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Sipping Tea at the English Tea and Fashion Show 2017!



Choir News

by John R. Durgan, Director of Music

Hello Choristers old and hopefully new,

Now that we are in the summer season, a lot of our members are traveling or visiting relatives out of town. The Choir's, both 8:00 and 10:30, still rehearse every week, but with very noticeable absences. For the summer I am planning to have soloists and instrumentalists fill the gaps on Sunday's where appropriate.

If you or a member of your family play an instrument and would like to donate your talent please let me know. I am always in need of musicians.

The official beginning of the regular Choir season this year will be Wednesday, August the 9th. I am planning to start rehearsals for the Lessons and Carols Service on September 6th. The Lessons and Carols service has become the high musical point of the year at Holy Nativity, and I want to continue that tradition. To that end I would like to invite anyone interested in singing for Lessons and Carols to contact me either by phone or email:

Ph. 913-3471

Email jrdurgan@gmail.com

I need all voices i.e. Sopranos, altos, tenors and basses. You do not need to read music, but ideally can carry a tune. The important thing is that we would appreciate regular attendance at rehearsals. Rehearsals for Lessons and Carols will be from 6:30 to 7:15 on Wednesday evenings. Rehearsals start on time and end on time. I have new music for this year, which I feel is very appropriate for the Christmas season. I will of course be using the Children's Choir this year, and will have more to say about that in the Children's choir section.

If you would like to talk to me about volunteering before actually signing up please feel free to call. I would like to have a choir of about 20 voices for this service, and I know that we have some good singers in our congregation. Perhaps it seems like I am starting early this year. This is made necessary because we have short rehearsals and much music to learn. One thing I can tell you is that it will be rewarding and fun.

Regular 10:30- rehearsals will be from 7:15 to 8:00 on Wednesday evenings.

Children's Choir News

Hello All Parents! Children's Choir will start on Wednesday September the 6th, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

I am hoping that all the children who were involved with the choir last year will return again this year. Needless to say, all interested children are welcome to join. We will be learning some new songs this year, and I have two very nice pieces for children chosen for Lessons and Carols. I would like to use the children's choir more this year than we have in the past. If you have a child who likes to sing, please bring them to our rehearsals on Wednesday evenings. Those parents who have assisted with the choir in the past are once again invited to help.

Special Rally Day Rehearsal Scheduled:

I am planning a short rehearsal for the children to prepare for Rally Day. This rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, August 9th at 4:30 pm.

Mark Your Calendars!

August 9, 2017 - 4:30 pm Children's Rehearsal for Rally Day 10:30 am service

6:30 pm New Adult Choir Season Rehearsals begin

August 13, 2017 - Rally Day and Blessing of the Backpacks!

September 6, 2017 - 4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsals begin

5:30 pm Our five-thirty service followed by dinner and programs begin for the season.

FEED MY SHEEP!

July 9, 2017 after the
10:30 am service

Join us as we cook casseroles for parishioners who are ill or having a baby. We will prepare enough to fill the freezer and when someone is sick or having a baby and needs a little help, come pick one up for delivery! Directions will be placed on each one.



"Parents' Night In"

Saturday, July 15th
at 6:00 pm!

Parents are welcome to enjoy a social gathering in Battin Hall while your children enjoy supervised activities.

If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Holly Melzer at holly805@hotmail.com or Anna Eberhard at annaleaalex@yahoo.com.

Area Wide Ultreya

July 23, 2017 at 3:00 pm at Holy Nativity

What is An Ultreya? Ultreya is an on-going, follow-up program for people who have made their three day Cursillo, linking them together in a Christian community that helps them support one another in their attempts to remain Christ-centered. Apostolic enthusiasm is sustained as participants share their lives in Christ and are inspired by the lives of others in the areas of faith, holiness, and evangelization. Ultreya provides the continued support to make the Cursillo experience a lifetime one.

Everyone who has attended Cursillo is invited to attend!
We have a fun night planned that you don't want to miss!



Coastal Pilgrims

Cursillo of the Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

Children's Ministry July 2017 by Beverly McDaniel

July	Children's Church 10:30 In Kids' Kingdom after the children's sermon at the beginning of the worship service. They return to "big church" for communion.	Nursery 10:15 Younger children enjoy being in the nursery with Catherine Churchill or Emily Brock and our faithful nursery Volunteers.
2	Anna Eberhard 404-405-8188 Lindsey Crelling 319-6226	Sandy Ciccarelli 265-9276
9	Kathy Brust 814-8014 Liz Ward 864-420-5855	Kaew Sumpton 872-3782
16	Anna Eberhard 404-405-8188 Holly Melzer 896-0428	Pat Spangler 215-5247
23	Elizabeth Moore 814-6629 Tiffany Ennis 319-4268	Teresa Durgan 913-3471
30	Laura King 625-0705 Krissy Oenbrink 890-4441	Kathy Brust 814-8014

Entering July, we are still considering our options for Children's Church in the fall. The wonderful Judy Bennett is "retiring" and leaving huge shoes to fill. All who are involved in Children's Ministry cannot thank Judy enough for her contributions to Children's Church. Her thoughtfully prepared lessons and related crafts and activities can be implemented easily by our teachers, and core concepts are informative and enjoyable for the children. For me personally, I will miss her company as we have worked together pondering what is best for our children. I shall, however, continue to seek her opinion and advice on matters spiritual...for Children's Ministry and for myself as well. (Proverbs?)

