



Glad Tidings

October 16, 2025



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Parish Life



Senior Luncheon | October

Come out and join us at the next Senior Luncheon on **Sunday, October 19**. Carl and Emilie Sigel have reserved the private room at Milton's on Six Forks Road. The buffet will be available, so make sure to let the [Sigels](#) know if you're able to join in on an afternoon of community and good food.

We're grateful to last year's hosts and now seek hosts for 2025–2026. Hosting is simple: choose a restaurant, make a reservation, and confirm guest numbers. New to Nativity? You're warmly invited—no need to be a senior to join the fun! To participate or host, contact [Ed Mussman](#). Come share food, fellowship, and friendship this season!



One WAKE Annual Meeting

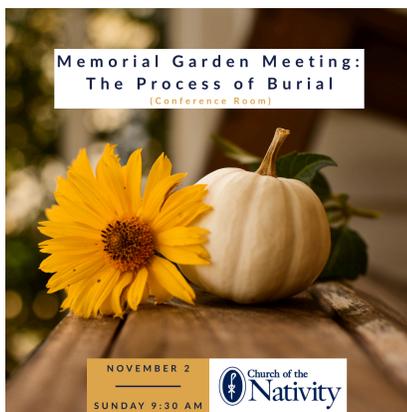
Join us for the One WAKE Annual Meeting on **Tuesday, October 21** from 7-8:30 pm. This will be a powerful gathering of diverse faith communities and community organizations working together for systemic change in Wake County. Nativity has been an active member for three years, and the impact has been inspiring! Come see what One WAKE is all about and lend your support to this important work.

[RSVP here](#) and let [Becky](#) know if you'll be attending!



Halloween Party

We're planning a parish-wide Halloween party for **Sunday, October 26** from 4-6 pm for all ages. Costumes are encouraged! Bring a carved pumpkin and a spooky treat to share. We'll have prizes for costumes and pumpkins! If you'd like to help us prepare for the fun, please [contact Sarah O'Connor](#).



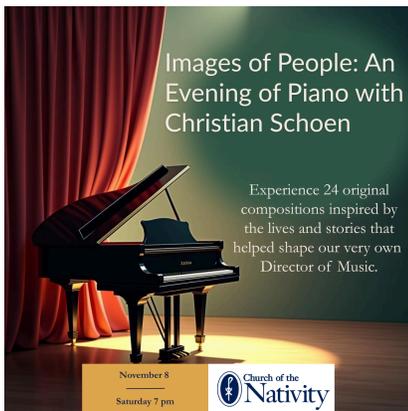
Memorial Garden Meeting

Join us on **Sunday, November 2** in the Conference Room between the 8:30 am and 10:30 am services for a conversation about the process of burial in Nativity's Memorial Garden. Ed Mussman will lead the discussion and answer any questions about this meaningful ministry. All are welcome to attend.



Youth Sunday

You're warmly invited to Youth Sunday on **Sunday, November 2!** Come support our young people as they lead worship, share their gifts, and inspire us with their faith. Join us for a joyful morning of music, prayer, and community as we celebrate the next generation of leaders in our church. All are welcome—bring your family and friends!



An Evening of Piano with Christian Schoen

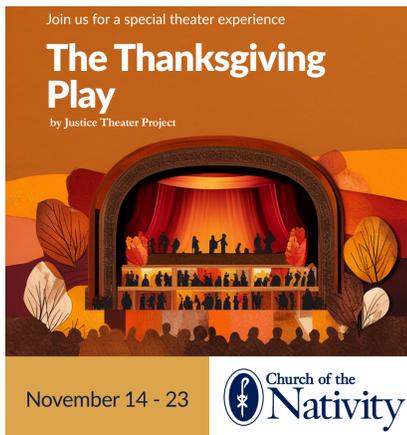
Join us for an unforgettable evening of piano music on **Saturday, November 8** at 7 pm as our Director of Music, Christian Schoen, performs his original collection of 24 compositions, *Images of People*. This deeply personal work musically portrays individuals who have influenced and shaped his life.

An accomplished pianist, Christian has earned high praise for his expressive and masterful performances. The *Port Huron Times Herald* recently described his playing as "A performance to remember. Elegant, expressive, and undeniably superb." Attendees are welcome to contribute a free will offering at the performance that will support our music ministries at Nativity. We hope to see you then!



Veterans Services Presentation

Join us this **Sunday, November 9**, immediately following the 10:30 service in Corlett Hall for a special presentation by Mr. Darius Hunt, Veterans' Services Manager for Wake County. Mr. Hunt will share valuable information on navigating disability claims, appeals, and requesting service records. He will also cover survivors' benefits, geriatric benefit services, burial benefits, and state programs available to veterans and their families. All are welcome to attend this informative session just before Veterans Day.



