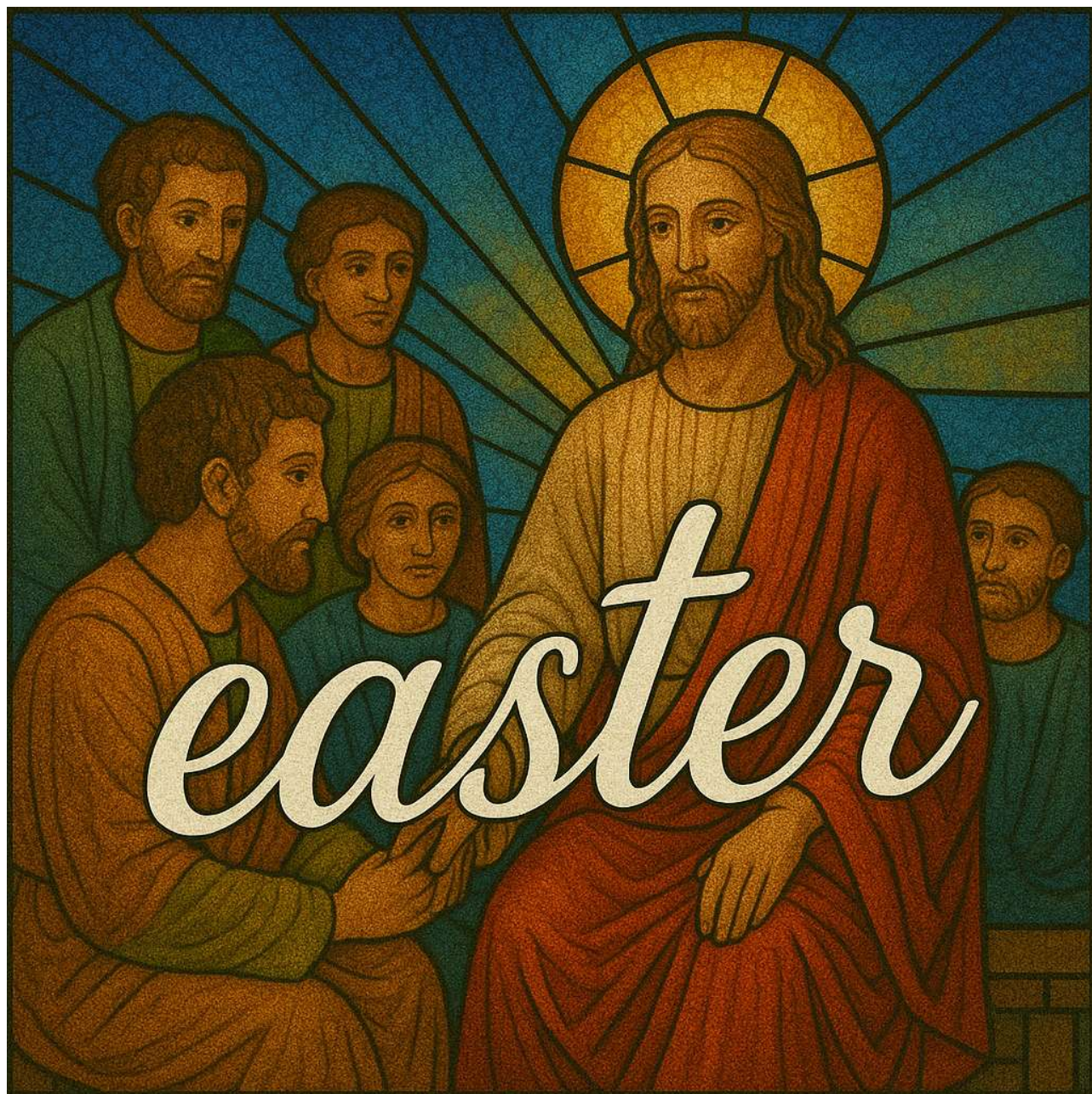




# *Glad Tidings*

May 15, 2025



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

Parish Life





### Next Steps After *The Color of Compromise*

Join us on **Sunday, May 18**, following the 10:30 a.m. service, for a conversation with The Rev. Lindsey Ardrey, Canon Missioner for Restitution and Reparations Ministry. Rev. Ardrey will lead us in a discussion about how Church of the Nativity might respond to the insights from our recent study of *The Color of Compromise*. All are welcome to dream with us as we explore meaningful next steps in our journey toward racial justice and reconciliation.



