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*Holy Nativity Episcopal Church • Panama City, Florida*

## YOUTH GROUP GARAGE SALE! JULY 14, 2012 (south side of church) Donate your items on July 8th!

To raise money for their annual trip to Rock The Universe in Orlando, the youth group will be holding a tremendous garage sale at the church. They could certainly use both your donations and your attendance.

If you would like to bring items with you to church the Sunday before (July 8th), the youth can store them in the youth room. Any youth who wants to earn money towards your expenses at Rock The Universe, plan on helping out.

Sorting and pricing on Friday will be needed, and setup and selling on Saturday. All leftovers will be donated to the Rescue Mission, unless you tell us otherwise.



## Did you think we were taking the summer off?

Mark your calendars, **Saturday July 14th** will be the youth group **Garage Sale!** To raise money for our annual trip to Orlando, we will be holding a tremendous garage sale at the church. We could certainly use both your donations and your attendance. If you would like to bring items with you to church the Sunday before, I can store them in the youth room. Any youth who wants to earn money towards your expenses at Rock The Universe, plan on helping out. I will need sorting and pricing on Friday, and setup and selling on Saturday. All leftovers will be donated to the Rescue Mission, unless you tell me otherwise.

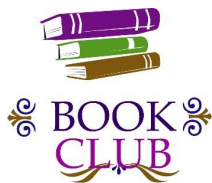


And speaking of **Rock The Universe**, it's coming up fast! This year the event will be the weekend of **Sept. 7-9**. The admission price has gone up, so it looks like we will be charging each youth \$200 to attend. This price includes admission to both Universal parks on Friday and Saturday, sleeping in one of our rental houses, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, transportation the whole weekend, and an ice cream party Saturday night. You are responsible for your own lunches and dinners, and any mementos you want to buy. Full details and registration forms will be coming to you soon.

Our summer project, **Elephant Adventures**, is off to a great start. Father Steve's elephant has visited Gainesville (the University of Florida), the Health Department, and has been on a Disney cruise. I have a ride with a local motorcycle club and a trip to Shell Island planned, and am counting on you for more fun and adventures. Remember, the goal is not to torture the elephant (specifically), but to come up with ways to take his little pachyderm mind off how much he misses Fr. Steve. Add me as a friend on Facebook to follow his travels: Judy Dickey of Lynn Haven, picture of a doll.

We're having fun!

Judy Dickey 248-6624 judydickey@gmail.com



*Join the Book/Kindle Club  
this month!*

They will meet July 23th.  
5:30 pm at Panera Bread Restaurant  
6:30 pm at the Parish House

They will be reading "Standing in the Rainbow"  
by Fannie Flagg

Upcoming months will be:

August -- "Israel, My Beloved" by Kay Arthur

September -- "Sea Change" by Karen White

October -- "Mama Makes Up Her Mind" by Bailey White



Baptism on June 24th!

We welcome the newly baptized Finnley Siebert!

## From Fr. Tom, Summer Priest

### Youth Lector Ministry

This summer we are starting a Youth Lector ministry to bring our young people into full participation in our parish worship life. Four young people have volunteered already, and I am delighted to welcome them. For the summer, the Youth Lector coordinator is me. I will rely on the Youth Leader, Mrs. Dickey, for nominations and recommendations; but *anyone* who would like to consider it is invited to contact me [twellerpc@gmail.com](mailto:twellerpc@gmail.com).

Before reading in church on Sunday for the first time, each Youth Lector will have an instruction and practice session with me, of thirty minutes to an hour, in the church. The sessions will be at a convenient time for them, and for their parents who bring them; and parents are welcome to attend if that's OK with the young person being trained! Youth Lectors will be expected to practice their readings ahead of time, reading aloud at home, or coming to the church to practice if they wish; or scheduling additional sessions with me if they would like to. Once trained, Youth Lectors will be scheduled to read Bible lessons in church on Sunday mornings, at the service they prefer, and as is convenient with their family vacation and work schedule. Depending on how many wish to serve, each Youth Lector might expect to read about once a month.

My hope is that after the summer we may continue the Youth Lector ministry right on.

### Summer Eucharist

Your beaming response to our ten-thirty Sunday morning Summer Eucharist liturgy has been gratifying to me. The summer months, with our rector away, is a perfect opportunity to experiment with some of the worship material that the Church has prepared and General Convention has authorized for us, and I am glad that folks are enjoying it. There are several things to try, so nothing will take root; and we will return to the familiar now and then for special events such as baptisms. See you Sundays!

