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Do you have a change of address, email, phone or perhaps major life event?

Contact Austin Cook

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acook@nativity-hsv.org.

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On the cover... All smiles for Easter morning! From Left Jim, Cora, Alana and Nina Putt and Janis Miskelly.

Send your pictures from Nativity activities and events to:
vhinton@nativity-hsv.org.

Sawyerville Day Camp: How you can be a part of something amazing!

By Vicky Hinton

For almost 30 years, the Diocese of Alabama has held a summer day camp for the children of Hale County, Sawyerville. The mission of Sawyerville is to create opportunities for children and youth in Hale County through free summer programs, mentoring, and scholarships. All of their programs work to serve God, broaden the horizons of participants and staff, improve race relations in Alabama, and enrich the lives of those living in poverty. This ministry started with a few teenagers and adults who went down and did their best to provide a Vacation Bible School like experience for a handful of kids has grown over the years into something truly amazing that has transformed the lives of campers and staffers alike for decades.

Today, Sawyerville has five programs serving the children of Hale County: Summer Camp, Summer Learning, Mentoring, Person2Person and Scholarships. Each of these is equally important, and requires the time, talent and financial support of the whole Diocese to be successful.

Nativity has had a presecene with this ministry for many years. Both adults and teenage leaders from our parish have served on staff, as mentors and prayer partners, served on the advisory board. Nativity has also helped in the past by holding supply drives, donating outreach funds and providing meals for the summer staff.

This year, we have the opportunity to support the mission of Sawyerville once again! There are several ways that you can support this ministry, and we hope that you will find a way that works for you. You are encouraged to reach out to any of the individual listed below for more information, or if you have questions.

SUMMER CAMP

Sawyerville Summer Camp is a free day camp for children and youth ages 6-13 living in Hale County, Alabama. In Summer 2021 we hosted three four-day camp sessions, welcoming over 300 campers and more than 200 volunteer staff. The staff are high school and college age young people ages 16 and up. The staff come from all over the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama and the local community. This year, Nativity has several youth and adults participating on the Summer Camp Staff. These include:

Sadie Anglin— Summer Staff

Harry Foster— Summer Staff

Lucy Ellis— Summer Camp Camper Registrar



Vivian Hinton– Summer Staff

Sarah Coleman Hornsby– Summer Staff

Alice Malone– Summer Learning Student Registrar

Anna Crawford Mullins– Summer Staff

Olivia O'Halloran– Summer Staff

Lydia Smith– Summer Staff

Father Worth Stuart– Department Member & Summer

If you are serving on staff and not listed above
please let us know! We will offer special prayers for these
folks during worship this summer.



HOW CAN I HELP WITH SUMMER CAMP?

- ♥ [CLICK HERE](#) to help Nativity provide a meal for the staff at Sawyererville on 1 of 3 dates this summer.
- ♥ Participate in the Nativity cleaning supply drive happening soon!
- ♥ [CHECK OUT THE SAWYERVILLE SUMMER WISH LIST](#)
- ♥ [CLICK HERE](#) to provide financial support directly to Sawyererville.

SUMMER LEARNING

The mission of Sawyererville Summer Learning is to help close the achievement gap and prevent summer learning loss in Greensboro, Alabama. SSL will work toward this mission by hosting a multi-week summer learning program in which students will strengthen their literacy and math skills. Additionally, SSL is invested in helping students grow as scholars and citizens through participation in academic field trips, community engagement, and other enrichment opportunities.

Sawyererville is looking for certified elementary school teachers who can serve for at least one week in the summertime. Teachers receive a stipend, and housing and meals are provided in Greensboro. Nativity member Tameka Slaughter has served as a Sawyererville Summer Learning Educator for the last several years. She will be attending the third session this summer, and would love to talk with anyone who is interested in learning more.



HOW CAN I HELP WITH SUMMER LEARNING?

- ♥ Contact Tameka Slaughter at tameka.slaughter@gmail.com to learn more about what it's like to be a SSL teacher.
- ♥ [CLICK HERE](#) for more information about the Sawyererville Summer Learning Program.
- ♥ [CHECK OUT THE SAWYERVILLE SUMMER LEARNING WISH LIST](#)

MENTORING

One of the goals of Sawyerville is to broaden the horizons of participants and staff, and one way we work towards that goal is by offering a mentoring program for students at Greensboro High School.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information about the Sawyerville Mentor program.