By informally surveying some of the parents and children, I gather that Godly Play, as presented by Liz Ward, has been very well received and is probably the preferred choice...a no-brainer if we had ten Liz Wards. But, Godly Play is designed to be delivered in hour-long increments using Montessori educational techniques. We must determine how to divide the lessons to fit Children's Church time parameters and not lose the spiritual "wondering" that is the essence of Godly Play. Implementation would also require greater effort and deep commitment from those willing and qualified to teach. (Judy Bennett has spoiled us.) Liz has the training to begin teaching others. Florencia Pereira and Anna Eberhard have attended authorized classes and understand the application of Montessori instruction and, even more importantly, the underlying spiritual significance of the child's developing relationship with God.

If you believe that you could be suited for this opportunity for service or if you want more information, please call me (265-8033). I am hoping for enough devoted teachers to be involved that getting to teach your Godly Play lesson will be a joy for you. Ask Liz or Anna or Flo or Alice Allen or Lindsey Crelling or anyone who has visited the "class" in action. I hope to hear from many of you.



THIS MONTH'S
Birthdays

- July 1 Sarah Chhoy
- July 3 Malinda Bates, Amanda Wilkins
- July 5 Alex Ciccarelli, Candace England, Kirsten McCord, John Thompson
- July 6 Peggy Caldwell, Miles Godwin
- July 7 Trey Hutt, Bekah Leebrick, Kate Leebrick
- July 9 Tom Ledman, Clifton Oenbrink, Celia Stamps
- July 10 Paul Brust, Mary Darrah, Mary Kathryn San Juan, Linda Weller
- July 11 Ted McLane
- July 12 Molly Grace Bradford, Carrie Hickman
- July 13 Cole Davis, Boopie McInnis, Megan Morrow
- July 14 Morgan Williams
- July 15 Tiffany Ennis, Florence Fortier, James Miller
- July 17 Caleb Jeffery, John Mason
- July 18 Verna Barnett, Jennifer Collier
- July 19 Matthew Duncan
- July 21 Charles Bonham
- July 22 Dick Hebert
- July 25 Ginny Leebrick
- July 26 Dennis Boston, Joe Ciccarelli, Mary Katherine Clemons, Jim Hixson
- July 28 Shana Duncan, Sarah Mason
- July 29 Laura Johnson
- July 31 Kimberly Gailfoil, Maggie Wattenbarger



THIS MONTH'S
Anniversaries

- July 1 Dennis and Rita Boston
Ben and Shani Lee
- July 3 Steve and Kathy Dick
Tom and Donna Hairston
- July 12 Steve and Lori Bates
- July 18 Cole and Sarah Davis
- July 30 Joe and Sandy Ciccarelli
- July 31 Mitch and Ann Leonard

SummerTime at Holy Nativity!

Our Wednesday services and meals take on a more casual feel and time!



Worship begins at 6:00pm with one of the daily office services from around the Anglican communion. A themed pot-luck dinner follows. The kids have supervised play time outside while the adults enjoy fellowship in the parish hall. We usually wrap up around 9:00pm.

Watch the weekly bulletins and What's Happenings for the pot luck theme of the week so you'll know what food item to bring.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with dinner prep or clean-up, please contact Mike Harding at 774-1955 or mharding@mmitv.com.



You will go out
IN JOY
and be led forth
IN PEACE.

ISAIAH 55:12, NIV



JULY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>2 The 4th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 8</p> <p>8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Adult Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel</p>	3	<p>4 Office Closed!</p>  <p>Happy 4th of July!</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6:00 pm: SummerTime 6:30 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	6	7	8
<p>9 The 5th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 9</p> <p>8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Adult Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel</p> <p>12:00 pm-Feed My Sheep</p>	10	11	<p>12</p> <p>6:00 pm: SummerTime 6:30 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>13</p> <p>2:00 pm - 8:30 pm Supper at Grace volunteer work</p>	14	<p>15</p> <p>6:00 pm- Parent's Night In</p>
<p>16 The 6th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 10</p> <p>8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Adult Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel</p>	17	18	<p>19</p> <p>6:00 pm: SummerTime 6:30 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	20	21	22
<p>23 The 7th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 11</p> <p>8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Adult Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel</p> <p>3:00 pm-Ultreya</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Book Club 5:30 pm-Panera Bread 6:30 pm-Parish House</p>	25	<p>26</p> <p>6:00 pm: SummerTime 6:30 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	27	28	29
<p>30 The 8th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 12</p> <p>8:00 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite One 9:15 am - Adult Sunday School 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist/Rite Two with Children's Chapel</p>	31					

