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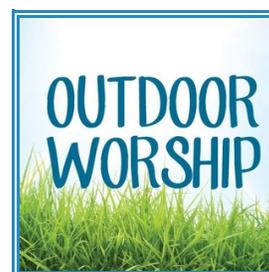
October 21, 2020

## REFORMATION SUNDAY WORSHIP

Our Reformation Sunday worship service on YouTube will include special music by Steve Euhus on trumpet and Organist-Choirmaster Bill Greene on the Taylor & Boody organ. Join us online as we celebrate our Lutheran heritage this Sunday.

In addition, Services of Holy Communion are held on the upper lawn at the bell tower each Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., weather permitting. Worshipers stand for the brief, spoken liturgy. Please keep in mind that the lawn may be wet if there's a heavy dew, so dress appropriately. In the event of inclement weather, please check your email or our website and church office voice mail message for cancellation information.

Attendance at each service is limited to thirty people, and advance reservations are required for contact tracing purposes. Reservations may be made on the Holy Trinity website (with a separate reservation for each person in the household attending) or through the church office. Physical distancing and mask protocols will be followed.



## REFORMATION OFFERINGS

Our special Reformation offerings are designated for the work of Holy Trinity through the Virginia Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

- **DID YOU KNOW** that grounded in the ancient message of Scripture and in the historic confessions of the Church, our Lutheran seminaries in this country have prepared men and women for ordained and lay ministry for over 190 years?
- **DID YOU KNOW** that enCircle (formerly Lutheran Family Services of Virginia) ministers to thousands of persons each year, many of whom are emotionally, physically, and sexually abused and in need of a helping hand?
- **DID YOU KNOW** that the Gracelnside Virginia prison ministry provides chaplains who provide weekly worship services and pastoral care for thousands of prisoners in our state prisons and juvenile institutions?
- **DID YOU KNOW** that the mission of Virginia Lutheran Homes is to serve the needs of the aging by providing low cost housing in New Market, and a continuing care retirement community and rehabilitation center in Roanoke?
- **DID YOU KNOW** that in the past year over 100,000 lives were touched with the Gospel in word and deed through the agencies and institutions supported by our Virginia Synod?
- **DID YOU KNOW** that we at Holy Trinity participate in these extended ministries through our benevolence offerings?

We are challenged to make a contribution equal to our weekly offering as we nurture the church of today and tomorrow. Please use the special Reformation envelope included in the offering envelope packets or go to the online giving portal available on our website and select the Seasonal Special Offerings fund for your donation.

## 2021 EVERY MEMBER RESPONSE



"Grateful Together" is the theme of our 2021 Every Member Response as members and friends of Holy Trinity are asked to consider prayerfully their pledge commitments of time, talents, and treasure for the coming year. Make no mistake, we are living in strange times – a season of pandemic that is also difficult, enormously challenging, and often frightening. Yet, these are also times – we believe and confess – when God is still active, still present, and still at work to care for us and for all of God's beloved people. We are living at a time when Holy Trinity's mission – "to care actively in the name of Jesus Christ" – has never been more important.

Our daily devotions this week are exploring the theme "Grateful Together." A "Grateful Together" video, featuring several members of the congregation sharing their thoughts about Holy Trinity, will be released this weekend via YouTube. As we prepare to make our pledges for 2021 – pledges that will directly affect Holy Trinity's ability to live into God's call in the coming year – let us reflect on the many ways our congregation can share the good news of God's love for all the world in and through Jesus the Christ. Let us reflect on the power and presence of God in our lives, and how we have been blessed to share God's love through the mission and ministry of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

We are in this together – because God's grace gathers us together as members of the Body of Christ. We are in this together – through the ups and downs, the highs and lows, the challenges, needs, and possibilities. Giving thanks, let us be "Grateful Together."

## VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR @ 11:30 A.M.

Join us for fellowship and conversation at our virtual coffee hour on Sundays from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity to see others and catch-up with them. The Zoom coffee hour link is emailed on Sunday morning with the worship materials and worship service link.

