

# THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

November 16, 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.*

## Stewardship in Action - Community, Opportunity, and Generosity through Music Education (COG-ME)



Community, Opportunity, and Generosity through Music Education (COG-ME) owes its seventh year largely to YOU! Impossible? Truly, it is because of your giving and the generous commitment made to COG-ME through the Outreach Committee of the Church of the Nativity that children in Huntsville are still able to receive, nurture, and have the opportunity to take up an instrument that will change their lives for the better. With your help, COG-ME continues to break obstacles that face children in financially challenged families.

Though COG-ME does this in a somewhat familiar method of providing classical music education and instruments to children, COG-ME goes a step further by providing this in the communities where the children live rather than in the schools so that children who have been expelled or suspended can remain in COG-ME. It is vital that COG-ME enters into the lives of children where they tend to wander after school: public housing community centers, city Parks and Recreation Centers, and Boys and Girls Clubs, for example. This allows COG-ME volunteers to interface with the children and the adults who are present in their lives to partner for the benefit of the children, and the very behaviors at the core of the school expulsions or suspensions can be tended to and often overcome.

As COG-ME students have advanced, three have received a COG-ME scholarship to Huntsville Youth Orchestra. And, for six years up to 12 COG-ME students have been funded by COG-ME to participate in HYO's Tennessee Valley Music Festival.

Please note the above photo states "The Power of WE," as 8 of the approximately 60 students involved in COG-ME performed for the Annual Dinner of the Interfaith Mission Service (another of Nativity's many Outreach partners) in May of 2016. It truly is the power of "we" that keeps COG -ME going, and you are thanked beyond measure for being a vital part of the support necessary for COG-ME to continue to thrive and serve students, families, and their communities.

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Rhonda H. Broyles,  
COG-ME Executive  
Director



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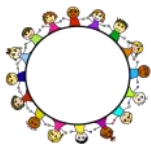
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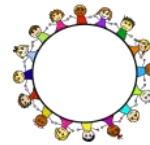
**Our 60-day  
Annual Giving  
Campaign is  
coming to a  
close**

Celebrate with us  
on Wednesday  
November 30th  
at 5:30pm at the  
Nativity  
Family Spaghetti  
'Gratitude Dinner'  
& Advent Wreath  
Party  
(Ridley Hall)

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## Children's Formation



### Youth and Children's Sunday

8.45 this Sunday! All youth, children and their Sunday school teachers are invited to gather in Ridley Hall before the service. We'll process in together and then sit with our families.

### Schedule Change

The Club 56 Bible study scheduled for Sunday November 20<sup>th</sup> at 4.30 has been cancelled. We'll reschedule for January.

### Advent in a Bag

Pick up in Sunday school this week. A collection of fun and meaningful activities for celebrating Advent at home with your family.

### Spaghetti Supper and Advent Wreath Making.

The November family spaghetti night will be Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 5.30, followed by wreath making for all ages at 6.00. This event is offered at no charge in celebration of the annual campaign. Please make reservations for dinner, wreaths (one per family) and nursery with Connie [cgadomski@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:cgadomski@nativity-hsv.org).

### St. Nicholas Day and Pajama Party,

December 4, 8.45 service.

Children and fun adults are invited to wear their pj's to church and enjoy a visit from St Nicholas during children's chapel, followed by a pajama party during Sunday school. This year we will be collecting hats, gloves and books for our friends at Oscar Mason.

[Sign up here to bring a gift.](#)



Questions, email Mary Coe  
[mcoe@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:mcoe@nativity-hsv.org)



EYC Church of the Nativity

## Thank you to all who supported our EYC Great SPAM Hunt



The EYC was able to deliver a car full of food to Huntsville Assistance Program on Sunday, Nov 20 thanks to your help and support.

### Children & Youth Sunday, November 20

We hope to see all of you here for Children and Youth Sunday! Procession: All children, youth and Sunday School teachers are invited to gather in Ridley Hall prior to the 8:45am service to join in the procession. After the procession, you'll be able to sit with your family.

### Senior Acolytes:

All senior acolytes are invited to attend the 11 o'clock service on November 20th where they will receive a cross for their years of service.

