



St. Mark Lutheran Church (ELCA) of Charlottesville, VA

OCTOBER 2017 CROSSMARKS

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Ecclesia Semper Reformanda Est

The Church is Constantly Reforming

Our church is celebrating with many other denominations the 500th anniversary of Reformation. Reformation started even before Luther and continues even today. The point in history that set the church's renewal on its path of most forceful change was 1517 when Professor Martin Luther publicly announced 95 theses or challenges to the church. With the help of the printing press and with political support, God's word was translated into German and set the church again on a renewed course of following Christ.

What does celebrating Reformation mean to us at St. Mark? We are used to making our way to the sanctuary and greeting each other from diverse walks of life before beginning the worship service. No one would be surprised today that we receive wine with communion, that we hear the Bible in English or that we freely receive words of forgiveness instead of paying for it. These are just a few things we take for granted that had to be reformed in Luther's time in order to follow Christ's command.

Can you recall ways that the church was renewed in your lifetime? As people gathered by God's Spirit and guided by God's word, we are always changing our direction to follow Christ. One change that personally changed my life happened in 1970 when the first woman pastor was ordained in the US. In 2013, the first woman presiding bishop was elected in the

ELCA, Bishop Elizabeth Eaton. She said: "My ordination was not a feminist statement but a response to an irresistible call from God to serve."

St. Mark is celebrating Reformation, and we celebrate God's reforming, renewing Spirit, which leads us and aligns us with Christ's mission to the world. It means that God's Spirit will always challenge us, set us free, make us holy, make us more loving and grace filled, make us ready to serve and even suffer for Christ.

2017 we ask the same question as the long line of martyrs and church reformers asked before us. How will the Holy Spirit call us to be a church in this place, this community and this world? How will St. Mark respond and serve amidst the challenges we face today? We are the church as we gather together in the name of our Triune God. May God's Spirit lead us to answer the questions and challenges we face as a community in Charlottesville and beyond.

- Pastor Viktoria

Freed & RENEWED
in Christ 500 YEARS OF GOD'S
GRACE IN ACTION

St. Mark Lutheran Church, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone, is a people called by God to be servants of all people; to experience God's saving grace through faith; to come together as the body of Christ in worship and celebration of the gifts of God; and to reach out to those outside the church with witness to the loving grace of God through Christ Jesus. To answer this call, our mission will include reaching out to and beyond the members of St. Mark.

Always Reforming – Council President Duane Osheim

At the end of the Reformation Period, one theologian concluded the church was not a reformed Church, but a Church that was always reforming.

During October we are commemorating Luther's call to reform the Church. The Adult Sunday School classes will look at the history of the Lutheran Church, even the art of the Reformation. We will have our special Marty Party and a concert at St Mark involving all the local Lutheran Churches (see details below).

But this time is also an opportunity to move forward, to be continuing the Reformation. This should not be defending the boundaries of our tradition in opposition to others. Luther, in fact, was saddened that the Church was split into suspicious denominations. One great gift of the Reformation, Lutherans and Catholics now agree, was calling everyone back to a conscientious reading of Scripture. This is the basis for carrying our good news to the broader community. Lutherans and Catholics have agreed that we need to carry our message in love and tolerance of others. In a joint statement on the commemoration of the Reformation, Lutheran and Catholic theologians urged that all religious traditions be treated with tolerance and respect even as we preach Christ Crucified. This, perhaps is the goal of our continuing Reformation, that we obey Christ's commandment that we love one another even as he has loved us. (John 3:34)

Getting in the Reformation Spirit

At St. Mark, we're commemorating the 500th anniversary of the start of the Protestant Reformation (Oct. 31, 1517, the day Martin Luther nailed his "95 Theses" to the door of Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany with six weeks of fun, musical, thoughtful, grace-ful, service-ful events. Stay tuned to the Sunday bulletin and weekly emails for more details. And feel free to invite family and friends!

October 8 (right after 10:15 a.m. worship): The Marty Party returns! Bring a dish to the potluck event, which might include a German food contest; brats, kraut and beer; and Reformation Jeopardy.

October 22 (4:00 p.m.): A concert at St. Mark will feature Martin Luther hymns and text, plus original music created for this anniversary. Rev. Dr. Paul Weber and Florence Jowers, both professors emeritus of music at Lenoir-Rhyne University (an ELCA school in Hickory, NC), will present the concert, with the choirs of St. Mark, Peace, Grace and Glory, and Immanuel Lutheran Churches among the additional performers.