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## Holy Nativity July 2012 Calendar

July 1	Sunday Services at 8:00 and 10:30	July 14	Youth Group Garage Sale
July 2	10:00 am- Staff Meeting	July 15	Sunday Services at 8:00 and 10:30
July 4	Happy 4th of July! The office will be closed!	July 22	Sunday Services at 8:00 and 10:30
July 8	Sunday Services at 8:00 and 10:30	July 23	Book Club
	9:15 am- Missions and Outreach Meeting		5:30 pm Panera Bread
	9:15 am-Daughters of the King Meeting		6:30 pm Parish House
July 12	2:00 pm –7:30 pm Volunteer time at Supper at Grace	July 26	5:30 pm- Rite One Choir Rehearsal
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	6:30 pm-Chancel Choir Rehearsal	July 29	Sunday Services at 8:00 and 10:30



## Worship Lay Ministry Schedule for July 2012

July 1, 2012	July 8, 2012	July 15, 2012	July 22, 2012	July 29, 2012
<b>Altar Guild:</b> Gayle Ahrens, Joe Ciccarelli, and Alice Allen	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Monica Phillips, Mary Mittiga, and David Burris	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Nancy Hebert and Inge Churchill	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Max and Joyce Dannecker, Gene and Kathleen Wicker	<b>Altar Guild:</b> Phyllis McLawhorn, Inge Churchill, and Kaew Sumpton
<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Dawn Johnson <b>10:30 am:</b> Mike and Amy Zinszer	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Dorbre McMullen <b>10:30 am:</b> Charlie and Cassie Commander	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Ursula Hixson <b>10:30 am:</b> Sandy Ciccarelli	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Laura Johnson <b>10:30 am:</b> Joe and Peggy Ferrante	<b>Greeters</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Joy Conrad <b>10:30 am:</b> Donna Hairston
<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Terry Jangula and Tim Pride <b>10:30 am:</b> Dick and Nancy Hebert	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Susan Nelson and Jerry Darnell <b>10:30 am:</b> Bret and Katie Fisher	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Herb Arlt and Jim Hixson <b>10:30 am:</b> Joe and Peggy Ferrante	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Dan Johnson and Tim Phillips <b>10:30 am:</b> Charles and Mary Bonham	<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Terry Jangula and Tim Pride <b>10:30 am:</b> Steve Dick and Bill Bradford
<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Suzanne Grossman and Theresa Townsend <b>10:30 am:</b> Stewart Sumpton and Todd Williams	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Inge and Lou Churchill <b>10:30 am:</b> Edyth Brown and Joe Ciccarelli	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Karen Tucker and Byron Tucker <b>10:30 am:</b> Scott Clemons and Mike Dickey	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Gayle Ahrens and Gene Wicker <b>10:30 am:</b> Brian Leebrick and Stewart Sumpton	<b>Chalice Bearers</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Suzanne Grossman and Theresa Townsend <b>10:30 am:</b> Todd Williams and Edyth Brown
<b>Acolytes</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Wesley McClellan and Madelyn Reeder <b>10:30 am:</b> Callie Mills, Ben Bradford, James Thompson, and Joseph Thompson	<b>Acolytes</b> <b>10:30 am:</b> Kyle Fisher, Drew Dickey, Jack Thompson, and Claire Fisher	<b>Acolytes</b> <b>10:30 am:</b> Elizabeth Zinszer, Caroline Zinszer, Sean Dickey, Katie Marie Hutt, and Drew Dickey	<b>Acolytes</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Wesley McClellan and Madelyn Reeder <b>10:30 am:</b> Trevor Madden, Jack Thompson, Morgan Williams, Sean Dickey	<b>Acolytes</b> <b>10:30 am:</b> Drew Dickey, Sean Dickey, James Thompson, Joseph Thompson, and Ben Bradford
<b>Lector at 10:30 am:</b> Beverly McDaniel  <b>Youth Lector:</b> <b>10:30 am:</b> Jenna Rahn	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Bonnie Kell  <b>Youth Lector:</b> <b>10:30 am:</b> Jack Thompson	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Gerry Clemons  <b>Youth Lector:</b> <b>8:00 am:</b> Catherine Churchill	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Carolyn Cramer	<b>Lector at 10:30 am</b> Joyce Dannecker

