

Sunday Tidings

Our Mission

To inspire, nurture and expand Nativity's spiritual growth
through faith, worship and community.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017

This Week at Nativity

Today:

Services at 8:30 and 10:30am
9:30am Lectionary discussion

Mon, Aug 21:

7pm Blue Candle Bible Study

Tues, Aug 22:

6:30pm Yoga
7pm Vestry meeting
Environmental Stewardship mtg

Wed, Aug 23:

10am Chatty Yarns
Noon *Glad Tidings* deadline

Mark Your Calendar

Sun, Aug 27:

At the 10:30 am service: Back-
pack blessing
After the 10:30am service: *Rise
Against Hunger* meal packing

Tues, Sept 5:

9:30am Tai Chi

Sun, Sept 10:

Return to 3 services: 8, 9, 11:15

Announcements

Reaching Up, Reaching Out — we have received 97 pledges totaling \$323,432. Pledge cards and brochures about the campaign are available in the Narthex and in Estill House. More information online at www.nativityonline.org under the Giving tab.

NEW: Environmental Stewardship meeting — Tues, Aug 22, 7pm, in room 202 of the Education Building. Agenda items will include: planning for the environmental fair in October, actions for individuals and the congregation, *Toward Zero Waste*, fall planting in the community garden, the solar project, and *Becoming the Good Soil*. All are welcome.

NEW: Bread bakers needed — if you are interested in baking communion bread once or twice during the year for the service on the first Sunday of the month, contact Diane Rietman (919-278-0887 or rdtripbeach@gmail.com).

NEW: Tai chi classes — Tuesdays from 9:30-11:30 am, beginning on Sept 5. For more details, visit www.northcarolina.usa.org or call 919-787-9600. Join us for the first class at no obligation!

Glad Tidings deadline — Wed, Aug 23, at noon. If you have articles, calendar entries, or other items to submit for publication, please send them to gladtidings@nativityonline.org.

Backpack blessing — Sun, Aug 27, at the 10:30am service. Year-round or traditional calendar students should bring their backpacks to be blessed in church that day.

Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) meal packing — Sun, Aug 27, after the 10:30am service, in Corlett Hall. Put on your calendar now and sign up online (<http://events.stophungernow.org/NativityOnline>) if you plan to participate in our 5th annual meal-packing event. RAH requires us to register all participants for any individual over 18, or any family unit participating with children over 4 years of age. Please note: register using Internet Explorer or Google Chrome web-browsers, and NOT Apple's Safari web-browser.

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Spanish classes — Thursdays beginning Sept 14: beginning class at **9am**, advanced class at **10:30am**. Interested? Contact Pete Crow peter.crow@me.com.

Confession — If you would like to make an individual confession, contact Stephanie to set up an appointment.

Baptism date for 2017: Nov 5 (All Saints), at the 11:15am service. If you are interested in this date, contact Stephanie Allen.

Stephen Ministers can help — If you or someone you know is going through a challenging time (depression, divorce, new baby, teenagers, marital issues, or illness) and need to talk with someone who can offer support, contact Deacon David Lynch (dl@nativityonline.org or 919-805-1902).

Audio reinforcement system available — Our audio system in the Nave incorporates individual hearing-assist units for parishioners with diminished hearing. These devices are available in the Narthex from the ushers.

Prayer requests — To begin a confidential prayer request, contact Anita Kerr (anitawillsiekerr@gmail.com), or contact Carolyn Kerr (Ckerr1@nc.rr.com or 919-872-0698) for Daughters of the King. If you leave a phone message, please include the nature of your request. Contact the church office to have names added to the Prayers of the People list for Sunday services.

Prayer squares — Know someone in need of prayer? Looking for a tangible way to let them know you are praying? Pick up a "prayer square" in the Narthex. Each square is knitted or crocheted with a small charm and message and prayer attached. Thank you to Diane Rietman for this ministry of prayer.

Job postings — To receive job postings from Caring Connections, contact Karen Ridout at kgr@mindspring.com.

Christian Formation

Children/Youth Education: (Sunday School is on break until the fall)

Adult Education —

- **9:30am —** *Reflections on the Lectionary Readings*, meets in the parlor

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To contact the Rector, the Rev. Stephanie Allen: Call the church office (919-846-8338), her cell phone (919-744-1663), or reach her via email (sa@nativityonline.org).

To contact the Deacon, the Rev. Dr. David Lynch: Call the church office, his cell phone (919-805-1902), or reach him via email (dl@nativityonline.org).