

THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

April 19, 2017

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.

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's Easter Message 2017

It's taken me some years to realize it, but Jesus didn't just happen to be in Jerusalem on that first Palm Sunday. He wasn't on vacation. He wasn't just hanging out in town. Jesus was in Jerusalem on purpose. He arrived in Jerusalem about the time of the Passover when pilgrims were in the city. When people's hopes and expectations for the dawn of freedom that Moses had promised in the first Passover might suddenly be realized for them in their time.

Jesus arranged his entrance into Jerusalem to send a message. He entered the city, having come in on one side of the city, the scholars tell us, at just about the same time that Pontius Pilate made his entrance on the exact opposite side of the city. Pilate, coming forth on a warhorse. Pilate, with soldiers around him. Pilate, with the insignias of Rome's Empire. Pilate, representing the Caesars who claimed to be son of god. Pilate, who had conquered through Rome the people of Jerusalem. Pilate, representing the Empire that had taken away their freedom. Pilate, who represented the Empire that would maintain the colonial status of the Jewish people by brute force and violence.

Jesus entered the city on the other side, not on a warhorse, but on a donkey, recalling the words of Zechariah:

*Behold your King comes to you
Triumphant and victorious is He
Humble and riding on a donkey*

Jesus entered the city at the same time as Pilate to show them, and to show us, that God has another way. That violence is not the way. That hatred is not the way. That brute force and brutality are not the way.

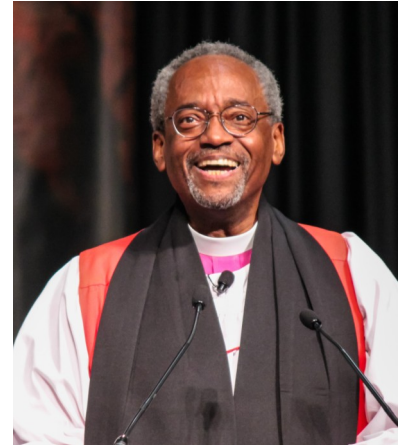
Jesus came to show us there is another way. The way of unselfish, sacrificial love. That's why he entered Jerusalem. That's why he went to the cross. It was the power of that love poured out from the throne of God, that even after the horror of the crucifixion would raise him from death to life.

God came among us in the person of Jesus to start a movement. A movement to change the face of the earth. A movement to change us who dwell upon the earth. A movement to change the creation from the nightmare that is often made of it into the dream that God intends for it.

He didn't just happen to be in Jerusalem on that Palm Sunday. He went to Jerusalem for a reason. To send a message. That not even the titanic powers of death can stop the love of God. On that Easter morning, he rose from the dead, and proclaimed love wins.

So you have a blessed Easter. Go forth to be people of the Resurrection. Follow in the way of Jesus. Don't be ashamed to love. Don't be ashamed to follow Jesus.

Have a blessed Easter. And bless the world. Amen.



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**NATIVITY PARISH
WEEKEND
SIGNUP DEADLINE
APRIL 23**

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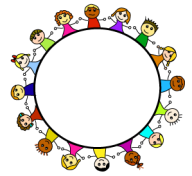


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now available**

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The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry
Presiding Bishop and Primate
The Episcopal Church


Children's Formation



Church of the Nativity June 26-28, 2017

 June 26-28 from 1.00 to 4.00pm.

 Please join us for three afternoons of farm fun.

 Free, including t-shirt and kickoff supper, for ages 4 through 6th grade.

 Register: tinyurl.com/2017farmland

 We love volunteers! Volunteer during registration. Teens & other adults, volunteer here, tinyurl.com/farmlandvolunteer

Questions, mcoe@nativity-hsv.org

Upcoming events

April 23rd, 10.00 Sunday school resumes.

April 26th, 5.30 Family spaghetti supper and program. Children's program meets on Angel Lane, downstairs Ridley Hall. \$5/person or \$20 family max. Nursery reservations close noon Tuesday. Reservations, tiny.cc/FamilySupper.

April 28-30 Parish Weekend at Camp McDowell. More information [here](#).

May 10th, 6.00 Bishop's visit and confirmation.

May 14th, 8.45 Teacher appreciation day; last Sunday school meeting.

May 21st, change to summer schedule, 8.00 and 10.00

May 21st, 11.00 Rogation Day with children's Heifer Market Fundraiser for [Heifer International](#), youth sponsored cook-out and Greene Street Market vendors.