PERSON TO PERSON

One of Sawyerville's three goals is to improve race relations in Alabama. In all of their programming, they teach campers, students, participants, and staff to love one another with no exceptions, as Jesus loves us, and to respect the dignity of every human being, as our Baptismal Covenant requires. Sawyerville hosts weekend conferences for high school and college youth every year over the Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend. Participants talk about how to improve race relations in Alabama and visit various historical sights that mark the Civil Rights Movement. The Person2Person Fellowship was created to provide year-round programming for the Sawyerville community. Young adults will learn how to be leaders in their local communities, educate those around them, and host events to work toward Sawyerville's mission to improve race relations in Alabama. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information about the Sawyerville Person2Person Fellowship program.



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A Scholarship for former campers and counselors from Hale County is available in honor of Leslie Manning, who served as the Director from 2008-2016, Sawyerville. [CLICK HERE](#) to support the scholarship program.

FESTAL EVENSONG

for the Day of Pentecost



Sunday, June 5, 2022 5:30pm

Sung by the Nativity Choir

Dr. Patrick A. Scott, organ

Christian Crocker, Director of Music

Herbert Howells | Gloucester Evening Service

Richard Ayleward | Preces and Responses

Roland Martin | Whitsunday

EYC (7th-12th) Monthly Calendar

Here is a look ahead to EYC in the next month! **START IN RIDLEY AT 5PM**

May 1st– EYC 5-6:30 pm in the Loft— dinner provided

May 8th– NO EYC– Happy Mother’s Day

May 15th– EYC 5-6:30 pm in the Loft— dinner provided

May 22nd– EYC 5-6:30 pm End of School Year Celebration!

JYC (5th-6th) Monthly Calendar

Here is a look ahead to EYC in the next month! **START IN RIDLEY AT 4 PM**

May 1st– JYC 4-5:30pm in Ridley Hall— dinner provided

May 8th– No JYC—Happy Mother’s Day

May 15th– 4-5:30pm in Ridley Hall— dinner provided

May 22nd– JYC 4-5:30pm End of School Year Celebration



EYC (7TH-12TH GRADE)

COFFEE WITH ALLIE AND MARY MADDOX

WEDNESDAYS MAY 4, 11 & 18, 4-6PM DROP IN,

COME AND GO HONEST COFFEE

Senior Recognition Sunday

Sunday, May 22

At the 8:45 AM service

Light reception to follow



****All seniors in high school will be recognized and the senior acolytes will receive their crosses**

Steeple Article for Nativity Seniors

By Amy Brooks

We want to showcase our seniors in the June Steeple! Please send in a picture and a short message about your plans for next year. We would also love to know what Nativity has meant to you as you have grown in your faith. Please submit by May 15th to Amy Brooks, abrooks@nativity-hsv.org.

VBS Registration Open- register today!

By Mary Coe

We're hitting the road this summer for VBS! Pack your necessities and join us for a curious adventure with God as your passenger. Where will God take you? VBS will be held in-person at Nativity on June 13-15 from 1 to 4 in the afternoon. All children ages 4 years through rising 6th grade are invited to spend the afternoon learning about how God leads and supports us on life's "road trip." The crafts and lessons will be plentiful, and we'll spend time listening to lessons from the Bible that speak directly to God's influence along our life journey. Fifth and sixth grade participants will have their own road trip in the LOFT as well!

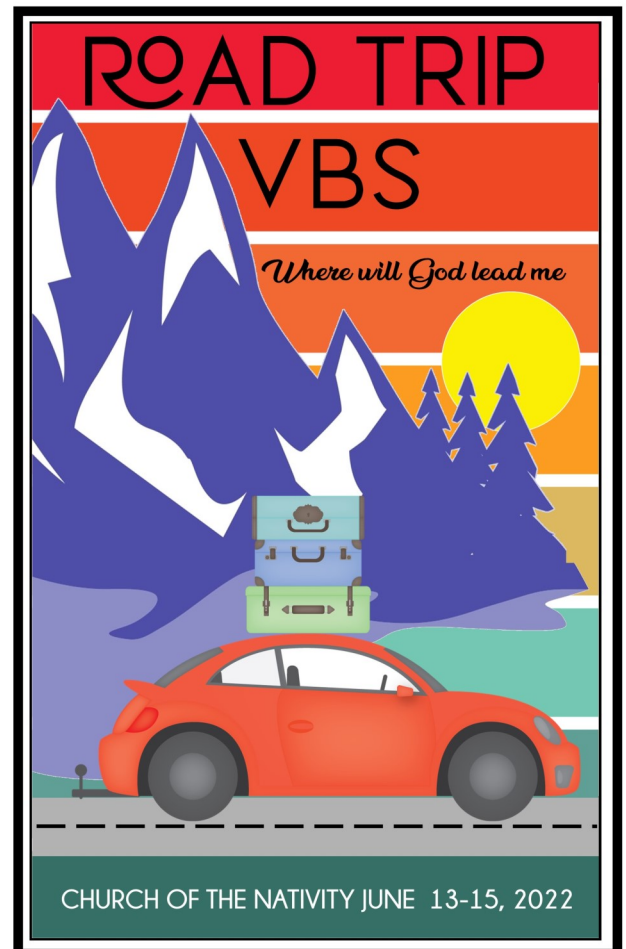
VBS is a great opportunity to get involved at Nativity, with youth (rising 7th grade and older) and adult volunteer opportunities being fun and easy. Volunteer sign up tinyurl.com/RoadTripVBSvol

