The BEACON

November 18, 2026

WELCOME

We welcomed Luciano Armani Quarantotto into our fellowship through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism last Sunday. Luciano is the son of Grace and Lucas Quarantotto.

2027 MINISTRY COMMITMENTS DUE

We are reminded that 2027 Time & Talent and financial pledges are now due. Please return them to the church office, place them in the offering plates, or complete them online at www.holytrinitylynchburg.org. We are aware that there have been postal service delivery issues. Anyone who has not received a 2027 packet is asked to contact the church office.

FRIDAY BREAKFAST SERIES

The Fall segment of our Friday Breakfast Series on *Genesis: A Beginner's Guide to the Beginning* concludes this Friday, November 20, with a look at Noah. A light breakfast is served at 7:00 a.m., followed by the program from 7:15 - 7:45 a.m. Matins (Morning Prayer) follows at 8:00 a.m.

BRUNCH BUNCH

The Brunch Bunch will meet Sunday, November 22, at 12:00 p.m., at Bentley's on Bedford, 2302 Bedford Avenue. Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall or call the church office by **November 20**.

LOST & FOUND SYNOD YOUTH EVENT

The Virginia Synod's *Lost & Found* youth event for seventh and eighth graders will be held this weekend at Eagle Eyrie. **Liev Quarantotto** and **Eliot Wiebe** will be attending with chaperone **Susan Williams**. Please be in prayer for our team as we look at our faith, enrich our spirits, meet youth from across Virginia, and have fun with all kinds of activities.

HARVEST FOOD FESTIVAL & POTTERY SALE



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.







Holy Trinity Brunswick Stew
plus delicious homemade foods

including strawberry, cherry, raspberry, and peach jams; sourdough bread; quiches; chocolate butterscotch chip cookies; pineapple upside down cake; white chicken chili; and more!

Also available will be handcrafted pottery by Sally von Oesen.

Plan to shop early for the best selection.
Invite your friends and neighbors to stock their freezers with ready-to-eat foods made by Holy Trinity's great cooks.

The proceeds support our Program Development Fund.



GOD IN FILM

Our God in Film class will meet Sunday, November 22, at 6:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for a light supper and theological discussion as we view ***The Greatest Showman***. Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall by noon, November 22.

SERVANT OUTREACH PROJECT

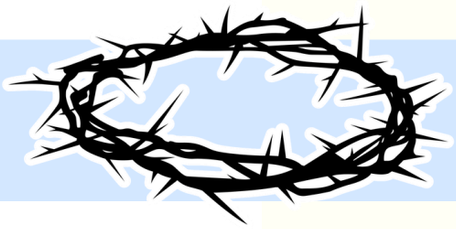
Our **November** project is a food drive for the **Rivermont Area Emergency Food Pantry**. Grocery bags, complete with an attached suggested shopping list, are available in the narthex. We are asked to please fill and return the bags during the month of November. Monetary contributions are also encouraged. Special envelopes are available on the narthex desk.

NEW MEMBERS TO BE RECEIVED

We will welcome new members into Holy Trinity in the coming weeks.
Please speak with Pastor Roberts if you are interested in joining our church family.

HEAD USHER MEETING

The Head Ushers will meet Tuesday, November 24, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parlor.
Please notify the church office if you are unable to attend.



CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

November 22, 2026

The Lessons: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 95:1-7a; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46
The liturgical color for Christ the King Sunday is white. A coffee hour follows each service.

8:30 A.M. - SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
9:30 A.M. - SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

ADULT EDUCATION
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
(Parlor)



Elusive Grace
Regarding the Church
Peace, Unity, and Purity / The Word Proclaimed / Called to a Larger Vision / A Space for Transcendence
Epilogue / Afterword

10:30 A.M. - SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION with LIVESTREAM
12:00 P.M. - BRUNCH BUNCH - Bentley's on Bedford
12:15 P.M. - YOUTH RETURN FROM *Lost & Found* SYNOD EVENT
6:00 P.M. - GOD in FILM - *The Greatest Showman*

THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22 - 28

MONDAY,	9:00 A.M.	-	STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	9:30 A.M.	-	CHAIR YOGA CLASS
	7:00 P.M.	-	CONNECTING WITH GOD - *Know God - Know Self* (via Zoom)
TUESDAY,	7:00 P.M.	-	ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL
	7:00 P.M.	-	HEAD USHER MEETING
WEDNESDAY,	12:10 P.M.	-	SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
THURSDAY,	9:30 A.M.	-	INTERFAITH SERVICE OF UNITY & REFLECTION (at Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church)
FRIDAY,		-	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - Thanksgiving Holiday

ABSENTEE BALLOTS NOW AVAILABLE

Absentee ballots are now available for our Holy Trinity Annual Congregational Meeting to be held Sunday, December 6, following both worship services for the purpose of electing members of Church Council and trustees, acting on a property easement for the traffic roundabout at Langhorne Road/ Rivermont Terrace/Vassar Street, and approving a 2027 Spending Plan. All confirmed members are eligible to vote. Those who are unable to be present that day may request an absentee ballot by contacting the church office.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP RESOURCES

Large print worship resources are available each Sunday in the three-ring binders on the narthex table.

