

THE BEACON

January 28, 2026

FRIDAY BREAKFAST SERIES

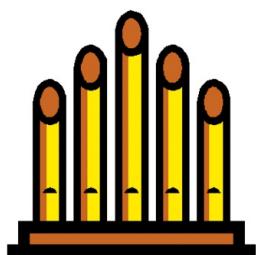
Our Friday Breakfast Series, *The Bible With and Without Jesus: How Jews and Christians Read the Same Stories Differently*, by Professor Amy-Jill Levine, resumes in the Fellowship Hall January 30-February 13. A light breakfast is served at 7:00 a.m., followed by the program from 7:15 -7:45 a.m. Join us as Professor Levine explores how Christians and Jews read these ancient texts differently. The January 30 session is "Isaiah's Suffering Servant." Matins (Morning Prayer) follows at 8:00 a.m.

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution statements for 2025 have been mailed. We are asked to please review the statements for accuracy, contact **Parish Administrator Carol Dee Robertson** with any questions, and file the statements with other financial and tax records. Anyone needing a corrected or replacement statement is asked to contact the church office before January 31.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Committee and Task Group chairs are asked to submit their 2025 annual reports to the church office by January 31.



ORGAN RECITAL

Sunday, February 1, at 4:00 p.m.

Neglected Gems

J. William Greene, Organist

Music of Lübeck, Karg-Elert, Bach, Mendelssohn/Lutz,
Weinberger, Liszt, and Ginastera

NEW TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY TO BEGIN

Our Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study Group begins a new, four-session exploration of 1 John on February 3, at 1:00 p.m. Study booklets are available for purchase in the church office for \$5.00.

SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP

The next Sermon Discussion Group will meet Thursday, February 5, at 11:00 a.m., in the Parlor. We will discuss several recent 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.

SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON

Sunday, February 8, at 11:30 a.m.

Our Holy Trinity Youth are sponsoring a luncheon featuring homemade soups and chili. Contributions will be received for the Lutheran World Hunger Appeal on this Super Bowl Sunday as our youth participate in the nationwide Souper Bowl hunger service project held each year. Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall or call the church



PARISH NURSE EDUCATION SERIES

Sunday, February 8, from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall

Elder Fraud and Scams Prevention

Speaker: Cynthia Kozerow, Crime Prevention Specialist
Community Relations Unit, Lynchburg Police Department

Scams and fraud cost Americans billions of dollars a year and cause much emotional stress and heartbreak. Scams and fraud take many forms and the elderly are particularly targeted for these crimes. Come and learn from our expert speaker about how to recognize and deal with frauds and scams. Learn to protect yourself and those you love.





FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 1, 2026

*The Lessons: Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12
The liturgical color for season of Epiphany is green.*

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

ADULT EDUCATION
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
(Parlor)

I've Got Questions

What Makes Faith So Hard, and What Compels Me to Stay
Your Unsoothed Heart Is Your Most Powerful Weapon

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

4:00 P.M. - ORGAN RECITAL

4:00 P.M. - JUNIOR YOUTH (at the Youth House)

6:00 P.M. - CONFIRMATION CLASS

THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1 - 7

<u>MONDAY,</u>	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)
<u>TUESDAY,</u>	1:00 P.M. - BIBLE STUDY - 1 John
	5:40 P.M. - HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
<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>	7:00 A.M. - BREAKFAST SERIES - <i>The Bible With and Without Jesus</i>
	8:00 A.M. - MATINS
	9:00 A.M. - STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	9:30 A.M. - CHAIR YOGA CLASS
	11:00 A.M. - BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP - <i>Miracles and Wonders</i>
<u>SATURDAY,</u>	10:00 A.M. - ALTAR GUILD

IN THE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Hospitalized and released is **Walter Smith**.

BARBARA "Bobbie" CAVERLEE SCHULER
1932 - 2026

Our sympathy to her family.

A memorial service will be held at Holy Trinity
Saturday, January 31, at 11:00 a.m., weather permitting.

