

THE BEACON

July 8, 2026

ORGANIST-CHOIRMASTER CANDIDATE TO VISIT

John Scott, a candidate for our Organist-Choirmaster position at Holy Trinity, will play for a special worship service **Thursday, July 9, at 6:00 p.m.** All are invited to join us for this abbreviated Service of Holy Communion and the opportunity to experience Scott's musical leadership. He will also meet with the Adult Choir on Thursday evening.

Scott is a graduate of Hampden-Sydney College and is working on his Master's Degree in Church Music (limited residency) at the University of Mary in Bismarck, North Dakota. He is currently on the faculty of Chatham Hall School where he is Music Director (Organist-Choirmaster) and teaches music. He is also Organist-Choirmaster at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Chatham, and Organist at Trinity Episcopal Church in Gretna. We look forward to welcoming him to Holy Trinity for this special worship service.

NEW PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

We are pleased to announce that Ellie Quillen will be joining our staff on August 1 as Parish Administrator. She will be training with current Parish Administrator Carol Dee Robertson in the coming weeks. Ellie is a graduate of Maine College of Art, and was most recently Communications Coordinator at First Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg. She is an artist and brings a variety of administrative and creative gifts to our congregation. We look forward to welcoming Ellie.

SERVANT OUTREACH PROJECT

Our July outreach project is school supplies for the **Jubilee Family Development Center**. The following items have been requested: notebooks, notebook paper, pencils, pens, backpacks, crayons, and inexpensive calculators. We are asked to place items in the narthex basket by **July 31** for early August distribution.

PASTOR'S INFORMATION CLASS

Sunday, July 12, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., in the Parlor

This class is designed for those who would like to learn more about Martin Luther and the Lutheran Church. Join us for an overview of Lutheran Church history, theology, liturgy, the church year, ecclesiology, and life at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Please speak with Pastor Roberts for additional information.



NEW MEMBERS TO BE RECEIVED

We will welcome new members into Holy Trinity in the coming weeks. Please speak with Pastor Roberts for more information.

FINANCE NOTE

Committee and Task Group chairs are asked to submit financial requests for the year 2027 to **Finance Committee chair Davis von Oesen** by **July 15**.

SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP

The next Sermon Discussion Group will meet Thursday, July 16, 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 to receive the reading materials.

A GATHERING FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

Parish Nurse Gail Midkiff will facilitate a gathering of widows and widowers on Sunday, July 19, 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.

ALTAR FLOWERS & CANDLE TRIBUTES

There are openings for altar flowers **July 26, August 16, August 30, and November 1**. The cost of altar flowers is \$100 per week for two vases. There are openings for candle sponsors **August 2, November 1, November 8, November 29, December 6, December 20, and December 27**. The cost is \$20 per week. Please make reservations on the hallway bulletin board next to the church office or contact the church office.

RECEPTION TO HONOR CAROL DEE ROBERTSON

A coffee hour reception honoring Parish Administrator Carol Dee Robertson upon her retirement from Holy Trinity will be held Sunday, July 26, at 11:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited to join us as we celebrate her years of ministry with us.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

Lutheran Disaster Response is responding with earthquake relief for Venezuela through trusted, long-standing partners in the region, including the Lutheran World Federation and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Venezuela. Contributions may be made through Holy Trinity. Please indicate that your gift is for "Earthquake Relief."



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 12, 2026

*The Lessons: Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:9-14 ; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
The liturgical color for Sundays after Pentecost is green. A coffee hour follows each service.*

8:30 A.M. - SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION and HOME COMMUNION
10:30 A.M. - SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION with LIVESTREAM and HOME COMMUNION
2:00 P.M. - PASTOR'S INFORMATION CLASS

THE WEEK OF JULY 12 - 18		
<u>MONDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M.	- STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	9:30 A.M.	- CHAIR YOGA CLASS
<u>WEDNESDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M.	- HOLY TRINITY YOUTH (grades three - twelve; IOA Furniture Warehouse)
	12:10 P.M.	- SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
<u>THURSDAY,</u>	11:00 A.M.	- SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP
<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 **Sandra Miller**. Hospitalized and released is **Lynn Brooks**. Recuperating from outpatient surgery is **Heather Garnett**. . . . Farewell and Godspeed to **Mary Beth Thompson** as she moves to Florida. . . . Congratulations to **Lauren** (Ulmer) and **Austin Black** on the birth of Lucy Mae. Proud grandparents are **Tonda** and **Paul Ulmer**.

PARISH NURSE SCHEDULE

Parish Nurse Gail Midkiff will be on vacation July 11 - 18. She resumes regular office hours Thursday, July 23.



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 19, 2026

*The Lessons: Isaiah 44:6-8; Psalm 86:11-17; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
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 & WIDOWERS

THE WEEK OF JULY 19 - 25		
<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.	- STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
<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

THANK YOU

- Thanks to **Edie Leamon**, coordinator; **Christine Brennian**, **Don Carter**, **Eric Kenny**, **Sheila Krull**, **Susan Manion**, **Karen Pollok**, **Chris Rooney**, **Mike Rooney**, and **Anne Royer** for serving in the Food Pantry.
- Thanks to "Lawn Angels" **Nancy** and **Mitch Overstreet** and **Maria Roberts** for work around the church grounds.
- The members of the **Altar Guild** wish to thank the anonymous donors who treated them to lunch on June 27.
- Thanks to **Carol Barclay** and **Sally** and **Jeff Schneider** for assisting with a special mailing.

CHILDREN'S and YOUTH MINISTRIES – THE WEEKS OF JULY 12 & 19

Wednesday, July 15 9:00 a.m. - All Youth Mission Project (grades three - twelve)

*Join us as we clean out the Interfaith Outreach Association Furniture Warehouse.
Drop off and pick up at 922 Jefferson Street. Bring lunch and a water bottle.*

TWO-WEEK ISSUE OF THE BEACON

This issue of **The Beacon** has information for the weeks of July 12 and 19. The next issue will be published July 22.

Ministers: *The People of Holy Trinity*

Organist-Choirmaster: *J. William Greene*

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