## 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.



# Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2020

*We focus on our Lutheran heritage and remember Martin Luther nailing his Ninety-five Theses to the Castle Church door in Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517.*

*We celebrate the Reformation not only as a one-time event, but as an ongoing process in the life of the Church.*

Worship materials and the sermon will be distributed via email on Sunday morning.

The materials and a recording of the service will be available on our website – [www.holytrinitylynchburg.org](http://www.holytrinitylynchburg.org).

A Sunday Church School Storytime YouTube link will be sent to parents of younger children.

*The Lessons: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36*

**8:30 A.M. - OUTDOOR SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**  
(reservations required; physical distancing and mask protocols will be followed)

**10:30 A.M. - OUTDOOR SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**  
(reservations required; physical distancing and mask protocols will be followed)

**11:30 A.M. - VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR** (via Zoom)

**6:00 P.M. - HOLY TRINITY YOUTH** (Dinner & "Games In the Dark" - meet outside Fellowship Hall)

*Beacon Folders (October 28): Diane Kizer, Carol Poftak, Tyra Greenway, Norma Jean Glass*

## THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25 - 31

<u>MONDAY,</u>	7:00 P.M. -	BIBLE STUDY via Zoom
<u>THURSDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M. -	PARISH NURSE available in office (until 10:00 a.m.)
<u>FRIDAY,</u>	11:00 A.M. -	BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP via Zoom

## IN THE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Hospitalized at Lynchburg General is **Walter Smith**. . . Hospitalized and released to Appomattox Health and Rehabilitation Center is **Peter Kjeseth**. . . Congratulations to **Meg Kenny** and **Brantley Osborne** on their marriage last Friday in Shepherdstown, West Virginia.

## NEW BOOK DISCUSSION TO BEGIN

The Friday Morning Book Discussion Group will begin *Dear Church* by Lenny Duncan on October 23, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., via Zoom. Books are available for purchase in the church office for \$14.00.

## OKTOBERFEST BARBECUE AND SAUERKRAUT

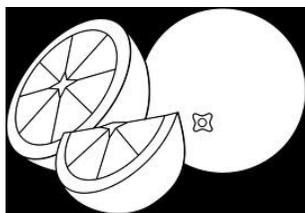
One-pound frozen packages of barbecue (\$10.00 each) and containers of fresh sauerkraut (\$8.00 each) are available for purchase at the church while supplies last. Proceeds support our Program Development Fund. Payment may be made in the church office.

## THANK YOU

- Thanks to **Bette** and **Bob Bibee** for assisting in the Food Pantry.
- Thanks to **Ann Mitchell** for delivering outreach items to local ministry partnerships.
- Thanks to **Debra** and **Tom Schwab** and **Steve Royer** for preparing the delicious sauerkraut and pork barbecue to support our Program Development Fund.
- Thanks to **Jackie Almond**, **Nancy Beasley**, **Sherry Coker**, **Carla Fedeler**, **Cheryl Gerlich**, **Martha Johnson**, **Patricia Mickley**, **Janet Romanzak**, and **Anne Royer** for preparing and delivering dinner to the residents of The Gateway.

## CHURCHES FOR URBAN MINISTRY FRUIT SALE

Churches for Urban Ministry (CUM) is taking orders for its annual citrus fruit sale. **The company that provides the fruit will be using strict CDC-approved measures to ensure the safe handling of the fruit, and the local volunteers will be doing the same on our end.** The prices this year are:



Navel oranges	- large box (4/5 bushel)	- \$39.50
	- half box (2/5 bushel)	- \$24.75
Red grapefruit	- large box (4/5 bushel)	- \$40.50
	- half box (2/5 bushel)	- \$25.50
Mandarins	- large box (1/2 bushel)	- \$46.00
	- family size (1/5 bushel)	- \$29.25
Mixed citrus	- combination of three (2/5 bushel)	- \$35.50

Please place your order by contacting the church office. Payment is due to Holy Trinity by Sunday, **November 1**, and may be made by check (payable to Holy Trinity), cash, or through the online giving portal on the Holy Trinity website (select FRUIT SALE as the fund for your donation). The fruit will be available around December 8. 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 "half box" of oranges for donation to the Lynchburg Area Food Bank.

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