

# THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

August 17, 2016

## 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.*



CHURCH  
OF THE  
NATIVITY,  
EPISCOPAL

Est. 1843

## Worship Schedule (\* Nursery available)

### **SUNDAY**

**8:00 Rite I**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**(Bibb Chapel)**

**\*10:00am Rite II**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**Children's Chapel**

### **WEDNESDAY**

**Noon**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**& Healing**  
**(Bibb Chapel)**

### **THURSDAY**

**6:00pm Rite II**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**(Bibb Chapel)**

## Journey to the Diaconate

God willing, I will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on October 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 am, at the Church of the Advent in Birmingham. It has been an exciting journey and I have enjoyed every step. I am ready to move into the next phase of work in God's kingdom.

My journey began many years ago, but I think I started listening to God's calling about 8-10 years ago on a mission trip to Honduras. There I met Deacon Dave Drachlis (from St. Thomas) who showed me I could work in God's service as an ordained person and still keep my day job (which I still really enjoy). I began having discussions with Father Andy 6-7 years ago and continued my exploration about the role of the deacon in the Episcopal Church. Deacon Mary Groff and Deacon Jeannie Robison were extremely helpful in my process of exploration and discernment.

The diocese sent a notice in 2013 that a new class of deacons was forming and with Father Andy and Father Rusty's help and encouragement, I decided to apply and begin the process.

I still wasn't sure what Peggy and I were getting into. We spent time discussing how this would affect our lives and with her blessing and encouragement I proceeded on.

One of the requirements was to spend time away from your home parish and to see God's work in a different environment. I was fortunate to spend my time at St. Stephens with Rev. Susan Sloan and Rev. Lynn Bullard. I was immediately welcomed and accepted by their whole congregation. My last Sunday there was a tearful event, and I will always be thankful for their love and support.

We had to meet with the bishops (Peggy says they asked her more questions than they asked me) and after meeting with the Commission on Ministry at a retreat at Camp McDowell, I was accepted as a postulant for Holy Orders.

We began training in August 2014 and spent two years learning exactly what a deacon in the Episcopal Church is and does. According to the Book of Common Prayer, the role of the deacon is to bring the concerns of the world to the church. We had classes in homelessness, hunger, addiction, racism and sustainability of creation while we were also learning about dogma, history, and liturgics. Now I have a much better understanding of my calling as a deacon.

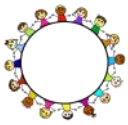
I have met with our vestry on several occasions (they had to approve me at each step in the process), and I have one more meeting with the Commission on Ministry before I can be ordained in October.

I am forever grateful to all the members of Nativity, the vestry, the staff, the clergy, my reunion group, my family and my beautiful wife for all their support, love and encouragement.

My hope is to minister to those in our area who need help preparing for the End of Life and working with the diocese to set up resources for other parishes.

I am looking forward to beginning this next phase of my life journey and hope you will be able to join Peggy and me in Birmingham October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Your servant in Christ,  
Bob Serio



## Children's Formation



Children's Formation Sunday School registration now open  
September 11th is back to Sunday School and regular schedule:

8.45 service with Children's Chapel,  
10.00 to 10.50 Sunday School,  
11.00 service.

Our theme for children's formation this year: Bible Mosaic.  
Each class will study the Bible in their own way, but all will have the same goal: learning about God's love for all of us.

This year's classes:

3 & 4 year olds—Godly Play  
Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> grade—Godly Play  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade—Godly Play  
3<sup>rd</sup> grade—Telling God's Story: The Kingdom of Heaven  
4<sup>th</sup> grade—Telling God's Story: Meeting Jesus  
5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade—Connect for Club 56



Register online at: [tiny.cc/nathsvSSRegister](https://tiny.cc/nathsvSSRegister)

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



Blessing of the Backpacks

## Nativity Annual Parish Picnic / Rally Day

Sunday, August 28th, following the 10:00 service

Food, Fun & Fellowship in the Church Yard

Wear your casual clothes to church and stay for the Picnic!