October 29: Reformation Sunday. Don't forget to wear red to worship, which promises to be full of expressions of grace, music, and joyful thanks for the life of Martin Luther and his work in bringing God's message to us all.

November 12 (6:00 p.m., after 5:00 p.m. worship): "Luther" on the big screen: Come see Joseph Fiennes, Alfred Molina, Peter Ustinov and more in the award-winning 2003 biopic about the man who started it all. Pretzels and popcorn will be provided. (PG-13)

And from now through mid-November, browse our little Luther Library in the narthex, featuring all related books and videos from the St. Mark Library. You can check out items to borrow, read the "95 Theses" on the wall, and even put on a Martin Luther hat and see how you look in our discipleship mirror.

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

October 1 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost: Jesus' parable about two sons who don't do what they say reveals surprises in the reign of God, such as prostitutes and tax collectors going before others into God's kingdom. In the reading from Ezekiel the people question whether the ways of the Lord are unfair; instead they are to repent and turn to the Lord. Paul urges us to look to Christ as a model of humility, looking to the interests of others above our own. Nourished by the broken bread and shared cup, we offer our lives for the sake of our needy world.

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 • Psalm 25:1-9 • Philippians 2:1-13 • Matthew 21:23-32



October 8 – 18th Sunday after Pentecost: In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a parable of the vineyard, an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread, that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

Isaiah 5:1-7 • Psalm 80:7-15 • Philippians 3:4b-14 • Matthew 21:33-46



October 15 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost: In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God that surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

Isaiah 25:1-9 • Psalm 23 • Philippians 4:1-9 • Matthew 22:1-14



October 22 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost: In today's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.

Isaiah 45:1-7 • Psalm 96:1-9[10-13] • 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 • Matthew 22:15-22



October 29 – Reformation Sunday: Jesus' summary of the law in today's gospel echoes our first reading from Leviticus. We are called not only to love God with heart, soul, and mind, but also to love our neighbor as ourselves. It is out of such deep care that Paul shares the gospel with the Thessalonian community. In the confession of sins, we acknowledge that we have not loved God, neighbor, and self; yet we gather to hear the word of forgiveness and to be strengthened by word and meal to be signs of God's love and mercy in the world.

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 • Psalm 1 • 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 • Matthew 22:34-46

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

We received the following Facebook message from Pastor William Storm:

Wanted to let you know that we received your cards in the mail here at Memorial Drive Lutheran Church in Houston, TX! We thank you so much. We had about 9 families with big losses due to flooding in their homes. We all really appreciate your gesture of love, your prayers, and your thoughtfulness during what has been a rough time. Thank you!

We are still **collecting messages to be sent to churches in Florida** - stop by the table in the narthex to write a card!



To the congregation of St Mark: Bobbie and I wish to express our thanks to everyone for their prayers, visits, and cards during my health problems. Your prayers were part of the miracle of my survival. We both appreciate the support received. I am now continuing recovery at home. **Thank you again for your love and support.** - Ken Seidelmann



Adult Sunday School Class: Please join us for a series of classes on the Lutheran Reformation during October. On **October 1** Larry Goedde of the UVA Art Department will present a class on "Luther, Art and the Reformation." On **October 8** Pastor Viktoria will discuss the Lutheran Reformation in Hungary and the East. On **October 15 and 22** Tom Ridenhour and Duane Osheim will discuss the Reformation in Germany (10/15) and the Lutheran Church in America (10/22). And on **Reformation Sunday** Ridenhour and Osheim will discuss the Lutheran-Catholic accord on Justification.



It is not too late to purchase your **St. Mark Luther Rose t-shirt**! Shirts are \$12, and are available in the narthex on Sunday mornings, or contact Nancy in the office and let her know how many shirts and what sizes you would like: office@stmarklutheran.org.

You won't want to miss the **Hymn Fest: Seasons of Reformation** Sunday morning, **October 8**. We will be singing several hymns that have Reformation themes throughout. Choir, congregation, trumpets, flute, violin, solos – all will make for a very festive morning! What a wonderful way to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation.



Please join us **Monday, October 9**, from **7-8pm** at **Trinity Irish Pub on the Corner** for **Beer & Hymns**! We will meet on the second Monday of each month for singing and fellowship with members of our church, members of other area churches, and of course, the UVA community. Hope to see you there!



