

# THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

January 22, 2014



CHURCH  
OF THE  
NATIVITY,  
EPISCOPAL

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## WORSHIP TIMES

### SUNDAY

(\* Nursery available)

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

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

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

### WEDNESDAY

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

### THURSDAY

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

## 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.*

## Celebrating 2013: A Year of Faithful Ministry and God's Abundance!

Nativity has reached new levels of faithfulness in our service to Christ through God's mission and ministry we support in our life together at Nativity. We have much to celebrate from this past year as we move ahead into the exciting future God is unfolding for us in 2014. And the main reason is YOUR commitment to your growth as Christ's Body, offering your lives as living and holy and reasonable sacrifices to God. You have walked in love as Christ has walked in love and so much has been given! Recognizing God's blessings of life, you have given generously of your time and talent and resources. Thank you!

First of all, 2013 saw the highest level of financial resources pledged and given to God's mission ever! Our faithful members pledged almost \$1,350,000. with pledge attrition the lowest ever: less than one-half of one percent! This number is historically 5% and has been as high as 7% or 8% in the past. Total financial resources received in 2013 are over \$1,550,000!

Thanks to the Stewardship Ministry's focus (ably led by David Collette) on how our giving impacts our relationship with Christ. God blesses us with so much and so we respond by giving ourselves. Thanks to all who made a pledge and did your best to keep it. Circumstances sometimes prevent us from keeping our pledges, but this year more were able to keep their pledges than ever! We are still counting on others to join our exciting efforts for 2014.

Your response to God's abundance and generosity has led to our having an almost \$100,000 operating surplus over expenses....enabling us fully to meet our Outreach obligations, make significant improvements to our children's and youth space on the second floor of Ridley (have you seen the beautiful Club 56 and Junior High space!), and commit to installing a new sound system in the church. The Vestry of Nativity has been visionary and bold in trusting God's call and God's provision in encouraging these things to take place and be a priority.

This outstanding position we find ourselves in now will enable our meeting the needs of our Capital Reserve so that our historical and beautiful buildings can be maintained. We will also be able to do needed renovations in the Worm and Godly Play rooms in Ridley Hall and update The Loft, our Youth Room, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Joffrion. Combined with the incredible response we are having to Stewardship for 2014, we will be able to increase the church's outreach efforts and continue to support our growing children's and youth ministries, and much more.

All this is a sign of our expanding faithfulness and giving of our whole selves to Christ and his mission. We have seen so many more people involved in ministry efforts with our children and youth, with outreach, and especially with our wonderful Greene Street Market at Nativity. The Greene Street Market was named Downtown Huntsville's "Event of the Year" in 2013; another reason for us to give thanks and celebrate. This ministry takes a huge commitment of time and talent by our many volunteers led by Marilyn Evans. Its impact is exponential.

2014 will see the installation of our new Church sound system (next week!), the powerful Icons in Transformation exhibit at Nativity, new outreach efforts, and expanded Christian formation opportunities. The Sophye Lowe Young Foundation for Historic Preservation is established as a new vehicle for ongoing support of our historic and treasured buildings.

We heard Paul writing to the Corinthians last week and I echo his words: *I thank my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus!*

Andy +

## So He Told Them This Parable: *The Moral Lessons of Jesus*

As a Rabbi, or teacher, Jesus was constantly instructing his disciples to live a more Godly life. A common way he did this was through parables....relatable stories that had a moral and deep meaning. During our six weeks together we will look at these parables and try to find the true meaning of the stories presented so long ago as we also strive to better understand their relevance in today's Christian society.

**Wednesdays now through February 16**  
**Ridley Hall**  
**6:00 — 7:00 pm**  
**Led by: Rusty McCown**

***Centering Prayer for Busy People*** In Bibb Chapel, led by Father Anderson and others from the Centering Prayer Ministry.