Please bring a SIDE DISH to share.

The Church will provide:

Meat      Dessert      Drinks

Paper products



## 2017 VESTRY NOMINATIONS

**The Nomination Deadline is  
Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**

### VESTRY NOMINATION PROPOSAL

[tiny.cc/nathsvVestry2017](http://tiny.cc/nathsvVestry2017)

Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (personal): \_\_\_\_\_

Work: \_\_\_\_\_

What strengths would this person bring to the Vestry:

In what Parish activities has this person participated?

Have you discussed this with the person; if elected, would he/she agree to serve on the Nativity Vestry? \_\_\_\_\_

Your signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your input on this candidate. The Nominations Committee meets regularly to consider all proposed nominees and to ensure representative leadership from the entire Parish.

## Centering Prayer, Pot-luck Dinner, and a Movie

**Tuesday, August 23, 5:30pm - Ridley Hall**

Please join our Centering Prayer group for the final movie in our annual summer series.

We start with a Centering Prayer sit, then serve dinner while watching the movie.

### The Mission



In the 18th century, a Jesuit missionary establishes a church in the hostile jungles of Brazil, but finds his work converting the indigenous Indians threatened by his superiors. Meanwhile, a slave hunter converts and joins the Father on his mission.

Afterwards, we have a brief discussion.

Bring a dish to share and join us for an evening of spiritual connection and sharing.

Please contact Brenda Chynoweth with any questions 256 464-9457

[brendacc@knology.net](mailto:brendacc@knology.net)



*On August 21<sup>st</sup>, we invite you to...*

### Take home a rooster!



The Nativity Cursillo Community is hosting a painting party benefitting Alabama Cursillo.

Whether you are a member of our Cursillo Community, thinking about attending a Cursillo weekend, or just want to get together with your Nativity family and have some fun, you are invited.

Everyone will have the opportunity to paint a rooster (the symbol of Cursillo) to take home and enjoy a fun afternoon of fellowship.

**TIME:** 3:00–5:30pm (Ridley Hall)

**COST:** \$30 per person

**RSVP:** Your payment holds your spot.

You can drop it by the church office or give a check to: Debbie Collette, Dottie Crawford, or Holly Ellis

