

THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

October 5, 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.

Growing Disciples through Stewardship

We had a joyful weekend celebrating Bob Serio's ordination to the Diaconate and beginning his diaconal service through Nativity's life and ministry. The joy we shared with Bob and his family is indicative of the joy we know at Nativity as all of us are generously responding to God's call in gratitude, love, and service. This response, simply put, is stewardship.

Stewardship is about discipleship. Stewardship is about your relationship with God. Stewardship is about intensely spiritual matters because it's at the heart of your relationship with Jesus. Two years ago, we began intentionally focusing on spiritual growth as disciples of Jesus through RenewalWorks. At the heart of this work is growing each of our relationships with God. We were all asked to assess where we are and where we hope to be.

The goal of our stewardship ministry at Nativity is to help you grow in your relationship with God in Christ Jesus through the use of the time, talents, and finances God has entrusted to you. God has blessed all of us with an abundance of gifts, so how will you be a steward, an investor and caretaker, of these blessings in God's love and service?

The Vestry is embracing new ideas for Stewardship as a vital aspect of our spiritual formation as disciples growing in relationship with God. We've talked about Stewardship as a "year-round" ministry for a long time now. But unfortunately, we've not directed too many ministry resources toward supporting year-round stewardship ministries. And so it seems to some folks that year-round stewardship is asking you over and over, from October to April, to get your pledge card in. And it then looks like stewardship is only about money. The aspect of stewardship that relates to our response through making a monetary pledge is called the Annual Campaign for God's Mission Through Nativity. And beginning this year, its public face will be for two months only, from October through November.

But stewardship is about much more. So what will year-round stewardship look like at Nativity? We will focus on many aspects of how we are stewards of our time, talent, and resources. In early winter, the season of Epiphany post-Christmas when we claim God inhabited human flesh, we will highlight matters of health and wellness. Lent will encourage simple living and legacy/planned giving for the future. Late Spring and Easter will bring attention to time and talent and the spiritual gifts God calls us to share. During the growing season of summer (when the Greene Street Market at Nativity is in its high season), we will focus on our being stewards of creation.

And then, during the Fall for two months only, our stewardship ministry will present the Annual Campaign. That will be when each one of us will be asked to assess where we are in our relationship with God and what kind of response this calls us to make with our financial resources. Finally, in Advent we will talk about our relationship with money and finances especially as the consummation so prevalent in the Christmas season bears down on us.

Growing as disciples of Jesus through well-rounded, year-round stewardship of all God's blessings we know abundantly, we live generously and joyfully. That is the Spirit's movement I'm seeing at Nativity as more and more people grow in their relationship with God. Generous, joyful discipleship and generous, joyful living offered freely for all!



CHURCH
OF THE
NATIVITY,
EPISCOPAL

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Stewardship is
year-round...
but our Annual
Campaign isn't!

Nativity's
Annual Campaign:
Now through
November 26th

LIVING
GENEROUSLY

Amy +



Children's Formation



BOOKS NOT BARS - Is sponsored by the Southern Poverty Law Center and Youth Justice Awareness Month. Youth who cannot make bail may spend up to three years in jail awaiting trial and receive little to no education during that time. Having books to read means the world to these kids. Current libraries are very limited and many books are incomplete or damaged.

Here's how you can help:

- Donate new or like new books.
- Collection bins in Ridley hall and children's Sunday school hall.
- Soft cover only.
- 3rd through 12th grade reading level
- Check out the Amazon wish list
<http://bit.do/booksnotbars>

More information here:

[facebook.com/SPLCAlabama/](https://www.facebook.com/SPLCAlabama/)
go to the [Nativity website](#)
email mcoe@nativity-hsv.org

COLLECTING BOOKS THROUGHOUT OCTOBER

BOOKS NOT BARS

YOUTH JUSTICE AWARENESS MONTH

PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL YOUTH JUSTICE AWARENESS MONTH BY DONATING BOOKS TO INCARCERATED YOUTH IN ALABAMA

Throughout the entire month of October, we are collecting new and gently used books for youth.