Ready to take the road trip with us? Register for VBS at tinyurl.com/RoadTripVBS

SUNDAY
FUNDAY
MAY 8

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL
END-OF-YEAR CELEBRATION

- > 8.45 Service: Teacher recognition. Come thank your Sunday school teacher.
- > 10.00 Sunday school: children meet in classrooms to get ready for next year, then head to the playground for pop-sicles and fun.
- > 10.50: Parents pick up from playground.
- > 10.00-10.50: Adult Sunday school meets in Ridley Hall for Seek and Serve class.



Worshipping this Summer at Nativity

By The Rev. Susan Sloan

Easter Day was a wonderful occasion to celebrate the presence of children at Nativity! From bunny ears at children's chapel to egg hunts in Angel Lane they spread their lively gift of joy everywhere they went!

Again this summer we will reach out to families with children in worship each Sunday. The 9:00 service in the chapel will return with the summer schedule. The liturgy is designed to make worship more accessible to children. They are encouraged to read, act as ushers, interact with the homily and get up close to the altar to "see the action." This is an option for those who would like to worship with the children of our parish at a full eucharist service. The 9:00 service will begin May 29th and continue throughout June and July.



Our new summer schedule will begin on May 29th. Each Sunday we will have three services, 7:30 am in Bibb Chapel, 9:00 am in Bibb Chapel and 10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Nave. Nursery will be available for the 10:00 service. The 10:00 service will be live streamed on YouTube. If you would like more information about any of the services at Nativity, please visit nativity-hsv.org/worship or speak to one of our clergy.

Breakfast Club 2.0

By Emily Rodgers

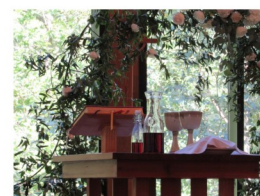
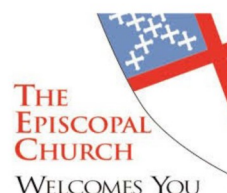
We had such a good time this year in the Breakfast Club, we have decided to keep on going! We plan to meet in the Banister Room on Sundays, June 12, 19 and 24 and July 10, 17, 24 and 31st at 9:00 am. No homework or books to study! Join us in delightful conversation! If you have questions, please contact Emily Rodgers, erodgers@nativity-hsv.org or Lane Tutt, ltutt@nativity-hsv.org.

New Class Seek & Serve

Sundays, May 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd
10:00 am in Ridley Hall

This class will be for any and all who would like to talk about the foundations of our Episcopal faith. Designed for everyone from newcomers to life-long Episcopalians, Seek and Serve will be facilitated by your clergy, and will cover the past, present and future of The Episcopal Church and what makes us who we are!

Invite a friend! See you there!



Checking in with Buildings & Grounds

By Emily Rodgers

Nativity is one final inspection away from using Joffrion Hall again! Like many of you, this experience has taught me the 'hurry up and wait' syndrome of the construction industry. In looking at our use of Joffrion Hall, I have rearranged some rooms to better accommodate our needs. Mary Coe is working on getting the nursery back up and ready for your children.

With the summer months approaching, (HOT WEATHER) I have examined all our cooling units. The unit which serves Ridley Hall is very old and in need of replacement. I have contracted with a company to replace the unit and am hopeful our 63 year old unit will hang on a little while longer. Nativity definitely got her money's worth!

I appreciate your support concerning the Bell Tower. The Building and Grounds Committee has been aware of the deterioration of the mortar and has been actively seeking masons qualified to work on historic structures. Nativity has contracted with Masonry Arts to repair the deteriorating mortar on the Bell Tower and to install copper flashing to prevent future damage. I anticipate work will begin within the month.

Nativity is very close to completing the landscape work on the playground. Once completed, the area will be plumbed for irrigation. Then comes the fun part of selecting plants!

During July, Marlin plans to strip and wax the floors in Angel Lane. With his attention to detail, the area will be nice, clean and ready for activities this fall.



The picture above was sent with the following note earlier this month:

Hi, Rev. Goldsmith and Mrs. Tutt!

My family lives on Echols Avenue, we have 8 kids and we love to play at the parks around our house. The other day we realized that the park you have built as part of your church is open to the public.

Thank you very much for being so generous with the community and allowing us to benefit from such a fun gift!

