

This Week at



APRIL 24,
2025

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

Worship

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

The 2nd Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Upcoming Events

May 1 - National Day of Prayer at 1848 Zion Church

The church office will open late; Erin is attending

May 3 - Zion Bluesfest

May 4 - Episcopal Day at Synovus Park

NO FIRST SUNDAY BRUNCH IN MAY - SEE YOU AT THE GAME!

Connect and Serve

Episcopalian Worship is a Group Project

And we need you!

We need ushers, livestream/microphone monitors, and Eucharistic Minsters to serve on Sunday mornings. Training and heaps of gratitude are provided. Contact Erin in the church office if you are interested.

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IN OUR PARISH

Spring Treats

Let's continue the Easter season post-service fellowship time with cookies and lemonade on non-brunch Sundays, to give us a few minutes after the service to just enjoy each other's company. If you'd like to bring a simple treat one Sunday, a sign-up sheet will be in the narthex.

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Episcopal Day at Synovus Park – May 4!



The Chattahoochee Valley Convocation has arranged to celebrate Episcopal Day at Synovus Park on **Sunday, May 4** as the Clingstones take on the Biloxi Shuckers. Game time is 1:05 pm, so you can head over to the park right after worship. Lunch will be available for purchase at concession stands. Seats in sections 212 and 213, are reserved for us; if we fill up those seats, there will still be plenty of general admission seats available. The cost of tickets is \$10 each, plus some handling fees. You can purchase directly through this link: [https://fevo-](https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Episcopalchurches2)

[enterprise.com/event/Episcopalchurches2](https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Episcopalchurches2). Wear your Episcopal or church t-

shirts or other swag so we can show the world how much fun Episcopalians have together.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN CARPOOLING, PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE SHEET IN THE NARTHEX!

Book Club Selects Kingsolver's *Flight Behavior* for May

In 2004 Barbara Kingsolver moved from Tucson, where she had lived since 1978, and returned to southern Appalachia, the setting of several recent notable books, including *Flight Behavior*, the book club's selection for the May meeting.

Published in 2012, this novel follows Dellarobia Turnbow, a young farm wife who witnesses an unusual migration of Monarch butterflies fleeing from their normal pattern due to global warming. They attract the attention of scientists, religious leaders and politicians. Dellarobia's involvement transforms her worldview and opens new possibilities for her future.

Flight Behavior is a captivating, topical and deeply human story touching on class, poverty and climate change. It is Barbara Kingsolver's most accessible novel yet and explores the truths we live by and the complexities that lie behind them. (Adapted from Amazon.) The Book Club will meet May 7 after Evening Prayer at 5:00 p.m.

Save the date!

As you make your plans for the end of the school year and the beginning of summer, keep these dates in mind:

May

ZION BLUESFEST 2025: May 3
EPISCOPAL DAY AT SYNOVUS PARK: May 4
MOTHER'S DAY: May 11
VESTRY: May 18
MEMORIAL DAY: May 26 (office closed)

June

1ST SUNDAY BRUNCH: June 1
BLUEGRASS SUNDAY: June 8
JUNETEENTH (Harris County Celebration in Hamilton): June 14
FATHER'S DAY: June 15
VESTRY: June 15
PULPIT SWAP (at Christian Valley): June 29

IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayer Requests

Your prayers are asked for Mike Sawyer, Edward Martin, Martha Sue Blythe, Asa Garris, and the Brown family as they mourn Kin's mother, Mary Ann. Continued prayers and loving thoughts for our homebound congregants: Liz Dixon and Jewell Wells.

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.

Please send all prayer requests to pastoralcare@stnicholashamilton.org.



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's press release.

News from the Episcopal Community Foundation: [Click here](#) to read the ECF's latest news

In case you missed it on Facebook: [Our Presiding Bishop's statement on the death of Pope Francis.](#)

IN OUR COMMUNITY



The **National Day of Prayer in** 2025 will be observed on Thursday, May 1st. This annual event encourages Americans of all faiths to unite in prayer for the nation.

Thursday, May 1 there will be a program at Historic Zion Church, 0 Jackson Avenue, in Talbotton, Ga beginning at 9 am. Refreshments follow. Following the program, the church will remain open until 3:00 for anyone who wants to come in and pray.

Speakers include Pastor Franklin Holmes of Shady Grove Baptist Church in Talbotton, Rabbi Laurence Schlesinger of Temple Israel in Columbus and Reverend Grace Burton- Edwards of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Columbus has been invited. Each will share a devotional and prayer in keeping with their faith practice. Music will be provided by organist, Talbotton native Tom Callier.

The National Day of Prayer was established by Congress in 1952 and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. In 1988, President Ronald Reagan designated the first Thursday of May as its official date.

Please join us Thursday, May 1, 2025 at Historic Zion Church at 9am for Talbot County's observance of this special day.