

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFICE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 27

The office will be closed on Monday, May 27 in honor of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tuesday.

### NATIVITY/NAACP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This week, Nativity sent a check to the Raleigh-Apex Chapter of the NAACP in the amount of \$8,300. The fourth annual Nativity/NAACP Scholarship Fund campaign began at the Day of Giving in December and continued through May. The fund is a project of the Outreach and Social Justice committees to support black students who have been accepted to college but need financial support. Thank you for one of our most successful campaigns yet!

### MEMORIAL GARDEN PATHWAYS PROJECT

The Memorial Garden team is pleased to share that the Memorial Garden pathways project will begin on May 28 and last for the duration of the work week. This project will go a long way to making the garden more accessible and beautiful.

### NEW SOCIAL JUSTICE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Nativity recently started a monthly Adult Formation e-newsletter, which contains all the information about current and upcoming classes and events. We will be launching a similar monthly Social Justice e-newsletter, which will contain all relevant articles, upcoming events, and registration information in one place. If you would like to receive the Social Justice newsletter, please contact Bradley at [office@nativityonline.org](mailto:office@nativityonline.org)

### NEW CREATION CARE TEAM LEADERSHIP

Recently Carl Sigel stepped down as the leader of the Creation Care ministry, and Steve Dearth and Sherry Hedrick have stepped in to take over spearheading this important work. Read what Carl and Steve have to say in the blog post about our new Creation Care leadership, available on the website.

### FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Nativity had a strong first quarter as donations exceeded budget. This is typical, as a number of parishioners donate their entire year's pledge at the start of the year. Thank you, all! In the next two quarters, we will incur some significant expenses; the required

## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, MAY 26

- 8:15 am: Anglican Rosary (Nave chapel)
- 8:30 am: Rite II Eucharist, spoken (Nave)
- 9:30 am: Choir warmup (Nave)
- 10:15 am: Anglican Rosary (Nave chapel)
- 10:30 am: Rite II Eucharist with music (Nave)
- 12 pm: Caregivers Support Group (Conference Room)

### MONDAY, MAY 27

All day Office closed for Memorial Day

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

- 10 am: Chatty Yarns (Corlett Hall)
- 7 pm: Book Study: Caste (Zoom)

### SUNDAY, JUNE 2

- 8:15 am: Anglican Rosary (Nave chapel)
- 8:30 am: Rite II Eucharist, spoken (Nave)
- 10:15 am: Anglican Rosary (Nave chapel)
- 10:30 am: Rite II Eucharist with music (Nave)
- 5 pm: Wilmington on Fire Screening and Potluck (Corlett Hall)



financial audit comes with a \$15,000 fee, and our aging HVAC systems for Estill House are requiring more service calls. The second and third quarters typically see significant drops in donations, so we ask that you maintain your giving levels, especially during the summer months. You can read the full report online or on the bulletin board in Estill House.

### **ESTILL HOUSE PORTICO**

Your Buildings & Grounds team has been working diligently to obtain quotes to repair or replace the portico. It was deemed unfeasible to replace the portico with one that would have expansion potential, due to structural concerns. Also this is an insurance claim which covers bringing it back to what it was. This is a small job for contractors, so it has taken some effort to find capable and willing companies to take this on. We now have three bids and expect to start work in the next few weeks. Thanks for your patience.

### **FALL FESTIVAL YOUTH FUNDRAISER**

It's halfway to Halloween / spooky season and Nativity is looking to have a Fall Festival to raise money for the youth! To do this we need your help with volunteers to lead and support activities for this fun-filled event. If you are interested, please contact Ashley Clos at [abclos@gmail.com](mailto:abclos@gmail.com)

### **SAVE THE DATE: RISE AGAINST HUNGER**

"For I was hungry and you gave me food" (Matthew 25:35). Please mark your calendars and plan on attending Nativity's annual Rise Against Hunger intergenerational meal-packing event in Corlett Hall, following the 10:30 service on **Sunday, September 8**. This event is sponsored by the Outreach ministry team, and it will be our second year collaborating with North Raleigh Presbyterian Church.

### **ONE WAKE: MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING**

The goal of ONE Wake is to improve our local community—whether by policy or direct action. ONE Wake is planning to offer Mental Health First Aid training to all interested member organizations. If you might be interested in being one of two or three members trained from our congregation, please let Becky Showalter know at [jbshow@bellsouth.net](mailto:jbshow@bellsouth.net)

### **FILM SCREENING: WILMINGTON ON FIRE**

Join us for a potluck supper and screening of Wilmington on Fire at 5 pm on Sunday, June 2. The film delves into themes our youth will explore on their summer pilgrimage, focusing on the 1898 coup, allowing the whole parish to be involved. Gather in the parish hall to eat and watch the film, followed by a discussion

with filmmaker Chris Everett who will be with us for the evening. Please sign up to volunteer to contribute to the event's success! *Please note: We will take up an offering to support Chris and his work at the event.*

### **PILGRIM: THE BEATITUDES**

Join us over six Sundays starting June 2 as we explore the teachings of Jesus found in the Beatitudes, revealing his vision for living in God's kingdom. Delve into these influential sayings, central to the life of the Church, guiding us to love God fully and understand God's vision for the world. Registration is now closed, but please feel free to drop in for a class!