Worship Lay Ministry Schedule for July 2017

July 2	July 9	July 16	July 23	July 30
Altar Guild: Kaew Sumpton, Nancy Dinguus, Inge Churchill	Altar Guild: Nancy Breland, Victoria Williams, Rhonda Miller	Altar Guild: Mary Bonham, Lisa McLendon, Marla Churchill	Altar Guild: Amy Russell, Barbara Knowles, Byron Matthews and Karen Tucker	Altar Guild: Tim and Monica Phillips, Mary Mittiga and David Burris
Ushers 8:00 am: Tim Phillips and Bert Churchill 10:30 am: Alan and Jeannette Tremaine	Ushers 8:00 am: Jim Hixson and Parker McClellan 10:30 am: Max and Joyce Dannecker	Ushers 8:00 am: Lou Churchill and Jerry Darnell 10:30 am: John Thompson and Chris Mills	Ushers 8:00 am: Dan and Laura Johnson 10:30 am: Russell and Beth Brock	Ushers 8:00 am: Terry Janguila and Tim Pride 10:30 am: Dick and Nancy Hebert
Greeters 8:00 am: Monica and Alex Phillips 10:30 am: Tony and Jenny Collier	Greeters 8:00 am: Ursula Hixson 10:30 am: Kate Watson and Kacey McEwen	Greeters 8:00 am: Larry and Kay Young 10:30 am: Sandy Ciccarelli and Joe Ferrante	Greeters 8:00 am: Dawn Johnson 10:30 am: Charlie Commander and Mary Ellen Pettis	Greeters 8:00 am: Donna Janguila 10:30 am: Sue White and Mary Ellen Harding
Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Karen Tucker and Byron Matthews 10:30 am: Nancy Breland and Kelly Roberson	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Gayle Ahrens and Gene Wicker 10:30 am: Scott Clemons and Edyth Brown	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Suzanne Grossman and Theresa Townsend 10:30 am: Joe Ciccarelli and George McInnis	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Inge Churchill and Gene Wicker 10:30 am: Todd Williams and Joyce Dannecker	Chalice Bearers 8:00 am: Karen Tucker and Byron Matthews 10:30 am: Kelly Roberson and Nancy Breland
Acolytes 10:30 am: Joseph and James Thompson, Bailey Melzer, Emi Hickman, Kristina Dick, Tyler Shores	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Morgan and Ashtyn Williams, John Moore, Grady Oenbrink, Ashley Doran, Milly Eberhard, Mia Carroll	Acolytes 10:30 am: Jack Thompson, Ginny Leebrick, Kate Smith, Grace Ennis, Michael Watts, Kristina Dick, Andrew Collier	Acolytes 8:00 am: Lauren Stewart 10:30 am: Jacob Brock, Bekah Leebrick, Peyton Lam, Nicolas Pereira, Samantha Smith, Late Leebrick, Madelyn Reeder	Acolytes 10:30 am: Paul Brust, Michael Watts, Milly Eberhard, Linda Taylor King, Hannah Hickman
Lector at 10:30 am Carolyn Cramer	Lector at 10:30 am Lisa McLendon	Lector at 10:30 am Beverly McDaniel	Lector at 10:30 am Holly Melzer	Lector at 10:30 am Daniel Melzer
Tablecloth Ministry: Nancy Hebert	Tablecloth Ministry: Candace Leebrick	Tablecloth Ministry: Mary Bonham	Tablecloth Ministry: Mary Ellen Pettis	Tablecloth Ministry: Teresa Durgan



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**DIOCESE OF THE CENTRAL GULF
COAST**

The Rt. Rev. Russell Kendrick - Bishop
The Rev. Steven B. Bates - Rector
The Rev. Tom Weller, Associate

CHURCH STAFF

Youth Director - Andrew Jeffery
Director of Music - John Durgan
Administrative Assistant - Madge Smith
Children's CE Director - Beverly McDaniel
Church Bookkeeper - Kathy Mills
Nursery Attendants - Catherine Churchill, Emily Brock,
Kimberly Gailfoil

THE VESTRY

Fr. Steve Bates - Rector
Gayle Ahrens 15-18
Peggy Bowen 16-19
Beth Brock 15-18 Sr. Warden
Tiffany Ennis 16-19
Mark Godwin - Treasurer
Tom Hairston 16-19
Mike Harding 17-20

Jim Hixson 15-18
Tom Ledman 17-20 Jr. Warden
George McInnis 17-20
Madge Smith - Clerk
Hercules Pettis 17-18
Kelly Roberson 17-20
Joy Thompson 16-19
Todd Williams 14-17

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

*Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite I **
9:15 a.m. - Adult and Youth CE, Children's
Sunday School (Sept. - May)
*10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite II***
*Wednesday 5:30 pm - five-thirty Eucharist **
and programs

**Nursery Provided*

***Children's Church and Nursery Provided*