May the Lord bless you and keep you,

Peace of Christ, Luke

11th Season
opens
Thursday, May 5th
4:00 pm
See you there!



the
Greene
Street
Market
at Nativity

Becoming Beloved Community & Sacred Ground: What's Next?

By Vicky Hinton

During Lent, a small group of folks gathered every Thursday at 5:00 pm in Ridley Hall to participate in a Becoming Beloved Community conversation. Each session was led by a lay person who served as the facilitator, and clergy were there each week to help tackle any big questions. For some the conversations were a continuation of what they had learned as one of the participants in a Sacred Ground group. For others BBC was a bit of an insight into Sacred Ground and the racial reconciliation work the Episcopal Church is doing.

At this point you might be asking, “what is Sacred Ground and Becoming Beloved Community”? Sacred Ground is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America’s history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family stories, economic class, and political and regional identity. The 11-part series is built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary films and readings that focus on Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories. Sacred Ground is also part of Becoming Beloved Community, The Episcopal Church’s long-term commitment to racial healing, reconciliation, and justice in our personal lives, our ministries, and our society. This series is open to all, and especially designed to help white people talk with other white people. Participants are invited to peel away the layers that have contributed to the challenges and divides of the present day – all while grounded in our call to faith, hope and love.

One thing became apparent through these conversations, “we want more”! Those who have completed Sacred Ground are looking for “what’s next” in this journey, while those who are just beginning to take interest in the churches role in racial reconciliation are looking for something deeper. Well, we are here to try and provide both!

Coming this summer, we will begin two new Sacred Ground groups, one virtual and one in person. Later in the fall, we will begin two additional groups who will meet in person. If you would be interested in being a part of one of these groups, please fill out the [interest survey found here](#), or contact Vicky Hinton for more information, vhinton@nativity-hsv.org. Both the summer and fall groups forming will last 10-12 weeks, depending on how the group decides to structure their meetings. Weekly meetings usually last 1.5 to 2 hours and the preparation for each class (reading materials and videos) can take several hours as well.

This fall, we will also introduce a new Sunday School class for adults using curriculum materials from Becoming Beloved Community. These will be held during the regular Sunday School hour, and will be an option for people who have completed Sacred Ground and want to continue the conversation. There are also new materials for those who have completed Sacred Ground in the Deeper Dive section of the website that can be found [here](#). We are also hoping to schedule a large group trip to Montgomery to visit the EJI Legacy Museum and National Memorial for Peace and Justice and host a presentation by the Madison County Remembrance Project. More information on those two events coming soon.


Finally, we would like to encourage everyone to attend the United City-Wide Worship event hosted by North Alabama Pastors United for Change, (see flyer below) Sunday, June 5 at 6:00 pm. This would be a wonderful opportunity for any group or individual looking to find ways to support healing of racial division in our community. Additionally, I encourage you to visit <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/racial-reconciliation/> for more information about the reconciliation ministries of the Episcopal Church.

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? -Micah 6:8

North Alabama Pastors United for Change presents

United

a city-wide worship event




The Orion Amphitheater

Sun Jun 5, 2022 | 6pm

Join us as we unite to heal racial division in our city through an evening of praise, prayer and spoken word that features the NAPUFC Worship Collective and Lo The Poet.

theorionhuntsville.com
Event is free and open to the public with reserved tickets



Outreach Missioner

By The Rev. Rosie Veal Eby

We dedicate one Sunday a year to those in or touched by recovery, however it is an everyday thing for those who deal with recovery. This is something I am very aware of at First Stop. I did not have a class in seminary on drug and alcohol addiction; however, I feel like I could teach one at this point. Beside personally having had loved and lost people in my life to drugs and alcohol, I am so thankful for the tools I have been given by the people at R.O.S.S. Recovery and all they do for those in the community as far as helping people seek treatment and guiding them into sober living following treatment.

This past Monday I got to First Stop and saw Brandon. I had not seen Brandon for about a year and a half. I meet him three years ago when I started serving over at First Stop. His drug of choice was meth. He was a regular to services on Thursday. He spoke with me often and we prayed together. He asked me to put him on my prayer list when he broke his arm and made sure I called his mom when he got locked up for getting kicked out of the Rescue Mission.

His mom would call me, ask me when I had seen her boy. Ask if he was coming home. Brandon and I talked about rehab, talked about him going home to his mom many times. I lost count of how many times he was supposed to meet me at the bus station for me to buy him a ticket and he did not show up. Until finally he did.

Brandon has been clean and sober for a year now, he came back to Huntsville because First Stop can help him get his documents like his birth certificate and ID and social security card. The small town where he is from not have services like we do. He was barred for a year from the Rescue Mission but now that his time is up he is back there while he is in town. He told me he is staying there while waiting for his paperwork and watching old episodes of Gun Smoke and going to meetings. He will head back home and go back to work on his mom and stepfathers farm once he has all of his paperwork.