HENRY KENNETH "Ken" HAWKINS
1936 - 2026

Our sympathy to his family.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

SERVANT OUTREACH PROJECT

Our February outreach project is paper napkins, dish detergent, and laundry detergent for the food ministry to the homeless and poor at Daily Bread, located on Clay Street in downtown Lynchburg. Please place items in the outreach ministry basket in the narthex throughout the month.

WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

All are encouraged to make a contribution to the Lutheran World Hunger Appeal in the coming weeks. The World Hunger Appeal responds to poverty in the United States and around the world by addressing root causes through relief, development work, education, and advocacy. Approximately 75% of funds are distributed internationally and 25% domestically. Please indicate *World Hunger Appeal* on your check or envelope.



MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

each Wednesday ✚ 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.*

CHILDREN'S and YOUTH MINISTRIES – THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1 - 7

Sunday, February 1	9:30 a.m. - Sunday Church School (grades one - five)
	4:00 p.m. - Junior Youth (grades six - eight; at the Youth House)
	6:00 p.m. - Confirmation Class (grades six - eight)

CANDLE TRIBUTES

The 2026 Candle Calendar is available on the hallway bulletin board next to the church office. Candle sponsors are needed **February 1, February 8, February 15, March 8, March 15, March 22, and March 29**. 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.

MARDI GRAS JAZZ BRUNCH

Sunday, February 15, at 11:30 a.m.

LIVE MUSIC and DELICIOUS CATERED BRUNCH

Join us as we feast before the fast of Lent begins.

Enjoy the great food, fellowship, and live music.

The suggested contribution is \$5 per adult and children are free.

Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall.



THIRD SUNDAY PROGRAM

February 15, at 6:00 p.m.

Aspire to Inspire Before You Expire:

Now More Than Ever, Christianity Cannot Be A Spectator Sport

Guest Speaker: Tom Gerdy, Local Building Contractor and Community Volunteer

Join us for an inspirational message that is particularly needed in these troubled times in which we live. Not only does our faith call us to prayer and action, it challenges us to invite others to join in making the world a kinder and gentler place – something our speaker has lived out through decades of volunteer service through Habitat for Humanity.

A light supper will be served. Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The 2026 Altar Flower Calendar is available on the hallway bulletin board next to the church office. Flowers are needed for **February 22, March 1, March 8, and March 29**. 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.

BRUNSWICK STEW FOR SALE

There is still Holy Trinity Brunswick Stew available. The cost is \$12.50 per quart.

Proceeds support our Program Development Fund. Please pay in the church office.

PASTOR'S INFORMATION CLASS RESCHEDULED

A Pastor's Information Class will be held Sunday, February 22, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Join us to learn more about Martin Luther and the Lutheran Church, and Holy Trinity Church more specifically. Please speak with Pastor Roberts for additional information.

THANK YOU

- Thanks to **Susan Barney** and **Lisa Taylor** for assisting in the church office.
- Thanks to **Marjorie Huiner**, **Susan Manion**, and **Maria Roberts** for assisting in the Food Pantry.

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.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

We are reminded of the following information in the event of inclement winter weather.

- * Please call the church office for the latest schedule information. Any changes or cancellations will be available on the church voice mail system and at www.holytrinitylynchburg.org.
- * Weekday education activities at Holy Trinity are canceled any day that Lynchburg City Schools are closed because of the weather. Music rehearsals may be held if road conditions improve later in the day. Participants in music groups will be notified if a rehearsal will be held.
- * Sunday cancellations will be determined by 7:00 a.m. that morning. Wednesday cancellations will be determined by 9:00 a.m. that morning. The information will be shared by email, placed on the church voice mail system, at www.holytrinitylynchburg.org, and communicated to Lynchburg/Roanoke television stations. Please consult the "Closings" listings on the television station web sites.

Ministers: *The People of Holy Trinity*

Organist-Chairmaster: *J. William Greene*

Parish Nurse: *Gail Midkiff*

Parish Administrator: *Carol Dee Robertson*

Director of Youth and Campus Ministries: *Susan H. Williams*

Pastor: *Dennis S. Roberts*

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