Books must be soft-cover and appropriate for kids with 3rd -12th grade reading levels.

DID YOU KNOW?

In Alabama, kids as young as 14 can be tried as adults and held in adult jails and prisons.

Despite their legal obligation to do so, few jails provide education to kids, making it even harder for them to reenter society.

Books help kids supplement their education and continue to grow and develop while they are incarcerated.

Check out <http://bit.do/joinAYJC> for more information and to get involved.

BOOK DROP-OFF

☞ For a complete list of drop-off locations visit [Facebook.com/SPLCAlabama](https://www.facebook.com/SPLCAlabama)

If you'd prefer to make a financial contribution, please visit our Amazon Wishlist at <http://bit.do/booksnotbars>

SPLC Southern Poverty Law Center

Save the Date!, Sunday October 30th

Trunk sign up: tiny.cc/nathsvTrunkorTreat

Volunteer to help, mcoe@nativity-hsv.org.

6th Annual Nativity & First Presbyterian Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 30

5.30 to 7.00

In the Greene Street Parking Lots
& FPC Fellowship Hall



Decorate your car trunk!

Wear your costume & collect candy!

Free Hot dog supper at FPC Fellowship Hall!

Activities & inflatable play!

Costume contest!

Have lots of fun!

Please donate candy! Collection bin in Ridley Hall

Volunteer your trunk or your time, mcoe@nativity-hsv.org

Don't miss out on a Scary Good Time!



It has truly been a glorious weekend for me and my family. I have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit abundantly in my life. I was overwhelmed by the support of this wonderful community we call the Church of the Nativity both in Birmingham at the Ordination and my first day as your new Deacon at Nativity with the beautiful reception.

I cannot thank each of you enough for your generosity and love. I thank God for all the blessings he has shared with me.

I look forward to working with you as we follow the example of Jesus to serve our neighbors.

I am very happy to be back home with my church family.

Your Brother with Christ,

Deacon Bob

Deacon Bob Serio



Youth Notes

Confirmation Retreat:

An overnight Confirmation retreat is scheduled for October 21-22 in Nashville. Deadline to sign-up for the retreat is

Oct 6th!

Youth Ski Trip:

Winterplace in Ghent, WV

(same as last year)

Depart Friday, Feb. 17; Return Monday, Feb. 20.

- Transportation to/from WV
- 3-night stay at Winterplace in one of their lodges
- lift tickets ~ equipment rental ~ meals.

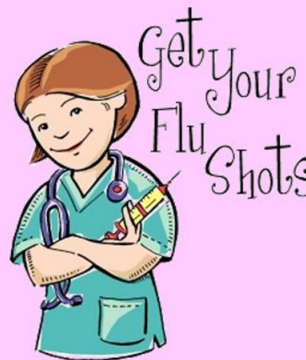
Non-refundable deposit: Due **Oct. 6th.**

\$70/person, Total cost: \$330/person.

Contact Mtr. Bonnie McCrickard

bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org

Mark Your Calendars !!!



Tuesday, October 18th
9:00 - 11:00am

Where:
Church of the Nativity
Banister Room

Cost:
\$30 Standard FLU Shot
\$60 High Dose FLU Shot

(Covered under Medicare & Medicaid)

Contact to Register:

Amy Baxter

256-533-2455 ext. 221

abaxter@nativity-hsv.org

If you are needing a Pneumonia Shot,
please contact: Mrs. Debbie Collette directly

(256-527-5050)

so she can order the one you need.

HAP Needs for October

Huntsville Assistance Program (HAP)



Items Needed

Dry beans (1 lb.) rice (1 lb.)
vegetables soup
tuna bar soap

and if anyone is feeling generous...
coffee!

Thanks for all your support!