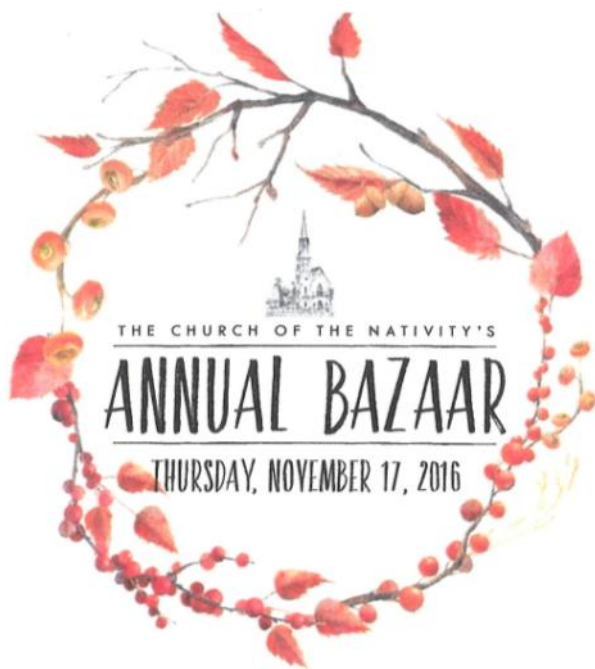
**Upcoming Events:** Contact Sarah Watts [swatts@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:swatts@nativity-hsv.org) to sign-up

Nov 20: Youth Director meet & greet (see page 3) Dec 4: Santa's Village Volunteering

Dec 11: EYC Parents & Youth Christmas Party

**Reminder: There will be no Sunday School on Nov 27 – Happy Thanksgiving!**





CRAFT & BAKE SALE BEGINS AT 10:30AM  
11:15AM & 12:30PM LUNCHEON SEATINGS

**The Craft & Bake Sale  
begins Thursday, at 10:30am  
There will be plenty of holiday gifts  
and goodies available!**

## Meet & Greet with our new Youth Director

Sunday November 20th, 12:30-2:00pm, Pints & Pixels (115 Clinton Avenue, above U.G. White) - All Nativity youth and their parents are invited this for a meet and greet with our new Youth Director, Sarah Watts! There will be a hot dog bar (\$3 per person) and free tokens for the kids.

Please help us give Sarah a warm welcome  
as she starts her new position!

## Chalice Bearer (LEM-Lay Eucharistic Minister) Training

Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> following the 11:00 service.



Chalice Bearers assist the clergy in the celebration of the Eucharist by serving the chalice to those taking communion. Eucharist is the central act of worship in the Episcopal tradition in which we receive the body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

You must be a confirmed Episcopalian and at least 16 years of age to serve as a Chalice Bearer. If you are interested, please contact Connie in the church office.



## Organ Duet Recital Elizabeth Landrum LaJeunesse & Christian Crocker

*Featuring works by Stephen Paulus, Kenneth Leighton, John Phillip Sousa, and others.*

Friday, November 18th  
7:30pm

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY, EPISCOPAL  
208 EUSTIS AVENUE SE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35801  
256-533-2455 ~ NATIVITY-HSV.ORG

This is a recital of organ duets for four hands and four feet.  
Come out to hear the Nativity organ played like never before!






# Family Spaghetti 'Gratitude Dinner' Advent Wreath Party

**Wednesday, November 30th - 5:30pm**

**Everyone is welcome to this event without charge**

With grateful hearts, the Vestry and Stewardship Committee invites everyone to celebrate the close of our 60-day Annual Campaign.



-  Reservations requested for dinner & wreath making (1 wreath per family please)
-  Greens for wreath making will be available but you are welcome to bring your own.
-  Donations for wreath materials will be kindly accepted.

\*Nursery is available (age 4 and under) but reservations are required.

Reservations: call the Church Office (256.533.2455)  
[cgadomski@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:cgadomski@nativity-hsv.org)



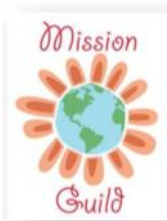
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## RETURN of "JUST STUFF IT" Sunday, November 27th

We will gather in the library after the 11:00am service to stuff meal packs for First Stop. It's been a while, and the reason is that the Manna House has been very generous with supplying us.

So come on, join the fun, and see your Outreach funds at work!

Questions: Bill Goodson [whgoodson@aol.com](mailto:whgoodson@aol.com)



The Mission Guild will meet on Monday Nov. 21st, 10:00am (Library)

Our speaker will be Melissa Kirkindall discussing "The Magic Life of Hummingbirds"

Our Hostesses are Berta Hargett, Carol McCrady and Joan East. Please remember your Bingo prizes for the Aquarius Club.