**Wednesdays now through February 16,**  
**6—7:00 pm**

**LADIES! Remember to make you reservation 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Nativity Women's Retreat, Feb. 21-22, 2014.** Speaker: Karim Shamsi-Basha, author of "Paul and me". Friday, Feb. 21-Saturday Feb. 22, 2014 at St. Mary's, Sewanee, Tennessee. (*Application forms are on church bulletin boards.*) Cost: \$145.00 per person –Checks to *Church of Nativity*. Questions? Contact: Lane Tutt, 256-533-2455 or 256-653-7200.

**Nativity's Medical Mission Team** leaves February 1st for work in our companion villages in Haiti. This coming Sunday is the last day to receive contributions for the trip. The team requests these items for distribution:

- Children's Vitamins
- Pre-natal Vitamins
- Infant Vitamin drops
- Toothbrushes (NO paste!)
- Reading glasses (new and or gently used) with the power marked on the glasses (please NO prescription eyeglasses)

*(Please NO Gummy vitamins)*

***Last collection day will be Sunday, January 26th. Look for boxes in Ridley Hall.***



*Dopler's received: The Pre-natal clinic at Crochu with our midwives observing. Big smiles when hearing baby's heartbeat for very first time ever! Thank you Nativity for this gift it is changing lives.*

## Children's Corner

**Jan 26** Cherub Choir sings at 8:45  
 BFF, 4:00 pm

**Feb 5** Bishop Key- reservations needed for dinner, nursery and children's program

**Camp McDowell Summer registration** now open  
<http://campmcdowell.dioala.org/>

**Sundays at 10:**

3&4 year olds – Godly Play

k-3 Workshop Rotation: John the Baptist

4<sup>th</sup> grade: Grapple

**The Mission Guild** will have a very important outreach program in February and we are inviting all interested people to come. Meg Presley from The Marion Medical Mission will be at Nativity to tell us about how her organization builds shallow wells throughout Africa with an all volunteer force. Safe drinking water means life not death for many in a place where one in five children die before their 5th birthday from water-borne or sanitation related diseases. Where shallow wells have been built, water-borne diseases are eliminated.

The Mission Guild sent \$400 in 2013 to install a shallow well for 150 people in Kajisolele, Malawi. Come to see how you yourself or your organization can do the same.

The Mission Guild meets the third Monday of each month at 10 o'clock at Nativity. On February 17 we will meet in the church library in Joffrion Hall. Please come.

## Interested in attending a Cursillo weekend in 2014?

Cursillo is an incredible experience that begins by attending a Cursillo weekend at Camp McDowell. The weekend propels you back into the "real world" with renewed vigor toward the worship, study, and service aspects of your life. Hundreds of Nativity parishioners have attended a Cursillo weekend and are active in the Cursillo Community today.

Cursillo weekends for 2014 will be held

March 13-16

April 10-13 (April 13 is Palm Sunday)

June 12-15 (June 15 is Father's Day)

September 11-14

October 9-12

If you are interested in attending one of these weekends and becoming a member of the Cursillo community, please contact David Collette ([drc3898@knology.net](mailto:drc3898@knology.net)) or Debbie Collette ([drc3898@knology.net](mailto:drc3898@knology.net)).

## INTERCESSION REQUESTS

**We pray for those who are ill or recovering:** Emile Joffrion, Leigh Wahl, Elsie Olsen, Eileen Sullivan, Phyllis Lawson, Nancy Colin Swenson, Louis Amis, Barbara Hunkapillar, Suzanne Johnson, Carla King, RuthAnn Haymes, Tom Robinson, Harry Beazley, Anna Post, Bess Wallace, Julian Kobler, Marian Delaney, Frank Comer

**We pray for those deployed/serving with the Military:**

Bahrain: Jonathan Serwecki; South Korea: Tim Fuhrman; Afghanistan: Michael Knight; Navy, Jesse Teal

**We pray for the newly Baptized** Holland Maclay Ray, daughter of Charles and Brooke Ray.

**We pray for a marriage:** Sherene Muriel Rizvi & Michael Joseph Dorazio on December 21 in San Antonio (Rev'd Brad Landry co-Officiant)

**We pray for the departed:** Charles Mabie, parishioner; Debbie Tabb, Sawyerville Site-coordinator; Frank Troup; William Stroud, infant son of Heather & Justin Stroud; Steve Brunell, brother of Caryl Lester; Marjorie Snell, mother of Juliana Larsen.

