

THE BEACON

May 15, 2024

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

Sunday, May 19, is the Feast of Pentecost – the fiftieth day of Easter. On this day, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. The account of the Pentecost story in the book of Acts uses images of wind and fire to describe how the Spirit was poured out on disciples from all nations. Therefore, the liturgical color for the day is red to symbolize the tongues of fire. **Worshippers are invited to wear red** on Pentecost Sunday as we gather for festive worship.



PASTOR'S INFORMATION CLASS

A Pastor's Information Class will be held Sunday, May 19, 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.

SERVANT OUTREACH PROJECT

Our May outreach project is cleaning supplies for **Miriam's House**, a transitional housing facility for homeless women and children. Miriam's House also provides supplies to families as they move out of shelters and into a home of their own. The following items are needed: all-purpose cleaner, dish soap, dishwasher detergent, laundry detergent, and bathroom cleaner. Please place items in the narthex outreach basket.

SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP

The next Sermon Discussion Group will meet Thursday, May 23, 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.

ADULT CPR and DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING SESSION

Saturday, June 1, at 9:00 a.m.
in the Fellowship Hall.

This session will train people in adult CPR and in the use of Holy Trinity's Automated External Defibrillator (AED). No official certification card is given through this class; therefore, it will not fulfill the requirements of some health professions.

Please make reservations in the narthex or call or e-mail the church office to register for this free class. Space is limited.



2024 ALTAR FLOWERS

The 2024 Altar Flower calendar is available on the hallway bulletin board next to the church office. Please note that no dates are reserved from previous years. There are openings for flowers on **June 2, 9, 23, and 30; July 21 and 28**. The cost of altar flowers is \$90 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.



SUNDAY, JUNE 2 SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS

8:30 and 10:00 a.m. - Services of Holy Communion

"WELCOME TO SUMMER" SALAD & ICE CREAM SUNDAE CATERED BRUNCH 11:00 a.m.

Join us for a special time of fellowship and great food as we kick off the summer schedule and help our Holy Trinity Youth raise funds for their Summertime Mission Event. Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall.

2024 GRADUATE INFORMATION

Families with 2024 graduates are asked to notify the church office so graduates may be recognized in an upcoming issue of *The Beacon*.



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*The Lessons: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:25-35, 37; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
A coffee hour follows each service. The liturgical color for the Day of Pentecost is red.*

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

9:30 A.M. - SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL (age three - grade five and adults)

ADULT EDUCATION BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP (Parlor)

Gaslighted By God

Anxiety and Abuse: The God of Manipulation / Allegory: The God Who Must Fit Our Narrative /
Authenticity: A God of Infinite Faces

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

11:30 A.M. - HOLY TRINITY YOUTH TUBING TRIP

2:00 P.M. - PASTOR'S INFORMATION CLASS

THE WEEK OF MAY 19 - 25

<u>MONDAY,</u>	9:15 A.M. - STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	9:50 A.M. - CHAIR YOGA CLASS
	6:00 P.M. - YOUTH BIBLE STUDY & DINNER (Youth House)
<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.)
	11:00 A.M. - SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP
<u>FRIDAY,</u>	9:15 A.M. - STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	9:50 A.M. - CHAIR YOGA CLASS

IN THE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Congratulations to **Kati Elbrecht** and **Clay McMillian** on their marriage last Saturday in Huntersville, North Carolina.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The memorial service for Bob Bashore will be held at Holy Trinity on Saturday, May 18, at 11:00 a.m.

HOLY LAND CHRISTIAN SOLIDARITY COOPERATIVE

On Sunday, June 9, Holy Trinity will host a display of olive wood religious carvings from Bethlehem that are available for purchase. These nativity sets, crosses, ornaments, candleholders, angels, and other religious figures are handmade by Christian families there who rely on the sale of these crafts for their daily bread. Due to the ongoing Israel-Hamas war, persecution, and plummeting tourism, these families are now experiencing severe financial stress. Let us support our sisters and brothers in Bethlehem.

CELEBRATION OF ART AND MUSIC

On Sunday, June 9, at 4:00 p.m., we will feature Holy Trinity's visual artists and musicians in our Holy Trinity Art & Music Showcase. Do you play an instrument, sing, or belong to a small performing group and like to participate? Contact **Susan Manion** (plsemanion@gmail.com) for more information. Visual artists and artisans are asked to bring one work. A few suggestions are: painting, photography, drawing, sculpture, woodwork, stained glass, pottery, quilt, jewelry, fabric art. Contact **Chris Rooney** (Christine_Rooney@msn.com) for more information. Please add this event to your calendars and come join the festivities.

THANK YOU

Thanks to the following for serving in the Food Pantry: **Edie Leamon** and **Louise Martin**, coordinators; **Don Carter**, **Joanne Greene**, **Susan Manion**, **Joni Pearson**, **Christine** and **Mike Rooney**, **Linda Sanders**, **Tonda Ulmer**, and **Erica Wolfe**.

CHILDREN'S and YOUTH MINISTRIES – THE WEEK OF MAY 19 - 25

Sunday, May 19	9:30 a.m. - Sunday Church School (age three - grade five)
	11:30 a.m. - Holy Trinity Youth - <i>Floating Down the James</i>
Monday, May 20	6:00 p.m. - Youth Bible Study & Dinner (Youth House)

CHALLENGE GIFTS

A very important aspect of meeting Holy Trinity's 2024 financial needs for mission and ministry is the "One Dollar Per Week" challenge adopted at our annual congregational meeting last December. **Each household is asked to respond to this need by either adding an extra dollar to weekly offerings or by making a one-time, \$52 contribution.** A special offering envelope is included in our offering envelopes (June 2) for this challenge gift. Please use the special envelope or mark your gift "Challenge Offering" so that it may be recorded properly. You may also make a Challenge Gift through the online giving portal on our website (www.holytrinitylynchburg.org) or through the Vanco Mobile app on your smart phone.

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