

THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

April 15, 2015



CHURCH
OF THE
NATIVITY,
EPISCOPAL

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Worship Schedule

(* Nursery available)

SUNDAY

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

Our Mission

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.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is Risen! An Easter Message From Our Bishops

By Bishops Sloan & Marray

The resurrection joy is the gift to the world of new life, life conquers death and that the love of God is freely gifted to us in a spirit of renewed hope and optimism. Easter comes after the forty day Lenten observance and Holy Week which mark a period of fasting, contrition and penance; the witness to despair, injustice, abuse of power, travesty of justice and the condemnation of an innocent man, God's incarnate son Jesus Christ. The profound message to the world and its people is that out of darkness comes light and out of death emerges life abundantly.

The message of Easter is that Jesus identifies with suffering of every kind experienced and by embracing them is able to transform our life of poverty and pain into the triumph of glorious resurrection. Out of suffering emerge new hope, life, joy and deeper levels of maturity. Easter calls for a change of heart, a turning to God which concomitantly demands a change in ways of thinking and behaviour toward each other. Redemption is all about the birthing of transformation, reformation and conversion; of learning to live in love even with those we vehemently disagree with in matters of life and faith. It is a call that is still being made to us even today.

We are also reminded that fear and uncertainty of death should not overwhelm us; Jesus wins the victory over the grave. Easter is a visible reminder that when we allow the Spirit the opportunity to breathe through the cracks of our broken lives how much we can enjoy healing, restoration, reconciliation and new reasons to live again and prosper both as individuals and community of faith.

Additionally, the message of Easter to Christians and indeed the entire human race is that our faith makes demands. Ours isn't an easy option as we reach out to society more directly and immediately and to individuals who we may not ordinarily chose to engage. Despite the evidence of secularisation and materialism, it is absolutely clear that there remains in the heart of each individual a space which the risen Lord and Saviour can fill. Easter, once again, calls to mind this obvious truth as revealed in Scripture.

Each one is precious in the sight of the loving Father; each has a dignity and a destiny from God which can never be denied or ignored. We have to respect this inner worth and absolute value and do so by helping to reform the structures which perpetuate any form of injustice and vice that inhibits positive human development. The light of Easter should be felt in every corner where any semblance of darkness is found.

Also, let each of us rise with Christ this Easter in doing so release ourselves from the stone that is rolled in front of the tomb, the tomb of our heart creating that space which only God in Christ can truly fill.

Happy Easter to the Episcopal family of the Diocese of Alabama and everyone else!!!!

Children's Corner

Save the dates:

Wednesdays:

4:30 St. Cecilia's Choir (2nd grade and older)

4:45 Cherub Choir (Pre-K - 1st Grade)

Sundays:

during 8:45 service: Children's Chapel

10:00am

Age 3 thru Kindergarten - Godly Play

1st-3rd grade - Workshop Rotation: Heifer Int'l

4th grade: Telling God's Story

5th & 6th grade: Club 56

Apr 17-19 - Family Parish Weekend at Camp McDowell

Apr 29 - Family spaghetti supper with all ages activity

May 3 - 10:00am, Heifer Market

May 10 - 8:45am Youth and Children Sunday

10:00am - End of Church School year celebration

May 17 - Bishop's visit

July 14-16 - VBS!!

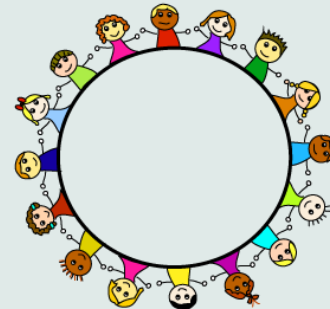
Camp McDowell Summer registration now open

<http://campmcdowell.dioala.org>

Contact: Barbara Bonner: bbonner@nativity-hsv.org

Mite Boxes:

This Lenten season, the children collected \$110.15 in their Mite Boxes for the Episcopal Relief and Development fund.



EYC Church of the Nativity

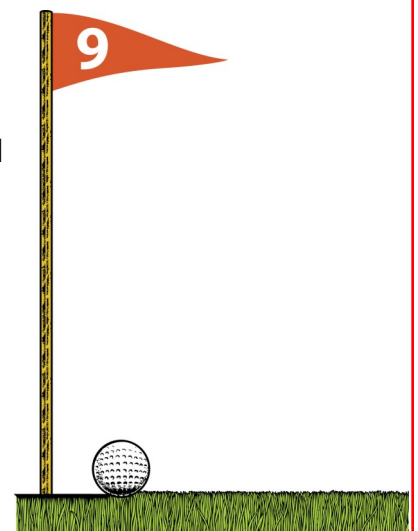
Youth Notes!

Upcoming Youth Events

No EYC this Sunday, April 19th - See you at Parish Family Weekend!

The 2nd Annual Putt-Putt Masters is Sunday, April 26th at 3:30pm at Southern Adventures. This year, our friends from First Presbyterian will be part of the fun! We'll play putt-putt until 5:30 and then head back downtown to have dinner at First Presbyterian. We should be done no later than 6:30pm. Wear a silly golf outfit and come to compete for the esteemed Putt-Putt Masters Green Jacket!

Contact: William Blackerby wblackerby@nativity-hsv.org



HEIFER MARKET 2015

Sunday, May 3
10 am



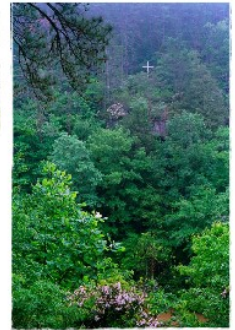
When you make a donation to Heifer Project International, you help bring hope, dignity and self-reliance to families and communities world wide. Come learn more about how together we can help overcome poverty.

There will be animals to pet and hand made crafts to purchase and our littlest volunteers to tell you more!



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MAY
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Episcopal Diocese of Alabama Young Adults Retreat

Camp McDowell
May 1 - 3, 2015

Ages 23 and up
\$55 per person

Applications available online at
<https://secure-q.net/EventQ/Event/Info?OrgID=dioala&EventID=1527>

For more information contact
Austin Cook at (334) 207-4505
or austinkendrickcook@gmail.com
or visit the diocesan website

Applications due April 20th

Sabbath: To Rest or Resist

May 1 - 3, 2015
Program by Rev. Sharon Hiers

Join us for a spiritual weekend retreat at Camp McDowell for young adults ages 23 and up. This weekend, we will explore what sabbath means to us and practice how we might find this call to observe a day of rest in a society that demands our productivity. Somewhere between "God rested on the seventh day" and "could you not wait one hour?" we will explore how we might incorporate Sabbath living in our daily lives.

We will also have lots of free time on Saturday to hike, canoe and relax in the great outdoors. The event will begin Friday evening at 8pm and will end Sunday after lunch. Participants are also welcome to come up Saturday during the day for \$20 (includes meals, programs, & activities).

Family Spaghetti Night

Wednesday, April 29, 5:30pm - 7:00pm (Ridley Hall)

Dinner is at 5:30pm with an all-ages program following (about 6:10pm)



\$5.00 per person, \$20.00 family maximum.

Nursery is available for little ones 4 and under if they'd prefer a different activity. (parent's discretion)

As always, dinner reservations appreciated but not required. Nursery reservations are required.

Contact: Church office (256.533.2455)
abaxter@nativity-hsv.org

Nativity Parish Family Weekend April 17 - 19



For those attending, final instruction emails have been sent. In case you did not receive these messages, you can click the items below or get the message from the [Parish Weekend at Camp McDowell](#) website page.

[Welcome letter](#)

[What to bring checklist](#)

[Agenda](#)

I WILL BLESS YOU AND YOU WILL BE A BLESSING

A Resource for Blessing Same-Gender Relationships

5 SESSION STUDY COURSE CONTINUES THROUGH WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 6:00pm. IN RIDLEY HALL

The Rector and Wardens will also conduct a parish forum on same-gender relationship blessings on Sunday, April 19, at 10:00am in Ridley Hall

The Episcopal Church's resource exploring how the church has discerned missionally, theologically, and scripturally to move forward with same-gender, faith rooted, life-long, monogamous commitments, *I Will Bless You And You Will Be A Blessing*, has been available on our website for a few months now. These materials contain a Five (5) session study guide to help individuals and parishes understand why the church and our Bishop Kee Sloan believe we should offer these blessings. Bishop Sloan's policy on offering blessings asks that vestries explore the materials first, and that they be available to the parish membership at large, preferably offering the 5 sessions in a class. The Nativity Vestry has been studying the materials and we are making them available to anyone in the parish who would like to engage the materials in an interactive class.

Beginning Wednesday, April 8, at 6:00pm in Ridley Hall, we will offer the study sessions over 5 Wednesday evenings. The schedule follows:

April 8: History: *Reviewing the history of The Episcopal Church's decisions regarding same-sex relationships and reflecting on the current context*

April 15: Theology and the Bible: *Examining our understanding of God's blessing through the lens of theology and scripture*

April 22: Liturgy: *Discussing liturgy and the liturgical resources developed for the blessing of same-gender relationships*

April 29: Study Session does not meet this week.
Attend Nativity's monthly Family Night Dinner and Heifer Market program

May 6: Civil and Canon Law: *Exploring legal, canonical, and spiritual issues that arise as the Church considers blessing same-gender couples*

May 13: Mission: *Exploring the blessing of same-gender relationships as part of the Church's mission and God's reconciling work in the world*

PLEASE DOWNLOAD AND REVIEW THE 98 PAGE RESOURCE PRIOR TO ATTENDING THE CLASS. CLICK [HERE](#) FOR THE MATERIALS.

Ensuring Nativity's Legacy

Did you know there are two great ways to help preserve Nativity's heritage for future generations?

If your passion is outreach, give to the
Nativity Trust

If your interest is historic preservation, give to the
Nativity Historic Trust

For more information about planned giving, visit the Planned Giving page on our website

(nativity-hsv.org/giving/planned_giving)

or contact Frederick Lanier: (256.890.9055)

flanier@jsmithlanier.com.

FINAL push for Stewardship !

Please send in your pledge if you have not
done so already

as the Vestry will be approving the final
budget at their April 21st meeting.

To make it easy, you may simply email Beverly
Franklin at

bfranklin@nativity-hsv.org.

Outreach in Action

May is 'May I Help You?' Month

Since 2010, Nativity has designated May as "May I help you?" for Outreach, by providing opportunities for the Parish to make direct contributions.

We began by collecting Canned food for the Huntsville Assistance Program (HAP - see below), and over the years have collected for: Tornado Relief, ERD Disaster Assistance, Sawyerville, Camp McDowell, Russel Erskine, and Oscar Mason.

This will be our 3rd Stop Hunger Now Event and 5th Sawyerville Collection. The HAP shoe Drive and Heifer Market (in MAY) are new this year. Below is a detailed list of opportunities for you to participate:

HAP Shoe drive: - Begins THIS Sunday through Sunday May 10th. Bins are on the Stage in Ridley Hall.

May 3rd: Heifer Market

May 9th: Stop Hunger Now - 20K meal packaging event joint with St. Thomas Click on the link below to view information and "pre-register" for the desired shift to work. ANYONE can just show up, but it will be smoother if they pre-register.

https://stophungernow.secure.force.com/events/SA_EVENTS_Home?id=701700000000lfV1AAI

Sawyerville: Bins are on the stage in Ridley Hall . We are asked to collect 25 boy's swimsuits (size large).



HAP Needs for April

Items needed — Canned meat (small hams would be great), canned peas and beans, canned fruit, rice, dried beans.

Thanks for all your support!

Cookies for Kairos

April 23-26



God's Special Time

It's time for more cookies.... Michael Shipley will be serving on staff for Kairos #59 at Limestone Correctional We serve the men in white over 1,200 dozen cookies over the weekend. All cookies should be homemade and prayed over.

One dozen cookies per one gallon zip lock bag, THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. Nuts are fine although no fruit or sugar toppings. Other than that, most all cookies are welcome. Cookie guidelines, and some recipe ideas, are available by clicking [here](#) or at the front desk of the church office.

All cookies will be picked up at the church office on Thursday April 23 by 11:00am. Thank you for helping with this very special ministry.

Contact: MichaelLShipley@aol.com

RenewalWorks™

A Ministry of Forward Movement

The RenewalWorks parish survey results are available by clicking [here](#) or on our website (nativity-hsv.org) under the 'Parish Life' tab and selecting Renewal Works 2015

Parish Financial Report - Period Ending 3/31/2015

	CURRENT MONTH	BUDGET for PERIOD	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD
Pledges Received	107,021.62	102,833.33	326,300.96	308,500.03
Plate	7,576.50	7,500.00	26,626.50	22,500.00
Other Revenues	12,628.74	10,090.01	17,695.05	30,269.91
TOTAL	127,226.86	120,423.34	370,622.51	361,269.94
Diocesan, School of Theology, & Outreach	16,241.45	21,636.67	49,713.94	64,909.97
Personnel	69,111.51	71,083.33	217,578.21	213,250.03
Other Expenses	12,180.56	27,695.85	72,085.65	83,087.35
TOTAL	97,533.52	120,415.85	339,377.80	361,247.35
NET \$	29,693.34	\$ 7.49	\$ 31,244.71	\$ 22.59

Copies of financial records

and vestry minutes are available in the church office for members to review. Please contact Beverly Franklin or Amy Baxter to set up a time to review these documents.

Vestry meetings are open to the congregation. Vestry meetings are the **third Tuesday** of each month, beginning at 5:30pm

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Thanks to everyone who shared pictures either through our facebook group or sent them directly. Pictures, and videos, are always welcomed and appreciated.



Children's Agape meal and activity, Maundy Thursday



The beauty of the season



Easter Sunday service

Easter egg hunt



Stewardship of Creation - The Basics

Easy Tips for Living with Less Plastic

There are numerous things that anyone anywhere – including you – can do that will drastically reduce your plastic footprint on the environment and help live a healthier life! All it takes is a little awareness and initiative.

Avoid the worst common plastics

There is no need to be eating or drinking toxic plastic residues. As often as possible, purchase food items in glass containers. When glass is not an option, be an informed consumer, learn to identify the type of plastic a product is packaged in by looking at the recycling symbol molded on the item. The recycling symbol is a number from 1 to 7 surrounded by three chasing arrows forming a triangle. The three following plastics are very common, and are significantly harmful to living beings and the environment:



Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC #3): An extremely toxic plastic often containing multiple unsafe additives, including lead and phthalates. Still used for some toys, clear food and non-food packaging (e.g., cling wrap), some squeeze bottles, cooking oil and peanut butter jars.



Polystyrene (PS #6): Contains styrene, which is toxic to the brain, nervous system, and various organs. Used in Styrofoam containers, foam egg cartons, disposable cups and bowls, take-out food containers, plastic cutlery.



Polycarbonate (Other #7): Contains bisphenol A (BPA), which has been linked to numerous health problems. Used in some baby bottles (though increasingly banned in baby bottles by countries around the world), clear plastic “sippy” cups, sports water bottles, juice and ketchup containers, and in large water storage containers, and most metal food can liners. Please note that #7 is a catch-all category including any plastic resin that does not come within the first six categories.

Refuse plastic bags and bring your own reusable bags wherever you go – heck, while you're at it, make every effort to REFUSE all single-use disposable plastics

Plastic bags are often used for minutes only, before being discarded. And most plastic bags are not recycled, thus ending up in landfills – where they take hundreds of years to break down – or in the environment as toxic pollution.

There are now all kinds of reusable bags out there. Choose what works for you, and carry it with you in your pocket, coat, purse or car.

Avoid bottled water and bring your own reusable water bottle or mug with you when you go out

The realities of bottled water:

- 🌍 It is less regulated than tap water; usually it is simply filtered tap water; it is very expensive; and requires enormous resources to collect, bottle and ship it.
- 🌍 And, of course, it generally comes in a plastic bottle – usually polyethylene terephthalate (PET #4) – which contains the toxic metal antimony. Some argue that the amount of antimony in this plastic and the potential leaching from such bottles is negligible and harmless, but a precautionary approach is preferable.

Such bottles are intended for single use, so if they are reused or exposed to heat or cold, they will break down faster and leach more plastic residue.

Get a reusable stainless steel bottle or a glass bottle.

Use non-plastic containers for food – lunches, leftovers, freezing, storage, take-out, travelling...

There are now a variety of options to help you avoid using plastic for storing food...and avoid the polluting and leaching disposable take-out containers:

- 🌍 Stainless steel and glass containers – airtight and non-airtight – with stainless steel lids;
- 🌍 Layered tiffins – for carrying various items at once in separate layers (e.g., nuts, fruit, chips, humus, whatever you like)
- 🌍 Insulated stainless steel thermal containers – for hot meals on the go
- 🌍 Don't underestimate the easy utility of the ubiquitous mason jar or other glass jars /containers.

Here is a plug for using glass. It is generally completely inert (i.e., non-reactive and non-leaching) and is impermeable to liquids and gases and 100% recyclable. It is elegant and can be shaped and colored as desired in a non-toxic way. It does not absorb smells or flavors, is easy to clean, and can be produced inexpensively as the raw materials are plentiful and largely naturally-occurring.

One of the key reasons to love glass is because it is so safe.

Recycling Rate: Glass is generally 100% recyclable and can be recycled endlessly without losing its properties (quality, strength, functionality). Recycled glass is almost always an ingredient (even up to 90%) in new glass containers.



Next time: More Easy Tips for living out our Care for God's Creation by Living with Less Plastic



The 27th Annual Madison City, Huntsville City and Madison County Prayer Breakfast

will be held on Thursday May 7th at 7:00am in the North Hall of the Von Braun Center. Guest speaker this year will be the Right Reverend John McKee Sloan, since 2012 the 11th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama. Rev. Sloan previously served as Alabama's Bishop Suffragan after serving for 14 years as rector of Huntsville's St. Thomas' Episcopal Church. A graduate of Mississippi State University and the University of the South, Rev. Sloan is a noted speaker and author.

Madison County Chairman Dale Strong will serve as host of the event, co-hosted by the Huntsville and Madison Mayors. Kiwanis of Huntsville sponsors the Prayer Breakfast as a service project.

Special Music will be provided by the Blue Notes, five Huntsville Police Officers who sing a cappella gospel quartet style music. The group began singing in 2005 and has performed at over five hundred appearances, including a memorial service for the former Governor Guy Hunt.

Tickets are available at \$20 each. For more information, please contact [Lou Durnya at ldurn@aol.com](mailto:LouDurnya@ldurn@aol.com). Lou will get your tickets to you. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Nativity Concert Series Upcoming concerts

Saturday, May 9th ~ 5:00pm

"Faith and Hope", A journey through the years

Stacy Moon - Soprano

Ron Guthrie - Piano

River Skrenes - Trumpet

Friends of Music presents

Sunday, May 31st ~ 5:00pm

Nativity Choir ~ England Tour Concert

Nativity's Music Line: 256.533.2455 x216

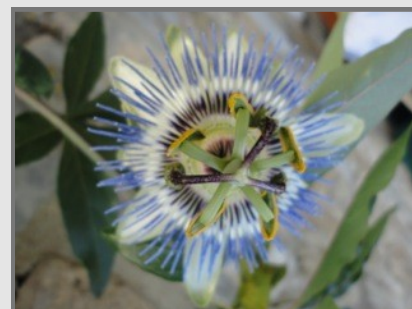
NATIVITY PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

"In the Steps of St. Francis and St. Clare"

IN THE WORKS FOR MAY/JUNE 2016

The early stages of developing a pilgrimage to Italy for May or June of 2016 are underway. This will be a 12-14 day pilgrimage, door to door (airport to airport!) going to Assisi and other hill towns in Umbria and Tuscany important to Francis and Clare's tradition including Gubbio, and the "high places" of Greccio (first live Nativity scene), the Eremo di Carceri, and La Verna (where Francis received the Stigmata). We will also visit Rome, and possibly Sienna and Florence. If you are interested in finding out more and being on the "info list" please email Amy Baxter

abaxter@nativity-hsv.org or call her at the church office, (256.533.2455)



the
Greene
Street
Market
at Nativity

**The Greene Street
Outdoor Market opens
Thursday May 7**

The 5th Season of the Greene Street Market begins Thursday, May 7th at 4:00pm.

There will be an opening ceremony at 4:00pm with Mayor Tommy Battle, Rev Mark Mueller of First Presbyterian Church and our own Father Andy Anderson to formally begin the season. Microwave Dave is playing and it will be lots of fun.

Come get your fresh, locally grown vegetables, delicious prepared foods, soaps, cheeses and art.

Please join us

The Greene Street Market Store is thrilled to announce that we have a new manager. Our own Vickie Hinton will take the reins of the store in May and we know she will be amazing !

Summer store hours are: M – F 10:30am – 2:30pm,
Thursday 4:00pm – 8:00pm
Sunday 9 :30am – 12:30pm

Come by the store and see what's new

The Greene Street Market is a Nativity outreach ministry

2015 Easter Flower Dedications

The flowers on the altar are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of (W.H.) Buster Pollard by his friends.

The flowers on the pulpit are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Martha Vandervoort by Andrea & Hal Vandervoort, the Luther family, the Schilleci family and the Tutt family.

The flowers in the Lady Chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Milo E. Shearer by Rose Anne Shearer.

The flowers on the cross outside are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of my parents Halley & Cecil Williams and my brother Wade Williams, by Rosemary Little.

The flowers on the wall sconces are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sara Landman Whitworth by Jerry Whitworth and Sherry & Charles Whitworth & Family.

The flowers on the front doors are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jephtha Edward Moody, Jr. by Emily & Jack Moody.

The flowers in the baptismal font are offered to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Tod, Melissa, Van, Will, Drew, David, Mary Margaret, Robert, and John by Connie & Rusty Stephenson.

The flowers on the Chapel altar are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Clyde O. Brittain, Judy Brittain Christian, Mr. & Mrs. Frank G. Cousins, and Camden B. Cobun by Marcia & Peter Cobun and Shirley Cobun.

The flowers in the church are offered to the glory of God and

In Loving Memory of:

Anne McMillan Steward by Elizabeth, Mike, Jackson, Caroline & Will Knight

Robert Sampson by his family

Mr. & Mrs. J. Olen Etheredge and Johanna & Hanns L. Billmayer by Hanns & Veneta Billmayer

Lillian Adair by Marty & Don Askins

Clarence & Mary Askins by Marty & Don Askins

Byrne Taylor by Judy & John Heacock

Martha Benzle by Curt Benzle & Wendy Wilson

Mary Wilson by Curt Benzle & Wendy Wilson

Homer B. Wilson, Jr. by Curt Benzle & Wendy Wilson

Emily & John Kuh and Alma & Houston Goodson by Elise & Bill Goodson

John H. Cotten Sr. - Our Loving Dad, by Marion & John Laszar

My mother, Patricia Martin Herod, by Sally C. Spencer

My father, Eugene L. Cox, by Sally C. Spencer

Wally Reynolds by his family

Mary Dorsey by Anna Lauren Brown & Tara Dorsey

Jack Little by Sara Little

In Thanksgiving for:

Our children Eleanor Smith & John Conway Gleason by Margaret & Jack Gleason

Our grandsons Jackson & Louis Pickett, by Judy & John Heacock

Steve & Nancy, Rusty & Anne Frances, Reese & Neely by Louise & Fred Applegate

In Celebration of:

The 91st birthday of Anne Paelian by Janis Miskelly and Nina & Alana Putt

INTERCESSION REQUESTS

We pray for those who are ill or recovering: Nancy Jane Hundley, Anna Post, Cecelia Duncan, Stephanie Sherman, Bob Hale, Aubrey Tycer, Ann Garnett, Gary Comfort, Bill Dilworth, Lorene Dilworth, Lynn Jones, Carla King, Nancy Colin Swenson, Eileen Sullivan, Leigh Wahl, Elsie Olsen

We pray for the departed:

Don Askins
Nancy Jean Sabol

We pray for those deployed/serving with the Military:

Afghanistan, Shelby Smith
Afghanistan, Denver Colin
US Navy, Jesse Teal

We give thanks for birthdays of our children:

4/16 Foster Fleming	4/16 Austill Baker	4/17 Ava Allen	4/18 Bradford Hall
4/18 Alex Ahearn	4/18 Mary Ellis Alison	4/18 Madelyn Alison	4/19 Luke McClendon
4/19 Fenway Goeke	4/22 Lily Cantey	4/22 Sellers Rawson	4/23 Clara Williams
4/27 Jackson Anglin	4/29 Brooks Whitehead	4/30 Thomas Aldag	5/1 Sydney Suggs
5/2 Rachel McCoy	5/3 Stella Albritton		

HABITAT HOUSE 2015

Construction continues

The revised schedule now has an early June completion date. This is been moved back from mid-May. There is plenty of meaningful work to be done for all skill levels.

We started our house the last week in February. It is a 5 bedroom biggie for a single parent and her five children; ages 1 -14. This year's home (on Cornerstone Circle) is in the same subdivision as last year's home.

If you want to help, come on by. Volunteers just need to show up. Although having some skill is helpful, it is not necessary; we train as we go. Working hours are 8:00am to 2:00pm Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays with a lunch break usually around 11:30am. Lunches are furnished on Saturdays by one of the participating churches. The revised schedule is in the next column.

For more information, contact Bill Giardini (256.698.5307).

DATES	TASKS
Apr., 14, 16, 18	Caulk interior openings, install wall insulation, finish vinyl siding
Apr. 21, 23, 25	Paint interior walls (Sheetrock by others)
Apr., 28, 30 May 2	Clean floors, Install vinyl floor tile, sheet vinyl,
May 5, 7, 9	Paint and install baseboard, interior doors and trim
May 12, 14, 16	Install cabinets, finish trim, touch-up walls
May 19, 21, 23	Install door hardware, Door stops, closet shelving, window blinds. (Plumbing and electrical fixtures by others)
May 26, 28, 30	Landscape, touch up paint, clean and wax floors, work punch list
June 2, 4, 6	Catch-up, no lunch

WORSHIP SCHEDULE May 2015						
SUNDAY, May 3, 5 th Sunday of Easter						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor	
7:45 am	Anderson	Anderson	Sue Johnson			
8:45 am	McCown	Anderson	Warren Vann, Lee Hicklen	Allen Daniels	Melissa Kirkindall	
11:00am	McCown	Anderson	Virginia Kobler, Sally Ann Culver	Pamela Briggs, Ted Briggs	Martha Joffrion	
WEDNESDAY, May 6, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM			
12 noon	Anderson		Marilyn Lands			
THURSDAY, May 7, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM			
6:00 pm	McCown		Don Lambert			
SUNDAY, May 10, 6 th Sunday of Easter						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor	
7:45 am	McCown	Youth	Ken Barnett			
8:45 am	McCrickard	Youth	Lewie Bates, Mike Ward	Meredith Walker	Club 56	
11:00am	Anderson	Youth	Rob Cozby, Marilyn Lands	Jordan Cozby,		
WEDNESDAY, May 13, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM			
12 noon	McCown		Cheryl Watts			
THURSDAY, May 14, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher				
6:00 pm	McCrickard		Virginia Kobler			
SUNDAY, May 17, 7 th Sunday of Easter – Confirmation & Bishop's Visit						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor	
8:00 am	TBD	TBD	Joan East,			
10:00am	Bishop	Bishop	Sally Ann Culver, Peter Coburn	Bankston Creech, Amy Creech	Lee Hicklen	
WEDNESDAY, May 20, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM			
12 noon	McCrickard	McCrickard	Joan East			
THURSDAY, May 21, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM			
6:00 pm	McCown					
SUNDAY, May 24, Pentecost						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor	
8:00 am	Anderson	McCown	Joan East,			
10:00am	Anderson	McCown	Robert Dunn,	Sandy Brown, Mike Brown		
WEDNESDAY, May 27, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM			
12 noon	Holland-Shuey					
THURSDAY, May 28, HE						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM			
6:00 pm	McCrickard					
SUNDAY, May 31, 1 st Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday						
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor	
8:00 am	McCown	McCrickard	Allen Daniels			
10:00am	Anderson	McCrickard	William Blackerby, Richard Spera	Camille Sommer, Ed Greene	Ronnie Rogers	
USHERS						
8:00/8:45	Bill Starnes, Hall Bryant, Allen Daniels, Andy Kelly, Pat Sampson, Clay Sherrill, Ward Wilson, Randy Dill					
10:00/11:00	John Lewis, Susan Thomas, Ernie Thomas					
ALTAR GUILD						
2	Laura Innes, Mary Johnson, Emily Moody, Rose Ann Shearer, Connie Stephenson					
9	Wanda, Cobb, Sara Little, Sue Johnson, Renee Elliott, *Sam Porter					
16	Louise Reynolds, Judy Vann, Ann Carter, Lea Ann Barrett					
23	Jewell Reynolds, Judy Vann, Jennie Coe, Judy Heacock					
30	Caffey Litkenhous, Nancy Colin, Sophia Rowe, Connie Stephenson					
CLERGY ON CALL SCHEDULE						
April 27 – May 3		May 4 – 10		May 11 – 17		May 18 – 24
McCown		Anderson		McCrickard		McCown
						Anderson

STEEPLE SCHEDULE

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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.

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The Paschal moon rises over Nativity.

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