The job I have as an Outreach Missioner is a blurry one, for lack of better term. This past week I helped a mama dog in the camps, organized a haircutting event for the homeless, visited folks in the hospital, held worship, broke up a fight, then laughed with the people who were fighting. There is no model I am following but I am following the Holy Spirit. I see the Spirit on the move also in the church as more opportunities are being presented for people to be involved and engaged, such as The Mother's Day Brunch and the Pep Squad with the Give Back Run.

For the next year First Stop will be under construction. If you are interested in helping with a “Loads of Love” day at the laundromat, please email Vicky Hinton vhinton@nativity-hsv.org to be a part of the volunteer list. Thank you for recognizing that like Recovery Sunday, outreach does not just happen one Sunday a year but it is something we are called to do and make part of our spiritual practice.

Gives Back Track 5K Pep Squad

By Jill Chadwick

Everyone is invited to gather on Saturday, May 7th at 8am in the Nativity Courtyard to cheer on the runners participating in the Huntsville Inner City Learning Center's Give It Back Track 5K. HICLC children train for this event every year, and the proceeds of the race go to a charity of their choice, giving them a chance to give back to the community. This year, their chosen organization is New Futures, whose mission is to provide housing for unhoused families.

To help cheer the HICLC runners along as they pass the courtyard, consider making a sign with words of encouragement! Since many of the children's first language is Spanish, here are some appropriate Spanish phrases:

DALE, DALE! = Go, Go! No Te rindas! = Don't give up!

INTE'NTALO! = Go for it! AGUANTA! = Hang in there!

VAMOS! = Let's Go! Tu' Puedes! = You got it!

Questions? Please contact Jill Chadwick, jmaychad@icloud.com.

<https://www.hiclc.org/give-it-back-track-2022>



Above: Nativity EYC friends stopped by to celebrate Daniel at his Eagle Scout Ceremony.

Right: a picture of the 3D stations built as part of Daniel's project at HICLC.

Calling all Nativity Cooks

By Janet Robbins

Our co-chairs, Lea Ann Barnett and Sherry Boyer, have been working hard to launch the new Nativity Cookbook Project and we are now off and running! The book will be a beautiful hard-back coffee table style book to include recipes, stories about Nativity & our food traditions, artwork by Nativity artists, and graces.

Our mission statement is to honor, preserve, and pass on to future generations the long standing traditions at Nativity which have nourished our parishioners and inspired us to gather around the table for food, fellowship, and faith.

We need all of you to help us tell Nativity's story and the first step is to gather your favorite recipes! We are looking for your family recipes, recipes you have prepared for special receptions & events at Nativity, Bazaar bake sale & luncheon recipes, recipes for dishes you take to friends in need, and recipes your children love & love to prepare themselves. We would also appreciate a little back story about your recipe... was it handed down in your family, did you make it for a special occasion?

Please submit your favorite recipes by using the attached [link and form](#). You can email it to janet@janetmasonrobbins.com or drop it off at the church office. You are also welcome to mail it to Janet Robbins at 1286 Becket Drive, Huntsville, AL 35801. Please call or text me if you have any questions. Janet Robbins 256-797-4236.

Stewardship of Creation

Creation Care: What it is, and why it matters to Christians

Submitted for publication by Freya Neely

Earth Day was officially observed on April 22nd world-wide, and April 24th was designated as Earth Sunday in the Diocese of Alabama. But we don't have to limit our celebration just to those days - God's Creation should be celebrated every day!

Take just a minute to think about: What is one of your favorite things/places in God's creation? Here are some verses to help us understand our relationship with God's Creation:



You alone are the Lord. You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you. -Nehemiah 9:6

The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; -Psalm 24:1

The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. -Psalm 95:5

What does "Creation Care" mean to you? What does environmental justice mean to you? Let's look at some answers the Bible gives us:

I know that the LORD secures justice for the poor and upholds the cause of the needy. -Psalm 140:12

Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.

Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked. -Psalm 82:3-4

The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'
-Matthew 25:40

How can we care for creation in a way that honors God? Some suggestions:

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ~Educate yourself, learn all you can! | ~Pray about it! |
| ~Talk about it! | ~Go renewable/consider solar panels |
| ~REDUCE, reuse, recycle | ~Compost |
| ~Walk (or bike) when you can | ~Carpool |
| ~Eat a more plant-based diet/try not to waste food | ~Shop local |
| ~Pick up trash in your neighborhood | ~Consume less |
| ~Tell your elected officials: "these issues are important to me" | |

- ~Reuse plastic bags or bring your own shopping bags
- ~See who else you can influence (where does your circle extend?)