**BRING:** Your favorite beverage,  
**invite your friends!**

### Huntsville Assistance Program (HAP) Items Needed



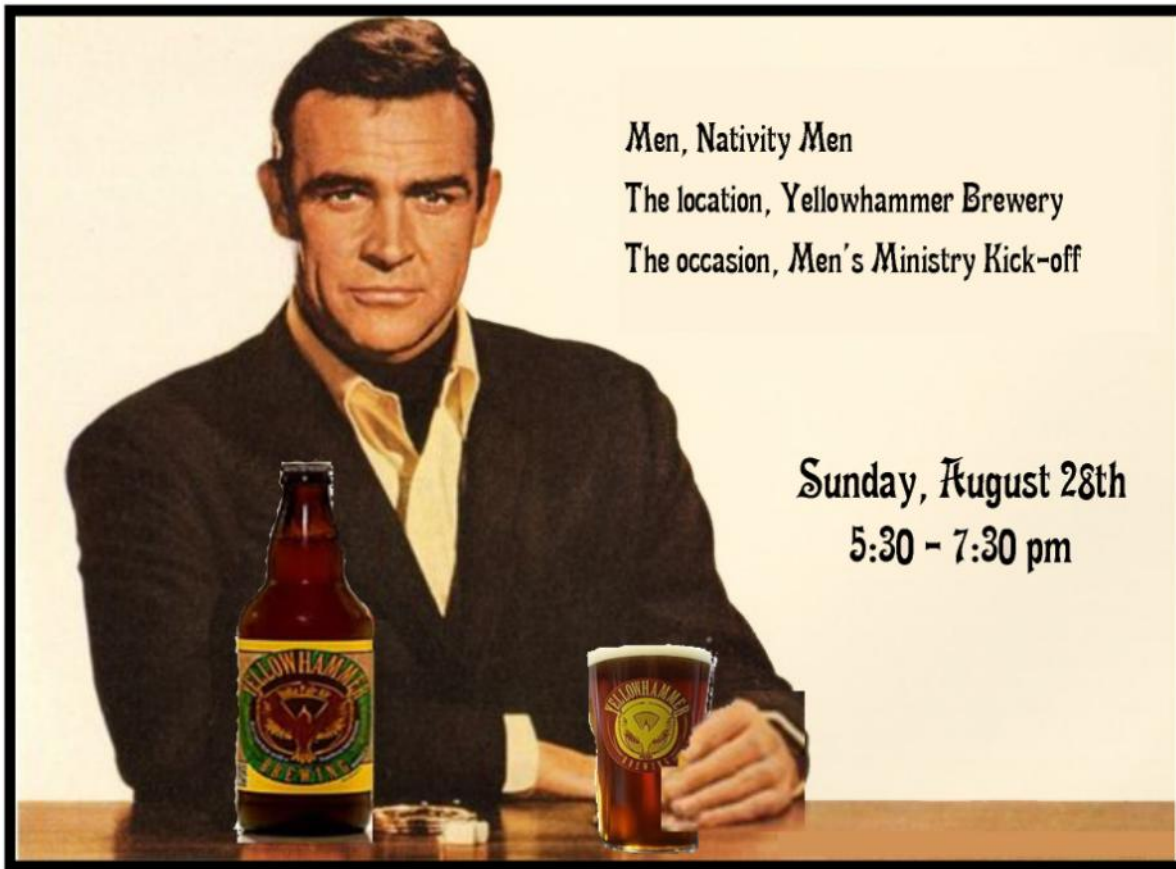
toilet paper

Cereal  
spaghetti sauce  
spaghetti noodles  
tuna  
canned hams  
vegetables

bar soap

**Thanks for all your support!**





Men, Nativity Men

The location, Yellowhammer Brewery

The occasion, Men's Ministry Kick-off

Sunday, August 28th

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Yellowhammer Brewery:  
2600 Clinton Ave W,  
Huntsville, 35805

Sponsored by The Church of the Nativity Men's Ministry Committee ~ for more information contact Fr. Rusty McCown

## Blossomwood Elementary Snack-Pack Program



Volunteer opportunities begin  
Wednesday, September 7th.

As we begin this wonderful ministry, we could use your help decorating and writing encouraging notes to put in the snack packs during September.

Cards can be picked up at the church office or in the Ridley Hall foyer. Any notes you write should be signed simply, "Your Nativity Neighbor."

Completed cards need to be returned by Sunday, September 11th. If you have already signed up to help with this ministry, **thank you**, we will be sending out volunteer times and opportunities through email next week to everyone on our mailing list! There is still time to participate!

Contact Mtr. Bonnie [bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org) for information on how to get involved.

Blossomwood is a partner with  
Nativity's Outreach Ministry



## Box Tops for Education

In our ongoing effort to support local elementary schools, we are collecting Box Tops for Education. Save and bring in box tops you collect between now and October 30th. Make sure they are unexpired!

To read more about Box Tops for Education you can go to [Box Tops for Education](http://BoxTopsforEducation.com) to find out which products qualify, how to download coupons for those products, and what these box tops look like!

A collection box will be located in the foyer of Ridley Hall. Bring them in when you get them. They will be organized for shipping several times during September and October.

Thank you for your support!

