

THE BEACON

November 11, 2020

EVERY MEMBER RESPONSE

We are reminded that our 2021 Time and Talent forms and financial pledges are due **Sunday, November 15. Our mission and ministry spending plan cannot be finalized until pledges are returned. Every pledge is extremely important!** May we give prayerful consideration to our response for God's many blessings and make our 2021 commitments as soon as possible. Those who have not yet done so are encouraged to watch our "Grateful Together" video at https://youtu.be/FBz_nLxd73A. Anyone who has not received a 2021 packet is asked to contact the church office. Let us consider prayerfully the following for 2021:

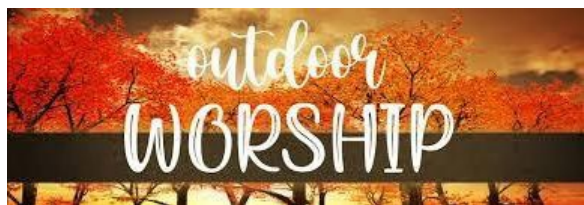


- ❖ an increase in giving by \$10.00 per week; or,
- ❖ an increase in giving by 1% of income as a step toward the biblical tithe of 10%; or,
- ❖ move beyond 10% for those already tithing; or,
- ❖ make an extraordinary and/or legacy gift to support current and future ministries.

Thanks to all who make our mission and ministry possible through their generosity and sacrificial giving. We have always met the challenges before us and seek to do the same in the year ahead! Thank you for your faithfulness.

SERVANT OUTREACH PROJECT

Our November outreach project is a canned food drive for the Rivermont Area Emergency Food Pantry. Grocery bags, complete with an attached suggested shopping list, are available in the narthex. We are asked to please fill and return the bags during the month of November. Monetary contributions are also encouraged. Special envelopes are available on the narthex desk.



OUTDOOR WORSHIP

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. 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 are followed.

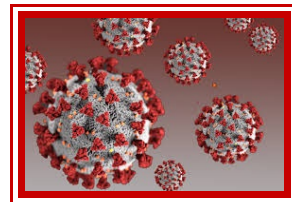
THIRD SUNDAY PROGRAM

via YouTube

November 15

The Ethics of Pandemic Response

Guest Speaker: Michael Gillette, Ph.D.
Medical Ethicist, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Inc.



You don't want to miss another provocative and engaging presentation by Dr. Gillette as he provides an overview of some of the ethical challenges he is seeing in our ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. He will review the ethical context in which current decisions must be made and present a conceptual basis for managing the crisis. Dr. Gillette will continue by posing a list of relevant questions and end by reviewing several of the most compelling case studies that he has faced thus far during the course of the pandemic.

The YouTube link will be emailed to the congregation on the afternoon of November 15.

NEIGHBORHOOD BLOOD DRIVE

Rivermont Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, will host a Red Cross Blood Drive Tuesday, November 17, from noon to 6:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org to schedule an appointment. Your blood donations are greatly appreciated!

INTERFAITH SERVICE OF UNITY AND REFLECTION

An Interfaith Service of Unity and Reflection will be held via Zoom live stream on Thanksgiving morning, November 26, at 9:30 a.m., with participants from the Jewish, Christian, Muslim, and Unitarian faith communities. Please watch *The Beacon* for additional information.



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 15, 2020

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

The Lessons: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; Psalm 90:1-8, 12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

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

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

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

1:00 P.M. - YOUTH GROUP (Youth & Parents - Hiking trip)

afternoon - THIRD SUNDAY PROGRAM available (via YouTube)

Beacon Assistants (November 18): Don Carter, Patty Kauppi, Conrad Kauppi, Edie Leamon

THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15 - 21

<u>TUESDAY,</u>	1:00 P.M.	-	BIBLE STUDY - "God's Will for Life - Studies in Mark" (via Zoom)
<u>THURSDAY,</u>	9:00 A.M.	-	PARISH NURSE in office (until 10:00 a.m.)
<u>FRIDAY,</u>	11:00 A.M.	-	BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP - <i>Dear Church</i> (via Zoom)
	6:00 P.M.	-	DINNER for RESIDENTS of The Gateway

IN THE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY

Hospitalized at VCU Medical Center is **Bruce Gerlich**. Hospitalized at Virginia Baptist is **Don Hesson**. Hospitalized and released is **Norma Jean Glass**. Released from Appomattox Health and Rehabilitation Center to home is **Peter Kjeseth**. . . . Our sympathy to **Tricia** (Williams) and **Derick Dewey** and **Susan** and **Frank Williams** on the stillbirth of Faye Suzanne Dewey, their daughter and granddaughter, respectively. . . . Congratulations to **Jordan LaPrade** and **Kerry Cofer** who were married last Saturday. . . . Our sympathy to **Jill** and **Eddie Grubbs** on the death of Eddie's brother. . . . Congratulations to **Jan Marlin** on the celebration of her ninetieth birthday. . . . Congratulations to **Erin Rodman** whose story *The Christmas Bow* is now airing on the Hallmark Channel.

2021 ALTAR FLOWERS and CANDLE DEDICATIONS

The 2021 Altar Flower and Candle Calendars will be available beginning November 15 on the hallway bulletin board next to the church office. Please note that no dates are reserved from previous years. The cost of altar flowers is \$80 per week for two vases. Payment for altar flowers should be made to Holy Trinity. There are no delivery fees or sales tax. Please contact **Susan Barney** (907-1244 or skwbarney@gmail.com) with any altar flower questions you may have.

THANK YOU

- Thanks to **Edith Beck, Edie Leamon, Louise Martin, Kay (Rooney) Matthews, Mary McCarthy, Karen Pollok, Christine Rooney, Mike Rooney, and Lisa Taylor** for assisting in the Food Pantry.
- Thanks to **Edith Beck** and **Conrad** and **Patty Kauppi** for work around the church grounds.
- Thanks to **Ann Mitchell** for delivering local outreach ministry partnership items.

THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS

Our special Thanksgiving offerings are used for the broader work of the Lutheran Church through the Virginia Synod. Among those served by those ministries are the sick, the aged, prisoners, families in trouble, college students, people with developmental challenges, inner-city youth, candidates for ministry, people in need of counseling, and many others. We, through our gifts, become the hands of Christ through Caroline Furnace Lutheran Camp and Retreat Center, GraceInside Virginia Prison Ministry, enCircle (Lutheran Family Services), Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Virginia Lutheran Homes, Roanoke College, and National Lutheran Communities and Services. We are proud of the broad mission outreach of our Church and are challenged to give it our generous support. Thanksgiving offerings may be made using the special Thanksgiving offering envelope included in our envelope packets or through the online giving portal available on our website by selecting the Seasonal Special Offerings fund.

LIVING LUTHERAN MAGAZINE

Subscriptions to *Living Lutheran* magazine are available for \$8.95 per year. This publication is an important window through which to see the broader work of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Virginia Synod. Those who would like to renew or begin a subscription are asked to return this form and payment to the church office by **NOVEMBER 15**. Please make checks payable to *Holy Trinity* and indicate *Living Lutheran* magazine on the memo line.

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