

THE BEACON

October 11, 2017

THANK YOU

Thanks to all for their flexibility and assistance last Sunday morning during the electrical power outage that occurred in parts of Lynchburg and surrounding areas. Following an abbreviated 8:30 a.m. service and church school classes, many helping hands pitched in to set-up the Fellowship Hall for the 10:30 a.m. service. Our appreciation to our ushers, altar guild, musicians, assisting minister, adult education participants, and others who moved chairs, worship books, and communion vessels to create a worship space where we could utilize the natural light coming through the Fellowship Hall windows and doors. Fortunately, electrical service was restored near the end of the Gospel reading. The return of air conditioning on a hot, humid morning was a welcome gift!

BREAKFAST LECTURE SERIES

A light breakfast is served at 7:00 a.m., followed by the program from 7:15 - 7:45 a.m.

EMBRACING A LIFE OF MEANING ***with Kathleen Norris***

Best-selling poet and author Kathleen Norris explores what it means to embrace a life of meaning. Among the questions to be explored in this video series are: To what do we give our hearts? What is the core message of what we believe—creeds or commitment? To what extent is “to believe” also “to believe”? How is the biblical story reflected in our daily lives? What is it about the Bible that always seems to address our present moment? What is our part in the Body of Christ? In what ways is faith set within the physical space of home, church, land, and people? What does it mean to remain in God’s image and to counter our selfishness by embracing the world and its needs?

October 13 - *The Bible Matters*
October 20 - *Community Matters*

October 27 - *Place Matters*
November 3 - *We Matter*

Matins (Morning Prayer) follows at 8:00 a.m.

NEW FRIDAY BOOK DISCUSSION TO BEGIN

Our **Friday Morning Book Discussion Group** begins reading *How Jesus Saves the World From Us* by Morgan Guyton October 13, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Books are available for purchase in the church office for \$13.00.

SERVANT OUTREACH PROJECT

Our **October** outreach project is paper products – such as paper towels, toilet paper, and facial tissues – for **Miriam’s House**, a transitional housing facility for homeless women and children. Paper products may be brought to the church throughout the month of October and placed in the outreach basket in the narthex.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Two, one-session First Communion classes will be held Sunday, October 15, from 2:00 - 2:45 p.m., and Tuesday, October 17, from 6:00 - 6:45 p.m., in the Parlor. First Communion will be Sunday, October 29, at the Reformation Sunday Festival Service to be held at 10:30 a.m. Please speak with Pastor Roberts for additional information or if you have a schedule conflict.

THOMAS MASS

Our next *Thomas Mass* will be held Sunday, October 15, 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.



THIRD SUNDAY PROGRAM

October 15, at 6:00 p.m.

Multiple Improbabilities: Brand Luther

Speaker: Pastor Roberts

Martin Luther was a prolific writer who, thanks to the invention of the moveable type printing press, became a sixteenth century branding sensation. Come hear about some of the interesting twists and turns in this fascinating story.

We begin with a light supper at 6:00 p.m., followed by the program at 6:30 p.m.
Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall.



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SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 15, 2017

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

9:30 A.M. - SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL (age three - adult)

ADULT EDUCATION

BOOK DISCUSSION

Martin Luther and the Called Life



Called to Christian Community

(Parlor)

Leader: Pastor Roberts

FAITH AND BIBLICAL WITNESS

History of Christianity in the Reformation Era



The Impact of the Reformations –
Changes in Society and Culture

(Community Room)

Leader: Jürgen Pest

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

The Lessons: Isaiah 25:1-9; Psalm 23; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

The color for the Season of Pentecost is green. A nursery is provided from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ushers: 8:30 a.m., Norma Glass, Henry Almond, Bonnie Ayers, Donald Carter, Nancy Childress; 10:30 a.m., David Almond, Ken Hawkins, Jeff Schneider, Luther Weiland. **Altar Guild:** Patty Kauppi & Bobbie Rodman. **Acolytes:** 8:30 a.m., Lisa Romanzak; 10:30 a.m., Emily Bobbitt. **Crucifers:** 8:30 a.m., Lisa Romanzak; 10:30 a.m., Lilly Farrar. **Lectors:** 8:30 a.m., Gail Copelan; 10:30 a.m., Ann Mitchell & Carla Fedeler. **Assisting Ministers:** 8:30 a.m., Ted Krueger; 10:30 a.m., Margie Lippard. **Greeters:** 8:30 a.m., Jerry Johnson & Diane Kizer; 10:30 a.m., Mitch Overstreet & Jen Riddel. **Communion Assistants:** 8:30 a.m., Steve Euhus; 10:30 a.m., Edwin Clever. **Coffee Hour:** 8:30 a.m., Betty Jo & Randy Marling; 10:30 a.m., Paula Davis & Barb Hatin. **Beacon Assistants (October 18):** Betty Jo Marling, Carol Barclay, Carrie Wisman, Kathy Busch. **Bulletin Folders (October 20):** Patricia & David Mickley.

