

This Week at



**APRIL
23
2026**

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

Worship

SUNDAY, April 26: Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:00 a.m.

The 4th Sunday of Easter

Lay Ministers: John Brent, Sheri Cody, Drucye Cox,
Connie Blackmon, Martha Dimon.

Flowers: Beth Brown

WEDNESDAY, April 29:

Evening Prayer 5:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- APR 26: Recognition of Graduating Seniors
- MAY 3: Wonder Church/First Sunday Brunch
- MAY 10: Mother's Day
- MAY 17: Bluegrass Sunday
- MAY 24: Pentecost/Whitsunday
- MAY 25: Memorial Day (office closed)

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IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, April 26, St. Nicholas will be sending volunteers to [El Refugio](#), a hospitality house in Lumpkin that supports detainees at Stewart Detention Center and their loved ones through hospitality, visitation, support, and advocacy.

St. Nicholas volunteers will be assisting with housekeeping tasks like stripping beds and laundering linens.

We'll leave at 11:00 - right after the service. See **Margaret Zachry** for more.

El Refugio can also use donations of \$25 gas cards to give to visitors facing an expensive trip home.

Keep an eye out for information on evening cooking sessions to provide frozen meals for the visitors.

St. Nicholas Book Club News: For its May read, the Book Club has selected *The Searcher*, a 2020 mystery novel by American-Irish writer Tana French. A retired Chicago cop seeks quiet in rural Ireland but gets drawn into a missing-person mystery. Slow-burn, thoughtful, and character rich.

IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are asked for Mary Butcher, Cavan Klein's girlfriend Charlotte, and Connie Blackmon and the grieving family of Hilton Blackmon. Continued prayers and loving thoughts for those who have ongoing needs and struggles: Liz Dixon, Stafford Long, April Moore, Hudson Garrett, and Kenny Hall and his family.

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.
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IN OUR GREATER COMMUNITY

Coffee & Connect: Local History

**Thursday, May 7th
10:30 a.m.**

Enjoy coffee and conversation as Lou Brackett of Chipley Historical Society shares stories of the regional history.



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Our May Green Team Roundtable is on **May 12 at Noon ET**, and it's the kickoff for our 2026 Summer of Advocacy: Power Tripping: Georgians' Voice, Georgians' Power.



This summer, we'll follow the path of power across Georgia, tracing how it's made, how it's priced, and how it's felt in communities. From urban centers to rural towns, we'll be listening to the people living with and paying the true cost of fossil fuel decisions. Throughout this statewide journey, we will work to connect policy to place and people, revealing that energy isn't just infrastructure, it's lived experience! Our first stop: wherever you are.

For the Zoom link, please register as a Green Team member [HERE](#).

Previous roundtables may be viewed in our [Green Team Facebook Group](#).



From Reactivity to Resilience

FAMILY CONNECTIONS

MAY 5TH

Time: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Location:

Harris County Public Library

7511 GA-116

Hamilton, GA 31811

Join Family Connections at the Harris County Public Library for a Mental Health Session hosted by the Pastoral Institute.

INSIGHT

Strengthen your emotional control. Learn to recognize signs of distress and learn useful strategies for calming and coping.



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