Walter Thames | Adalene Bledsoe |

WEDNESDAY, June 19, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
|------------|-----------|--------------|-----|
| 12:00 noon | Landry | Cheryl Watts | |

THURSDAY, June 20, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
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| 6:00 pm | Landry | Sally Ann Culver | |

SUNDAY, June 23, 5th Sunday after Pentecost

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM | Lector | Intercessor |
|----------|-----------|----------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| 8:00 am | McCown | Anderson | Michal Turner | John Hendricks | Mary Hendricks |
| 10:00 am | Landry | Anderson | Virginia Kobler, Lane Mickle | Ron Hogan, Chris Jackson | Shirley Hale |

WEDNESDAY, June 26, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
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| 12:00 noon | Anderson | Janet Robbins | |

THURSDAY, June 27, HE

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM |
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| 6:00 pm | Anderson | Don Lambert | |

SUNDAY, June 30, 6th Sunday after Pentecost

| Service | Celebrant | Preacher | LEM | Lector | Intercessor |
|----------|-----------|----------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 8:00 am | Landry | Anderson | Don Lambert | Ed Greene | Martha Joffrion |
| 10:00 am | McCown | Anderson | Will Elliott, Erin Elliott | Elaine Hamner, Allen Daniels | Lane Mickle |

USHERS

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| 8:00 | Josh Kelly, Jeff Ellis, Tom Ford, Melissa Helton, Bill Joyner, Gripp Luther, Grant Thomson |
| 10:00 | Terry Clevenger, Buddy Moon, Kylan Laxson, Ted Briggs, Pamela Briggs |

ALTAR GUILD

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| 1 | Linda Watts, Suzy Naumann, Debbie Joyner, Lea Ann Barnett, Sue Johnson |
| 8 | Emily Moody, Connie Stephenson, Jewell Reynolds, Nancy Colin, Judy Vann |
| 15 | Laura Innes, Renée Elliott, Flo Stockton, Judy Heacock, Wanda Cobb |
| 22 | Caffey Litkenhous, Elaine Calhoun, Alice Lanier, Mary Johnson, Sara Little |
| 29 | Louise Reynolds, Lea Ann Barnett, Gail Brown, Beth Pugh, Rose Anne Shearer |

The Return of Just Stuff It

We'll be gathering once again in Joffrion Hall Library for a meal pack stuffing adventure on

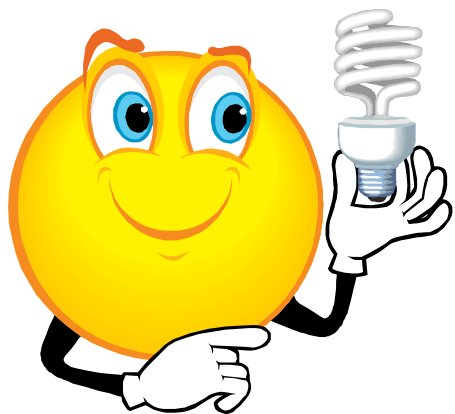
Sunday, June 9, just after the 10 o'clock service.

Come and join the fun! The entire family can help with this outreach project!

Bill Goodson, First Stop Volunteer

Stewardship of Creation tip for May 15, 2013

ABOUT LIGHT BULBS: Just what is this “light bulb” law?



Why are the new light bulbs mandatory? What are our options?

The Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (the “Energy Bill”), signed by President George W. Bush on December 18, 2007 is an energy policy intended to make better use of our resources and help the United States become energy independent. The law provides important benefits to consumers, industry, our country and our environment. One aspect of the law relates to light bulbs.

What does the law require about light bulbs?

Under the new law, screw-based light bulbs will use fewer watts for a similar lumen output. The standards are technology neutral, which means any type of bulb can be sold as long as it meets the efficiency requirements. Common household light bulbs that traditionally use between 40 and 100 watts will use at least 27% less energy by 2014. The law applies to the manufacturer date and it began affecting 100-watt bulbs in January 2012 and will continue with the manufacture of 40-watt bulbs in January 2014.