**We pray for the Medical Mission Team to Haiti Feb. 1-8:** Dr. Bob Serio, Deacon Mary Groff, Lisa Hardy, Debbie Collette, Margaret Devenish, Libby Potter and Cheryl Watts

**We give thanks for birthdays of our children:**

1/29 Evelyn Roche	1/29 Palmer Ford	1/31 Emery Windham	2/1 Caroline Avolese
2/1 Celia Farrell	2/1 Brooke Sherman	2/2 Edward Rosler	2/2 Paul-Michael Williamson
2/3 John Bohan	2/4 Alice Malone		

## Annual Newcomers' Welcome Dinner on Sunday, January 27 at 6:00 p.m.

New to Nativity? Visiting, Seeking? **You're invited!**  
Recently became a new member at Nativity or moved back recently? **You're invited!**

You are invited to a casual dinner held in your honor at the home of **Xan and Tim Curran**, 509 Adams St. The clergy and staff of Nativity would love to take this opportunity to get to know you better.

Please contact the church office at 256-533-2455 or RSVP to cgadomski@nativity-hsv.org.

*Please note that child care will not be provided for this event.*



**Greene Street Market Board representatives** at Downtown Huntsville Inc.'s annual meeting and awards breakfast when the **Greene Street Market at Nativity** was named **Downtown Huntsville's Event of the Year for 2013!** Greene Street Market Director **Marilyn Evans** received the award on behalf of Nativity!

### 2014 Pledges by Dollar Range January 21, 2014

\$1,000 or <	89
\$1,001 -- \$2,999.99	147
\$3,000 -- \$4,999.99	71
\$5,000 -- \$9,999.99	58
\$10,000 - \$14,999.99	14
\$15,000 - \$24,999.99	10
\$25,000 - \$39,999.99	2
\$40,000 or >	0

Total Number of Pledges  
391

Total Dollar Amount of  
Pledges \$1,293,357.00

Average  
Pledge \$3,307.82

## **Offering envelopes are here.**

If you requested offering envelopes, you can pick them up in the foyer of Ridley Hall. If you would like envelopes, please call Beverly Franklin, 256-533-2455, and let her know. It saves the church money if you pick up the envelopes so they don't have to be mailed. Thanks.

*Our thanks to the Church of the Nativity for it's generous contribution of \$1100.00 to Episcopal Relief and Development. Your commitment to fighting poverty and disease is essential as we continue our work in support of the Millennium Development Goals and communities around the globe (your gift is going to the Philip-pines and disaster relief). In addition, your gift will help us meet our 2013 Matching Gift Challenge.*

*Faithfully,*

Robert W. Radtke,

President Episcopal Relief & Development



# WORSHIP SCHEDULE February, 2014, published 1/22/14

## SUNDAY, February 2, The Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	McCown	McCown	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett
8:45 am	Anderson	McCown	Michal Turner, Robert Dunn	Meredith Walker	Melissa Kirkindall
11:00 am	Anderson	McCown	Walter Thames, Ronnie Rogers	Ted Briggs, Pamela Briggs	Sally Ann Culver

## WEDNESDAY, February 5, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 noon	Robison		Marilyn Lands

## THURSDAY, February 6, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Anderson		Don Lambert

## SUNDAY, February 9, Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson	Anderson	John Hendricks	John Hendricks	John Hendricks
8:45 am	McCown	Anderson	Charlie Warren, Virginia Kobler	Lane Mickle	Aubrey Tycer
11:00 am	McCown	Anderson	Sally Ann Culver, Don Lambert	Rich Godwin, Ron Hogan	Don Askins