**Only if you are unable to find a replacement** for the day you are scheduled, please call your lay ministry leader.

Acolytes: Mike Harding - 747-0601  
 Altar Guild: Inge Churchill - 265-6744  
 Chalice Bearers/Lectors: 8 a.m. Gayle Ahrens 235-4265  
 10:30 a.m. Edyth Brown - 265-4009  
 Greeters/Ushers: Terry Jangula - 874-2382  
 Sunday Sweets: Edyth Brown - 265-4009

## Children's Ministry July 2012

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 Megan or Molly Thompson and our wonderfully faithful nursery volunteers.
1	"Honesty" Judy Bennett 215-1579 Ashley Eaton 769-8533	Sandy Ciccarelli 265-9276
8	"Stephen" Amy Russell 784-0096 Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	Kaew Sumpton 872-3782
15	"Philip and the Ethiopian" Trey Hutt 814-7934 Charlie Commander 265-4400	Nancy Reeder 596-9538
22	"Saul's Conversion" Jenny Collier 215-6554 Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	Kathy Brust 265-3172
29	"Saul's Escape" Sharon Carroll 784-6961 Beverly McDaniel 265-8033	Karen Shores 867-1084

For the rest of the summer, we are continuing with lessons and stories from the New Testament book of Acts. We are learning about some of the people who first began telling others the stories of Jesus, and we are examining how their "acts" apply to our lives now. Please refer to the topics for each week and ask your children questions about what we did in Children's Church that day. Their answers can be enlightening, amusing, and surprising. Let me know their feedback. We are beginning our planning for the school year programs and your input is valuable. Call me to set an appointment or we can just talk on the phone. I am still not quite proficient at texting but I do like e-mail ([bmcdaniel00@aol.com](mailto:bmcdaniel00@aol.com)). I look forward to hearing from you.

Beverly McDaniel





### **EfM Registration is Open!**

We still have a handful of slots available in our Education for Ministry group that meets in Father Tom's office from 5:45 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, starting in August. EfM is a program of Christian education and spiritual development administered by the School of Theology at Sewanee. Our time together each week includes a comprehensive study of the Old and New Testaments, the history of the Christian church, and different approaches to theology and spirituality, not only from our standpoint as Christians but from other faith traditions. We also develop our personal spirituality, and emerge with a sense of God's presence in the world and a framework for our own ministry as people of faith. Oh, and did I mention that we also share wonderful suppers each week, and develop deep friendships with folks we otherwise might not get to know? Simply put, EfM is an experience that will change your life as a Christian, and give you a confidence in your faith that grows from the knowledge and application of scripture, tradition and reason.

The cost of the EfM is \$350 per year, which includes two hefty looseleaf texts. This is a discounted rate that is available until we fill the class, so please let me know soon if you would like to become a part of our group.

Thanks, Mike Dickey/867.2550,  
mdickey@barronredding.com

## **♪ Music Notes ♪**

from **Marqua Brunette, Director of Choirs**

### **The Chancel and Rite One Choirs**

Holy Nativity's adult choirs are enjoying more relaxed rehearsal schedules this summer but continue to prepare music for our Sunday morning worship services. Learning the newer service music for Rite II has been fun and we look forward to exploring more options as the summer progresses. Given that July 4<sup>th</sup> falls on a Wednesday, the Sunday prior (July 1<sup>st</sup>) will offer some more patriotic hymns. For Rite One, look ahead to July 15<sup>th</sup> and August 5<sup>th</sup> when the Rite One Choir will be singing.

Both of our adult choirs are really in need of new and additional members. Please consider joining us. Singing in a church choir is a rewarding experience, but it does require some commitment and dedication. Choir members often have their own 'calling' and give of their time and talents willingly for the ministry of music. I speak to people about joining us all the time and I would have retired by now if I got paid every time someone said, "Oh, you don't want ME singing in the choir!" Yes – I DO want you. Allow me to let you in on a little secret – most people sound better when they are singing with others. This was recently proven on "Shell Island Sunday" when only about 22 people were at the second service – but, wow, could they sing!! They sang because they all sat close together and sang out. They were reinforced by being in communion with their music. Just like you cannot have a football team of one, you cannot have a choir of one. Most choir members are NOT soloists – they are great choir members! I guarantee that any one of you can sound better by singing in a group!

Please listen for the voice calling you and YOUR voice. I am available to speak with anyone regarding joining the choir. I understand you have vacations and other events in your life – all of our choir members do, but they come when they can and together, we make music for church and the glory of God.