*Nativity Music Presents*  
*Jeffrey Dortch, Violin*  
*&*  
*Dr. Frank Contreras, Piano*  
*Thursday, August 18th - 7:30*  
*featuring works by:*  
*Beethoven, Rosza, Schumann*  
*and Franck*  
*~ Free Admission ~*  
 Church of the Nativity, Episcopal  
 208 Eustis Avenue SE ~ Huntsville, AL 35801  
 256-533-2455 ~ [nativity-hsv.org](http://nativity-hsv.org)

Organ Recital

Paul Thomas



Works by: Demessieux, Bach, Whitlock and Vierne

Friday, September 9th 2016  
 7:30pm

A Friends of Music Event

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY, EPISCOPAL ~ 208 EUSTIS AVENUE SE ~ HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA 35801

## Nativity Choir Rehearsals

Starting August 24<sup>th</sup>

**Nativity Choir** Rehearsals are  
 Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00pm All skill  
 levels are welcome!



**Chorister Rehearsals begin**  
**today Wednesday, August 17**

### **Cherub Choir:**

(age 4-1<sup>st</sup> grade) Wednesdays, 4:45-5:30pm,  
 led by Mrs. Barbara Bonner

**Junior Choristers:** (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) Wednesdays,  
 4:00-5:15pm, led by Mr. Christian Crocker

**Senior Choristers:** (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) Wednesdays,  
 4:45pm-6:00pm, led by Mr. Christian Crocker

For more information about our Nativity music  
 programs, please contact our Organist/  
 Choirmaster, Christian Crocker at  
[ccrocker@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:ccrocker@nativity-hsv.org) or 256.533.2455

Come and spend the  
 morning learning the  
 Spiritual Practice of  
 ACTIVE PRAYER.

Sue Miller will teach us on ACTIVE  
 PRAYER to enhance our daily life.

After lunch Pat Sampson will teach  
 us how to make prayer beads and  
 how to use them. There will be  
 beads available but please feel free  
 to BYOB (bring your own beads).

## DOK FALL RETREAT

September 10, 2016

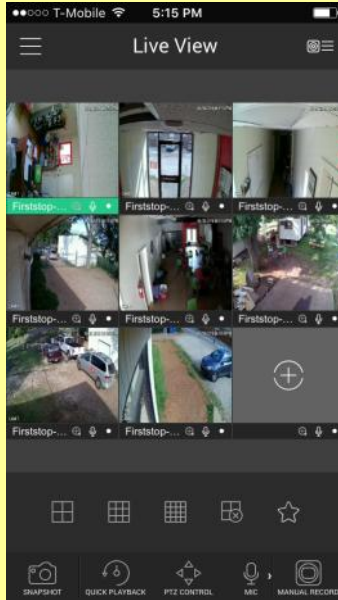
9:00am to 2:30pm  
 Library & Bibb Chapel at the  
 Church of the Nativity

Email: [msmbs@hughes.net](mailto:msmbs@hughes.net)  
 Phone: 256-773-0524  
 Please reply by Sept 3, 2016



## Outreach in Action

Thanks to funds from the Alabama Diocesan Episcopal Trust, Nativity's Outreach Ministry was able to purchase new kitchen cabinets and a security system for the First Stop Center.



## 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 bring you news of upcoming opportunities for involvement with this extraordinary community.



[hiclc.org](http://hiclc.org)



Summer Camp has officially ended. The kids had an amazing summer and participated in swimming, tennis, Zumba and arts and crafts. The kids and interns truly grew to love each other. One of the girls even let her intern pull out her tooth. Wow, that's trust! Each of the children learned all the books of the Bible, old and new testaments. The summer concluded with a trip to the beautiful beaches of Alabama.

Art Leslie, Program Director, stated "there is nothing like watching the faces of these children seeing a new world the first time - it was amazing."

The Learning Center is currently gearing up for the after-school program which begins September 6th and needs volunteers in a number of areas. Contact [Marilyn Lands](mailto:marilynlands@gmail.com) for the most current needs. Volunteer training sessions will be held on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday (Aug 22, 23, or 24) from 5:00-7:00pm.