CHILDREN'S and YOUTH MINISTRIES
THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22 - 28

Sunday, November 22	9:30 a.m.	-	Sunday Church School (age three - grade five; meet in classroom across from the Nursery)
	12:15 p.m.	-	Youth return from *Lost & Found* Synod Event

THANKSGIVING DAY
INTERFAITH SERVICE OF UNITY AND REFLECTION



Thursday, November 26, at 9:30 a.m.
Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church
5810 Fort Avenue

We look forward to worshiping with our neighbors from
Agudath Sholom Synagogue, Centenary United Methodist Church, Church of the Covenant,
First Christian Church, Peakland Baptist Church, Peakland United Methodist Church,
Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church, the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Lynchburg,
and the World Community (Muslim).

The Reverend Ruth Dueñez Harrison, pastor of Church of the Covenant, will deliver the sermon.

The monetary and non-perishable food offerings are designated for the Cosby Woods Food Pantry located on Boonsboro Road at Church of the Covenant/Camp Kum Ba Yah.

ADVENT WREATH MAKING



All are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, November 29, at 9:30 a.m., as we make Advent wreaths for our homes. Families are asked to attend together so that older hands may assist those who are younger. Wreath-making materials will be provided and a free will offering is requested. Those who have straw wreath forms from previous years are asked to bring them for reuse.



2027 ALTAR FLOWERS and CANDLE DEDICATIONS

The 2027 Altar Flower Calendar is now available on the hallway bulletin board next to the church office. Please note that no dates are reserved from previous years. The cost of altar flowers is $100 per week for two vases. Payment for altar flowers is requested *before the selected date* and should be made payable to *Holy Trinity*. There are no delivery fees or sales tax. Please contact the church office with any altar flower questions you may have.

The 2027 Candle Calendar is also available on the hallway bulletin board next to the church office. All are reminded of the opportunity to dedicate the candles used in worship each week to the glory of God in memory or in honor of loved ones or in celebration of special events (birthdays, baptismal anniversaries, wedding anniversaries, etc.). The tribute dedication is printed in the Sunday worship bulletins along with the altar flower dedication. Included are the altar candles, the sanctuary lamp, and candles for the *Globusleuchter*. The cost is $20 per week, with checks made payable to *Holy Trinity Lutheran Church*. Please note "Candle Fund" on the memo line. Please contact the church office with any questions.

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

each Wednesday
from 12:10 - 12:30 p.m.



THANK YOU

- Thanks to **Edie Leamon**, coordinator; **Susan Barney**, **Amy** & **Wayne Brown**, **Don Carter**, **Karen** & **CJ Conner**, **Bob Hornback**, **Eric Kenny**, **Mary McCarthy**, **Ellen Nygaard**, **Joni Pearson**, **Ida Proco**, **Anna-Liisa Rosner**, **Anne Royer**, and **Linda Sanders** for participating in Holy Trinity's turn packing food bags last week.
- **Carla Fedeler** and **April Whalen**, coordinators, would like to thank our Holy Trinity family for preparing delicious food for Jim Stock's reception. Special thanks to **Karen Kenny**, **Ann Kreft**, **Chris Pickle**, **Maria Roberts**, **Anne Royer**, and **Carole Royer** for help with set-up, serving, and clean-up.
- Thanks to Parish Nurse **Gail Midkiff**, instructor; **Nancy Carroll Childress**, **Ellie Quillen**, **Chris Webb**, and **Dennis Roberts** for completing the CPR/AED class.
- Thanks to the **Cheryl** & **Bruce Gerlich** and **Patty** & **Chris Webb** for preparing and serving the delicious Third Sunday Program supper, and to **ALL** who assisted with clean-up afterwards.
- Thanks to **Susan Williams** and **ALL** the youth who made approximately ninety meat and cheese sandwiches on Sunday for Daily Bread to distribute to members of the community. It was a pleasure to serve Christ as we discussed the magnitude of our blessings.

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

Wednesdays,
December 2, 9, 16, and 23

12:10 p.m.
Service of Holy Communion

5:30 p.m.
Evening Devotions released on YouTube



GERMAN LANGUAGE ADVENT SERVICE

The Second Sunday in Advent
Sunday, December 6, at 3:00 p.m.
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Join us for lessons, hymns, and special music.
Pastor Roberts will lead the service.
A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.



HOLIDAY COOKIE EXCHANGE

Friday, December 4, at 6:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall

Join us for a fun evening for everyone. All are invited!

To participate in the cookie exchange, please bring three dozen cookies, a container for the exchanged cookies, an appetizer of your choice, and a beverage. There will be other refreshments as well. Please contact April Whalen for additional information.

Please make reservations in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, December 6
in-person meeting following both worship services
(The inclement weather date is Sunday, December 13.)

