



August 26, 2026

ADULT CHOIR “KNOCK-OFF-THE-RUST” WORKSHOP

Our annual Adult Choir workshop will be held Wednesday, August 26, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., with regular weekly rehearsals beginning Wednesday, September 2, at 7:00 p.m. Our faithful choir members serve valiantly, and new members are always welcome. Please speak with Organist-Choirmaster Bill Greene for additional information.



SERVANT OUTREACH PROJECT

Our **August** outreach project is collecting art supplies for the adults participating in **enCircle's** (formerly Lutheran Family Services) Lynchburg Developmental Services Day Support Center. Needed are crayons, markers, glitter, construction paper, Play-Doh, washable paint, paint brushes, chenille sticks, glue sticks, tissue paper, stickers, and beads. Please place items in the narthex outreach basket.

PARISH NURSE SCHEDULE

Parish Nurse Gail Midkiff is on vacation August 22 - 29. She resumes regular office hours Thursday, September 3.

PASTORAL CARE and WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

The Reverend Becky Cloud will be providing pastoral care and visitation coverage while Pastor Roberts is away for vacation. Pastor Cloud will be presiding and preaching at Sunday and Wednesday worship services. Please contact the church office about any pastoral care needs.

A GATHERING FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

Parish Nurse Gail Midkiff will facilitate a gathering for widows and widowers Sunday, August 30, at 3:00 p.m., in the Parlor. The purpose of the gathering will be to share experiences in dealing with the death of a spouse. Please speak to Gail for additional information.



MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

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

Join us for a time of spiritual nourishment as we gather for quiet reflection, prayer, the Word, and the Meal.

FALL PROGRAM JUST AHEAD

Our **2026-2027 PROGRAM BROCHURE** detailing the many worship, learning, service, youth, and fellowship opportunities is included in this envelope. We look forward to a fun, inspiring, and life-changing year. A special thanks to all who have shared their ideas during the planning process.

A CELEBRATION OF ROMANIAN MUSIC, HERITAGE, AND STORYTELLING featuring Michael Cretu

Sunday, September 6, at 4:00 p.m.

The program begins with a brief award-winning documentary tracing more than 300 years of the Cretu family's musical heritage, to be followed by a solo double bass recital by Michael Cretu.

Join us for this special educational and musical event.

FALL SCHEDULE BEGINS

Sunday, September 13

8:30 a.m. - Service of Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. - Sunday Church School

10:30 a.m. - Service of Holy Communion

11:30 a.m. - Kick-Off-The-Fall Catered Brunch Buffet





FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 30, 2026

The Lessons: Jeremiah 15:15-21; Psalm 26:1-8; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28
The liturgical color for Sundays after Pentecost is green. A coffee hour follows each service.

8:30 A.M. - SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

10:30 A.M. - SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION with LIVESTREAM

3:00 P.M. - A GATHERING FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

5:00 P.M. - SENIOR YOUTH (grades nine - twelve)

THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 5

<u>MONDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M.	- STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	9:30 A.M.	- CHAIR YOGA CLASS
<u>WEDNESDAY,</u>	12:10 P.M.	- SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
	7:00 P.M.	- ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL
<u>THURSDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M.	- PARISH NURSE in office (until 10:00 a.m.)
<u>FRIDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M.	- STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	9:30 A.M.	- CHAIR YOGA CLASS

IN THE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Hospitalized at Lynchburg General is **Judy Gillum**. . . . Congratulations to **Helene Mann** on the birth of twin great-grandsons.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY

Our Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study will begin an eight-session exploration of "Together by Grace: Psalms" September 8, from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Study books are available for purchase in the church office for \$13.00 each.

HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSALS

Handbell Choir rehearsals begin Tuesday, September 8, from 5:40 - 6:30 p.m., in the right transept. New ringers are always welcome. Please speak with Organist-Choirmaster Bill Greene for additional information.

SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP

The next Sermon Discussion Group will meet Thursday, September 10, at 11:00 a.m., in the Parlor. We will discuss several previous Sunday sermons, copies of which will be provided in advance. Please make reservations in the narthex or contact the church office to receive the reading material.

FRIDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The Friday Morning Book Discussion Group will begin the new program year by reading and discussing *Separation of Church and Hate* by John Fugelsang. The first class session is September 11, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Books are available for purchase in the church office for \$24.00 each.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild will meet Saturday, September 12, at 10:00 a.m. Meetings are held on the first Saturday morning of the month (except when the first Saturday falls on a holiday weekend) so that Altar Guild members who work during the week are able to participate. We would love to welcome new members to the Altar Guild. The Altar Guild is divided into two teams, with alternating teams meeting each month to polish the silver and brass (September - May). Two-person teams are scheduled for Sunday altar care approximately four to six times throughout the year. Please contact **Wilma Beebe**, Altar Guild chair (528-2678) for additional information.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

Sunday Church School learning opportunities for children, age three - grade five, begin Sunday, September 13, at 9:30 a.m. Additional information will be included in the 2026-2027 Program Brochure.

SUNDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Our Sunday Morning Book Discussion Group begins with *The Dream of God* by Verna Dozier, September 13, from 9:30 - 10:20 a.m., in the Parlor. Books are available for purchase in the church office for \$15.00 each.

KICK-OFF-THE-FALL CATERED BRUNCH BUFFET

Sunday, September 13, at 11:30 a.m.

Join us for fellowship and delicious food
as we begin our Fall schedule.

Food and drinks will be provided.

The suggested donation is \$5.00 per adult and children are free.



Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall or call the church office (384-8441) by **September 10**.

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRIES – THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 5

Sunday, August 30

5:00 p.m.

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Senior Youth (grades nine - twelve)

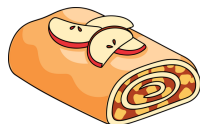
CONFIRMATION MINISTRY

Our 2026-2027 Confirmation Ministry for youth in grades six and older gets underway Sunday, September 13. During the Fall Term, confirmation classes will be held from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Sundays, September 13, September 27, October 11, November 1, November 8, and December 13. Please speak with Pastor Roberts for additional information.

MONDAY EVENINGS CONNECTING WITH GOD

"Know God - Know Self: A Journey Toward Wholeness with the Enneagram" is the theme of our Monday Evening Connecting with God series that begins September 14, from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m., via Zoom. The sessions will be led by The Reverend Becky Cloud. Please contact the church office to receive the Zoom link.

APFELSTRUDEL



Helping hands are needed Tuesday, September 15, at 9:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall, to help April Whalen make *Apfelstrudel* for our annual parish Oktoberfest to be held Sunday, October 4. The recipe, instructions, and all ingredients will be provided. Each participant is asked to bring a rolling pin and a paring knife. Please make reservations in the narthex or call the church office. Come join the fun and fellowship!

WEDNESDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The first session of our monthly Wednesday Children's Ministry will be held September 16, from 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. A light supper and a variety of learning and creative activities are provided for children from age three through grade five.

THURSDAY DISCUSSION GROUP

Our Thursday Discussion Group launches into the video series *First Light: Jesus and the Kingdom of God* September 17, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., in the Parlor. The video segments feature biblical scholars Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan exploring the life, teachings, and mission of Jesus of Nazareth in the context of first-century Jewish and Roman society.

THOMAS MASS

Our first *Thomas Mass* of the new program year will be held Sunday, September 20, at 5:00 p.m. This service of Holy Communion is in the context of a meditative liturgy which has its roots in the Finnish Lutheran tradition. Included in this worship experience is the opportunity for informal movement between various stations for meditation and prayer. Join us for this special worship experience, especially if work, sports, or travel schedules prevent your participation on Sunday morning.

TABLE TALK

The first session of *Table Talk* will be held Tuesday, September 22, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., in the Parlor. *Reformation Roots* is our theme this year and the first class explores "From Night to Dawn: The Stage is Set for the Reformation" as we begin this seven-session study of Martin Luther and the sixteenth-century Reformation.

THANK YOU

Thanks to **Sally** and **Jeff Schneider**, **Tamara Colagrec**, **Anna-Liisa Rosner**, **Christine Brenn**, and **Chris Pickle** for extra volunteer time in the church office folding and assembling the Annual Program Brochure mailing.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE

As our new program year approaches, please be reminded that there is scholarship assistance available for book discussion groups, youth activities, and other events at Holy Trinity. Please speak with Pastor Roberts for additional information.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please email the church office with your current email address if you are not receiving church communications and worship links electronically. As the 2026-2027 program year begins, the monthly EDU.NET adult education newsletter is distributed via email. Also, there is the option to receive *The Beacon* each week via email, which helps reduce postage expenses.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS
(in-town members and students)



2 - Carl Mitchell
3 - Belinda Coleman
4 - Jill Grubbs
Declan Mahland
Haleigh Smith
5 - David Barney, Sr.
Les Beebe
6 - Joanne Greene
David Jones
Harper Sink
7 - Stacey McCurley
8 - Jürgen Pest
Bruce Schafer
9 - Laura Anne Goolsby Cooke
Mike Goolsby
Beth Taylor
10 - Ginny Straub

11 - Chuck Wall
12 - Anna Bobbitt
Jim Wiley
13 - Jack Bobbitt
Sallie Cochran
14 - William Blair
Neil George
James Stevens
Cindy Sanders
15 - Caroline Farrar
Bruce Gerlich
18 - Gail Copelan
David Hill
Thom Walker
19 - Janet Romanzak
Will Stevens
Nancy Weiland

21 - David Royer
Allan Weidner
- Eddie Wolfe
23 - Wade Neiman
25 - John Larkin
26 - Faye Hesson
David Massie
Austin Sink
Miriam Taylor
27 - Melanie Cosby
Susan Ebling
Spencer Pollok
Barbara Wright
29 - Simon Hatin
30 - John Weidner



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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