June 26-28, 1.00 to 4.00 pm Farmland VBS.



EYC Church of the Nativity



Sunday, April 23rd

10am: Sunday School
1:00pm: Putt Putt Masters (Southern Adventures)
(No Bible Study or EYC)



On Palm Sunday, EYC participated in a "Journey through Holy Week" and walked the labyrinth in the LOFT as part of that program.

Youth Schedule

Wednesday, April 26th

5:30pm: Family Spaghetti Dinner with Program

Sunday, April 30th (Parish Weekend)

10am: Sunday School

4pm: Bible Study

4:30pm: EYC

Wednesday, May 3rd

5:30pm: High School Girls Bible Study

Contact: Sarah Watts swatts@nativity-hsv.org

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

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NATIVITY PARISH WEEKEND:

APRIL 28-30

REGISTRATION & MORE INFO

Visit our [Parish Weekend webpage](#) or pick up a flyer in the Foyer of Ridley Hall to learn more.

Register online - There is still time!

<https://tinyurl.com/NativityPW2017>

If you have any questions, feel free to contact:

Ashley Hudson: ashley.hudson@ymail.com

or

Ashley Ayres: ashley@pretiumvaluation.com

ABOUT THE WEEKEND

Come rewind through the decades with us and experience Parish Weekend 2017! We will be staying in Bethany Village—a new area of camp that surrounds Sloan Lake.

On Saturday, our whole group will go on a tour of The Farm, have great food, make items to place into our Time Capsule, and we will have our always-fun-never-to-be-missed dance party with *Microwave Dave and the Nukes* (dress up for your decade on Saturday night!).

Of course, on Sunday morning, we will gather together for a special service at St. Francis Chapel.



Nativity Family Supper



Wednesday, April 26th

5:30pm

\$5 per person, \$20 family maximum

After supper speaker: Tom Ward

Separate youth & children's activities

Nursery is available - reservations required
(age 4 and under)

Dinner reservations
appreciated but not required

Reservations:

Call the Church Office (256.533.2455)

Online: tiny.cc/FamilySupper

Branches of The Vine

A Spring Celebration

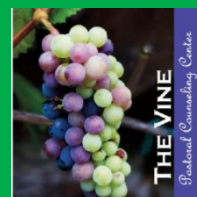
Thursday, April 28th 5:30pm Business Attire
Baron Bluff, Burritt on the Mountain \$50 person

All proceeds will support
The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center
so that we can continue to offer a sliding fee
scale and scholarship-assisted sessions.

Join us for an evening filled with wonderful fellowship and unique silent and live auctions.
Catered by Lyn's Gracious Goodness!

Make your reservation today

www.vinepcc.com/branches-2017



THE VINE
Pastoral Counseling Center

Holly McClain Joins Nativity Team as the Rector's Assistant and Membership Registrar



Please give Holly McClain a warm Nativity welcome as she begins her work and ministry as the Rector's Assistant and as our membership Registrar. We are blessed to have Holly joining our staff team with her professional, warm, and gregarious personality!

Holly is no stranger to Nativity having served as one of our office volunteers from 2008 to 2010. Holly and her husband, Robert, became members of Nativity on May 17, 2009. They moved away to Georgia and returned to Huntsville this past fall. Holly reconnected to Connie Gadomski and Beverly Franklin after she returned and so when we had a staff opening, Holly was immediately thought of as a viable candidate.

Father Anderson is pleased to be working with her in this new capacity after our shifting things around after Connie's retirement. The staff and clergy who

worked with her then are all delighted she has joined the team.

Holly grew up in Birmingham and is the daughter of a retired Presbyterian minister. She attended Montreat-Anderson College and graduated with a degree in English and Communications from Campbell University in Buies Creek, N.C. An avid traveler, Holly is especially fond of a trip she and Robert took to Colorado on an elk hunting trip where she experienced the majesty of The Rocky Mountains and stayed in Ouray (elevation 8,000 ft) which is near where the original "True Grit" was filmed.

Holly brings a wealth of experience from her work in banking and in retail and marketing. Her excellent organizational abilities, solid written and verbal communication skills, along with her financial and analytical expertise will serve us well. In addition, she has been a stewardship ministry volunteer in previous parishes! Welcome Holly!