## WEDNESDAY, February 12, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 noon	Anderson		Joan East

## THURSDAY, February 13, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Anderson	Green	Don Askins

## SUNDAY, February 16, Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	McCown	Green	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson
8:45 am	Anderson	Green	Mike Ward, Warren Vann	Jim Douthit	Lee Hicklen
11:00 am	Anderson	Green	Erin Elliott, Will Elliott	Ronnie Rogers, Robbie Shafer	Jordan Cozby

## WEDNESDAY, February 19, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 noon	McCown		Don Askins

## THURSDAY, February 20, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Anderson		Sally Ann Culver

## SUNDAY, February 23, Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM (Green – out)	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson	Anderson	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett
8:45 am	McCown	Anderson	Lane Mickle, Lewie Bates, Lee Hicklen	Buddy Moon	Shirley Hale
11:00 am	McCown	Anderson	Barbara Buice, Peter Cobun, Joan East	Mike Brown, Sandy Brown	Ronnie Rogers

## WEDNESDAY, February 26, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12:00 noon	McCown		Mary Hendricks

## THURSDAY, February 27, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	McCown		Virginia Kobler

## USHERS

8:45	Robert Mullins, Chad Ayres, Michael McClung, Ray Moring, Read Windham
11:00	Daniel Suggs, Steve Brouse, Barbara Buice, Marina Prucha, Stephen Prucha, Teague Smith,

## ALTAR GUILD

1	Connie Stephenson, Emily Moody, Gail Brown, Caffey Litkenhous, Linda Watts, Beth Pugh
8	Mary Johnson, Sara Little, Rose Anne Shearer, Laura Innes, Jewell Reynolds, Judy Vann
1 5	Louise Reynolds, Sue Johnson, Lea Ann Barnett, Alice Lanier, Flo Stockton
2 2	Elaine Calhoun, Nancy Colin, Renée Elliott, Debbie Joyner, Judy Heacock
1	Caffey Litkenhous, Wanda Cobb, Beth Pugh, Gail Brown, Emily Moody

## CLERGY ON CALL SCHEDULE

January 27 – February 2	February 3 – 9	February 10 – 16	February 17 – 23	February 24 – March 2
Anderson	McCown	Robison	Anderson	McCown



## SPONSORS SOUGHT FOR EPISCOPAL FAITH SEEKERS' CLASS IN 2014

Our Adult Episcopal Faith Seekers' class is for people seeking to be Confirmed and Baptized Members of the Church of the Nativity, people seeking to be received into our Episcopal Church, and for Confirmed Episcopalians seeking to deepen and renew their faith and Baptismal Vows.

We are looking for sponsors for each of our Seeker's Class members. Sponsors are members of Nativity who will encourage Seekers and be available for discussions about the faith we share as Episcopalians. Sponsors will not be assigned until February. For seven of the class sessions, Sponsors will attend classes with Seekers and participate in small group discussions (from February 23-April 6). Also, please be present on Sunday, February 23 at the 8:45 a.m. service, and stand with your Seeker in a special service of Welcome. The Bishop will celebrate the commitments our Seekers are making on Sunday, May 18, 2014. If you would like to serve as a Sponsor, please e-mail Carol Ann Reagh at [careagh@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:careagh@nativity-hsv.org) or call her at the parish offices, 256-533-2455.

## FLOURISHING IN FAITH: A note from your Stewardship Ministry

If you are one of the nearly 400 Nativity families who have made a financial pledge for 2014, THANK YOU! Your pledges have brought us close to our goal and we are most appreciative.

If you have not yet made a pledge, we are asking you to step up to the plate and help us reach our goal for the mission and ministry of the church in 2014. We hope that everyone in the parish will make a pledge for God's work and help us strengthen our ministries within the parish, community, diocese, and the world.