A closing prayer: For the Conservation of Natural Resources

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen -BCP page 827

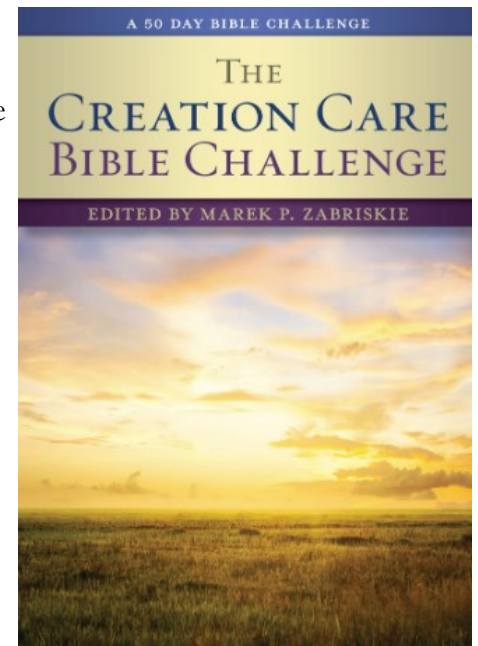
Compiled from a Green Faith resource: *Sacred Season for Climate Justice*

Care of Creation Bible Challenge

By Vicky Hinton

One of Nativity's Core Values is Care of Creation. We celebrate creation in our worship, offering prayers and thanksgivings. We honor God's creation by caring for one another and members of our community through a variety of ministries. We support others tending God's creation by shopping with local farmers at the Greene Street Market. We care for God's creation by making environmentally friendly choices around our facility, recycling when possible. Another way we can be mindful about care of creation, is to offer opportunities for both our parish and our community which celebrate and educate!

This summer, we invite you to participate in the 50 Day Care of Creation Bible Challenge! Featuring fifty days of reflections by spiritual leaders and writers from around the world, *The Creation Care Bible Challenge* is an extension of The Bible Challenge, a global initiative to encourage daily engagement with scripture and an exploration of the Word of God. These daily reflections are offered by farmers, scientists, theologians, conservationists and clergy who explore ways that we can be faithful, loving stewards of the earth and all of its riches. The challenge is pretty simple! Starting June 1st, you read the daily scripture and meditation provided in the book. You can do this on your own or with your family, and continue every day for 50 days. During the 50 days we will have some fun videos to share talking about how we strive to Care for Creation here at Nativity. Thursday, July 21 we will celebrate the end of the 50 days with a Care of Creation fair in the Courtyard during the Greene Street Market. This will be a community engagement event that will include vendors and organizations from the area whose work and mission support the Care of God's amazing creation.



Books are available for purchase online at [Forward Movement](https://www.forwardmovement.com), available on Kindle and Apple Books or can be purchased through the church for \$12 each until May 13th. [Click here to order](#), or call the church office 256-533-2455. Free books are available for those who need assistance, please contact Austin Cook, acook@nativity-hsv.org.

For more information please contact Vicky Hinton, vhinton@nativity-hsv.org.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

OF OUR CHILDREN:

Sarah Blank
Stella Allbritton
John Epps
Ella Ragsdale
Lily Gessler
Eleanor DeFiore
Julia Cote
Owen Alexander Proud
Anna-Claire Stevens
Harriet Davis
Liam Stafford
Anna Katherine Ayres
Cornelius Allen, III
Anthony Landers
Evelyn Jones
Stewart Davis
William Harrison Hase
Juneau Farrell
Lochlan Connelly

Kate Hudson
Erin Hannah
Alana Boyce
Laurel Plucker
Ivy McCurry
George Twitty III
Gwenyth Blalock

DEATHS:

Charles Peter Swanson

BAPTISMS:

Harper Mae Fitzgerald, daughter of
Doug & Lauren FitzGerald
Jonathan Jagger Fleischer, son of
A'Melody Lee
Julian Rykker Jacobi, son of A'Melody
Lee & Sebastian Jacobi
Theo Joyce Thomas, daughter of Derek
Merrill & Griffin Thomas

WEDDINGS

Sarah Reed (Cotten) & Peter Reed

PARISHIONER UPDATES:

New address:

Jennifer, Randy & Sloan Dill
718 Owens Drive
Huntsville, AL 35801

Gail & Damon Settle transferred to
Episcopal Church of the Good Shepard,
Jacksonville, FL

John & Jackie Sheldon transferred to St.
James Episcopal Church, Fairhope, AL

HAP SUNDAY JUNE5

Items needed this month are spaghetti
sauce and noodles, mac and cheese,
canned fruit and meat, boxed dinners.
(HAP Sunday is the first Sunday of every
month.)