2:00 P.M. - FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

5:00 P.M. - THOMAS MASS

5:45 P.M. - JUNIOR YOUTH (grades six - eight; Youth House)

6:00 P.M. - THIRD SUNDAY PROGRAM

THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15 - 21

<u>MONDAY,</u>	10:00 A.M.	- STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	7:00 P.M.	- BIBLE STUDY - <i>Paul: Appealing or Appalling?</i>
	8:00 P.M.	- COMPLINE (Prayer at the Close of the Day)
<u>TUESDAY,</u>	1:00 P.M.	- BIBLE STUDY - <i>Daniel</i>
	5:40 P.M.	- HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
	6:00 P.M.	- FIRST COMMUNION CLASS
<u>WEDNESDAY,</u>	12:10 P.M.	- SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
	5:30 P.M.	- FALL SEMINAR - <i>Speaking Christian: Redeeming Christian Language</i>
	7:00 P.M.	- ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL
<u>THURSDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M.	- PARISH NURSE AVAILABLE (until 10:00 a.m.)
	11:00 A.M.	- SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP
	6:00 P.M.	- DINNER & HOLY COMMUNION at The Summit
<u>FRIDAY,</u>	7:00 A.M.	- BREAKFAST LECTURE SERIES - <i>Embracing a Life of Meaning</i>
	8:00 A.M.	- MATINS (Morning Prayer)
	10:00 A.M.	- STRENGTH AND BALANCE EXERCISE CLASS
	11:00 A.M.	- BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP - <i>How Jesus Saves the World From Us</i>
	6:00 P.M.	- DINNER FOR RESIDENTS OF THE GATEWAY
	7:00 P.M.	- REFORMATION CONCERT - Roanoke College Choir & Orchestra
<u>SATURDAY,</u>	6:00 P.M.	- JUNIOR & SENIOR YOUTH (grades six - twelve; trip to Layman's Farm)

IN THE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Hospitalized and released is **Jim McDonald**. . . Congratulations to **Katelyn** and **Steve Rybicki** on the birth of their son, William Arthur. Proud grandparents are **Nancy** and **Mitch Overstreet**.

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.



CHILDREN'S and YOUTH MINISTRIES THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15 - 21

Sunday, October 15 9:30 a.m. - Sunday Church School (age three - grade twelve)

5:45 p.m. - Junior Youth (grades six - eight; Youth House)

Program: "YOU are a Superhero!"
We are going to celebrate YOU!
Dinner, Devotions, and Fun!

Saturday, October 21 6:00 p.m. - Junior & Senior Youth (grades six - twelve)

Haunted House at Layman's Family Farm
Ready to go through a scary haunted maze?
If so, come join us for a night of fun!

Meet at HTLC for a ride or join us at the farm at 7:00 p.m.
Expected return time is 11:00 p.m. - or later if they are busy!
The cost is \$15.00 (you may want to bring extra for snacks)
Friends are welcome!
Reservations are required to Susan by Thursday, October 19.



LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

Lutheran Disaster Response is at work along the Gulf Coast and in the Caribbean and Florida, collaborating with affiliates, community leaders, and officials to assist those impacted by the recent hurricanes. In addition to prayers for those directly impacted, monetary gifts may be made to Lutheran Disaster Response. Donations are used in full (100 percent) to provide help and hope for those left homeless or otherwise affected by these disasters. Please make checks payable to *Holy Trinity Lutheran Church* and indicate "Hurricane Response."

FALL SEMINAR

SPEAKING CHRISTIAN: Redeeming Christian Language

by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan

Wednesdays, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall

Explore the "surplus of meaning" behind some of the more important words in the Christian language and how Christian language can be reclaimed, redeemed, and liberated from distorted meanings.

October 18 - *The Premise: Religions are like Languages*
October 25 - *The Challenge of Bilingual Christianity*
November 1 - *Salvation*

Join us for this thought-provoking video series. The second half will be shown in January.
Please make supper reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall.

SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP

Our next sermon discussion group will meet Thursday, October 19, at 11:00 a.m., in the Parlor. We will discuss several previous Sunday sermons, copies of which will be provided in advance. Afterwards, those who desire may bring a bag lunch and enjoy fellowship together. Please make reservations in the narthex by October 15 so that the reading material can be distributed in advance.



CONCERT

Roanoke College Choir and Orchestra

Friday, October 20, at 7:00 p.m.

A Mighty Fortress: Luther in Music

Please join the Roanoke College Choir, under the direction of Dr. Jeffrey R. Sandborg, for this special presentation. This commemorative concert tour celebrates the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation in the same year of Roanoke College's 175th Anniversary.