We have made it simpler than ever to make your pledge this year:

- Complete your pledge card and place in the alms basin or bring it by the church office
- Call our bookkeeper, Beverly Franklin, at 256-533-2455 and make your pledge
- E-mail Beverly at [bfranklin@nativity-hsv.net](mailto:bfranklin@nativity-hsv.net) and make your pledge
- Pledge online at the Nativity website ([dioala.nativity.org](http://dioala.nativity.org) à GIVING tab à Pledge Now)

Again, if you have already pledged, THANK YOU! If not, we hope to hear from you soon. Together, we will FLOURISH IN FAITH.

*Thank you for pledging!*

## Seekers' Class

2014



Seekers Class 2014 meets each Sunday at 10:00 in Ridley Hall

Clergy and lay members of our parish will be leading these classes designed to include church history, our prayer book and hymnal, our worship practices and etiquette, (like when to kneel or bow or make the sign of the cross!) and our views about scripture and the sacraments. Classes will also describe the many varieties of ministry opportunities available in the parish. This class for those seeking membership with The Church of Nativity and for those who want to refresh or to learn more about the Episcopal Church. It is not too late to join. You can register at the class.

## NATIVITY WELCOMES NEW SEMINARIAN FOR FIELD EDUCATION PLACEMENT!

### Welcome to David Green!



*We are excited to be serving at Nativity! This is a wonderful opportunity for us to learn and experience worship in a large, vibrant parish and we are thankful to Fr. Andy for allowing me to serve your parish for my Field Education. Here is a little bit about us. David is a middler seminarian at the School of Theology in Sewanee. I am*

*half-way through seminary. I am 58 years old. I graduated from the University of Alabama in 1978, so it had been a long time since I was in school! I have been in the retail furniture business for over 30 years, having run a family furniture store in Gulf Shores, AL for 25 years. We are from Holy Spirit Episcopal Church in Gulf Shores; I am a postulant for holy orders from the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. I love the Gulf and grew up going to the beach in Gulf Shores. Charlotte and I both are natives of Mobile, AL where we met in high school. Charlotte is a "cradle" having attended St. Paul's Episcopal School from kindergarten through high school. We have been married for 35 years. We have two daughters who are both married. April lives in Gulf Shores and Molly lives in New Orleans. I love to take long walks and cook and eat! I am a huge Alabama football fan.*

*Charlotte has a degree in Early Childhood Education and loves little children (and pets). She is a pre-school teacher and is the Director of the Parents Morning Out program of the School of Theology. She enjoys singing in the Seminary Choir. Charlotte loves to travel, and generally enjoy life!*

*We are looking forward to making new friends in Huntsville and are blessed to be coming to your parish for the next several months. We can be reached by my cell phone: 251-752-0662. My email is: [greendk0@sewanee.edu](mailto:greendk0@sewanee.edu). and Charlotte's email is [cdgreen@sewanee.edu](mailto:cdgreen@sewanee.edu). We look forward to getting to know you and worshipping with you at Nativity.*

*In Christ,  
David & Charlotte Green*

# ICONS in Transformation

**COMING to NATIVITY**

**February 23 – April 20**

**Stunning Display of over 90 pieces of Art**

**By acclaimed abstract artist**

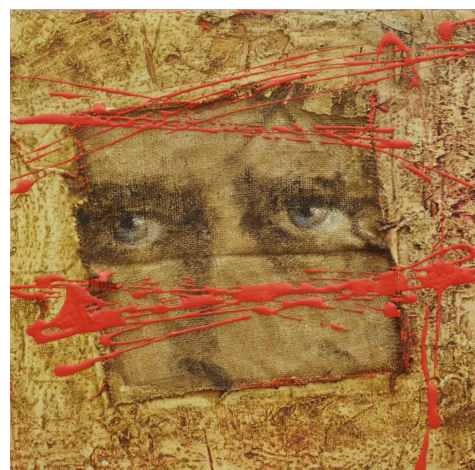
*Ludmila Pawlowska*

Church of the Nativity will host **ICONS in Transformation**, a stunning 90-piece traveling art exhibition featuring the contemporary icons of abstract expressionist Ludmila Pawlowska. After touring cathedrals and churches throughout Europe and the U.S., this must-see exhibit will be displayed for two months at Nativity.