## Attention

### Young Adults/Twentysomethings!

We will gather for a Christmas (Advent!) party on Dec. 9 at 6:00 pm. One of our YA's, Andrew Hyche, will host this event, and will provide the main dish. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. Group games are also welcome!

RSVP to Mother Bonnie by noon on Dec. 6 :

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



[nativity young adults/twentysomethings](https://www.facebook.com/nativityyoungadults/twentysomethings)

## Christmas Planning Meeting

The Annual Christmas Planning meeting will be Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm in the Library.



## The Greene Street Holiday Farmers Market at Nativity



Saturday, November 19  
9:00am until 12:00pm

Eustis Avenue, Downtown Huntsville

Enjoy shopping the open air Holiday Market for your  
Thanksgiving meal!

Locally produced goods including produce, farm raised meat and  
poultry, fresh eggs & cheese, fresh flowers & greenery, baked  
goods, jams, jellies, relish and more. More information at  
[greenestreetmarket.com](http://greenestreetmarket.com)



Special thanks to our presenting sponsor



Holiday Farmers & Gift Market  
Saturday, December 10th - 9:00am until Noon

## Baptisms

Holy Baptism will be offered Sunday, January 8, 2017, during that morning's Celebration of The Baptism of Our Lord at 8:45 and 11:00. A required preparation class for baptismal families, children, and their godparents will be held at 6:00pm on Monday, December 12.

Baptism request forms must be returned to the Church Office by Dec. 5 at noon. Forms are available by request. Questions or concerns should be directed to Mtr. Bonnie McCrickard  
[bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org) 256-533-2455.

## New Adult Sunday School Class

A CHRISTMAS FEAST FOR THE EYES AND EARS

Dates: December 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>.

Ridley Hall – 10:00am

Leaders: Matt Farr, Jeannie Robison, Walter Thames, and Lynne Berry.

## FOCAL GIFT BOARDS ARE IN RIDLEY HALL

Gifts to be presented in Church on Sunday, December 4th

During this season as we give thanks for the blessings bestowed upon us - we have the opportunity to share our blessings with foster children in the FOCAL (Foster Children's Alliance) program. FOCAL is a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for children in foster care in Madison County. FOCAL assists foster children and their foster family with resources to meet their many needs which cannot be obtained in other ways. FOCAL receives no state, county, city, or United Way assistance. Every dollar spent on foster children is privately raised and administrative costs are kept to a minimum. FOCAL volunteers work with and thru the Department of Human Resources.

The boards in Ridley Hall are Christmas gift wishes for 40 foster children. The boards with the gift tags will be in Ridley Hall the next two Sundays (November 20 and 27).

Many parents let their children choose the request and help purchase the gift as a way of teaching them to give to those less fortunate than them.

Please visit the board, choose a gift tag, and pick up an instruction sheet. Return the gift (wrapped and with the board tag attached) to Ridley Hall prior to the 8:45am service on December 4th. The gifts will be taken into the church during the 8:45am service

Questions: Please contact Gail Rogers  
(256.534.8044)





## 57th Annual Festival Service of Lessons & Carols

All Saints' Chapel, Sewanee, Tennessee

Sunday, December 4th

Price of \$60.00 per person, includes:

- Transportation via luxury motorcoach
  - Happy hour served enroute
  - Reserve seating at the 5:00PM service
  - Dinner at St Mary's Conference Center following the service
- 
- Departure from the church at 2:00PM Sharp
  - Arrival in Sewanee at approx. 3:30PM
  - Limited seating (only 40 seats!)
  - Payment required at time of reservation
  - Reservations through Connie in the church office
  - For more information contact Sam Porter (256)651-8990

### Huntsville Assistance Program (HAP)



**Items (Really) Needed:**

rice  
 canned beans of all kinds  
 small canned hams  
 spaghetti sauce  
 soups  
 canned vegetables (including green beans!)  
 cereal  
 bar soap  
 boxed meals  
 boxed potatoes

**Thanks for all your support!**

### Pearl Harbor: A Remembrance

A Commemoration of the  
Seventy-Fifth Anniversary  
of the Attack on Pearl Harbor



Presented by  
 Soprano Stacy Moon  
 Organist/Pianist Randy Foster  
 Saturday, December 10, 2016 5:00pm

Church of Nativity  
 208 Eustis Avenue, S.E.  
 Huntsville, Alabama



*We share a city,  
Let's share a meal.*

**ONE TABLE**

Everyone's invited to Causeway  
Huntsville's FREE city-wide Thanksgiving  
potluck at one long table in the middle of  
West Side Square in Downtown Huntsville.