Baptisms

The next baptism date at Nativity will be Sunday November 6, 2016. Anyone wishing to have children baptized on that date should contact Mother Bonnie no later than Monday, October 17th

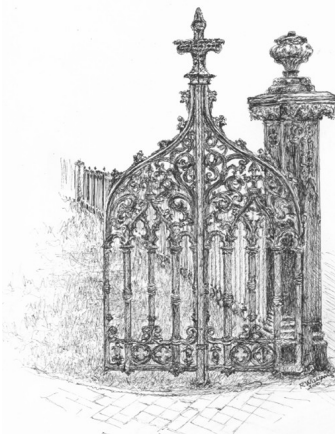
Contact: Mother Bonnie McCrickard
bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org (256.533.2455 x207)

Men's Breakfast Cooks



To start cooking or more information:
Fisher Hutchens 256.651.8341

ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL DEDICATIONS



All Saints' Sunday, November 6, 2016 is a splendid time to honor your loved ones by making a memorial gift in their honor.

Your gift supports the purchase of annual and perennial plantings, shrubbery, and trees that help make the garden and our church grounds one of Huntsville's most beloved spots for respite and contemplation.

Please make your donation by **Sunday, October 30th** to be included in the special All Saints' Sunday Memorial Service insert.

Checks should be payable to *Church of the Nativity with annotation, Memorial Garden Fund*. If you have questions, please contact Lane Tutt (256.533.2455) ltutt@nativity-hsv.org



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!

FALL 2016 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPEAKER SERIES

"RE-ENERGIZING THE CHURCH"

Join us for dinner and wonderful speakers presenting topics to stir your thoughts!

Oct. 12 – *What's ahead? How does the church go forward?*

The Rev. Henry Hudson – Priest Associate, St. Paul's Episcopal, Selma AL
(Former Church of the Nativity Associate)

Those of you who knew Henry, you will want to re-connect!
If have not met him, you are in for a wonderful presentation
from a thoughtful, insightful priest!

Oct. 19 – *How does our ministry of hospitality have greater impact?*

The Rev. Paul Pradat – Rector – St. Thomas Episcopal – Huntsville, AL

Oct. 26 – *How do we strengthen our interfaith relationships?*

Dr. Daniel Schenker – Recently retired UAH Professor of English

Dinner: 5:30pm - Speaker: 6:00pm

Dinner reservations appreciated Nursery reservations required

Dinner and nursery reservations email Connie Gadomski cgadomski@nativity-hsv.org

or call the Church Office (256.533.2455)

Sponsored by the Spiritual Development Ministry

What Are You Reading? Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus **Contributed by: Bill Starnes**

A Christmas gift from Christine, I have been reading through *Crazy Christians – A Call to Follow Jesus* – a collection of the Most Reverend Michael Curry's eleven addresses to the Diocese of North Carolina and his 2012 address to the 77th General Convention of the Episcopal Church. Each of the thirteen chapters looks at the issues challenging our church and our faith over the last 15 years.

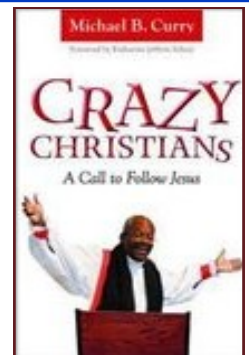
The title is drawn from his 2012 address to the General Convention. Examining Mark 3:19-21, where the crowd was saying of Jesus "He has gone out of his mind"; Bishop Curry persuasively moves through scripture and secular references as dissimilar as Harriet Beecher Stowe, Martin Luther King, and an old Apple computer commercial to reach his conclusion:

We need some Christians who are as crazy as the Lord. Crazy enough to love like Jesus, to give like Jesus, to forgive like Jesus, to do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with God—like Jesus. Crazy enough to dare to change the world from the nightmare it often is into something close to the dream that God dreams for it. And for those who would follow him, those who would be his disciples, those who would live as and be the people of the Way? It might come as a shock, but they are called to craziness.

A thin book at 140 pages, you may not finish it quickly. You can, because his wisdom and humor are as engaging and compelling on the page as they are from the pulpit; and will urge you along. But there are so many wonderful insights expressed so beautifully that I find myself wanting to linger over them, to turn them this way and that, to try to make sure I have one absorbed before I move on to the next. As the Most Reverend Dr. Katharine Jefferts Schori encourages in the Foreword, "Read and savor these chapters – read them aloud, even, for their cadences teach as much as the words on the page...filled with resonance that can connect you with the deep bones of your own story."