THANK YOU

- Thanks to **Mike Connolly** and **Susan** and **Peter Manion** for assisting in the Food Pantry.
- Thanks to **Les Beebe**, **Wilma Beebe**, **Dick Cothren**, **Ted Engelder**, **Patty Kauppi**, **Dick Park**, **Karen Pollok**, **Anna-Liisa Rosner**, **Carole Royer**, **Judy Schulz**, **Julie Taylor**, and **Brenda Van Fossen** for driving for Meals on Wheels.

"GRATEFUL GATHERING" OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

"Grateful Gathering" is the theme of a community Thanksgiving meal to be served Monday, November 20, to the needy in our area. The event will be held at Tresca on Eighth (corner of 8th and Commerce Streets) from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Parry Restaurant Group (Shoemakers, Waterstone, El Jefe, Bootleggers, Fire and Hops, etc.) is providing and cooking all the food. Volunteers are needed to assist with set up, greeting, waiting tables, handing out gift bags, cleanup, and just to be on hand for whatever is needed. Shifts available are 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., or all day. Please contact **Sally Schneider** (sallyschneider1950@gmail.com) for additional information and to volunteer.

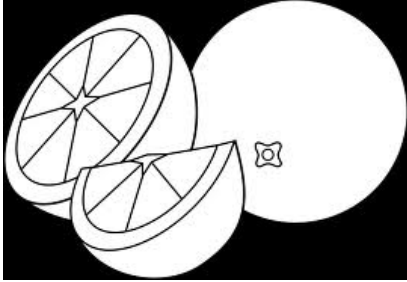
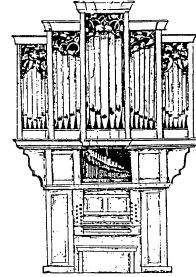


ORGAN CONCERT

Sunday, October 22, at 4:00 p.m.

Renowned Artist
Frederick Hohman

He will be playing works by
Bach, Buxtehude, Jansson, Hindemith, Mendelssohn,
Domenico Scarlatti, and Vivaldi.



CHURCHES FOR URBAN MINISTRY FRUIT SALE

Churches for Urban Ministry (CUM) is taking orders for its annual Indian River citrus fruit sale. Orders may be placed in the narthex, with payment due in the Holy Trinity church office by **Sunday, October 29**. Ten-pound (\$21) and twenty-pound (\$29) boxes of navel oranges; red grapefruit; and mixed boxes of oranges and grapefruit are available. Ten-pound (\$25) and sixteen-pound (\$32) bags of mandarins are also available. Please make checks payable to CUM. The fruit will be available December 15. Proceeds support Camp Timothy, tutoring, mentoring programs for girls and boys, the CUM food pantry, and other projects that help provide emotional, spiritual, and physical programs for children. There is also the option to purchase a ten-pound box of oranges for donation to the Food Bank.

REFORMATION SUNDAY



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

GIFTS FESTIVAL BREAKFAST

9:00 a.m.

Fellowship, Food, and Program
Our 2018 Every Member Response

All are asked to make a special effort
to be present to learn of our
time and talent and financial needs for 2018.

**2018 pledge cards and time and talent
sheets will be mailed in advance
of the breakfast.**

Younger children (grade five and under) will attend
Sunday Church School during the program.
A nursery is available for younger children.

REFORMATION SUNDAY FESTIVAL SERVICE and CONSECRATION OF PLEDGES

10:30 a.m.

(one service only)

First Communion

Special music by our Adult Choir and Brass Ensemble

**Completed 2018 pledge cards and time and talent
sheets will be received and consecrated in the
context of our worship celebration.**

Join us as we celebrate Reformation Sunday
and make commitments for our
2018 mission and ministry.

Please make breakfast reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall.

REFORMATION OFFERINGS

Special offering envelopes are included in our envelope packets for Reformation Sunday, October 29. These offerings are designated for the work of Holy Trinity through the Virginia Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Our offerings respond to human needs through over 600 Lutheran Social Service agencies, the World Hunger Program, and by providing emergency relief to people around the world. We are encouraged to support the work of the wider church generously by making a contribution equal to our weekly offering.



Children of all ages are invited to a

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sunday, October 29, from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Join us for a variety of games, a visit to the residents of the Williams Home, costume parade, and light refreshments. Children are asked to bring a bag or container in which to collect their prizes.

Sponsored by the Senior and Junior Youth

In observance of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, studies and programs relating to the life of Martin Luther and the Reformation are denoted with the following symbol:



Ministers: *The People of Holy Trinity*

Organist-Choirmaster: *J. William Greene*

Parish Nurse: *Gail Midkiff*

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