NATIONAL
Day of Prayer
Thursday — May 5th
10AM—12Noon

Eagles' Nest Cathedral International • 6831 Hollow Road
Email: ENCI.contact@gmail.com • PH: 256.651.0832
Bishop Daniel J. Richardson, ENCI Senior Pastor

•To Register, Email or Call the contacts above
•Masks and Social Distancing Required

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Parish Financial Report for March 2022

	<u>Budget for Period</u>	<u>Actual for Period</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>	<u>Actual YTD</u>
Pledges Received	\$113,421.90	\$94,378.00	\$340,265.78	\$389,984.00
Plate	\$10,416.67	\$9,588.42	\$31,249.97	\$30,538.23
Other Revenues	\$9,432.34	\$5,610.39	\$28,296.94	\$16,095.10
Total Income	\$133,270.91	\$109,576.81	\$399,812.69	\$436,617.33
Diocese & Missions	\$14,860.67	\$12,475.96	\$44,581.97	\$50,075.15
Outreach	\$12,383.89	\$10,352.00	\$37,150.99	\$63,681.00
Personnel	\$73,658.11	\$69,534.56	\$220,973.96	\$207,918.24
Other Expenses	\$32,368.68	\$28,931.72	\$97,101.16	\$82,602.03
Total Expenses	\$133,271.35	\$121,294.24	\$399,808.80	\$404,276.42
Net	-\$0.40	-\$11,717.43	\$3.89	\$32,340.91

[CLICK HERE FOR THE MARCH VESTRY MINUTES](#)

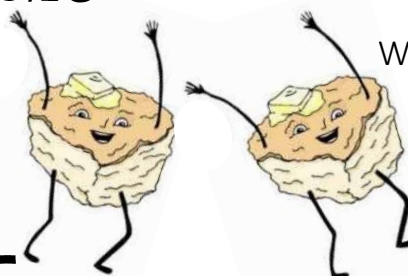
Visit nativity-hsv.org/vestry to view current Vestry minutes or call Austin Cook 256-533-2455.

BROTHERHOOD OF THE BISCUITS

SERVING FREE BISCUITS & COFFEE

EVERY SUNDAY MORNING

BETWEEN SERVICES IN RIDLEY HALL



Looking for a way to get involved?

We would LOVE to welcome YOU

to our team of cooks!

Contact Amy Kennedy,

akennedy@nativity-hsv.org for more information

May 2022 - WORSHIP SCHEDULE

updated 04/28/22 – AEK

SUNDAY, May 1st

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:30 am	Goldsmith	Goldsmith	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett	Lea Ann Barnett
8:45 am	Stuart	Goldsmith		Lynn Sparks-Lewis, Alice Mae Hinton	Clay Sherrill
11:00 am	Sloan	Goldsmith		Lee Hicklen, Marcia Cobun	Fred Beck

WEDNESDAY, May 4th

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM/ Lector / Intercessor
12 noon	Stuart		Walter Thames

THURSDAY, May 5th

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM/ Lector / Intercessor
6:00 pm	Goldsmith		Charles Morley

SUNDAY, May 8th

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:30 am	Sloan		Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson
8:45 am	Goldsmith	Sloan	Mike Ward	Adam Proud, Carter Proud	Allison Proud
11:00 am	Goldsmith	Sloan	Walter Thames	John Nelson, Sally Ann Culver	Deborah Baker

WEDNESDAY, May 11th

Service	Celebrant	LEM/ Lector / Intercessor
12 noon	Sloan	Cheryl Watts

THURSDAY, May 12th

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	Lector / Intercessor
6:00 pm	Stuart		Sally Ann Culver

SUNDAY, May 15th

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:30 am	Goldsmith		John Hendricks	John Hendricks	John Hendricks
8:45 am	Sloan	Goldsmith	Lewie Bates	Lynn Sparks-Lewis, Jennifer Dill	Sloan Dill
11:00 am	Stuart	Goldsmith	Peter Cobun	Marcia Cobun, Elaine Hamner	Melissa Kirkindall

WEDNESDAY, May 18th

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM/ Lector / Intercessor
12 noon	Goldsmith		Walter Thames

THURSDAY, May 19th

Service	Celebrant / Preacher	LEM/ Lector / Intercessor
6:00 pm	Sloan	Charles Morley

SUNDAY, May 22nd – Sr. Sunday & Sr. Acolyte Recognition at 8:45 service

Service	Celebrant	Preacher	LEM	Lector	Intercessor
7:30 am	Stuart		Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett	Ken Barnett
8:45 am	Goldsmith	YOUTH		YOUTH	YOUTH
11:00 am	Goldsmith	Stuart		Sally Ann Culver, Pam Briggs	Shirley Hale Stucky