Featuring both paintings and sculptures, **ICONS in Transformation** presents the mystery and spiritual power of the icon transformed into modern masterpieces of art. The exhibit also includes traditional Russian icons painted at Vassilevsky Monastery (Russia) and highlights them as a source of inspiration for Pawlowska's contemporary art.

The modern three-dimensional artwork incorporates traditional icon elements such as the use of eyes, metallic paints, and the colors red, blue, and gold – while at the same time “bending the rules” through the use of sculpture, collage, large-scale wood panels, natural stone, fabric, and even handwriting in multiple languages.

Pawlowska's work includes 12 very large, two-sided panels that will hang in the arches of the Nave, as well as traditional size pieces that will be dramatically displayed throughout Nativity – locations to include the Bannister Room, the Ambulatory, and Bibb Chapel.



## Regular Exhibition Hours

Tuesday through Friday

11:00 am until 3:00 pm

Saturday

1:00 pm until 3:00 pm

## Grand Opening Reception

*Featured artist, Ludmila Pawlowska, will be in attendance and give a short talk*

**Saturday, February 22**

**6:00 – 8:00 pm**

*(The evening prior to the Public Opening of the exhibition)*

Volunteers will be needed as docents, helpers unloading, general assistants setting up, and providers of meals and transportation for the artist. For further information, contact Virginia Caruso 256-533-6969 [virginia-caruso@gmail.com](mailto:virginia-caruso@gmail.com) or Helen Vaughn 256-534-4422 [vaughnart@bellsouth.net](mailto:vaughnart@bellsouth.net)

## DOCENTS NEEDED for ICONS in Transformation

(The more the Merrier)



If you are interested in a rewarding experience with the renowned artist, Ludmila Pawlowska, and the freedom to wander through almost 100 of her stunning paintings whenever you like, volunteer to be a Docent.

Feeling unqualified? No worries. There will be two Docent trainings sessions **with the artist**.

Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm

Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

It's only necessary to attend one training session. For more information contact Wimberley Watts at 256.755.3980.



## Visitation Weekend

**February 20-22**

Is Sewanee for you? Come and see and be introduced to the Sewanee community with a student guide.

Visit the website to register or get more information: [theology.sewanee.edu/admissions/come-see](http://theology.sewanee.edu/admissions/come-see)

## Profits from the 2013 Nativity Bazaar \$18,500!

Proceeds:

Diocese Donation	\$1,000
Mission Guild	\$1,000
Children's Programs	\$4,000
Oscar Mason	\$2,000
CAJA	\$10,500
ECW Scholarship	\$250
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,750</b>



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## Youth Notes!

### Ski Trip 2014 a Success!



Twelve Nativity youth, one adult, and I had a great time with about 40 youth and adults from 3 other churches in our diocese in Snowshoe, WV this past weekend! I am so grateful to Robin DiFranco for chap-eroning and Mem Bryant, Lori Webber, and Dennis Di-Franco for driving people and luggage to and from the charter bus. The weather was cold, snowy, and perfect for skiing, and our kids had a great time, despite long, long hours on the bus. Thanks to all of you for your

### Diocesan Events Coming Up

- **Diocesan Convention Youth Lock-in 2014, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 21-22 at St. Luke's in Birmingham.** This event is an effort to bring a larger youth presence to our Diocesan Convention and is open to all 9th-12th graders! We will have fun, food, games, worship and more, all in less than 24 hours! The cost to attend is \$25. William will provide transportation to and from the event. [Click here to sign up.](#)
- **Happening #64, Friday, February 28th through Sunday, March 2nd, 2014.** Church of the Ascension, Montgomery. The sign-up deadline for happeners is February 14, 2014. [Click here to apply!](#)
- **Rites of Spring at Camp McDowell, Friday through Sunday, March 28-30.** A retreat at the end of Spring Break for youth in grades 9-12. Cost to attend is \$115. [Click here to sign up!](#)