The Huntsville Inner City Learning Center is located at 2450 Brahan Avenue, Huntsville, 35805. 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 at [marilynlands@gmail.com](mailto:marilynlands@gmail.com) or Mother Bonnie McCrickard at [bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org)

## Adult Sunday Classes

### Starting September 11th, 10:00am

#### What is the Preacher Talking About? A Lectionary-Based Bible Study

Each Sunday we hear various readings from the Bible. Taken from both the Old and New Testament we follow a pattern called the Common Revised Lectionary. While the readings may seem to be appointed randomly there is, typically, a common theme that runs throughout. We will look deeper into the readings chosen for that day to get a better understanding of what they meant for those hearing them long ago as well as the meaning for us today.

Fr. Rusty McCown and Paul Bonner  
Bibb Chapel

#### The Breakfast Club

Relax in a comfy setting with a cup of coffee, as we delve into the Bible, strengthen friendships, and experience helping others.

We will be studying 'PARABLES' referencing two books: *Kingdom, Grace, Judgment: Paradox, Outrage, and Vindication in the Parables of Jesus* by Robert Farrar Capon and *The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming* by Henri J. M. Nouwen.

Amy Creech & Emily Rodgers  
Joffrion Hall 2 West

#### The Social Justice Class

We will discuss the book, *We Make the Road by Walking: A Year-Long Quest for Spiritual Formation, Reorientation, and Activation* by Brian D. McLaren. Each short chapter takes key Bible passages as a reference point, providing brief analysis and ending with six discussion questions. The class is structured so anyone may drop in anytime. Reading prior to class is not required, though those wishing to do so may purchase the book. One Sunday each month we will have a guest speaker dedicated to issues relevant to our community.

Harvey Cotten, Melissa Kirkindall, Freya Neely, and Bill Starnes  
Banister room

#### The Book Class

Join us for a thoughtful discussion of topics in history, archeology, philosophy, literature, and religion. This year we are following-up Amy-Jill Levine's visit to Huntsville with a study of one of her more accessible books, *The Meaning of the Bible: What the Jewish Scriptures and Christian Old Testament Can Teach Us* by Douglas A. Knight and Amy-Jill Levine, discussing the Jewish world view underpinning the Bible

Weekly discussion leaders

Ridley Hall (Fall), TBD (Spring)

#### The Zimmerman Bible Study Class

We invite you to join the Zimmerman Bible Study, the oldest continuing class at Nativity, this fall. The class will be studying the letters of Paul, in the order that they were written. Our yearlong journey includes:

Galatians 1-6	1 Thessalonians 1-5
2 Thessalonians 1-3	1 Corinthians 1-16

We have an extraordinary core group that teaches, and plan to have guest teachers as well.

Gaines Watts, Virginia Kobler, and Elise Taylor

#### Art and Literature class

Leaders: Lynne Berry, Walter Thames, Jeannie Robison, and Matt Farr  
Ridley Hall - December 4, 11, 18

### Youth Sunday Classes

#### 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders and 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> high schoolers

Will be using the Seasons curriculum, which is based on our lectionary, the Scripture readings for Sunday worship.

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders will meet upstairs in Ridley  
High schoolers will meet in the EYC Loft

#### 9<sup>th</sup> graders

Who wish to be confirmed in May 2017 will meet in the small classroom on the second floor (Please Note: 9<sup>th</sup> graders not desiring confirmation at this time are welcome to attend the high school class in the EYC Loft)

## Weekday Bible Studies

### Starting Soon

#### **Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study**

August 31st through September 21st, 6:00–7:00pm,  
Joffrion Hall Library

A study of The Old Testament by Dr. Amy-Jill  
Levine. A good follow-up to her visit to Huntsville!

Leader: Mtr. Basye Holland-Shuey

Contact: Lane Tutt -256-653-7200

#### **Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

September through early May, 7:15am,  
Joffrion Hall Library

Contact: Fr. Andy Anderson, 256.533.2455

#### **The Good Book Women's Bible Study**

Wednesdays - September through early May,  
1:00-2:30pm, Joffrion Hall Library

Leaders: Marty Askins, Susan Morley.

