

This Week at



NOVEMBER
20
2025

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

Worship

SUNDAY, November 23

Holy Eucharist, Rite II - *Christ the King*

Lay Ministers: Jim Gilliam, Alex Garrett, William Morgan,
Drucye Cox, Shanti Patel

WEDNESDAY, November 26

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Upcoming Events

NOV 23 Share the Plate for Harris County Hunger

NOV 27 THANKSGIVING DAY - office closed

NOV 30 1st Sunday of Advent

DEC 3 St. Nicholas Book Club meets

DEC 6 Christmas Parades (see more inside)

DEC 7 Stewardship Sunday/St. Nicholas Day

Through DEC 31 - Keep Columbus Beautiful Shoe Drive

Connect and Serve: BackSnacks

BackSnacks needs food! Easy-to-prepare entrees such as canned ravioli or spaghetti and meatballs, mac-and-cheese, or ramen noodles are especially appropriate.

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STEWARDSHIP FAQ OF THE WEEK

by Erin Renfroe, Stewardship Team

Q: I don't know how much of a financial commitment to make. St. Nicholas is dear to me and I believe in our mission, but sometimes my income can be unpredictable.

A: Despite what we all learned about the necessity of "tithing" (10%) how much you pledge is something for you to prayerfully consider along with all of your household's giving. It should be an amount that makes you feel good about playing your part in the work of St. Nicholas, but which won't create an unmanageable burden on your budget. Every commitment, no matter how small, is valuable to the church and its mission; but especially one made during budgeting season. And know that if your financial circumstances change during the year, just communicate with the Parish Administrator or the Treasurer about your needs.

If you missed Connie's thoughtful gospel reflection at church last week, check your email inbox.

IN OUR PARISH

Confirmation Class continues :

For everyone: Adult Formation **December 14** after the service: "Being an Episcopalian"

Week 4 – Mission, Ministry, and Confirmation

Wednesday Dec 16, 6 p.m.

Theme: Living out our faith in the world

November 23: We will have a Share the Plate fundraiser on Christ the King Sunday to help with food insecurity in Harris County after interruptions in SNAP benefits. All cash (and checks designated for the purpose) in the offering plate will go to Pocket Change, a local food bank doing good work in our community.

Advent begins November 30: Flowers & Music donation envelopes will go out November 30. This is a beautiful way to honor a loved one and ensure St. Nicholas has lovely flowers and special music for the holidays.

The St. Nicholas Book Club has chosen *James* by Percival Everett for its December book. Published in 2024, the novel is a re-imagining of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain. In it, Huckleberry's friend on his travels, Jim – a fugitive slave – narrates the travels rather than Huck. The novel won the 2024 Kirkus Prize, the National Book Award for Fiction, and the 2025 Pulitzer Prize for

Fiction. The Book Club next meets on **December 3 after Evening Prayer.**

Do you feel called to serve your church at a deeper, more spiritual level? **Licensed Lay Eucharistic Ministry** may be what you're looking for. Eucharistic Ministers minister to their fellow congregants by assisting the priest with Eucharist on Sunday morning. Eucharistic Visitors bring communion to homebound members of our church family. See Father Bob if you would like to explore this ministry.

Christmas Parades are Saturday, December 6 – 11:00 a.m. for Pine Mountain and 5:00 p.m. for Hamilton. If you're feeling the Christmas spirit and want to participate, let Parish Life know by signing up on the sheet in the narthex.

Spaghetti Dinner & Carol Singing – Wednesday, December 10. Martha is serving up dinner at 5:00 p.m., followed by a Christmas carol sing-along with our talented organist, Kevin Anderson. Come have a some holiday fun with your St. Nicholas family!

Cookies, Crafts, & Conversation meets December 17. We had a great group at our first meeting in November, with half of us stitching on a project and all of us enjoying tea, cookies, and chit chat in our comfortable new Gathering Room. Join us on 3rd Wednesdays at 3:00, with time to tidy up before Evening Prayer. Invite a friend!

It's Time to Recycle Those Shoes! October 1 – December 31, St. Nicholas will again participate in Keep Columbus Beautiful's Shoe Recycling drive. Bring any kind of shoes you're ready to get rid of. Rubberbanding them together is helpful, but condition does not matter. Those that can be worn will be sent to those who can use them; those that can't will be recycled – either way, they stay out of the landfill! Bin in the narthex.



Recognize this diligent artist? That's Alex Garrett, painting the lettering on our sign at the corner of Mobley Rd. and 116. The paint makes the letters stand out, rendering the sign more visible to passersby.

This project was the brainchild of Martha Dimon, our Junior Warden, and it's amazing the difference it makes! Thanks to both of them for their stewardship of St. Nicholas.

IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are asked for Mike Sawyer, Christine Risdon, Kenny Hall and his family, Joan Johnson, Steve Morse, Carson Martin, Ryder Hughes, and the grieving family and friends of Jewel Wells. Continued prayers and loving thoughts for our beloved homebound congregants: Liz Dixon and Patricia Collins.

We pray for wisdom for those in authority, for guidance for those who feel called to action, and for safety and peace for those who feel fear in these times. We continue to pray for all those in need within our community and those in the world who have suffered due to war and natural disaster.



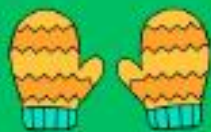
IN OUR WIDER CHURCH

- **News from the Diocese:** [Click here](#) to catch up on what's happening in our own Diocese of Atlanta, including an Events calendar for the few months.
- **News from The Episcopal Church:** [Click here](#) to read The Episcopal Church Weekly.
- **News from the Episcopal Community Foundation:** [Click here](#) to read the latest news.

♥ **CVEM Holiday cards are back!**

Let CVEM take something off your holiday list this year! Give a gift in honor/memory of a loved one this season & we'll send them a card on your behalf. The best part is, your support will help your neighbors in need this holiday season.

Visit cvemjubilee.org to submit your Christmas list!



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WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

NOVEMBER 22, 2025

Longleaf Ballroom - The Lodge and Spa

4500 Southern Pine Dr, Pine Mountain, GA 31822

9AM - 1PM

Email questions to vsullivan@callawaygardens.com

**THE SCHWOB SCHOOL OF MUSIC AT SPRING HARBOR
CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS**

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STUDENTS**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30
3:00 PM**

**ZION EPISCOPAL CHURCH
0 JACKSON AVENUE, TALBOTTON, GEORGIA.**

**FREE EVENT
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