### **Children's Choir**

The Children's Choir is on summer vacation, but we will plan to sing for the Blessing of the Backpacks and Rally Day. Stay tuned for more details. In the meantime, have a great summer and THANK YOU for your beautiful music this past school year! Fall rehearsals start on Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 5:00 PM. See you then and be sure to bring a friend!



July 3	Malinda Bates, Cooper Bewick
July 4	Elizabeth Holden
July 5	Candee Lovchuk, Kirsten McCord, John Thompson
July 6	Miles Godwin, Ed Lockard
July 7	Anne Collins, Trey Hutt, Katherine Leebrick, Rebekah Leebrick
July 9	Tom Ledman
July 10	Paul Brust, Natacha Camenzind, Mary Darrah, Drew Dickey, Logan Gall, Debra Pruitt, Mary Kathryn San Juan, Linda Weller
July 12	Molly Grace Bradford, Francesca Gall
July 13	Cole Davis, Michael Dickey, Boopie McInnis, Megan Morrow
July 14	Morgan Williams
July 15	Florence Fortier, James Miller
July 18	Jenny Collier
July 21	Charles Bonham
July 22	Dick Hebert
July 25	Ginny Leebrick, Kathy Mills
July 26	Dennis Boston, Joe Ciccarelli, Mary Katherine Clemons, Bret Fisher, Jim Hixson
July 27	Jackie Scarpine
July 29	Laura Johnson
July 31	Kimberly Gailfoil, Maggie Wattenbarger



Aug. 19	Blessing of the Backpacks!
Sept. 9	Rally Day! Fr. Steve Returns!
Sept. 12	Children's Choir Rehearsal begins!
Sept. 16	Sunday School begins for all ages!
Sept. 30	Steak and Bake for Wilmer Hall!



July 1	Dennis and Rita Boston
July 3	Steve and Kathy Dick
	Tom and Donna Hairston
July 9	M. Terry and Mona Ullmann
July 12	Robert and Gayle Ahrens
	Steve and Lori Bates
July 30	Joe and Sandy Ciccarelli

## ONCE UPON A TIME.....

in a land far, far, away, there was an apparatus called a BOOK. This was in the time before Kindle, e-books, and other technological reading sources. Books still do exist! There is living proof of this in the Mary Stuart Poole Library here at Holy Nativity.

The Library has numerous books available for perusing at your convenience. The Library is open whenever the church office is open, and the books can be checked out by just filling in the card in the book, and leaving it in the basket on the table.

The Library houses many types of books, including, but not limited to histories of the Bible, exhortations on numerous books of the Bible, self help information, and even a few books of nothing but crazy cartoons, and misadventures in sermons.

If you are looking for a way to relax this summer, learn something new, or just explore an area of your religious life that has been neglected, please check out the Library. You will recognize it as the one building that is not under construction at this time, or take a stroll through the pine straw to the east end of the campus. Happy Reading!

The Mary-Martha Circle



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## **DIOCESE OF THE CENTRAL GULF COAST**

*The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Duncan II - Bishop  
The Rev. Steven B. Bates - Rector  
The Rev. Tom Weller, Associate/Summer Priest*

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*Youth Director - Judy Dickey  
Children's CE Director - Beverly McDaniel  
Administrative Assistant - Madge Smith  
Director of Choirs - Marqua Brunette  
Church Organist - John Durgan  
Church Bookkeeper - Kathy Mills  
Sexton - Lawrence Long  
Weekend Sexton - James Rahn  
Nursery Attendants - Megan Thompson, Molly Thompson*

## **THE VESTRY**

<i>Fr. Steve Bates - Rector</i>	<i>Mark Godwin - Treasurer</i>
<i>Gayle Ahrens 10-13 Sr. W.</i>	<i>Michele Hahn 12-15</i>
<i>Charles Bonham 10-13 Jr. W.</i>	<i>Jim Hixson 11-14</i>
<i>Edyth Brown 12-15</i>	<i>Betty Grammer 12-15</i>
<i>Carolyn Cramer 12-15</i>	<i>Brian Leebrick 10-13</i>
<i>Mike Dickey 11-14</i>	<i>Mary Ellen Pettis 11-14</i>
<i>Richard Doran 11-14</i>	<i>Madge Smith - Clerk</i>
	<i>John Thompson 10-13</i>

## **SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES**

*8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite I \**  
*9:15 a.m. - Adult and Youth CE, Children's  
Sunday School (Aug. - May)*  
*10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist - Rite II\*\**

*\*Nursery Provided*

*\*\*Children's Church and Nursery Provided*