Contact: Carole Sue Goodwin, 256.534.4477 for  
information or to register

## Reflections Bible Study

Class begins Thursday, September 8,  
9:30–11:00am, Joffrion Hall 2 East (J2E)

We will begin our year with *Entrusted*, a new six-  
week course on 2 Timothy by Beth Moore. . The  
participant workbook should be available  
September 1<sup>st</sup> and is available for pre-order from  
Amazon or Lifeway.

Class facilitators are: Connie Stephenson, Kim Hartley,  
Lisa Caprio, Shelly Whitney, and Debbie Collette.

Contact Debbie Collette, 256.830.2451 for information  
or to register.

### Ongoing

#### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Tuesday, 1:00-3:00pm, Joffrion Hall Library

No knitting or crocheting skills are necessary –  
we will teach you!

Contact: Gail Brown 256.880.1149

#### **Centering Prayer**

Tuesday – 5:30pm, Thursday – Noon, Bibb Chapel

Contact: Brenda Chynoweth, 256.464.9457

## Continue Your Spiritual Journey

*Monday evening classes are still available!*



EfM (Education for Ministry) is  
a four-year course offered at  
Nativity through the University  
of the South's School of  
Theology.

Participants study the Hebrew Bible, the New  
Testament, Church History, and Theology.  
Weekly meetings focus on developing  
theological reflection; a way of examining and  
understanding our beliefs and lives as  
Christians.

Tuition, including texts, is \$350 per year.  
Scholarships are available.

To enroll, contact Ron Hogan

[ronhuntsville@yahoo.com](mailto:ronhuntsville@yahoo.com) or

Ted Briggs [tedlbriggs@gmail.com](mailto:tedlbriggs@gmail.com)

for more information, click or tap the logo to  
visit [efm.sewanee.edu](http://efm.sewanee.edu).

## High-School Girls Bible Study

Starting Wednesday Sept. 14, 5:00pm, EYC Loft

Leaders: Rebecca Epps and assisted by Retta Bonner.

## Reminder – ACOLTYE TRAINING!

Sunday, August 21st *following*  
*the 10:00 service* (about 11:30)



**If you can't make it,**  
make-up session on  
**Monday, August 22nd**  
at 7:00pm. In the Church.

**Contact:** Dorrie Nutt 256.533.1128

[dorrie.nutt@gmail.com](mailto:dorrie.nutt@gmail.com)



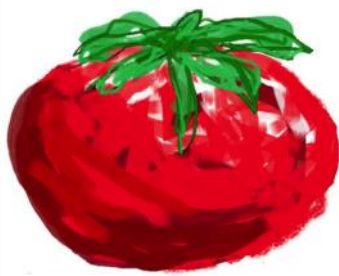


**TWICKENHAM Fest**

ALABAMA'S PREMIERE CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

August 26 - 28, 2016

Please visit [twickenhamfest.org](http://twickenhamfest.org) or call (256.469.1356) for festival information



the  
**Greene  
Street  
Market**  
at Nativity



**Starting September 1st**

**Time Change for the Open-air Market** 4:00 - 7:00pm

**The Greene Street Market Store**

Monday - Wednesday, Friday:

10:00am - 2:00pm

Thursday: 2:00 - 7:00pm



**Thursdays, through October 27<sup>th</sup>**

Docent-led Church of the Nativity tours

Open to everyone ~ 5:30 & 6:30pm

*Join us for a  
Celebration  
Of Our Ministry With*

**Bishop Santosh &  
Lynn Marray**

**Sunday August 28<sup>th</sup>**

3:30 Reception

5:00 Service

St. Mary's on the Highlands  
1910 12<sup>th</sup> Ave South  
Birmingham, AL 35205

*In honor of Bishop Marray's ministry with us, we invite you to give a monetary gift to help support the ministries and missions of the Diocese of Easton. Gifts should be sent to Carpenter House and made out to the Diocese of Alabama marked 'Bishop Marray Fund' or made on-line at [www.dioala.org](http://www.dioala.org)*