*In true potluck fashion, please bring a  
ready-to-serve dish to share, if you are able.*

[www.causewayhsv.org/causes/one-table](http://www.causewayhsv.org/causes/one-table) | #onetablehsv

**November 21**  
**11:30-1:30**  
**West Side Square**  
**Huntsville**

**causeway**  
HUNTSVILLE

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For your convenience, additional green response cards will be placed in pew racks until the November 30th completion of our Annual campaign. You may place completed cards in the baskets at the altar steps, offering plates or mail to the Church Office. Thank you for your generosity and support during the Annual campaign and throughout the stewardship year."



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## 2017 Haiti Medical Mission

The Medical Mission Team is planning our next medical mission to Haiti April 29-May 6, 2017. If you would like more information or are interested in joining us for this life changing week, please contact Debbie Collette 256-527-5050 or Deacon Bob Serio 256-509-5931.



## Participate in AdventWord

[Click or tap to sign-up](#)

#AdventWord - A Global Advent Calendar



On November 27th, [Advent Word](#) will begin arriving with an image and an invitation for you to send back an image to help create a global Advent Calendar.

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OF  
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THE  
EVANGELIST

Advent Word is an online daily devotion from the Society of St. John the Evangelist; a monastic community of The Episcopal Church & The Anglican Church of Canada.

## 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  
Coats/Jackets  
Gloves/Socks  
Thermal underwear**

**Sleeping bags  
Warm hats  
Sweat shirts/pants  
Warm scarves**



**Sponsored by The North Alabama Coalition for the Homeless**

# STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION

## Reducing and Reusing Basics

The most effective way to reduce waste **is to not create it in the first place**. Making a new product requires a lot of materials and energy - raw materials must be extracted from the earth, and the product must be fabricated then transported to wherever it will be sold. As a result, **reduction and reuse are the most effective ways you can save natural resources, protect the environment and save money.**

### Benefits of Reducing and Reusing

- Prevents pollution by reducing the need to harvest new raw materials
- Saves energy
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to global climate change
- Helps sustain the environment for future generations

### Saves money

- Reduces the amount of waste that will need to be recycled or sent to landfills and incinerators
- Allows products to be used to their fullest extent

### Ideas on How to Reduce and Reuse

Buy used. You can find everything from clothes to building materials at specialized reuse centers and consignment shops. Often, used items are less expensive and just as good as new.

### Look for products that use less packaging.

When manufacturers make their products with less packaging, they use less raw material. This reduces waste and costs. These extra savings can be passed along to the consumer. Buying in bulk, for example, can reduce packaging and save money.

**Buy reusable over disposable items.** Look for items that can be reused; the little things can add up. For example, you can *bring your own silverware and cup to work, rather than using disposable items.*

### Maintain and repair products, like clothing and appliances

so they won't have to be thrown out and replaced as frequently.

### Borrow, rent, or share items that are used infrequently

like party decorations, tools, or furniture.

### Donation

One person's trash is another person's treasure. Instead of just discarding unwanted appliances, tools or clothes, try selling or donating them. Not only will you be reducing waste, you'll be helping others. Local churches, community centers, thrift stores, schools and nonprofit organizations may accept a variety of donated items, including used books, working electronics and unneeded linens or furniture.

### Benefits of Donation

- Prevents usable goods from going into landfills
- Helps your community and those in need
- Tax benefits may be available

### Here are some ideas for donating specific goods and materials:

#### Households and Personal Items:

[Goodwill](#)

[Salvation Army](#)

[Second Mile](#)

[Friends of the Library book store](#)

#### Building Materials and Appliances:

[Habitat for Humanity](#)

#### Vehicles:

American Institute of Philanthropy

[Tips for Donating a Car to Charity](#)

[Purple Heart](#)

[Goodwill](#)

[WLRH, Huntsville's Public Radio Station](#)

*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*



## Advent Quiet Day

### Preparing for a Holy Christmas and Beyond

Sponsored by:  
The Centering Prayer Group and Daughters of the King

**Saturday December 3, 2016**

8:15 AM to 2:15 PM

(Registration 8:15 AM-9:00 AM)

Sign up for \$10 lunch at registration – *cash only*



*By God's power, presence, and essence, God is the One whose center is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere. -St. Bonaventure*

Join us for a quiet day to prepare for the coming of Christ  
Worship and reflections led by the Rev. Mary Catherine Akamatsu

Various options for spiritual practices include:

journaling,  
centering prayer,  
labyrinth,  
prayer beads,  
spiritual collage, and  
coloring as meditation.

Location:

St. Thomas Episcopal Church  
12200 Bailey Cove Rd.  
Huntsville, AL 35803  
256-880-0247 (office)

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Church of the Nativity is also sponsoring this event

## GETTING READY TO GET READY



*A quiet day of reflection, prayer, meditation, and  
spiritual exercises to inspire your journey through  
Advent*

**November 19, 2016 ~ 9 am - 1 pm -**  
**St. Mary's-on-the-Highlands**

*Three meditations led by the  
The Rev. Dr. Basye Holland-Shuey*

*Spiritual Practices offered during the day*

Advent Quiet Day Program Coordinators  
Brenda Chynoweth, Linda Lou Hardison, Pat Johnson, Sue Miller &  
The Rev. Dr. Basye Holland-Shuey



The Church Office will be closed  
Thursday November 24th and  
Friday November 25th.

We will resume normal office  
hours on Monday November 28th

### Parish Financial Report - Period Ending 10/31/2016

	CURRENT MONTH	BUDGET for PERIOD	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD
<b>Pledges Received</b>	<b>100,800.19</b>	<b>103,610.56</b>	<b>980,751.61</b>	<b>1,047,773.91</b>
<b>Plate</b>	<b>8,528.50</b>	<b>7,083.33</b>	<b>67,940.47</b>	<b>70,833.34</b>
<b>Other Revenues</b>	<b>77,475.34</b>	<b>10,292.01</b>	<b>129,545.25</b>	<b>101,415.98</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>186,804.03</b>	<b>120,985.90</b>	<b>1,178,237.33</b>	<b>1,220,023.23</b>
<b>Diocesan, School of Theology, &amp; Outreach</b>	<b>21,413.09</b>	<b>24,863.82</b>	<b>219,833.99</b>	<b>251,771.62</b>
<b>Personnel</b>	<b>75,762.09</b>	<b>71,250.00</b>	<b>726,021.64</b>	<b>712,500.00</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	<b>8,092.52</b>	<b>24,941.54</b>	<b>205,170.39</b>	<b>255,622.71</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105,267.70</b>	<b>121,055.36</b>	<b>1,151,026.02</b>	<b>1,219,894.33</b>
<b>NET \$</b>	<b>81,536.33</b>	<b>\$ (69.46)</b>	<b>\$ 27,211.31</b>	<b>\$ 128.90</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:**

Diane Helser, Kai Gustafson, Nancy Lackey, Keith McRae, Genny Hoskins Beaver, Fr. Dan McKee, Claire Johnston, Rick Barnett, David Reynolds, Paloma Maria, Betty Anne Councill, Jody Mowrer, Dick Gragg, Bess Smith, Betty Gerlach, Leigh Wahl, Elsie Olsen

### **We give thanks for a marriage**

William Case Anderson and Cecelia McGowin Ey on November 5<sup>th</sup>, at Christ Episcopal Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

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

Eleanor Newman Hutchens  
Sarah Henderson  
Robert Baker Hale, Jr.  
Pat Hoel, aunt of Lane Tutt  
Barbara Barnett Smith, mother of Sherman Dailey

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

Doug Faith, Afghanistan  
Kenneth Vandervoort, US Navy  
Jesse Teal, US Navy

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

11/17	Freddie Fortner	11/19	Vivian Hinton	11/20	Henry Limbo	11/21	Ernest Artirp
11/23	Macy Baker	11/24	Wren Bryant	11/25	Ronan Goeke	11/25	Ella Rozar
11/30	Hayden Wilson	12/2	Jensen Goeke	12/2	Liam Stevens	12/4	Alec Huskey

## **2016 CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEDICATION**

**Christmas dedications are \$20 each**

Please complete this form with your check made payable to: *Nativity Flower Guild*

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

Your Name as it is to be listed in Christmas service leaflet  
(if you do not wish your name listed, please indicate)

\_\_\_\_\_

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

Name for this dedication:

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

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...

