

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE CLOSED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

In observance of Independence Day, the church office will be closed on **Friday, July 3, and Monday, July 6**. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday as we give thanks for the freedoms we enjoy and reflect on our shared responsibility to work toward liberty and justice for all.

STAFF AWAY FOR REST AND RENEWAL

Please keep The Rev. Grey Maggiano and Jeremy Clos in your prayers as they enjoy well-earned vacations with their families. We give thanks for their ministry among us and wish them a time of rest and renewal. Both will return to the office on **Tuesday, July 7**. In the event of a pastoral emergency during their absence, please contact the church office or a member of the Pastoral Care Team, and an on-call priest will be notified.

PEACE LIBRARY SUMMER READING

Look for the special display at the front of the sanctuary featuring Peace Library books chosen to complement each week's Gospel reading. Many of these titles are new to the collection. Activity sheets for most books will be available for children to use during the service. Families are welcome to borrow any featured books or other Peace Library titles. A sign-out binder will be available at the display table.

LECTIONARY DIVINA

This summer, we invite you to join a new adult formation offering: Lectionary Divina. Meeting Sundays from June 21 to August 23, from 9:30–10:20 am in Curry Hall, Room 204, this group will engage one or more of the lectionary readings appointed for the day through a reflective, discussion-based approach. Sessions will be led on a rotating basis by The Rev. Dr. Grey Maggiano, Jeremy Clos, and others. All are welcome to come as you are for a time of scripture and shared insight.

KINGDOM QUEST VBS: AN EPIC JOURNEY TO DISCOVER GOD'S KINGDOM

It's time to register for Vacation Bible School, July 19–23! This year's theme is Kingdom Quest, an adventure-focused VBS that invites children to explore what it means to seek God's kingdom through scripture, worship, service, and friendship. We're excited

to once again partner with North Raleigh Presbyterian Church, with VBS taking place on their campus this summer. Mark your calendars now and register to participate. Volunteer opportunities coming soon.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

Registration for the 2026–27 Education for Ministry (EfM) seminar will open this summer. Offered through The University of the South School of Theology, EfM is a small-group program for theological education and reflection that meets Monday evenings at Nativity. Through study, prayer, and guided conversation, participants explore scripture, church history, and theology while reflecting on the relationship between faith and daily life. EfM is grounded in the belief that every Christian is called to ministry, and the program helps participants discern and articulate their own vocation in the world. To learn more, contact Jeremy Clos or Josh Booth, or check out the EfM website.

ONE WAKE HOUSING LISTENING SESSION

How has the affordable housing crisis affected you or those you know? Your story matters. Join the conversation virtually on Zoom **June 10** from 7–8 pm or in person in Corlett Hall on **July 12** following the 10:30 am service. All are welcome. If you would prefer to share privately, please contact Nativity's ONE Wake **core team**.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 5

8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II Spoken (Nave)
10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Music
12 pm Daughters of the King (Curry Hall 202)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

7 pm Handbell Rehearsal (Corlett Hall)

THURSDAY, JULY 9

7 pm Choir Rehearsal (Nave)

SUNDAY, JULY 12

12 pm ONE Wake housing listening session (Corlett Hall)