## KAIROS TRAINING

Anyone interested in prison ministry or attending a Kairos closing at Limestone Correctional Facility must attend a four-hour training session before you can enter the prison. Below are this year's classes:

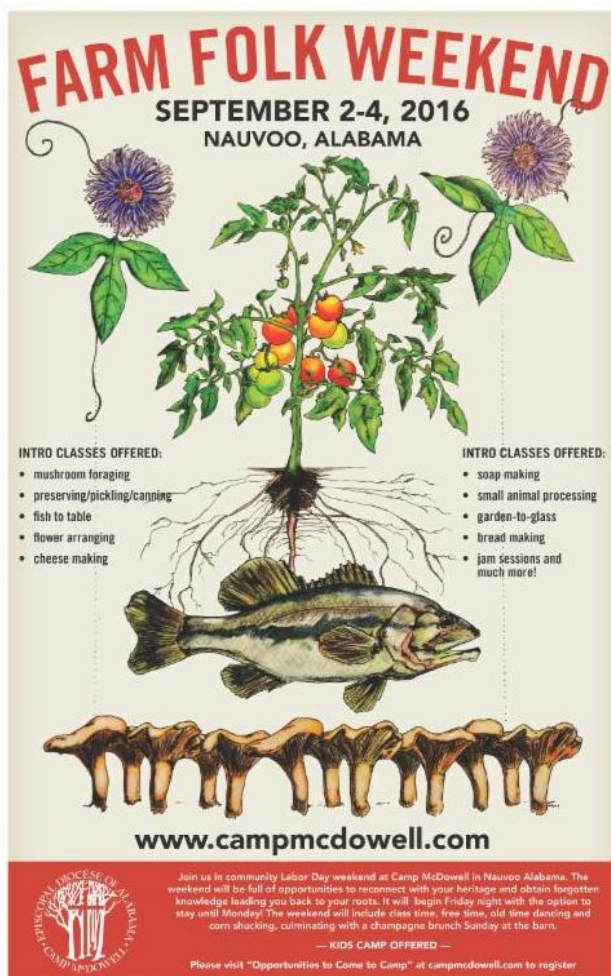


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| Aug 25       | First Seventh Day Adventist Church<br>Huntsville, AL |
| Sep 17       | Capshaw Baptist Church<br>Harvest, AL                |
| <b>Oct 1</b> | <b>Church of the Nativity<br/>Huntsville, AL</b>     |
| Nov 5        | Hartselle Church of Christ<br>Hartselle, AL          |
| Dec 3        | Bridge Builders Church International<br>Decatur, AL  |
| Jan 7        | Lindsey Lane Baptist<br>Athens, AL                   |

For additional details, please contact:

Michael Shipley [MichaelLShipley@aol.com](mailto:MichaelLShipley@aol.com)

256.520.8741



## New Grief Support Group!

"Life after Loss: A Journey to Healing."  
**Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 pm, Sept. 1– Oct. 8**

Brookdale Place - Jones Farm, First United Methodist Church, Hospice of North Alabama and Laughlin Service Funeral Home are pleased to announce this new six-week grief support group.

The facilitator will be The Rev. Carl Malm of The Center for Loss, Grief and Change. Reservations are requested but not required. It is open to the entire Huntsville community at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

**Location:**  
 Brookdale Place Jones Farm, Bamboo Room  
 2815 Carl T. Jones Dr. SE.

For more information or to make a reservation, please phone Brookdale Place (256 881-6111) or Rev. Malm at (256-883-6539)

