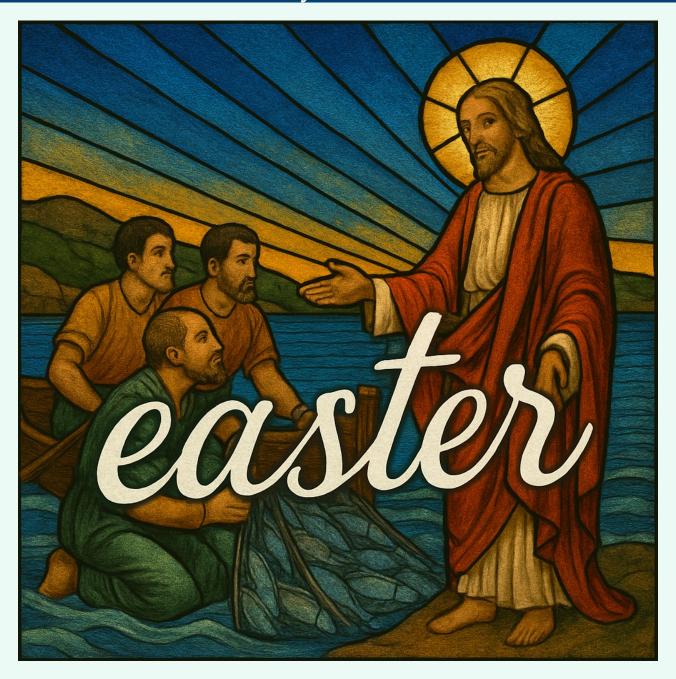


# Glad Tidings

# May 1, 2025



Visit the website for a full list of <u>upcoming events</u>, <u>upcoming services</u>, and <u>current signups</u>.

### Parish Life



### Youth Sunday Service this Week!

During the 10:30 am service of Holy Eucharist this Sunday, May 4, Nativity's youth and children will take over all of the lay roles during the service.

We hope you'll join us as our youth and children lead us in worship.



### Coffee, Cake, & Military Stories

Join us for fellowship 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!



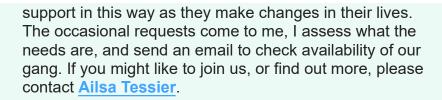
### **Springfest at Church of the Nativity!**

Join us on **Saturday, May 31**, 2025 from 11 am–3 pm for Springfest! Meet new neighbors, join in on activities and games for everyone, and enjoy free food. This is a great opportunity to meet and grow as a community. Help us spread the word and don't forget to add it to your calendar. Looking forward to seeing you at the Church grounds to enjoy the warmer season!



# 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





#### **Ushers and Greeters Needed**

Ushers and Greeters promote a sense of welcoming and belonging and serve as an important point of contact for newcomers and visitors. We're excited to bring back this tradition at the 10:30 service!

Greeters (Signup Here) arrive 15 minutes early to welcome people and hand out bulletins. Individuals, pairs, or families with helpful children are welcome.

Ushers (Signup Here) count attendance, pass the collection plate, and guide the communion line. New volunteers will be paired with an experienced Usher.

Please contact **Sheila Knapp** with any questions.

### 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 parishwide celebration will follow the service. We can't wait to honor this milestone with you!

Please <u>fill out this form for High School Seniors</u> or <u>this form for Eighth Grade Graduates</u> by **May 6** to let us know your graduate will participate and to share their future plans.



# The Justice Theater Project Youth Summer Theater Camp

Open to rising 3rd–9th graders, this exciting week-long camp (August 4–8) offers a full day of acting, movement, and technical theater, led by professional instructors. Campers collaborate to create and perform a show based on a book from Nativity's Peace Library by week's end. No



experience necessary—everyone gets a part! Camp runs 8:45 am–4:00 pm here at church, with optional before/after care. Cost: \$285 (plus \$50 for extended care). Scholarships available.

For more information and for how to register, <u>check out</u> this <u>blog post</u>.

### **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.

### Outreach



#### Support Pride Packs: Next Collection on May 4

Sunday, **May 4**, will be our next Pride Pack Collection Sunday. Here are some examples of foods that we need that are easy for children to fix for themselves:

- Shelf stable individual boxes of milk
- Juice boxes
- 15 oz cans of fruit or vegetables
- Cans of tuna or chicken
- Microwavable mac and cheese or Rice-a-Roni

Thank you for your generosity in helping the children of Leesville Elementary School.



#### **Habitat for Humanity Race & Housing Dialogue**

Join us on **Monday, May 5** from 7 pm–8:30 pm 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, 9 am–12 pm, Affordable Housing Strategy Session (Location TBD), RSVP <u>Here</u>. Nativity Target: 5 people.
- July 12, 12–2 pm, Affordable Housing Accountability Action (Location TBD), RSVP <u>Here</u>. Nativity Target: 15 people.

## Community Events



# Street Requiem: A Community Concert of Remembrance and Hope

On **Friday, May 2**, 2025 at 6:30 pm in Moore Square, the Chorale and Youth Choir will join forces to present <u>Street Requiem</u>, a powerful one-hour performance honoring those who have died on the streets and raising awareness about housing insecurity. Composed by Kathleen McGuire, Andy Payne, and Jonathon Welch, the work weaves together English, African, and Persian texts with musical styles including gospel, contemporary, and indigenous. Free lawn admission is available, with <u>reserved seating</u> for purchase

# Nativity Prayer List

Please click here for the prayer list: Nativity Prayer List

To add someone to the list, please email the office.

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