Favorite Quote

"Nobody has ever measured, not even poets, how much the heart can hold." ~ Zelda Sayre Fitzgerald

eGiving is now offered

The first phase of e (electronic) giving is now available at Nativity. Our first option is a monetary gift offered by text message.

Text "**giving**" and the amount you would like to give to 256.530.7373, and complete the short application form. Other options such as special donations and offerings to your pledge are in the works.

Look for information cards at the back of the Church with how-to information. When you give electronically, you may place one of these cards in the offering plate as a physical gesture of giving.



ACH PAYMENT

For regularly scheduled giving, please consider setting up an Automated Clearing House (ACH) transfer.

To find out more, please contact Beverly Franklin

bfranklin@nativity-hsv.org (256.533.2455 x219) in the Church Office and she will be glad to get you started.



Tradition

Meets

PROGRESS

My heart has been warmed by the many kindnesses that the Nativity Family has shown me during my time serving in the church office! Thank you – each of you – for your kind words and thoughtful, generous gifts. The time spent at Nativity will remain in my thoughts and close to my heart, as will all the wonderful, caring and faithful souls I have come to know during my tenure.

Thank you also for allowing me in...to walk with you through the joy of new birth and baptism, the worry of illness and injury, and the mourning and grief after the death of a loved one.

I wish for each of you happiness and good health.

Much love,
Connie Gadomski



The Greene Street Market at Nativity opens its 7th season on Thursday May 4th, 4.00pm

Want to be a tour guide?



Interested in leading tours of the Church during the Greene Street Market this year?

Here is your chance. As a tour guide, you get to share the wonderful history of the Sanctuary while being an example to the community what Nativity parishioners are like.

Training sessions are scheduled for Sunday April 23rd following the 11:00am service or Monday, April 24th at 5:30pm

If you were a tour guide last year and want to participate again, you will need to attend one of the training sessions listed above.

If you are interested, please contact Amy Baxter abaxter@nativity-hsv.org

Become a weekly sponsor

Each week, the market has a sponsor; an individual or a business. When you become a sponsor, your name or your business:

- appears on both of the sponsor banners hung at the market each week
- will be listed on the greenestreetmarket.com website all year
- is featured on all weekly emails along with any external television or radio announcements on your special night.

The fee to sponsor is \$500. \$250 of it is your donation to the market. You receive \$250 in "Market Dollars" for use at Greene Street. Give the Market Bucks away (employees, clients, friends) or spend them yourself. Now, THATS a bargain !!!

Profits from Greene Street Market supports Nativity's Outreach Ministry.

For more information, call Pattie Cline (256.651.6497) or Marilyn Evans (256.682.4429).

Thank you for your support of Greene Street Market and for shopping locally.

Huntsville Assistance Program (HAP)



Items needed:
Small canned ham
canned meat
canned fruit
canned vegetables
coffee

Thank you for your generosity!



Congratulations to
Florence Nightingale
The 2017 Golden Halo winner

www.lentmadness.org



EASTER EGG HUNT



Congratulations to this year's Golden Egg winners:

Austill Baker (L) with Mem Mullins

AJ McNully

Clara Williams (not pictured)

and a special honorable mention to

Mary Virginia Cowan (not pictured)

ONE MORE IDEA FOR THE 40 BAG CHALLENGE

Although the 40 day challenge has technically ended, here is a service that should be used anytime.

Madison County offers prescription medication drop boxes around the community, so citizens can responsibly dispose of their unused medications.

CVS and the Partnership for a Drug Free America worked together to set up the box in the central police precinct. The public has access 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The precinct is located at the:
Huntsville Police Department Public Safety Building
815 Wheeler Ave, 35801

The drop box does not accept loose medicine, needles or illegal narcotics. The label should be removed.

Medications should never be flushed down the toilet. The environmental impacts can be far reaching, according to the University of Illinois Extension website. Pharmaceuticals have been found in lakes,



rivers and streams, and while they are diluted, they can still impact the wildlife. There have been noted changes in behavior and species populations.

Medicine left lying around the house can be enticing to young children.

“Each year, one in every 150 2-year-olds is treated in an emergency room for an unintentional drug overdose, usually after finding and eating or drinking medications without adult supervision,” according to WebMD.



LIVING SIMPLY



Save the Dates!

Sunday, May 21st

5:00pm

Nativity Choir, Spring Concert

THE CHRISTIAN SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

Part 3: Practical Spirituality -
Daily Spiritual Practices That Transform
Begins Monday, July 10th



Looking to enhance your spiritual life? Take a look at CURSILLO!