### Parish Financial Report - Period Ending 7/31/2016

	CURRENT MONTH	BUDGET for PERIOD	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD
Pledges Received	107,919.75	103,610.56	683,323.42	736,942.23
Plate	6,703.48	7,083.33	45,416.90	49,583.35
Other Revenues	12,855.21	10,292.01	46,085.68	70,539.95
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>127,478.44</b>	<b>120,985.90</b>	<b>774,826.00</b>	<b>857,065.53</b>
Diocesan, School of Theology, & Outreach	22,285.31	24,864.82	149,796.77	177,178.16
Personnel	77,833.63	71,250.00	517,781.20	498,750.00
Other Expenses	18,138.48	24,942.54	145,762.94	180,797.09
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118,257.42</b>	<b>121,057.36</b>	<b>813,340.91</b>	<b>856,725.25</b>
<b>NET \$</b>	<b>9,221.02</b>	<b>\$ (71.46)</b>	<b>\$ (38,514.91)</b>	<b>\$ 340.28</b>

**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 in Joffrion Hall, 2nd Floor, East (J2E).

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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

Betty Anne Council, Jody Mowrer, Lee Coggins, Hubert Fowler, Paige Fague, Ron Cook, Dick Gragg, Kim Tycer, Rick Barnett, Betty Gerlach, Bob Adams, Claude Boykin, Fr. Dan McKee, Charlie Lyle, Bess Smith, David Reynolds, Claire Johnston, Leigh Wahl, Bob Ward, Bob Hale, Katherine White, Elsie Olsen

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

Margaret Smitherman, mother of David Smitherman

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

US Army Special Forces, Major Wes Williams

US Navy, Kenneth Vandervoort

US Navy, Jesse Teal

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

8/18	Warren Towry	8/19	Frances Fortner	8/19	Wren Guffey	8/22	Quintin Maddox
8/22	Alice Burson	8/23	Ford Whitfield	8/24	Lillianne Dollarhide	8/26	John Cowan
8/26	Elizabeth Evans	8/27	Atkins Connelly	8/27	Nathaniel Swillie	8/27	Alec Bonner
8/29	Lucy Ellis	8/29	Sam Hartley	8/30	Anna Abney	9/1	Caroline Baugher
9/2	Jane Havron	9/2	Emma Angelichio	9/3	Ashley Ortel	9/3	Courtney Ortel
9/3	Jed Rainey	9/5	Kylie Wilson	9/6	Patrick Ahearn		

The September Worship schedule is not included in today's Steeple.

It will be posted on our website (Quick Links, Schedules) when it is available and printed in the September 7<sup>th</sup> edition.

## **ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS**

### **Please print all information**

**Only three dates left for 2016! ~ December 4, 11, 18**

Date desired: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Would you share a dedication?    Yes            No

Do you wish to have your name listed in the bulletin?    Yes            No

Name for this altar flower dedication: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you have questions, you may call Andrea at (256) 539-2673.

(\$40 or \$20 for shared dedications)

Please make your check payable to:

***Nativity Flower Guild***

#### **Please check your desired dedication:**

- ☐ To the glory of God and...
- ☐ In loving memory of...
- ☐ In thanksgiving for...
- ☐ In celebration of...

Mail your form and check to:

Andrea Vandervoort  
434 Locust Ave  
Huntsville, AL 35801



## STEEPLE SCHEDULE

*The Steeple* is published the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday of each month.

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  
**9:00am Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

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### 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 phone 256.533.2455 to leave a message for a priest to respond.

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## Upcoming Events at a Glance

### August

24th Nativity choir rehearsals start ..... 7:00pm

28th Rally Day all Parish picnic ..... following the 10:00am service  
Men's Ministry social (off-site)..... 5:30pm

### September

Effective Thursday, September 1st

Greene Street Market Hours change..... 4:00-7:00pm

5th Labor Day Holiday, Church Office closed

9th FOM Concert ~ Paul Thomas, Organ..... 7:30pm

11th Regular Sunday Worship Schedule begins ... 7:45, \*8:45 & \*11:00am  
\*First day of Sunday School, all ages..... 10:00am

25th \*St. Francis Sunday/Blessing of the Pets ..... 8:45am  
No Children's Chapel

28th \*Family Spaghetti Dinner (Ridley Hall)..... 5:30pm  
Nursery reservations required

\*Nursery available

**August 17, 2016**