



# *Glad Tidings*

April 24, 2025



Visit the website for a full list of [upcoming events](#), [upcoming services](#), and [current signups](#).

Parish Life



### **Justice and Reconciliation Sunday: Guest preacher Dr. Mark Vasconcellos**

Dr. Mark Vasconcellos, pastor and president of the Raleigh-Apex NAACP, will preach at both services on Sunday, April 27. Our annual Nativity/Raleigh-Apex NAACP Scholarship Fund supports Black students entering college this fall. This Outreach/Social Justice effort reflects our commitment to racial justice and healing. Each year the campaign for donations begins in December and ends in May. So far, we've received \$3,200 and hope to meet or exceed our average of \$8,000. The campaign ends in May. Donate at [Nativityonline.org](https://Nativityonline.org) (Scholarship #22900) or send a check marked "NAACP Fund." Thank you for helping us make a difference in the lives of local students.



### **New "Stand Up, Speak Out" Nativity Group Interest Meeting on April 27**

Following the 10:30 service, you are invited to join a group of Nativity members for a simple potluck and a chance to talk with each other about the challenges we are facing politically and communally in North Carolina and the United States. How do we name the darkness and where do we find hope? Have you found ways to take action? What does justice and reconciliation mean within our Christian lens? Within our communal lens? Let's talk. Join us in the conference room in Estill House.



### **Coffee, Cake, & Military Stories**

Join us for **Coffee, Cake & Military Stories** on Sunday, May 4, in Corlett Hall immediately following the 10:30 service. With over 15 veterans in our congregation, this 45-minute gathering is a special opportunity to hear their stories, share in fellowship, and learn about military life, including traditions like the Marine Corps' cake-cutting ceremony with a sword! Come enjoy coffee, cake, and conversation as we honor those who've served and celebrate the rich experiences they bring to our community. All are welcome!





### Helping Hands: Moving & Packing Help Welcome

At Nativity there is a quiet group of people who have helped, and continue to help, parishioners who need a hand with packing some belongings as they relocate or downsize. We just pack - no moving involved. Always guided by the homeowner, it's a great feeling to give support in this way as they make changes in their lives. The occasional requests come to me, I assess what the needs are, and send an email to check availability of our gang. If you might like to join us, or find out more, please contact [Ailsa Tessier](#).

### Pastoral Care at Nativity



Have you wondered about pastoral care and what that means? The Pastoral Care Team want you to understand what it is and how the Nativity care team works to support you. [Read this blog post](#) to find out more.

## Youth & Children



### Graduation Sunday - June 1

Join us as we celebrate our graduates during the 10:30 am service on **Sunday, June 1!** Graduates are invited to wear their regalia and walk in the procession. There will be recognition of the graduates during the liturgy. A parish-wide celebration will follow the service. We can't wait to honor this milestone with you!

Please [fill out this form for High School Seniors](#) or [this form for Eighth Grade Graduates](#) by **April 30** to let us know your graduate will participate and to share their future plans.

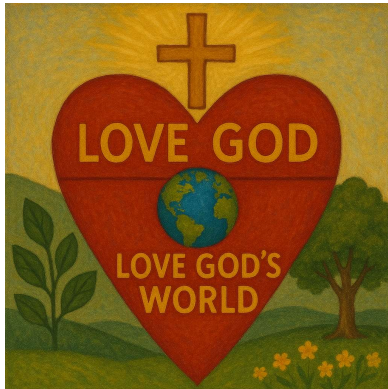
## Adult Formation



## Women of the New Testament

Meet the remarkable women of the New Testament: followers of Jesus, healers, supporters of his ministry, and spreaders of the good news. Some, like Mary Magdalene and Martha, are well-known; others, like Joanna and Prisca, played vital but lesser-known roles. Some are unnamed despite their pivotal roles in the story.

Join this six-week class led by Jo Dykes on Sundays, **May 4–June 15** (break on May 25), from 9:30–10:20 am in Curry Hall Room 204.



## Love God, Love God's World

Join us Wednesday nights, **April 30 – July 2**, from 7 to 8:30 pm via Zoom for a thought-provoking series on faith and creation care. Guided by the Episcopal Church's new *Love God, Love God's World* curriculum, we'll explore how our love for God calls us to care for the earth and one another. Through scripture, discussion, and practical action, we'll deepen our understanding of, and commitment to, responsible and loving stewardship.

[Register here](#) to receive the zoom links and class materials.

# Outreach



## Habitat for Humanity Race & Housing Dialogue

Join us on Monday, May 5th from 7pm - 8:30pm at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church (952 Morphus Bridge Rd, Wendell). Join us as we dive into the often-forgotten history of how our federal, state and local governments segregated American cities and the lasting impact it has today. The event will include a viewing of Richard Rothstein's short documentary "Segregated by Design" as well as discussion groups and action items to advocate for better housing policy. [Sign up today!](#)



## Upcoming ONE Wake Actions

ONE Wake is continuing its good work in 2025 by advocating for affordable housing in Wake County in these upcoming events. Save these dates and join us to make a difference in our community! ***This is how we make change!***

- **May 17**, 9am-12pm, Affordable Housing Strategy Session (Location TBD), RSVP [Here](#). Nativity Target: 5 people.
- **July 12**, 12-2pm, Affordable Housing Accountability Action (Location TBD), RSVP [Here](#). Nativity Target: 15 people.

## Nativity Prayer List

Please click here for the prayer list: [Nativity Prayer List](#)

To add someone to the list, please [email the office](#).

---

## Nativity Staff

[The Rev. Grey Maggiano](#)

Rector

[The Rev. Ryan Parker](#)

Priest Associate

[Jeremy Clos](#)

Lay Associate for Christian Formation

[Josh Anderson](#)

Lay Associate for  
Communications and Administration

[Monique Holmes](#)

Business Manager

**Robert Krahel**

Sexton

**Eva Warren**

Nursery Attendant

[Owen McKimmon](#)

Youth Intern

---

[View this email in your browser.](#)



Church of the Nativity

8849 Ray Road, Raleigh, NC 27613

[\*\*nativityonline.org\*\*](http://nativityonline.org)

[\*\*919-846-8338\*\*](tel:919-846-8338)