### Spring and Summer Opportunities for Youth — Mark Your Calendars!

- **Young People Paint Birmingham, June 16-20,** for rising 7th-9th graders. An mission experience of painting houses in Birmingham's West End neighborhood.
- **Senior Camp at Camp McDowell, June 3-12,** for rising 10th-12th graders. Directed by the Rev. Michael Goldsmith
- **Sawyerterville Session I, June 14-20,** for youth age 16 and up. A ministry to children age 6-14 in Hale County, AL
- **Sawyerterville Session II, June 21-27,** see above.
- **Sawyerterville Session III, July 6-12,** see above.
- **Sophomore Camp at Camp McDowell, July 7-14,** for rising 8th and 9th graders. Directed by the Rev. Thomas Joyner from Holy Trinity in Auburn. I will be on the program staff!
- **Junior High II at Camp McDowell,** for rising 7th and 8th graders. Directed by the Revs. Katie Nakamura-Rengers and Josiah Rengers.

I will send links to applications for these events as they become available. In the meantime, feel free to ask me any questions you might have!



## STEEPLE SCHEDULE

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

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

cwatts@nativity-hsv.org

The deadline for the next issue is  
**Monday noon, February 3.**

### CLERGY & STAFF

**The Rev'd Dr. Andy Anderson**  
Rector

**The Rev'd Rusty McCown**  
Associate

**The Rev'd Mary Groff**  
Associate for Pastoral Care

**The Rev'd Jeannie Robison**  
Deacon

**Suzanne Purtee**  
Organist/Choirmaster

**Lane Tutt**

Adult Christian Formation

**William Blackerby**

Coordinator of Youth Ministry

**Barbara Bonner**

Children's Formation

**Cassie Chenoweth**

Assistant Children's Formation

**Audrey Clayton**

Nursery Coordinator

**John Buyse**

Property Manager

**Al Ford**

Sexton

**Sally Stockton**

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**Beverly Franklin**

Bookkeeper/Business Mgr

**Connie Gadowski**

Worship & Ministry Assistant

**Carol Ann Reagh**

Assistant to the Rector

**Cheryl Watts**

Communications Assistant

**Prentice White**

Verger/Wedding Coordinator

### WARDENS' COUNCIL

**Lou Durnya** Sr Warden

**Frederick Lanier** Jr Warden

**Michele Hunter** Clerk

**Brenda Chynoweth** Treasurer

**Robert Mullins** Finance Chair

**Mike Innes** Nativity Trust

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

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### JOIN THE BISHOP FOR DINNER ON FEBRUARY 5 AT 5:30 P.M.



*Bishop Sloan will share his vision for Bethany Village at Camp McDowell*

Make your reservations now to attend this festive evening with the Bishop to hear more about Bethany Village at Camp McDowell and to kick off Nativity's Bethany Village Campaign. Dinner beginning at 5:30 p.m., child care available. Programs for children. Youth invited to hear Bishop Sloan. To make reservations for dinner and childcare call the parish office at 256-533-2455.

### The Young Adult Service Corps

is a year long mission opportunity for those in their 20's. If you are interested in exploring this opportunity offered by the Episcopal Church click on this link <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/page/young-adult-service-corps>.

### 2014 ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION FORM

To dedicate Altar flowers for 2014, please complete this form and mail with your check (\$40 or \$20 for shared dedications) made payable to *Nativity Flower Guild* to: Andrea Vandervoort, 434 Locust Ave. Huntsville, AL 35801. If you have questions, you may call Andrea at 539-2673. Current available dates are: Feb. 2, 16, 23. March 23, 16. April 6, 13.

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 - underline or circle 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: \_\_\_\_\_