Cursillo is an incredible experience that transformed the lives of over 8,000 Episcopalians in the Diocese of Alabama and several hundred parishioners at Nativity. If you are looking for a means to energize your relationship with God and to become more active in the life of the church, Cursillo may be the answer.

The Cursillo Community is made up of Episcopalians who have attended a three-day spiritual retreat, then continue to meet together in small groups within their parish. All Alabama Cursillo weekends are held at Camp McDowell and are guided by volunteer staff members (including clergy) who have already attended a weekend retreat. Once back at Nativity, the Cursillo Community will help you find a reunion group with which to meet on a regular basis.

These small reunion groups generally meet weekly and members discuss their **piety** (prayer and worship activities), **study** (how they have studied God's word or come in contact with information that enhances their understanding of His word), and **action** (those things we have done to bring others closer to Christ). The purpose of



these group meetings is to encourage and hold each of us accountable in these aspects of our Christian life.

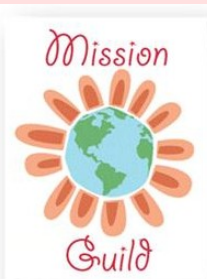
Throughout the year, we also hold larger group meetings. These meetings may consist of several reunion groups at Nativity, groups from other parishes in North Alabama, or diocesan-wide meetings with Cursillo Community members from all over our diocese. These meetings often consist of the sharing of a meal, an enlightening talk, and fellowship with one another.

There are five Cursillo weekends held in Alabama each year (you only attend one!) – March, April, June, September, and October.

The Nativity Cursillo community will also be holding an informational event

Sunday, June 25 after the 10:00 am service. Lunch will be provided and members of the Cursillo Community will be available to tell you more about Cursillo. Again, please contact Debbie or David Collette if you will be attending this no-pressure informational event.

If you are interested in attending one of the weekends this year, please contact David Collette drc3898@knology.net (256-527-2560), or Debbie Collette dtc3898@knology.net (256-527-5050), for more information.



The Mission Guild will have a White Elephant Sale and Meeting Monday April 24m 10:00am in the Library.

Our wonderful auctioneer will be Jimmy Lou Horton. Our Hostesses will be Jimmy Lou Horton and Vera Allen. Please bring Bingo

prizes for the Aquarius Club.

We extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join us. It should be lots of fun. Hope to see all of you!

Haiti Mission Update

The team from Nativity is scheduled to go to Haiti April 29-May 6. Due to problems with customs in Haiti we will be limited in the supplies we can take with us and plan to purchase them in Haiti.

We will be accepting **cash** donations to buy supplies on Sunday between the services over the next few weeks. Look for us in the narthex outside Ridley Hall. We appreciate all the support we receive from this wonderful parish.

Haiti Medical Mission Team



Confirmation Schedule Change

This year, Bishop Kee Sloan will be visiting Nativity on Wednesday evening, May 10th instead of Sunday, May 14th. Please note the following schedule changes:

Wednesday, May 10th

6:00pm Youth & adult confirmation service
Reception honoring our Confirmands to follow
(Ridley Hall)

Sunday, May 14th

7, 45, 8:45 & 11:00am services.
10:00am Church School scheduled

Sunday, May 21st - Rogation Sunday

Summer schedule begins
8:00 & 10:00am Church service
Heifer market following the service in the Church Yard

End of Church School Year Celebration!

Ro·ga·tion Sun·day

/rō'gāSHən/ /'səndā/

✚ The Sunday immediately before the three Rogation Days which precede Ascension Thursday: the fifth Sunday after Easter.

✚ Observed by Christians as a time of solemn supplication for the harvest and marked by processions, special prayers, and blessing of the crops.

✚ Originated in 5th century Vienne, France, when Bishop Mamertus introduced days of fasting and prayer to ward off a threatened disaster.

✚ Associated in England with the blessing of the fields at planting. The vicar "beat the bounds" of the parish, processing around the fields reciting psalms and the litany.

✚ In the United States, rogation is associated with rural life, agriculture and fishing. The propers in the BCP have widened in scope to include commerce, industry and the stewardship of creation and also to permit the celebration at other times to accommodate regional growing seasons.

✚ From the Latin rogatio, "asking."

The Spiritual Care of Trauma

Tuesday, May 2, 6:00-8:30pm

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
8020 Whitesburg Dr. South

Presenters

The Rev. Kerry Holder-Joffrien

Episcopal Priest and
President, Turning Point Consultants LLC

Zara Renander

Director of Education and
Consultant with Turning Point

For Stephen Ministers, Ministers of Communion,
Congregational Nurses, Elders, Deacons, Pastors
and All Who Give Spiritual Care

Cost \$35 (includes supper!)

To register or for more information:

malmcarl@hotmail.com (256 883.6539)

*CEU's will be available for nurses and social workers
through HAPC (ABN1490),*



Picnic Palooza

Young Adults (20s-40)

Date: Saturday May 6, 2017

Time: 12:00pm

Location: Big Spring Park Gazebo across from the
Museum of Art

486 Williams Ave SW, Huntsville, AL 35801

Bring: A picnic worthy dish to share

This is open to young adults at all local Episcopal churches. Come out to have fun with the people you know and for a chance to meet other young adult parishioners in north alabama! We'll have a potluck picnic and tons of lawn games. Feel free to bring the kids, there will be plenty of activities for everyone!

If you have any questions, please contact Dorothy Peters at dorothypeters@gmail.com



2017 Easter Flower Dedications

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

The flowers on the pulpit are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Flo Stockton by her family.

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

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

The flowers on the Front Gate are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Christi Falt by her friends.

The flowers on the Ridley Hall Gate are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ed Starnes and Doris Lasmar by Bill & Christine Starnes.

The flowers on the cross outside are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lewis McCurdy by his family.

The flowers in the Bell Tower are offered to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Sarah & Nathan; Elizabeth & Eric; and Andrew by Robert & Kaaren Dunn.

The flowers on the Chapel altar are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Christi Falt & Claire Johnston by Jane Troup.

The flowers on the Chapel baptismal font are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Grace & Jimmy Horton and James Heintschel by Jimmy Lou Horton.

The flowers on the sconces are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betsy Manning on her birthday by her family.

The flowers on the front doors are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Claire Smith Johnston by her family.

The flowers on the Pascal candle are offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Judy Brittain Christian, Camden Boyd Cobun and Mr. & Mrs. Frank G. Cousins by Marcia & Peter Cobun and Shirley Cobun.

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

In Loving Memory of:

Alban Emile Joffrion by Martha Joffrion

Josh Sievers by the Prayer Shawl Group

Rev. & Mrs. G.O. Newman by Lloyd Newman

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

Robert Sampson by his family

Dale Ryan, mother of Freya Neely by Freya & Lock Neely

Clyde C. Pearson, Jr. by Virginia Pearson

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

Sloan Margaret Dill by Jennifer & Randy Dill

In Thanksgiving for:

My children & grandchildren by Alyce P. Smith

Our daughter Jill Ann Allen by Bud & Vera Allen

In Honor of:

Our friend Prentice White by Freya & Loch Neely

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



PRAYER REQUESTS

We pray for those whom prayers have been requested:

Warren Towery, Barbara Buice, Robert McClain, Barbara Cook, Joan Bennett, Dan Lester, Leigh Wahl, Joyce Adams, Dave Phillips, Gaines Watts, Heidi Foreman, Warren Vann, Tom Hodge, Gerry Nitz, Tom Booth, Sara Welch, Genny Hoskins Beaver, Rick Barnett, Keith McRae, Dick Gragg, Elsie Olsen

We pray for the departed:

Bob Adams

Mary Mathews

We pray for those deployed/serving with the Military:

Doug Faith Afghanistan

Hannah Tycker Mackey US Air Force

Kenneth Vandervoort US Navy

We give thanks for birthdays of our children:

4/19	Luke McClendon	4/19	Fenway Goeke	4/19	Cate White	4/22	Emme Roderick
4/22	Lily Cantey	4/23	Clara Williams	4/26	Isabella Panico	4/26	Kylie Meyer
4/28	Arianna Gunnar	4/29	Brooks Whitehead	4/30	Thomas Aldag		

Parish Financial Report - Period Ending 3/31/2017

	CURRENT MONTH	BUDGET for PERIOD	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD
Pledges Received	79,628.43	107,500.00	316,099.97	322,500.00
Plate	8,709.80	6,666.67	27,663.70	19,999.97
Other Revenues	8,971.23	9,790.01	24,632.37	29,369.91
TOTAL	97,309.46	123,956.68	368,396.04	371,869.88
Diocesan, School of Theology, & Outreach	17,152.78	25,040.66	59,258.96	75,122.06
Personnel	68,032.48	72,624.99	215,696.90	217,875.09
Other Expenses	19,951.96	24,802.08	63,360.44	74,406.44
TOTAL	105,137.22	122,467.73	338,316.30	367,403.59
NET \$	(7,827.76)	\$ 1,488.95	\$ 30,079.74	\$ 4,466.29