WEDNESDAY, May 25th

Service	Celebrant / Preacher	LEM/ Lector / Intercessor
12 noon	Sloan	OPEN

THURSDAY, May 26th

Service	Celebrant / Preacher	LEM/ Lector / Intercessor
6:00pm	Stuart	Sally Ann Culver

SUNDAY, May 29th – Summer Schedule Starts

Service	Celebrant / Preacher	LEM	Lector(s)	Intercessor
7:30 am	Goldsmith	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson	Sue Johnson
10:00 am	Veal Eby	Goldsmith	Laura Pierce	Melissa Kirkindall, Lynn Sparks-Lewis
				Walter Thames

FLOWER GUILD				
B = Bibb C = Church		B: Lea Ann Barnett, Jane Wacaster, Sherry Boyer C: Kelli Markwalter, Kelly Towry		
ALTAR GUILD				
May 1 st	Jewell Reynolds, Beth Pugh, Linda Watts, Amanda Kiep, Natalie Rushing			
May 8 th	Sue Johnson, Nancy Colin, Peggy Serio, Gail Brown, Heather Stroud			
May 15 th	Alice Lanier, Emily Moody, Debbie Joyner, Caffey Litkenhous, Judy Vann			
May 22 nd	Natalie Rushing, Wanda Cobb, Judy Heacock, Jewell Reynolds, Beth Pugh			
May 29 th	Sophia Samogray, Mary Johnson, Linda Watts, Amanda Kiep			
CLERGY ON CALL SCHEDULE				
May 2 nd – 8 th	May 9 th – 15 th	May 16 th – 22 nd	May 23 rd – 29 th	May 30 th – June 5 th
The Rev. Susan Sloan	The Rev. Michael Goldsmith	The Rev. Worth Stuart	The Rev. Dr. Bob Serio	The Rev. Susan Sloan
VESTRY Member of The Day				
May 1 st	May 8 th	May 15 th	May 22 nd	May 29 th
Alicia Taylor	Susie Fortner	Adam Proud	Debbie Collette	Jill Chadwick
Debbie Collette	Chris Singer	Mike Ward	Michael Brown	Marvia Cobun
VERGER SCHEDULE				
May 1 st	May 8 th	May 15 th	May 22 nd	May 29 th
Don Lambert	Terry Clevenger	Lea Ann Barnett	Don Lambert	Terry Clevenger (10am)
Lea Ann Barnett	Don lambert	Terry Clevenger	Lea Ann Barnett	
USHER SCHEDULE				
May 1 st	May 8 th	May 15 th	May 22 nd	May 29 th
Peter Barber	Peter Barber	Peter Barber	Peter Barber	Peter Barber
Bill Starnes, Chad Hinton, Clay Sherrill				
Lloyd Newman, Michael Shipley, Tom Lydon	Tom Lydon	Lloyd Newman, Hanns Billmayer, Veneta Billmayer	Russ McDonald, Pamela Briggs, Michael Shipley	Lloyd Newman, Pamela Briggs, Michael Shipley, Tom Lydon
ACOLYTE LEADER & ACOLYTE SCHEDULE				
	Sunday, May 1 st			
8:45 am	Nina Putt – Luke Ham, Abby Ham, Jack Ham, Macy Baker, Austill Baker, Anna Bradford			
11:00 am	Clay Sherrill – Sloan Dill			
	Sunday, May 8 th			
8:45 am	Nina Putt – Luke Ham, Abby Ham, Jack Ham, Carter Proud, Diana Sommer			
11:00 am	Shari Williams – Clara Williams, Morgan Gafford, Rowan Gafford			
	Sunday, May 15 th			
8:45 am	Nina Putt – Cooper Gunter, Daniel Starnes, Waring Cantey, Anna Bradford			
11:00 am	Mike Ward – Diana Sommer, Alton Hudson			
	Sunday, May 22 nd – Sr. Sunday & Sr. Acolyte Recognition at 8:45service			
8:45 am	Clay Sherrill – Daniel Starnes, Waring Cantey, Sloan Dill, Emma Mauldin			
11:00 am	Shari Williams – Clara Williams, Morgan Gafford, Rowan Gafford, Diana Sommer			
	Sunday, May 29 th – Summer Schedule Begins			
10:00 am	Mike Ward -			



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7:30 PM
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7:30 PM
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2022 First Stop Golf
Tournament!



2022 Altar Flower Dedications

Your Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Dates requested: _____
Name(s) for dedication: _____

Please choose one:
___ in loving memory of... ___ in thanksgiving for... ___ in celebration of... ___ in honor of...

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 and mail your check along with this form to: to:
Nativity Flower Guild Andrea Vandervoort 434 Locust Ave. Huntsville, AL 35801
Questions? Call Andrea: 256-539-2673