

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL CONVENTION SUMMARY SESSION

The 81st General Convention of The Episcopal Church elected a new Presiding Bishop (The Rev. Sean Rowe), processed more than 300 resolutions, and considered issues of discipline, liturgy, and organization. Cathy Deats, who was in attendance in Louisville, will be presenting a summary session of GC81 on Sunday, August 4 at 9:30 am in Curry Hall.

LEV TRAINING

Lay Eucharistic Visitor Training will be held on Saturday, July 27, from 10 am to 12 pm in Curry Hall 202. LEVs provide the Eucharist from the Sunday celebration for people who are unable to be at a church service, temporarily or long-term. The Rev. Nancy Titus and The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats will be conducting the training. This is an introduction to the canonical responsibilities of the LEV, as well as pastoral care and the nuts and bolts of the visit. If you are already part of this class, this is a friendly reminder. If you are considering your call to this ministry, please let Cathy know.

POWER-WASHING AND PAINTING

Our amazing Buildings & Grounds team is organizing two dates to power wash and paint three walls of the Worship Building and Curry Hall. Power washing will happen on August 24, and painting on August 31. Please sign up using this [Google Form](#) by scanning the QR code or visiting nativityonline.org/quick-links

JULY OFFICE HOURS

Beginning July 8 and lasting through the end of the month, Bradley will be out of the office every Monday. Church office hours will remain as normal: Monday through Wednesday, 10 am to 2 pm; Thursdays by appointment.

ADOPT A HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

Join in an intergenerational program to support our seven rising high school seniors! Sign up to “adopt” a senior for the 2024–25 school year. Throughout the year, adopters will send notes of encouragement, seasonal cards, small treats, and then participate in next spring’s church-sponsored graduation activities, such as graduation Sunday and the family luncheon. The program’s goal is to foster church-wide relationships and help prepare our high-school seniors to head out into the world, knowing of God’s, and this

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CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 21

8:30 am: Rite II Eucharist, spoken (Nave)
10:30 am: Rite II Eucharist with music (Nave)
12 pm: Senior Luncheon

MONDAY, JULY 22

(Bradley out of office)
7 pm: Walk In Love: Adult Confirmation (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

10 am: Chatty Yarns (Corlett Hall)

SATURDAY, JULY 27

10 am: LEV Training (Curry Hall)

SUNDAY, JULY 28

8:30 am: Rite II Eucharist, spoken (Nave)
10:30 am: Rite II Eucharist with music (Nave)
12 pm: Caregivers Support Meeting



community's, deep love for them. Sign up by scanning the QR code, or by visiting nativityonline.org/quick-links

ONE WAKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PETITION

Affordable housing has been defined as costing no more than 30% of your gross income and currently 56,000 households in Wake County can't afford housing. One Wake has a petition to deliver 10,000 signatures to elected officials with a vision to alleviate this issue and secure support from elected officials. Nativity has committed to delivering 500 of the 10,000. Please take a minute to sign the petition, which is available by scanning the QR code, or visiting nativityonline.org/quick-links

CHILDREN'S FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED

We need your help to continue our Children's Formation during the 10:30 am service. Jeremy prepares all the stories and activities to make it easy for the teachers. Ideally, volunteers would commit to one Sunday per month, and we always need two adults present. Your involvement is crucial in maintaining this valuable offering for our children. Please consider signing up! Reach out to Jeremy for more information or to express interest.

CREATION CARE INFORMATION MEETING

The Creation Care team will be holding a short informational meeting on Sunday, July 28 at 9:30 am. Please meet us in Corlett Hall if you're interested in joining the team and helping to determine the direction of Creation Care at Church of the Nativity. Please contact Steve Dearth for more information.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY 2024–25

Registration is now open for Education for Ministry (EfM) for the 2024–25 academic year. The EfM group meets on Monday evenings at Nativity. EfM, offered through Sewanee, is a unique distance learning certificate program in theological education based on mentored, small-group study and practice that provide the framework for understanding life and shaping actions, deepening Christian faith. The deadline to register is **today**, as there is limited capacity. For more information, please reach out to Jeremy Clos. To register, visit nativityonline.org/quick-links or scan the QR code.

BOOK STUDY: RADICAL LOVE

The Rev. Phillip Bass will lead a four-part book study of Patrick S. Cheng's *Radical Love: An Introduction to Queer Theology* starting Wednesday, August 14, via Zoom. This book explores the intersections of Christian theology and LGBTQ+ issues, offering a transformative vision of God's inclusive and radical love. Join us for engaging discussions and deepen your understanding of how love transcends boundaries. James H. Cone calls it "a must-read for anyone who cares about the health of the church and theology today." Register online to participate by scanning the QR code or

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PILGRIMAGE TO THE UK IN 2025

Adults and families are invited to join a transformative journey through sacred landscapes in the United Kingdom, October 3–13, 2025, as we visit sites central to early English Christianity and Celtic saints—including Edinburgh, Lindisfarne, Bamburgh, Durham, Hexham, Whitby, and York. A pilgrimage offers an opportunity to build community, deepen faith, learn, and rest. Our youth experience this opportunity annually, and now it's your turn, too. An informational meeting will follow the 10:30 service on July 28 to unveil the itinerary. Registration begins in August. Don't miss this chance to explore our rich spiritual heritage.