The second part of the law requires that most light bulbs be 60-70% more efficient than the standard incandescent today; this will go into effect in 2020. Many compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) and many Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) can meet this requirement today, shaving energy usage compared to standard incandescents by 75%.

Despite what you may have heard, the law regulating light bulbs **does not ban incandescent bulbs**. It merely sets performance standards, much the same way that the gas mileage of cars is regulated. It says, for instance, that the amount of light that an old 75 watt bulb emits must now be provided using no more than 53 watts. And there are updated incandescents (sometimes called halogens) that meet that standard.

The replacements - First, it's often easy to confuse the two types of light bulbs that are **replacements for the old incandescent bulbs**. Compact fluorescent bulbs (the twisty ones, better known as CFLs) have been around for 20 years or so. And in just the last few years, LEDs (Light Emitting Diodes) have come on the market. Though they may look like incandescent bulbs and may make similar light, **LEDs are very different creatures**. One way to think of LEDs is to make a comparison: old pre-transistor radios and stereos that had tubes in them compared to solid state circuitry. Incandescent light bulbs would be analogous to the radios with tubes; LEDs are analogous to, and are sometimes called, solid state lighting.

Cost - First, expense. When you've been used to paying less than a dollar for a bulb, a CFL that costs a few dollars – let alone an LED that's \$20 or more – **can seem like a raw deal**. But that's looking at just what's called the upfront cost and **doesn't take into account the cost of the electricity to power the bulb**. When you add up the electrical costs and the bulb costs:

CFLs come out to be cheaper than incandescents, and

LEDs will often (but not always) come out less expensive still.

Make light not toast! Incandescent bulbs (the old syle) are very inefficient at making light from electricity. The way they work is essentially the **same as the filament in your toaster**: the filament heats up and glows when electricity runs through it. 90% of the electricity used to operate an incandescent light bulb becomes heat; and only 10% becomes light.

VERY IMPORTANT: We're all been used to referring to bulbs by their wattage. But **wattage is not brightness**; it's a measure of how much electricity is being used. So while we're acclimating to all these new types of bulbs, we also need to **switch to thinking in terms of lumens, not watts**.

A 60 watt incandescent bulb, for instance, emits about 800 lumens.

A CFL will emit the same amount of light while using only a quarter of the wattage (13 – 18 watts).

An LED might use only 6 – 8 watts.

Another factor in that cost equation is that incandescent bulbs don't last very long – usually around 1000 hours – while CFLs last around 8000 hours and LEDs perhaps 30,000 hours. Remember, that the 1000 hour life is an average, just as the CFL and LED lives are. Plus there have been some less than high quality CFLs out there, which have burned out prematurely and haven't helped their reputation. Like with most things, you get what you pay for!

Brightness - What about brightness? As you've noticed, some CFLs take a minute or so to reach full brightness. Again, this can vary with the manufacturer.

CFLs are likely an interim technology, better than incandescents but not ideal.

LEDs, the new kids on the block, **solve a couple of problems with CFLs**. Like incandescent bulbs, they turn on instantly at full brightness. And they do not contain mercury. They last 30 times as long so we'll be throwing out far fewer of them. And let's not forget that the increased energy efficiency of these bulbs also means generating less electricity, which in turn means **less pollution and other environmental hazards**.

It's all a tad complicated and new, but it's worth learning about. Hope this has helped you!

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, JUNE 3

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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 message.

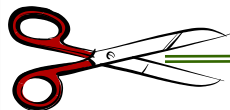
The number to call *In Case of an Emergency Only* is 256-533-7007. All other calls should be directed to church phone 256-533-2455 and follow the prompts to leave a message for a priest to respond.

Church of the Nativity, Episcopal

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ALTAR FLOWERS 2013 DEDICATION FORM

If you are interested in dedicating Altar flowers for a specific Sunday in 2013, 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.

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

The following dates are available: August 25; September 1; October 13, 20, 27; December 1, 8, 22, 29.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION, THANK YOU.

Date desired _____

Your Name _____

Phone # _____

Would you share a dedication? ____ Do you wish to have your name listed in the bulletin? ____

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

All dedications read "To the glory of God and...

in loving memory of...

in thanksgiving for...

in celebration of...

Name for this altar flower dedication: