

# THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

May 4, 2016



CHURCH  
OF THE  
NATIVITY,  
EPISCOPAL

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## Worship Schedule (\* Nursery available)

The Summer schedule  
begins May 15

### SUNDAY

7:45am Rite I  
Holy Eucharist  
(Bibb Chapel)

\*8:45am Rite II  
Holy Eucharist  
Children's Chapel

\*11:00am Rite II  
Holy Eucharist

### WEDNESDAY

Noon  
Holy Eucharist  
& Healing  
(Bibb Chapel)

### THURSDAY

6:00pm Rite II  
Holy Eucharist  
(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.*

## The Rogation Days: A Time to Hope and Anticipate God's Blessings

The Greene Street Market at Nativity opens Thursday! Our market connects our life and ministry to God's good creation, especially our dependence upon the fruits of the Earth which result from our labor and efforts at planting and harvesting. Our market also reminds us that God desires good, healthy food for all people, and so we embrace ministries of food justice and conservation. The Market is a hopeful ministry that we share with all Huntsville.

With our market, it's time we reclaim the Church's ancient observance of **Rogation Days**. Traditionally, these are the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before Ascension Day, the day the Greene Street Market opens and is blessed. These days of Christian observance originated in the fifth century as days of fasting and prayer to ward off natural disasters. In England they became associated with the blessing of the fields at planting time. The vicar "beat the bounds" of the parish, processing around the fields reciting psalms and the litany.

In the United States in the Episcopal Church's early days through the mid-nineteenth century (when farming became such a corporate industrial effort instead of people driven) Rogation Days have been associated with rural life, especially with agriculture and fishing.

"Rogation" comes from the Latin "rogare," which means "to ask." During the Rogation Days we ask God's mercy and blessings, particularly with regard to farming, gardening, and other agricultural pursuits. They are set aside to remind us how radically dependent we are upon the care of the Earth. It is easy for us modern urbanized and suburbanized people to forget that God is counting on us to be fellow stewards of creation for all.

A lovely symmetry of both nature and theology occurs on the Rogation Days. Seeking God's blessings upon the efforts of planting the fields in anticipation of a good growing season and a fruitful harvest is hopeful. Falling on the three days before Ascension Day, we claim a deeper hope of our Christian faith. When the God Incarnate ascended, we claim that in returning to the Godhead, Jesus, the Risen Lord of Life, takes our humanity into the fullness of God's Trinitarian life, and fills all creation through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Ten days from now, on the Feast of Pentecost on May 15 (when Bishop Sloan will visit Nativity to celebrate the Spirit's gifts with our 35 Youth and Adult Confirmants/Seekers) we celebrate the Spirit's renewing not only our lives but the face of the earth and all creation.

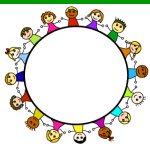
We won't be singing the Great Litany in Procession when we bless the Market on Thursday, but we will use our Episcopal Book of Common Prayer collects for the Rogation Days to shape our blessing upon the market, the growers and artisans, and all who share in the fruits of their labor. I will "beat the bounds" of the market, blessing all our vendors and guests!

Father Gregory Gibson, our guest preacher this past weekend celebrating the Diocese of Alabama's companion relationship with the Virgin Islands, told us they bless soil, seeds, plants, and growers on the Sunday before the Rogation Days. What a great way for us to embrace this aspect of our life and Christian hope as we continue to grow the Greene Street Market ministry in the years ahead (pun intended).

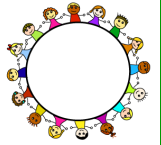
*Almighty God, Lord of heaven and earth: We humbly pray that your gracious providence may give and preserve to our use the harvests of the land and of the seas, and may prosper all who labor to gather them, that we, who are constantly receiving good things from your hand may always give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

(For Rogation Days 1. For fruitful Seasons, BCP page 258)

*Andy +*



## Children's Corner Children's Sunday Formation



### CAMP NATIVITY VBS Registration open!



#### **REGISTER HERE**

CAMP NATIVITY VBS is just a few short months away and registration is open! We have a terrific program of camp songs, crafts, campfire stories and games. Your children will not want to miss this time of fellowship and fun.

Grown-ups and teens are invited, too. Come be a cabin counselor or activity helper. Grown-ups can volunteer during registration.

Teens - register to volunteer [here](#).

VBS kicks-off Monday evening with a cook out/cabin check in. Join us for a hot dog supper from 5:30 to 6:30pm.

CAMP NATIVITY is free to every camper age 3 through rising 6th grade, including your camp t-shirt and the Monday night cook out.

Can't wait to see you at CAMP NATIVITY in July!

### Sunday School Teacher Recognition May 8

Please join us at the 8:45am service as we recognize our teachers this year. This Sunday will be the last meeting of children's Sunday school for this school year.

Contact: Mary Coe [mcoe@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:mcoe@nativity-hsv.org)

### Camp McDowell scholarships

for Children and Youth are available as part of the Ann Daly Reynolds Memorial Fund

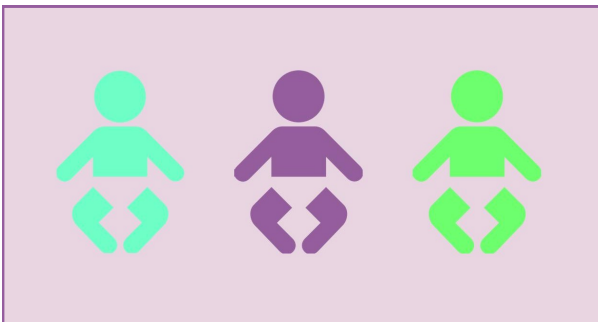
Please contact [Father Andy Anderson](#) for additional scholarship information

### Children's Formation May I Help You Diaper Drive

Remember how expensive diapers are and how many a baby needs? Let's help Foster Care Families of Madison County by collecting diapers!

We kicked off our drive with a "baby shower" during the May 1st Sunday school.

Drop off in the nursery or children's Sunday school rooms during the month of May.





## Upcoming events and more!

### EYC Church of the Nativity

Sunday School teacher and Girls' Bible Study leader Rebecca Epps has put together a list of Bible verses to provide you with some encouragement as you encounter EOCs, APs, finals, and the rest of the end of the year's alphabet soup. [Click here to download.](#)

**Laser Tag: Redux** Sunday, May 15th -- last EYC of the 2015-2016 school year!

Meet at Nativity, 5:15pm - Return to Nativity, 8:00pm

Laser tag is back by popular demand! Come celebrate the end of school and the end of a great year of EYC with some laser tag! No cost to attend, dinner included.

To sign up, email William

**Rafting Trip 2016** Depart 1:00pm Friday, July 29th - Return 1:00pm Sunday, July 31st

Sign up today for the EYC's summer 2016 rafting trip! This year, we are headed to Asheville, NC for a two-night trip. We will be staying at the YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly, enjoying Friday night out in Asheville, rafting on the French Broad River Saturday morning, hiking in the Blue Ridge Mountains Saturday afternoon, cooking out Saturday evening, and heading home Sunday morning. [Sign up here!](#)

Contact: William Blackerby [wblackerby@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:wblackerby@nativity-hsv.org)

### Summer worship schedule begins May 15th

Please note the following schedule changes:

May 15 is the Bishop's visit.

The 8:00am service (Rite I with Holy Eucharist) will be in the Church instead of Bibb Chapel.

Youth and adult confirmands are to meet in Bibb Chapel at 9:00am

After the 10:00am service, there will be a reception with the Bishop to welcome the new members and confirmands in Ridley Hall.

Starting May 22, the Sunday worship schedule is as follows:

8:00am Holy Eucharist, Rite I, (Bibb Chapel)

10:00am Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Children's Chapel (Church)

After the service on May 22, there will be a Senior recognition reception in Ridley Hall.

Beginning May 29th

Following the 10:00am service, 'Lemonade in the Shade' begins (Church yard). This program is hosted by Nativity's Blue Apron Ministry.

## Greene Street Market 2016 opening & blessing Thursday, May 5th, 4:00pm

### Volunteers needed

Each Thursday from 2:00 - 4:00pm, volunteers help vendors unload their treasures and get everything in place. It is a fun group to work with and you get to know all the vendors. Come join us.

In addition to the regular market, Eustis Avenue between Greene Street and Franklin Street will be full of vendors each Thursday from 4:00 - 8:00pm this May through August.

If you can help, please email [greenestreetmarket@gmail.com](mailto:greenestreetmarket@gmail.com) or call 256 682 4429 (Marilyn Evans) 256 536 6494 (Mickey Ellis)

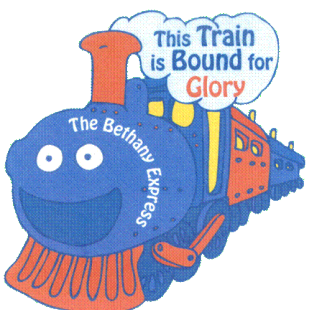
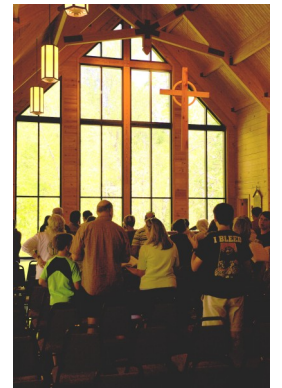
**The Greene Street Market  
and Store are a part of  
Nativity's Outreach  
Ministry**



# Nativity Parish Weekend 2016

## April 22-24

### Camp McDowell



## QUICK BITS

### Nativity Music

**Informational Chorister Meeting**, May 22nd following the 10:00am service in the Library. Current and prospective choir parents are invited to come ask questions and learn about our chorister program that will be starting back up in the fall.

Children ages 4-18 are invited to sing and participate in our chorister program.

**Save the date** - Sunday, June 5th, 5:00pm (Church) - Nativity Choir Spring Concert

Contact: Christian Crocker  
[ccrocker@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:ccrocker@nativity-hsv.org) (256.533.2455 x216)

### Monthly Men's Breakfast

Tuesday, May 10, *Suggested donation \$5*

6:30am Simple Eucharist, Bibb Chapel

7:00am Breakfast with guest speaker:

Sherman Dailey. former director of the Launch program, a program for providing at-risk youth with mentoring in preparation for the job market.



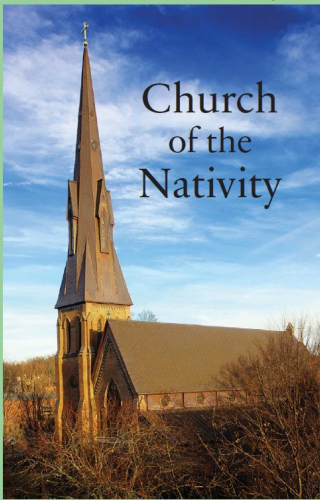
**Have you taken 'The Story' survey?**

Details on the back page



Your  
"The Story"  
Experience

2015 Guide Book and Directory



208 Eustis Avenue, SE • Huntsville, AL 35801  
(256) 533-2455 • [nativity-hsv.org](http://nativity-hsv.org)

### 2016 Green Book Updates

We are beginning our annual update of Nativity's Green Book. This is our member directory and guide to the ministries and yearly events.

Has your address, phone number, or email address changed in the last year?  
Have you dropped your landline?

If so, please let us know so we can update our records.

We have extra copies available to check your information.

#### Directory update information:

Connie Gadowski (256.533.2455)

[cgadowski@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:cgadowski@nativity-hsv.org)

#### Extra Green Books and advertising information:

Glenn Sommer (256.533.2455)

[gsommer@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:gsommer@nativity-hsv.org)

### Nativity Young Adults

Dinner & fellowship

Tuesday, May 10, 5:30pm

Location to be announced.

Contact Mother Bonnie McCrickard to RSVP:

[bmcrickard@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:bmcrickard@nativity-hsv.org) (256.533.2455 x207)

[Find us on facebook for more information!](#)

[Nativity Young Adults/Twentysonethings](#)

### Mission Guild

**Monday, May 16th. 10:00am, (Ridley Hall)**

Please join us for The Mission Guild's Annual White Elephant Auction and Salad Luncheon. Our speaker is Chad Tillman, Huntsville/Madison County Rescue Squad.

Hostesses are, Berta Hargett and Lois Dreher. Jimmy Lou Horton returns as Auctioneer.

Nativity Outreach Annual  
**"MAY I Help You?"**  
Ingathering



Huntsville Assistance  
Program  
**Food Items**

Collecting  
**100 Beach Towels**  
for Sawyerville



Collecting  
**Diapers & Wipes**



Collection bins in Ridley Hall (Towels & Food)

Diapers & Wipes in the Nursery or Sunday School rooms

Collection bins for beach towels and HAP will be available through Sunday June 5th

**May I help you?**



**canned fruit,  
any vegetables,  
spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles,  
1 lb bagged beans,  
1 lb bagged rice,  
canned meat (chicken, tuna, ham),  
boxed cereal,  
oatmeal,  
peanut butter, jelly.**

**Thanks for all your support!**

**Amy-Jill Levine presentations are online**

If you were unable to attend Dr. Levine's presentations at Nativity or would like to hear them again, they are available for listening from the [Sermons](#) page of our website.

**Saturday, April 16**

**9:30am** "Jesus in his Jewish Context: Piety, Practice, Prayer and Politics"

**11:00am** "The Bible and Sexuality"

**1:30pm** "How Jews and Christians Speak about the Middle East Differently"

**Sunday, April 17**

**10:00am** "How to Hear a Parable: The Laborers in the Vineyard."

## STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION

Now that the year's growing season is in full swing, it is time to think about the fruits and vegetables we feed our families and ourselves. Here is the recently released 2016 list of produce in the U.S. which has the highest levels of pesticides. Use this guide to decide which produce is healthier to buy and eat organically grown and when you can safely buy conventionally grown. Foods on this list are especially important for children or those with compromised immune systems.

For the first time, strawberries top the Dirty Dozen list; beating out apples which headed the list for several years.

Here is some information about strawberries from The Environmental Working Group, by Bill Walker, Investigations Editor, and Sonya Lunder, Senior Analyst:

Americans eat nearly eight pounds of fresh strawberries a year – and with them, dozens of pesticides, including chemicals that are banned in Europe, linked to cancer, or reproductive damage.

Strawberries tested by scientists at the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 2009 and 2014 bore an average of 5.75 different pesticides per sample, compared to 1.74 pesticides per sample for all other produce, according to a new EWG analysis.

USDA tests found that strawberries are the fresh produce items most likely to be contaminated with pesticide residues, even after they are picked, rinsed in the field and washed before eating.

If you want to avoid pesticides, EWG advises that you always buy organically grown berries. The same goes for the other Dirty Dozen™ foods.

Note: When possible, talk directly with farmers/growers, to find out the details on how their produce is grown. For example, locally grown hydroponically raised tomatoes available at the Greene Street Market - while not technically "organically grown" - are raised without the use of pesticides.

Remember this list to help make better choices when doing your grocery shopping – suggestion: take a picture of the list with your Smartphone and bring it up whenever needed

The 2016 Dirty Dozen (plus 2) list:



draxe.com/2016-dirty-dozen/

+ Hot Peppers + + Kale / Collard greens +

For more information about food along with other products and topics of importance to our health and well-being, see the Environmental Working Group (EWG) website. <http://www.ewg.org>

*CREATION - Let's Take Care of It  
The Lord God took the man and put  
him in the Garden of Eden  
to work it and take care of it.*

*Genesis 2:5*



## The 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Huntsville / Madison / Madison County Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2016 - 7:00 - 8:30am

Von Braun Center, North Hall

Guest Speaker

**JOHN F. CROYLE**

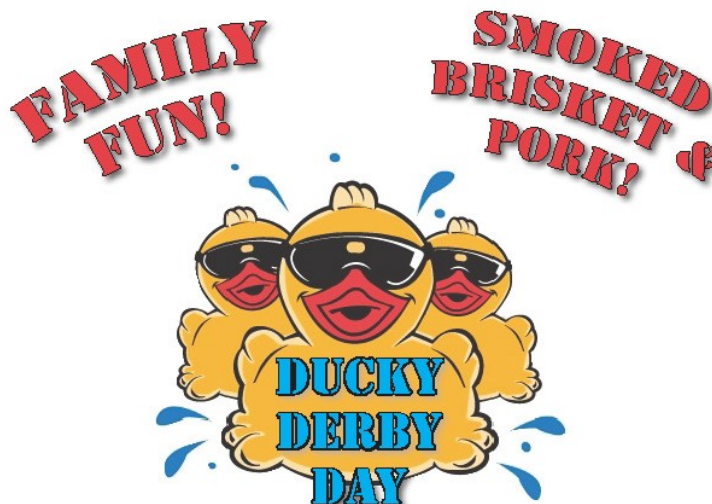
Founder - Big Oak Ranch and member of the  
1973 University of Alabama Football Team -  
National Champs

Special Music provided by the Calhoun Community  
College Chorale - directed by Grandville Oldham

Tickets are available at the door (\$20 each). For more  
information, please contact Lou Durnya at (256.883.5168).  
Church of the Nativity is also a sponsor for this event.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Presents



**SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016**

*Last minute duck adoptions begin at 10:00 am*

*Children's activities and duck races begin between 10:30 am and 1:30 pm*

*Bulk Bar-B-Que take out pickup begins at NOON*

*Adult evening activities begin at 4:30 pm; Dinner will be served around 6:00 pm*

12200 Bailey Cove Rd SE Huntsville, AL 35803

Proceeds from Ducky Derby Day support St. Thomas' Community Outreach Programs  
For more information contact Lorn Fields lseibert7@gmail.com Cooper Green coopergreen3@gmail.com  
(256) 880-0248

## Teepa Snow is Coming Back to the Rocket City! Thursday, June 30, 2016

Join Senior Helpers and Thrivent Financial as we welcome back  
nationally renowned dementia expert,  
Teepa Snow!

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**Session 1**

### "Coping with Challenging Behaviors"

**From 8AM-11:30AM**

\$35 for CEU Attendees | \$25 for Non CEU Attendees  
Before 6/27/16

\$40 for CEU Attendees | \$30 for Non CEU Attendees  
at the door day of the event

CEUs offered to: Nursing, Skilled Nursing  
Administrators, Assisted Living Administrators,  
Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists and  
Social Workers

To register for this event go to:

<https://www.regonline.com/huntsville2016am>

Breakfast will be provided!

**Session 2**

### "What Do I Do? I'm it and I'm All Alone!"

**From 1:30PM-4PM**

**Free of Charge**

This session is open to the public. It is beneficial  
to anyone who is providing support or care giving  
to a parent, spouse other family member or  
friend.

To register for this event E-mail:

[jyates@seniorhelpers.com](mailto:jyates@seniorhelpers.com)

or you may go to:

<https://www.regonline.com/huntsville2016pm>

Snacks and beverages will be provided!

**Both sessions will be held at**

**Holy Spirit Church  
in the Parish Life Center  
625 Airport Road SW  
Huntsville, AL 35802**

Any questions please call (256)650-2982

There will be raffle prizes  
at both sessions! You  
could also win a grand  
prize up to \$300 in value!

Teepa works closely with  
facilities and dementia service  
providers throughout the  
country to improve and  
optimize programs and services  
to people with dementia and  
their families. For more  
information on Teepa Snow visit  
her website  
[www.teepasnow.com](http://www.teepasnow.com)

"The disease might hide the person underneath but there's still a person in there who needs your love and attention" -Janie Calandriello



Looking for a great way to enjoy  
Camp McDowell this summer??

Diocesan Homecoming (June 10-12, 2016) is just about  
the best summer vacation opportunity around!  
Formerly known as "Camp Day", Diocesan  
Homecoming is the evolution of Family Camp - where  
old friends gather and new friends meet in God's  
Backyard to rest, play, worship, and ENJOY GOD's  
CREATION with others. It is open to all ages and we  
encourage you to bring your family and friends.  
Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

There will be lots of Camp Activities and lodging will be  
in the new Bethany Village for all to Enjoy! Activities will  
include the Ropes Course, swimming, boating, arts &  
crafts, a visit to Camp McDowell's farm and many more!

Register at

[http://secure-q.net/EventQ/Event/Info?  
OrgID=dioala&EventID=2556](http://secure-q.net/EventQ/Event/Info?OrgID=dioala&EventID=2556)

Or <http://www.campmcdowell.com>

Contact Georganne Perrine (205.358.9230)  
[gperrine@dioala.org](mailto:gperrine@dioala.org) with questions

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

### **We pray for those whom prayers have been requested:**

Mari Zimmerman, Claude Boykin, Anna Post, Martha Joffrion, Avery Tincher, Millie Byram, Jacob Brown, Claire Johnston, Paige Fague, Ralph Shuey, James Lydon, Leigh Wahl, Becky Sodikoff, Warren Vann, Dell Crawford, Ted Bledsoe, Marion Schroeder, Gloria Hyatt, Bill Rogers, Bob Ward, Bob Hale, Katherine White, Elsie Olsen

### **We pray for the departed:**

Carla King  
Fresnino Ramos, uncle of Fredric Gunnar

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

US Army, Guice Moore  
US Navy, Kenneth Vandervoort  
US Navy, Jesse Teal

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

5/6 Violet Gullion	5/7 Christopher Laney	5/10 Eleanor DeFiore	5/10 Evan Ellison
5/11 Julia Cote	5/12 Anna-Claire Stevens	5/13 Dylan Clardy	5/14 Zoe Maddox
5/14 Murphy Bohan	5/14 Madison Bohan	5/15 Liam Stafford	5/15 Lucy Baggette
5/15 Evans Alison			

## **Be The Change Alabama Project Update**

Members of the Be the Change Alabama Team continue to be involved with the Huntsville Inner City Learning Center and have many upcoming opportunities for involvement with this extraordinary community.

The Learning Center is gearing up for summer camp which begins on June 5 and has volunteer opportunities for tutors, drivers and for individuals and organizations to provide lunch and snacks (primarily fruit and other healthy treats).

### **Other ways you can support the Center are:**

- through our monthly toiletry and school supply drive coordinated by Cheryl Watts. The Center needs toiletry items including toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, shampoo, soap, combs, brushes, lotion and feminine hygiene products as well as laundry detergent and towels.
- School supplies needed include pencils, erasers, paper, glue sticks, construction paper, Kleenex, hand wipes and backpacks.
- Additional needs include bibles (NIV Jr) and children's books. These items can be dropped off at the Church office.

### **Huntsville Inner City Learning Center Current Needs:**

- People who enjoy manual labor and can help between mid-May and Summer Camp start date (June 5) to make repairs and spruce up the facility
- Tutors for afterschool program and summer camp
- Drivers for the summer camp program
- Women's Center: Need help with programs especially mentoring around healthy eating, cooking, shopping for fresh food and parenting. Also need sponsors for social programs like Mother's Day Dinner and Summer Picnic
- Chaperones for Field Trips
- Gift cards for gas to help with transportation costs
- Gardening. The kids want to learn more about plants and food and possibly begin selling their produce, at Greene Street Market or create their own market

*Please join us in this ground breaking volunteer effort to bring lasting, positive change to those who need it most in our community.*

Be the Change Alabama is a partnership with the Diocese of Alabama, Sewanee, The Episcopal Church, and the Leadership Development Initiative of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

For more information please contact Marilyn Lands [marilynlands@gmail.com](mailto:marilynlands@gmail.com) or Mother Bonnie McCrickard [bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org).

## Acolyte Schedule - May 2016

*We have a big service coming up this month on the 15<sup>th</sup>, when we celebrate Pentecost AND host the Bishop and all the confirmands! It's one of our "all hands on deck" services, so do let us know if you're scheduled but cannot attend—we will need to fill in right away. Thank you to those who step in to volunteer on Sundays, and we hope all will continue to do so!*

### Sunday, May 1

**8:45 A/M Sherrill**

C Windham Hunter, Meredith Walker  
T Ellie Walker, Clay Walker  
T Parker Sanders, Katherine Hunter  
S Cameron Pinson  
AS Sam Hartley

**11:00 A/M Ward**

C Jordan Cozby, Alexander Young  
T Mary Kate Brooks, Laura Kate Evans  
T Ella Jane Duncan, Luke Alison  
S John Sadler Evans  
AS Evans Alison

### Sunday, May 8

**8:45 A/M Putt**

C Franklin Aldag, Leighton Luther  
T Thomas Aldag, Tess Lambert  
T Evelyn Warren, Allie Starnes  
S Sidney Gunter  
AS Joshua Huskey

**11:00 A/M Nutt**

C Steuart Evans, Bankston Creech  
T Elizabeth Evans, Laura Kamelchuk  
T Mary Maddox Creech, Evan Ellison  
S Evan Ellison  
AS Riley Kamelchuk

### Sunday May 15 CONFIRMATION/PENTECOST \*\*\* NOTE SERVICE TIME!!

**8:00**

C Karsten Correale

**10:00 A/M Nutt, Nina Putt**

C Robert McCown, Gillianne Sharp

T Margaret Bryant, Paxton Whitney

T Alice Malone, Aboudonia, Dylan Chenoweth, Jack Benton Stockton

S Powell Stockton

AS David DiFranco

Thurifer: John Laney

Banners: Evans Bryant,

### Sunday May 22 *Continues Summer service schedule times*

**8:00**

C Ireland Braudaway

**10:00 A/M M Ward**

C Sims Windham

T Emery Windham, Sarah Whelden Hall, Bailey Morrison

S Margaret Foster

AS Evan Ward

### Sunday May 29

**8:00 Jackson Anglin**

**10:00 A/M Putt**

C Forrest Webber, Park Ellis

T Patrick Ahearn, Madelyn Alison

T Lucy Ellis, Mary Ellis Alison

S Chloe Parsons

AS Britt Webber



22 New BCP Prayer Books are needed for Nativity Lodge in Bethany Village at Camp McDowell

▶ \$25 per book

▶ Return this card along with your check to:

Prayer Books  
c/o Church of the Nativity  
208 Eustis Avenue SE  
Huntsville, AL 35801

▶ Checks made payable to:  
*Church of the Nativity*



Each Book of Common Prayer will have a bookplate placed on the inside cover with your personalized request:

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In \_\_\_\_\_ honor, loving memory, thanksgiving, celebration (circle one)

of \_\_\_\_\_

given by \_\_\_\_\_

#### Available Dedication Dates

June 12

August 28

November 27

July 10

September 25

December 4, 11, 18

#### 2016 ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION FORM

Please complete this form with your check (\$40 or \$20 for shared dedications) made payable to: *Nativity Flower Guild*

Mailing address: Andrea Vandervoort, 434 Locust Ave. Huntsville AL 35801

Date Desired \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Would you share a dedication? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please check the box next to the dedication you desire.

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: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION, If you have questions, you may call Andrea at 256.539.2673 **THANK YOU**

## STEEPLE SCHEDULE

*The Steeple* is published the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
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To submit events or articles, bring  
them to the church office or email:  
[gsommer@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:gsommer@nativity-hsv.org)

The deadline for the next issue is  
**Monday Noon, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

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Associate

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Associate

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Worship & Ministry Assistant

**Amy Baxter**  
Assistant to the Rector

**Glenn Sommer**  
Communications

**Prentice White**  
Verger/Wedding Coordinator

### WARDENS' COUNCIL

**Bill Starnes** - Senior Warden

**Allen Daniels** - Junior Warden

**Robert Dunn** - Finance Chair

**Brandon Smith** - Treasurer

**Margaret Devenish** - Clerk

**Brenda Chynoweth** - Adult Formation

**Beverly Farrington** -  
Long-Range Planning

### AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY

A member of the clergy is *always* on  
call. 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  
the main church phone 256.533.2455  
and follow the prompts to leave a  
message for a priest to respond.

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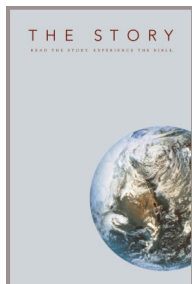
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## THE STORY at Nativity

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A New Beginning

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### Have you taken 'The Story' Survey?

If you participated in one of the adult classes of 'The Story', we need your help.

As we begin to turn our attention to Adult Christian Education for the fall we  
would like your feedback on a follow-up to The Story.

Please take five minutes to answer a few questions about your experience. Click  
or tap above to take the survey. Paper copies are also available in the church  
office lobby.

Thank you for your help and your involvement in Nativity's Christian Education!

***Finding your Story in God's Story***

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