'What are you Reading?' is a book review column brought to you by Nativity's Spiritual Development Committee. Please let us know what you are reading by contacting:

Mary Johnson maryjohnson2@knology.net or Laura Malone lpmalonepi@gmail.com



Monthly Men's Breakfast

Tuesday, October 11th, *Suggested donation \$5*

6:30am Simple Eucharist, Bibb Chapel

7:00am Breakfast with guest speaker



The Mission Guild will meet on Monday October 17, 2016 at 10:00am, in the Library.

The speaker will be Ms. Lee Shaw, Business Development Director for Hospice Family Care. Her topic will be The Caring House.

The Caring House provides a safe place for youth ages 3 to 18 and their families to find

comfort after the death of a loved one and share their grief experience with others.

Carol McCrady and Ann Moses will provide refreshments. Please bring Bingo prizes for the Aquarius Club.

Bridge at Nativity Fridays, 1:00-3:00pm



Learning to play bridge is a great way to meet new friends. Our group is using a study guide written by Audrey Grant called *Bridge Basics, Introduction* as well as her books 2 and 3. We follow The American Standard rules and scoring guide. Join us!

Contact: Dottie Crawford (334-624-3388)
dotcrawford2@gmail.com.

All Saints' Sunday Choral Evensong

On November 6th at 5:00pm the Nativity Choir will sing a service of choral evensong for All Saints' Sunday. The service will feature music of Howells, Guest, Rose, Stanford and Lewis.

Contact Christian Crocker (256.533.2455 x216)
ccrocker@nativity-hsv.org

Acolyte Schedule - October 2016

October 9

8:45 A/M N Putt

C Leighton Luther, Katherine Hunter
T Thomas Aldag, Sam Hartley
T Patrick Ahearn, Alex Ahearn
S Sam Hartley
AS Huston Morring

11:00 A/M M Ward

C Molly Ward, Evan Ward
T Evans Bryant
T Betsy Bryant
S Evan Ward
AS Margaret Bryant

October 16

8:45 A/M C Sherrill

C Sims Windham, Cameron Pinson
T Will Pinson
T Charles Warren
S Emery Windham
AS Evelyn Warren

11:00 D Nutt

C Dylan Chenoweth, Forrest Webber
T Nannette Aboudonia
T Luke Alison
S Britt Webber
AS Gertrude Aboudonia

October 23

8:45 A/M N Putt

C Sidney Gunter, Margaret Foster
T Elizabeth Rainey, Alice Malone
T Anna Katherine Ayres, Cooper Gunter
S Sarah Whelden Hall
AS Alice Malone

11:00 C Sherrill

C Evan Ellison
T Phoebe Duncan
T Sadie Anglin*
S Ella Jane Duncan
AS Mary Maddox Creech*

October 30

8:45 A/M M Ward

C Ellie Walker, Bailey Morrison
T Clay Walker
T Catherine Hendricks*
S Joshua Huskey
AS Tess Lambert

11:00 D Nutt

C Jack Benton Stockton
T Madelyn Alison, Carter Watson
T Mary Ellis Alison, Laura Kamelchuk
S Riley Kamelchuk
AS Tess Lambert

Vestry Nomination Slate for 2017

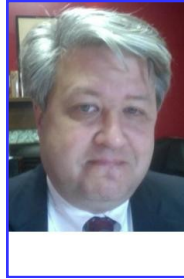
to be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting on November 13th, 10:00am



PAUL BONNER

Paul Bonner joined the Church of the Nativity with his family in the summer of 2012. He is a lifelong Episcopalian who grew up in Chattanooga, Tennessee, attended Sewanee, and worked for 30 years in education in Charlotte, NC. His time in the church has included work with youth, choir membership, teaching adult and youth Christian Formation classes, and two terms on vestry.

At The Nativity, Paul is currently teaching an Adult Formation class with Fr. Rusty on the Lectionary. His wife, Barbara, served as the Children's Education director at Nativity and currently works with the youngest choristers. He has 3 children; Arianna, Retta, and Alec.

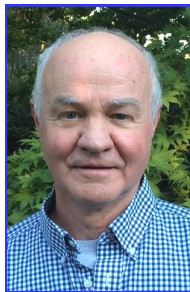


DONALD (DON) LAMBERT

Don was born in Huntsville, and baptized at First Baptist Church, but decided to become an Episcopalian after attending a single service at the Cathedral in Birmingham while in college.

He is married to Rose Mary, who is a kindergarten teacher at Highland Elementary, and has a daughter, Tess, who is an acolyte and is active in EYC. Don serves as a lector and LEM, and enjoys the high standards of music and liturgy at Nativity.

He is most likely to be found at the early service on Sunday. Don represents individuals with all kinds of issues in his law practice.



DON EVANS

Don Evans has been a Huntsville resident for over 50 years and a member of Nativity for about 25 years. He is a former Vestry member and served as Senior Warden. He is married to Marilyn Evans and they have three grown children; Wilson, Sarah and Alice.

Don practices Internal Medicine with The Huntsville Clinic and has participated in some of Nativity's mission trips to Honduras and Haiti. More recently, he has helped with the Greene Street Market.

His hobbies include golf, old-time fiddle tunes, and pontoon boat-based sunset watching.

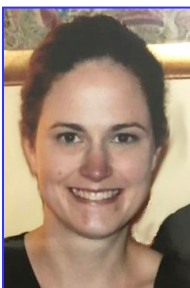


TERESA PINSON

Teresa and her late husband, Tom, were both confirmed at Nativity in 1998. Tom passed away in November, 2008. They have two wonderful children: Cameron, a high school sophomore, and Will, a 7th grader. Both Cameron and Will were baptized at Nativity.

Teresa has enjoyed serving in various church ministries including the Blue Apron Ministry and the Cursillo community. She has taught Godly Play, 4th grade Sunday school, and is currently teaching 3rd grade Sunday school.

Teresa earned a BS from the University of Alabama and works at Wilmer & Lee, P.A. for the last eleven years. She also enjoys volunteering for The Linc After School Enrichment Program.



MARGARET GLEASON

Born and raised in Louisville KY, Margaret attended Centre College in Danville KY, where she received a BA in English. Upon the completion of her husband's (Jack) residency, in July of 2013, they moved to Huntsville and began attending Nativity. Margaret was confirmed the following year.

Margaret participated in renewal works and is a member of the Spiritual Development committee. She helped implement 'The Story' last year while also helping with: The Taste of Nativity, Nativity Bazaar, Trunk or Treat, and VBS.

Outside of Nativity, Margaret is an ambassador for Hudson Alpha and Lincoln Village Ministries. Margaret and Jack have five year old twins, Ellie and John, and a mutt named Mitchell



GRANT THOMSON

Grant is a Huntsville native. He and his wife Louann have attended Nativity since returning to Huntsville in 2003 from Atlanta where they were members of the Cathedral of St. Philip.

Grant has served as an usher at Nativity and supported programs such as The Greene Street Market, Icons in Transformation exhibit, and The Nativity Lodge at Bethany Village. He is the director of the Huntsville Rotary Club's STRIVE mentoring program at Lee High School which serves at-risk juniors and seniors.

Grant earned his BS in engineering at the University of Alabama. He is a Certified Financial Planner with the investment firm of Morgan Stanley for the past 26 years. Since 2003, he has served as the Huntsville Branch Manager.

Outreach in Action Huntsville Inner City Learning Center Welcomes New Students



The 2016-2017 school year is officially underway at HICLC. The student count has increased from 43 students last year to over 70 students this year. There are now students attending from 14 different Huntsville City Schools.

Susan Callaway, Center Program Director, stated, "The center is thrilled that God has brought so many new students to minister and guide. The first month was both amazing and eye opening."

Nativity's Be the Change Alabama Program continues to help out at the Learning Center but we need additional volunteers this year with the increased attendance. If you can help out one evening a week or even just once a month, volunteers are truly needed and the reward is great. The after-school program is open Monday through Thursday from 3:30-6:00pm and needs people who can help with meal preparation and serving between 3:30-4:30pm and tutors from 4:30-6:00pm.

We are also planning to bring the children to our Greene Street Market on Thursday, October 13. We hope you will join us then to meet and greet these wonderful children.

Contacts: Marilyn Lands marilyn.lands@gmail.com (256.464.0669)
Susan Callaway susan@hiclc.org (256.536.4400)



hiclc.org

ANNUAL BLANKET & COLD WEATHER GEAR DRIVE

*Donation bins in Ridley Hall
and the Church Office*

Most of us are blessed with a warm place to sleep during the cold winter months. Let's help those who aren't as fortunate.

Adult sizes only, please

Blankets	Sleeping bags
Coats/Jackets	Warm hats
Gloves/Socks	Sweat shirts/pants
Thermal underwear	Warm scarves



Sponsored by The North Alabama Coalition for the Homeless

The Episcopal Diocese of Alabama Recovery Ministries Presents



Saturday, October 15th, 10:00am

Please join the Department of Recovery Ministries for a full day of addressing topics surrounding addiction and recovery at St. Stephens Episcopal Church in Birmingham

Two keynoters, Michael O'Keefe and Travis Meadows, will speak to the impact of addiction in their lives. Morning and afternoon workshops will round out the day. There will be something for everyone – the person living with the disease as well as the person that simply wants to learn a little more.

Register by using the following link:

www.journeyday.info

St. Francis Day and Pet Blessing

Barks, squawk, and a visit from the Cherubs highlighted our annual St. Francis Day service.

Also, thanks for all the donations supporting Huntsville's Humane Society.



STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION

In the previous Steeple, we read words from Dr. Calvin DeWitt about the “con-servancy” principle, by which we join together as con-servers of God’s creation, and follow the example of Jesus Christ in His sacrificial love for humankind and for God’s world.

So how will you put the ideas and principles of “con-serving” into action in your life and daily activities? In the coming weeks we will offer specific, practical actions you can do.

Let’s start with something everyone has to deal with: laundry! Here are 8 quick tips for reducing your energy and water usage:

- Do fewer loads! Whenever possible, do full loads. When you must do a smaller load, remember to adjust the water level if your machine doesn’t do that automatically.
- Help your dryer out! Reduce the amount of drying time by getting as much water out of the clothes as possible in the washing machine - use a higher spin setting to remove extra water from your laundry! Then remember not to over-fill the dryer – leave enough room for the drying air to reach all the laundry items.
- Use your dryer’s features to best advantage. If your dryer has a moisture sensor, use it rather than guessing how long each load will take to dry. A dryer’s cool-down cycle uses the residual heat to finish drying your laundry without using as much energy.
- Dry “like-with-like!” Heavy fabrics like towels and blankets should be dried separately from lighter fabrics like pillow cases or light-weight shirts. When using a dryer’s moisture sensor, the dryer will keep running until the wettest and probably heaviest item is dry. Rather than having one towel extend the drying time for your loads, dry the towels together.
- Stay lint-free! Clean the lint trap on your dryer regularly to help air circulate efficiently. (After each load is best!) Periodically use a vacuum nozzle to clean the area around (under and behind) the lint filter where lint can get caught.
Note: If you use dryer sheets, scrub the filter clean about once a month – dryer sheets can leave a film on the filter that reduces air flow!