The Thanksgiving Play Comes to Nativity!

We're excited to host *The Thanksgiving Play* by The Justice Theater Project right here at Nativity on special days from **November 14-23**. This sharp, funny, and thought-provoking production explores how we tell the story of Thanksgiving and who gets included in that story. Come enjoy an evening of theater that invites reflection, laughter, and conversation about justice and culture. Learn more and [get tickets here!](#)

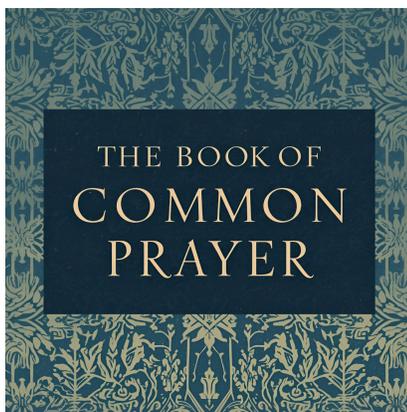
Adult Formation



Follow Up from Last Week's Life Transition Forum

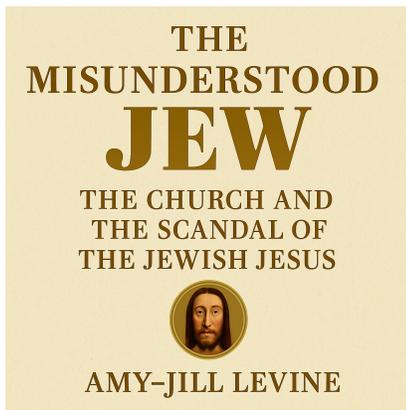
Thank you to everyone who joined in last Sunday's forum on spirituality and aging. We're grateful to Dorothy Linthicum and Dee Wallis for sharing their wisdom and experience as we reflected together on life's transitions with faith and compassion.

For access to the materials shared during the forum, please view the [Google Drive](#). We look forward to continuing this important conversation in the spring—stay tuned for details!



The Book of Common Prayer

Join us for a five-week class on *The Book of Common Prayer*, inspired by Derek Olsen's *Inwardly Digest*. Together we'll explore how the Prayer Book shapes Anglican faith and practice, from worship and prayer to the life of the Church. This class will provide a deeper understanding of its history, meaning, and ongoing relevance for our community. Sessions meet **Sundays October 5 to November 2** from 9:30–10:20 am in Curry Hall 204. [Please register](#) to let us know you're interested in participating.



The Misunderstood Jew: The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus

A four-week Zoom book study on *The Misunderstood Jew* by Amy-Jill Levine will be offered **Wednesdays, October 29–November 19**, 7–8:30 pm. In this insightful work, Levine, an acclaimed Jewish New Testament scholar, explores Jesus' Jewish context, helping readers better understand his teachings, life, and the misunderstandings that shaped later Christian-Jewish relations. The series will be led by The Rev. Dr. Jim Melnyk, who retired in 2020 after 31 years of parish ministry. A published author and ecumenical leader, Jim brings a deep passion for interfaith dialogue and a vision rooted in *Tikun Olam* (repairing the breach). [Please register](#) to receive the class prospectus and the Zoom links.

Outreach



NO KINGS 2.0 Rally

Join your Nativity family this **Saturday, October 18**, from 12-1 pm for a peaceful, public witness for democracy! We'll gather at noon in front of Ashley Furniture (6180 Capital Blvd, Raleigh). Park near Sears or the Courtyard Marriott. Bring water and positive signs describing the world we want to see. Let [Becky](#) know if you plan to attend or sign up on the [Google Sheet](#)—and please [RSVP](#) to the organizers, too!



Day of Giving Coming Soon

Mark your calendars! **Sunday, December 7** is this year's Day of Giving event in Corlett Hall between 9:30 am and 12:30 pm. This is a time when many of the outreach ministries supported by our church share information about their programs. It gives parishioners an opportunity to learn more about these ministries, possibly make financial contributions, and enjoy refreshments and fellowship. If you are active in a nonprofit ministry that you would like to showcase, please contact [Beth Crow](#) or [Lillis Ward](#).

From The Diocese

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE
OF NORTH CAROLINA



JOB OPENING

**SECRETARY OF
CONVENTION
AND COUNCIL**

Job Opening: Secretary of Convention and Council

The Diocese of North Carolina is seeking a new Secretary of Convention and Council with the upcoming retirement of Mr. Chuck Till. This part-time, contracted position supports diocesan governance through record-keeping, communications, and coordination of Convention, Council, and related committees. The role requires strong organizational, communication, and administrative skills, with knowledge of Episcopal Church canons and governance. You can view the position description [here](#). Applications may be submitted to [Canon Catherine Massey](#).

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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