Our presence is extremely important as we elect five members of Church Council and two trustees, act on a property easement for the traffic roundabout at Langhorne Road/Rivermont Terrrace/Vassar Street, and adopt a 2027 Spending Plan.

- The annual meeting will be called to order at the conclusion of an abbreviated 8:30 a.m. worship service. After balloting for Church Council and trustees, and voting on the property easement and Spending Plan, the meeting will be recessed.
- The meeting will be reconvened at the conclusion of the 10:30 a.m. service. After balloting for Church Council and trustees, and voting on the property easement and Spending Plan, the meeting will be adjourned. The ballots will then be counted and nominees notified of the results that afternoon. The election results will be published in the December 9 issue of ***The Beacon***.

Please contact the church office to receive an absentee ballot.

All confirmed members are eligible to vote. Please make every effort to be present or cast an absentee ballot.

CHURCH COUNCIL & TRUSTEE NOMINEES

The following have been nominated for Church Council and trustee by the Nominating Committee. The election will take place as a part of the Annual Congregational Meeting to be held Sunday, December 6, following both worship services. **Absentee ballots are available by contacting the church office.**

We are asked to vote for five persons. Those elected will be serving with the following Church Council members: Class of 2027: **Jeff Fleck**, **Robert Howell**, **Ida Proco**, **Deb Serio**, and **Teresa Weinmeister**; and, Class of 2028: **Nancy Childress**, **Martha Johnson**, **Susan Manion**, **Wade Neiman**, and **Chris Pickle**.

The ballot order of the nominees was determined by a random drawing.



JULIE TAYLOR has been a member of Holy Trinity since 1960. She assists with bulletin folding, coffee hours, and bloodmobile; food preparation for fellowship events, receptions, youth events, and Kids' Haven; Habitat for Humanity and other outreach ministry projects; and, Program Development Fund events. Julie is retired and the parent of an adult child.



THOMAS SCHWAB has been a member of Holy Trinity since 1998. He is a member of our livestream broadcast team, a young adult ministry participant, and assists with youth ministry activities and Program Development Fund and congregational fellowship events. Thomas is an application analyst at Duke Energy.



LUCY SLAGLE has been a member of Holy Trinity since 1995. She is a current member of Church Council eligible for reelection. She is a member of the Fellowship Committee and serves as a greeter, lector, communion assistant, usher, and newsletter folder. She assists with the bloodmobile, Care List meal preparation, coffee hours, fellowship event food preparation and cleanup, receptions, and Program Development Fund events. She also delivers altar flowers and provides transportation to medical appointments and church events for our members. Lucy is retired and the parent of two adult children, one of whom is deceased.



JEREMIAH QUARANTOTTO has been a member of Holy Trinity since 2024. He serves as a lector, participates in our adult education ministry, assists with youth ministry activities, and is a member of the Property Committee. Jeremiah is employed at Jamerson-Lewis Construction. Jeremiah is married to Sarah are they are parents of two children (elementary school and middle school).



STACY CRAVENS has been a member of Holy Trinity since 2014. She serves as one of our financial secretaries, participates in our adult education ministry and fellowship events, and assists with our Wednesday Children's Ministry. Stacy is an assistant vice president/commercial loan processor at Bank of the James, and is married to Sherman.



CAROL BARCLAY has been a member of Holy Trinity since 1986. She is a current member of Church Council eligible for reelection. She is a member of the Adult Choir, the Altar Guild, a summer usher, serves as an office assistant, and helps with special mailings. She is a newsletter folder, and assists with food preparation for fellowship events and receptions. Carol is retired, married to Ken, and they are the parents of two adult children.



GREG COCHRAN has been a member of Holy Trinity since 2024. He is an usher and bulletin folder. He participates in fellowship events, assists with Meals on Wheels, Program Development Fund events, Holy Trinity lawn care, and delivers outreach ministry goods. Greg is a retired attorney. He is married to Sallie, who has an adult daughter.

TRUSTEES

"Trustee" is a position required by the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purpose of executing legal documents on behalf of the congregation, such as signing for the sale or purchase of property, loans, etc. Trustees serve until their successors are elected. **We are asked to vote for two persons.** It has been our practice to nominate only one person for each slot.



MARGIE LIPPARD has been a member of Holy Trinity since 1955, and has served as a trustee. She is a member of the Adult Choir; serves on the Altar Guild; the Finance Committee; is treasurer of the Endowment Fund; and, is a lector, greeter, and assisting minister. She is retired.



WADE NEIMAN has been a member of Holy Trinity since 2004. He is a member of Church Council and has served as a trustee. He sings in the Adult Choir, assists with fellowship events, Program Development Fund events, and Brunswick Stew preparation. Wade is a retired obstetrician-gynecologist. He and his wife Andrea are parents of two adult children.

Ministers: *The People of Holy Trinity*

Organist-Choirmaster: *J. William Greene*
Parish Nurse: *Gail Midkiff*
Parish Administrator: *Ellie Quillen*
Director of Youth and Campus Ministries: *Susan H. Williams*

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