### 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!



### SpringFest Bakers Needed

As many of you know, Nativity's SpringFest is coming up on **May 31**! One way we extend hospitality to our community is through food—and we're counting on Nativity's many talented bakers to help. We hope to offer easy-to-carry desserts for attendees to take with them: cookies, individually sliced cake, and simple cookie bars. Please consider [signing up](#) soon so we'll have plenty of sweet treats to share with our neighbors!



### 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 [send us an email](#)!



## Church of the Nativity Men's Softball Summer 2025 Season

The Church of the Nativity Men's Softball Team is back for Summer 2025! We play weekly (excluding major holidays) at Bay Leaf Baptist Church in Raleigh. Each game begins and ends in prayer, building faith, fellowship, and camaraderie. We've reached the championship three of the last four years—come cheer us on or join the team! Bring your glove (no metal cleats) and a good attitude. Let's play ball and grow in faith together. The next game is **Tuesday, May 20** at 6:30 PM against Friendship Baptist at 12200 Bayleaf Church Road, Raleigh.



## What is the Funeral Committee?

At Nativity, we support grieving families by offering hospitality during funerals, including a simple reception after the Burial Service. This meaningful ministry is coordinated by our Funeral Committee, which organizes food and volunteer help through Sign Up Genius. Set-up and clean-up are typically quick, with plenty of support.

We currently have three members and are seeking three more. The commitment is light, but the impact is deep—offering comfort during a tender time. If you're interested in helping, please [send us an email](#)!



## Nativity's 40th Anniversary: Pictures and Stories Needed

Nativity's 40th anniversary is coming up, and we need your help to celebrate! Share your stories, videos, and photos that reflect our life together—outreach, youth, creation, justice, arts, and fun. Whether you've been here for decades or days, we want to hear your memories: big events, quiet moments, spiritual growth, or just good laughs. Written or recorded—whatever works best. Photos of community life, from potlucks to retreats, are especially welcome. Let's honor all we've shared!

[Contact Us](#) to contribute or ask 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 parish-wide reception will follow the service in Corlett Hall. We can't wait to honor this milestone with you!



## 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 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, [check out this blog post](#).



## Peace Library Summer Adventure

From **June 15 - August 24** Nativity's Peace Library will be sponsoring a special reading adventure program for all in the congregation, from our toddlers to our seniors. Though this library is a collection of children's and youth books, their subjects are relevant to all ages and can be appreciated by any person. All are invited to read, listen to or view stories about loving yourself, your family and community and caring for God's world. More information and participant leaflets are coming soon. Questions? Contact the [Peace Library Team](#). You can also take a look at the [book list](#).

# Adult Formation

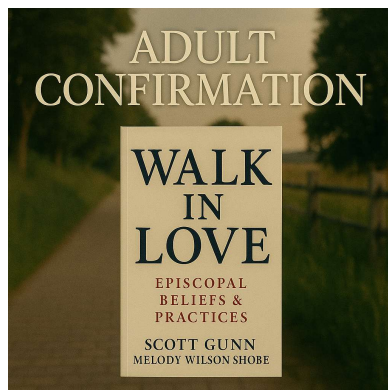




## Women of the New Testament

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.



## Walk in Love: Adult Confirmation Class

This fall, the Bishop will visit Nativity for the rites of Confirmation and Reception. To prepare, we'll read *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices* by Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Shore. This six-week class meets Mondays from 7 to 8:30 pm on Zoom, beginning **June 23** (with a break on July 7). Open to adults 16 and up, the course explores Episcopal beliefs, sacraments, the liturgical year, prayer, and more. Whether you're seeking Confirmation, Reception, or simply want to learn more, you're welcome. [Register by Friday, June 13](#) to take part in this journey of faith.

# Outreach



## 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 ([St Francis UMC, 2965 Kildaire Farm Rd, Cary, NC](#)), RSVP [Here](#). Nativity Target: 5 people.
- **July 12**, 12–2 pm, Affordable Housing Accountability Action ([St Francis UMC, 2965 Kildaire Farm Rd, Cary, NC](#)), RSVP [Here](#). Nativity Target: 15 people.



### **Habitat for Humanity: Helpers Needed!**

Join us for Nativity's Habitat work day on **June 7** at Old Poole Place in Southeast Raleigh. Volunteers must be **16 or older**. It's a great opportunity to serve and build community. Sign up at [habitatwake.volunteerhub.com](http://habitatwake.volunteerhub.com)!

## 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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