Christmas Flower Dedications deadline is Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>



# WORSHIP SCHEDULE December, 2016 - published 11/16/16

## THURSDAY, December 1, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	McCrickard		

## SUNDAY, December 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	McCrickard		Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett
8:45 am	Anderson	McCrickard	Matt Farr, Allen Daniels	Buddy Moon	Lee Hicklen
11:00 am	McCown	McCrickard	Hanns Billmayer, Deborah Baker	Sally Ann Culver, Mike Innes	Adalene Bledsoe

## WEDNESDAY, December 7, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12 noon	Holland-Shuey		Lea Ann Barnett

## THURSDAY, December 8, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Anderson		Charles Morley

## SUNDAY, December 11, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson		Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson
8:45 am	McCown	Anderson	Margaret Bibb, Pat Quirk	Lynn Lewis	Lane Mickle
11:00 am	McCrickard	Anderson	Matt Farr, Peter Cobun	Marcia Cobun, Mary Johnson	Joan East

## WEDNESDAY, December 14, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12 noon	Anderson	Farr	

## THURSDAY, December 15, HE

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

## SUNDAY, December 18, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	McCown		Don Lambert	Don Lambert	Don Lambert
8:45 am	McCrickard	McCown	Matt Farr, Joan East	Stacy Moon	Melissa Kirkindall
11:00 am	Anderson	McCown	Matt Farr, Virginia Kobler	Mike Brown, Sandy Brown	Ronnie Rogers

## WEDNESDAY, December 21, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12 noon	McCrickard		Mary Hendricks

## THURSDAY, December 22, HE

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

## SATURDAY, December 24 – Christmas Eve

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector
4:30 pm	Anderson	N/A	Charlie Warren, Lane Mickle, Mike Ward, Gary Rasponi, Ralph Shuey	Children
7:30 pm	McCown	Anderson	Lee Hicklen, Pat Sampson	Allen Daniels, Mike Innes
10:30 pm	McCrickard	Anderson	Sue Johnson, Peter Cobun, Hanns Billmayer, Virginia Kobler, Sally Ann Culver	Steve Johnson, Mickey Ellis

## SUNDAY, December 25, Nativity of Our Lord: Christmas Day

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
10:00 am	McCrickard		John Hendricks, Mary Hendricks	John Hendricks	Mary Hendricks

## WEDNESDAY, December 28, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
12 noon	McCown		Joan East

## THURSDAY, December 29, HE

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM
6:00 pm	Anderson		Don Lambert

## SUNDAY, January 1, 2017, the Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	TBD		Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett
10:00 am	TBD		Gary Rasponi, Robert Dunn, Lee Hicklen, Sally Ann Culver	Fred Beck, Camille Sommer, Mary Johnson, Elaine Hamner, Melissa Kirkindall	Sally Ann Culver

## USHERS

8:45	Charlie Warren, Steuart Evans, Bland Warren, Kevin Webber, Don Wheeler
11:00	Buddy Moon, Pamela Briggs, Ted Briggs, Terry Clevenger, Kylan Laxson

## ALTAR GUILD

3	Judy Heacock, Lea Ann Barnett, Debbie Joyner, Beth Pugh, rose Anne Shearer
10	Rebecca Brothers, Mary Johnson, Sue Johnson, Emily Moody, Judy Vann
17	Sophia Rowe, Gail Brown, Nancy Colin, Sarah James, Connie Stephenson
24	Lea Ann Barnett, Wanda Cobb, Debbie Joyner, Caffey Litkenhous, Sara Little, Beth Pugh, Jewell Reynolds, Rose Anne Shearer, Linda Wats
31	Emily Moody, Rebecca Brothers, Judy Heacock, Mary Johnson, Judy Vann

## CLERGY ON CALL SCHEDULE

November 28 – December 4	December 5 – 11	December 12 – 18	December 19 – 25	December 26 – January 1
McCown	Anderson	McCrickard	McCown	McCrickard/Anderson

## STEEPLE SCHEDULE

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**Noon , Monday December 5th**

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### Upcoming Events at a Glance

#### November

23 Thanksgiving Holy Eucharist Noon

24-25 Church office closed (Thanksgiving holiday)

27 **The Season of Advent begins**

30 Family Spaghetti "Gratitude Dinner" 5:30pm  
Advent Wreath Party

#### December

4 HAP Sunday  
St. Nicholas Day / Pajama Sunday  
Lessons & Carols at Sewanee (page 6) Bus leaves at 2:00pm

10 Greene Street Market Holiday Farmers' & Gift Market 9:00am  
Stacy Moon recital, "Pearl Harbor, a Remembrance" 5:00pm

16 EYC Chrismons & Caroling 3:30pm

17 An Advent Service of Lessons & Carols 5:00pm

18 Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 4:00pm

**November 16, 2016**