- Remember to keep fire safety in mind! Inspect your outside dryer vent regularly to make sure it is not blocked. You might also want to periodically work with a professional to have your dryer ducts cleaned. Being sure the duct and vent are clear not only helps your dryer work more efficiently but can also prevent a fire!
Note: more than 15,000 fires per year are caused by clogged dryer ducts and vents. Have the dryer as close to an exterior wall as possible to shorten the length of the dryer duct and make sure the duct is as straight as possible to help reduce the opportunities for clogging and to increase efficiency.
- Use air-drying for as many things as possible! Air-drying your clothes will definitely reduce your energy use. You can also tumble-dry clothes until just damp and then hang them up to finish drying. This will reduce wrinkles and also save on ironing.
- Reduce the number of laundry loads you wash in hot water. The easiest source of energy efficiency in the laundry room is to reduce the use of hot water. Most loads of laundry can easily be cleaned with cold water. Also, using cooler water is easier on your clothes. If you need to use hot water for certain loads (like sheets and pillowcases) - remember: a well-insulated water heater will help decrease the costs of heating water.

So, here are 8 ways to put the “con-servancy” principles to work in your home and everyday life, actions that will benefit you and your family in very practical ways - and you’ll also be living out Jesus’s commandment to “love your neighbor as yourself” as you help reduce carbon emissions!

*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

PRAYER REQUESTS

We pray for those whom prayers have been requested:

Sylvia Mayo, Ernest L. Meinecke, Claude Boykin, Genny Hoskins Beaver, Claire Johnston, Paloma Maria, Dick Gragg, Rick Barnett, David Reynolds, Betty Gerlach, Betty Anne Councill, Jody Mowrer, Fr. Dan McKee, Bess Smith, Bob Hale, Leigh Wahl, Elsie Olsen

We pray for those attending Cursillo #205 at Camp McDowell this weekend:

Pilgrims: Fred Beck, Rebecca Peters, Anne Robinson, Pride Sherrill, Clay Sherrill and Rick Wilhoite.
Staff: Lisa Hardy, David Hardy, Debbie Collette and David Collette

We pray for the departed:

Jack Norman, step-father of Rebecca Grelier and Natalie Rushing
Jack Jones, former parishioner
Bradley Helton, brother of Melissa Helton
Clyde Pearson
Carol Irwin, cousin of Judy Heacock and Barbara Ward

We pray for those involved with Kairos at Limestone Correctional Facility this weekend:

Staff: Michael Shipley

We pray for those deployed/serving with the Military:

Doug Faith,	Afghanistan
Maj. Wes Williams,	US Army Special Forces
Kenneth Vandervoort,	US Navy
Jesse Teal,	US Navy

We give thanks for birthdays of our children:

10/5	Anatasia Abrams	10/8	Laura Kate Evans	10/8	Forrest Webber	10/9	Paxtyn Whitney
10/9	Sarah Whelden Hall	10/11	Lucy Kane	10/13	Ellie DeFiore	10/13	Chloe Parsons
10/17	Will Dodgen						

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

Please print all information

Two dates left for 2016! ~ December 4th & 18th

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 1st and 3rd

Wednesday of each month.

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

gsommer@nativity-hsv.org

The deadline for the next issue is

Noon Monday, October 17th

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Rector

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Associate

The Rev. Bonnie McCrickard
Associate

Christian Crocker
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Youth Ministry Assistant

Mary Coe
Children's Formation

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Verger/Wedding Coordinator

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

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Upcoming Events at a Glance

11th	Simple Eucharist (Bibb Chapel)6:30am
	Men's Ministry Breakfast with a guest speaker7:00am
12th	*Wednesdays in October - Dinner & a guest speaker 5:30pm
	Dinner - Chicken Divan, Speaker - The Rev. Henry Hudson
17th	Baptism sign-up deadline for All Saints' Sunday (November 6th)
19th	*Wednesdays in October - Dinner & a guest speaker 5:30pm
	Dinner - Chicken Wild Rice, Speaker - The Rev. Paul Pradat
21 - 22nd	9th Grade Confirmation retreat (Nashville)
23rd	Stewardship Commitment Sunday
26th	*Wednesdays in October - Dinner & a guest speaker 5:30pm
	Dinner - Family Supper Taco Bar, Speaker - Dr. Daniel Schenker
30th	6th Annual Trunk or Treat 5:30pm
November	
6th	Nativity Choir's Evensong for All Saints' Sunday 5:00pm

*Nursery available - Reservations Required

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