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

WORSHIP SCHEDULE May 2017, published 4/19/17

WEDNESDAY, May 3, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
12 noon	McCrickard		Joan East		
THURSDAY, May 4, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
6:00 pm	McCown		Sally Ann Culver		
SUNDAY, May 7, 4 th Sunday of Easter					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM (Anderson-out)	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	McCown		Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett
8:45 am	Holland-Shuey	McCown	Lee Hicklen, Mike Ward	Amy Creech	Melissa Kirkindall
11:00 am	McCrickard	McCown	Deborah Baker, Pat Sampson	Pam Briggs, Stacy Moon	Buddy Moon
WEDNESDAY , May 10, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
12 noon	Holland-Shuey		Sarah Watts		
6:00 pm	Bishop		Confirmation		
THURSDAY, May 11, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
6:00 pm	Anderson		Charles Morley		
SUNDAY, May 14, 5 th Sunday of Easter					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM (McCown-out)	Lector	Intercessor
7:45 am	Anderson		Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson
8:45 am	McCrickard	Anderson	Kaaren Dunn, Robert Dunn	John Conover	Martha Joffrion
11:00 am	Monroe	Anderson	Peter Cobun, Richard Spera	Susan Brown, Polly Blalock	Lee Hicklen
WEDNESDAY , May 17, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
12 noon	Anderson		Joan East		
THURSDAY, May 18, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
6:00 pm	McCrickard		Don Lambert		
SUNDAY, May 21, 6 th Sunday of Easter					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
8:00 am	McCrickard		Joan East, Lane Mickle	Jennifer Dill	Clay Sherrill
10:00 am	Anderson	McCrickard	Lee Hicklen, Pat Sampson	Buddy Moon, Elaine Hamner	Ronnie Rogers
WEDNESDAY, May 24, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
12 noon	McCown		Sarah Watts		
THURSDAY, May 25, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
6:00 pm	Anderson		Sally Ann Culver		
SUNDAY, May 28, 7 th Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after Ascension Day					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM (McCrickard-out & Serio-out)	Lector	Intercessor
8:00 am	Anderson		Sue Johnson, Ralph Shuey	Lynn Lewis	Shirley Hale
10:00 am	TBD	Anderson	Peter Cobun, Lee Hicklen	Stacy Moon, Martha Joffrion	Virginia Kobler
WEDNESDAY, May 31, HE					
Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM		
12 noon	McCrickard		Joan East		
THURSDAY, June 1, HE					
6:00 pm	McCown		Sally Ann Culver		
USHERS					
8:45/8:00	Bill Starnes, Allen Daniels, Randy Dill, Andy Kelly, Pat Sampson, Clay Sherrill				
11:00/10:00	Hans Billmayer, Ernie Thomas, Susan Thomas				
ALTAR GUILD					
6	Lea Ann Barnett, Emily Moody, Mary Johnson, Sara Little, Kaaren Dunn, Peggy Serio				
13	Judy Vann, Sue Johnson, Sophia Rowe, Rebecca Brothers, Elizabeth Pate				
20	Caffey Litkenhous, Peth Pugh, Debbie Joyner				
27	Alice Lanier, Gail Brown, Jewell Reynolds, Judy Heacock				
CLERGY ON CALL SCHEDULE					
May 1 – 7		May 8 – 14		May 15 – 21	
Anderson/McCrickard		McCrickard		McCown	
				May 22 – 28	
				McCrickard/Anderson	
				May 29 – June 4	
				Anderson	

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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 May 1st

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Associate

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Deacon

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Your Name: _____

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Date desired: _____

Name(s) for dedication: _____

Will you share this dedication? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Can we list your name in the bulletin? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Dedications are \$40 each or \$20 if shared

Make Check payable to : **Nativity Flower Guild**

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Please choose one:

- ☐ in loving memory of...
- ☐ in thanksgiving for...
- ☐ in celebration of...
- ☐ in honor of...

Available Dates:

July: 9

August: 20

September: 10, 24

October : 29

April 19, 2017