Calling all Singers! On **October 22** the four local Lutheran Church Choirs will hold a **joint concert** celebrating Martin Luther and the Lutheran Reformation. Most of the music will be arrangements of hymns composed by Martin Luther. The concert will feature Florence Jowers as organist and Paul Weber as conductor. Jowers is Emeritus Professor of Music and Weber is Emeritus Professor of Sacred Music at Lenoir-Rhyne University. Interested members of the four congregations will join the choirs for these concerts. Check with Kristi for details.



The **Women's Book Club** will meet in the library at church on **October 23 at 7:30** instead of 7:00 because there will be a short Care Team meeting at 7:00. The book to be discussed is Tracy Chevalier's *At The Edge of the Orchard*. This is the story of an American pioneer family in Ohio in 1838. The story continues from 1844-1856 and then follows a son in California in 1856. We welcome all the women of the church to join us to discuss this book.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS, continued

New member retreat and welcome service: Join Pastor Viktoria on **Saturday, October 28 from 9am-1pm** for information about becoming a member of St. Mark Lutheran Church, and a light lunch. You are also invited if you would want to retain your membership at another church, but would like to become a friend and engage in our ministry. **Please RSVP** to the church office by **Friday, October 27:** office@stmarklutheran.org. We will welcome new members, including those who have recently transferred, at the 10:15am service on **Sunday, October 29.**



Save the date! A holiday arts festival is happening **December 2nd** at the space Christina Osheim's studio is located in. Local artists, musicians, and aerialists will share their talents with the community. Details TBA.



Our Church Rocks! The title is a little bit misleading. It is not about music but about our welcome area. We have one rocking chair currently in the welcome area but we want more people to rock and get to know get to know each other. Come early to church and you might find not only coffee but a good conversation. A new sturdy chair costs about \$150.

You can **donate toward a chair** or shop on **Amazon Smile** and get your package delivered and use the opportunity to support your church. When you shop at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-4620294>, you'll find the exact same prices, selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to St. Mark. **Please bookmark this site**, or go to the St. Mark website to find the link. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support, but we hope you'll choose St. Mark!

Prayer Warriors Needed: We are initiating a new team under Worship and Music to create prayers that are more meaningful to our congregation, reflecting a more personal and immediate focus for St Mark. With the recent onslaught of disturbances, both by people and by climate, our intention is for our prayers to resonate with our members on that particular day. The greatest Protestant theologian of the twentieth century and part of the Confessing Church, Karl Barth Said: "Take your Bible and take your newspaper, and read both. But interpret newspapers from your Bible." (Time Magazine, May 1, 1966.)

As Christians we are called to constantly pray and speak to God about what is happening not just in our own life but in the life of the Church and the World. God listens and cares for us. As a prayer writer you will receive sample prayer petitions to help think about prayers for the local and global context. You can submit your prayers to Nancy by each Thursday. Please contact Elaine Oakey at oakeyelaine@gmail.com if you would like to help!



FALL MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVERYONE

ST. MARK CHOIR – If you enjoy singing, consider joining this great group of people who so wonderfully support our worship in liturgy and song. Practice time is on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m., beginning on September 13.

ST. MARK BRASS – This fine group of brass players, under the very able direction of Tom Teisberg, play for our festival Sundays and seasonal services.

INSTRUMENTALISTS – Whatever your instrument of choice, we can always use your talent in Sunday worship, whether it be a special solo, or help on a choir anthem.

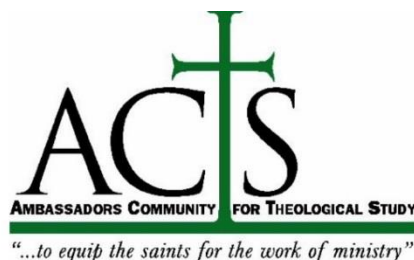
Please consider being a part of our music program at St. Mark.

Kristi Van Doorn, 882-0555, kristi@vandoorn.us



FIESTA LATINA WAS FUN! A big **THANK YOU** to all those who contributed to making the Fiesta Latina a grand success: to all those who came and brought food, and to Helen Ida Moyer, Marco and Christa Escobar, and Christine Giesecke for planning it and making it happen! We were fortunate to have had an absolutely perfect day for it with the sun shining brightly and nice cooler temperatures to enjoy being outside in the school yard. Some made tacos with the black beans, grated cheese, lettuce and tomato and others put it all on a plate as a salad with some taco chips underneath. Marco demonstrated how to make "arepas", a favorite type of corn muffin in Venezuela, right from mixing up the dough to cooking them in a special grill. Helen Ida led everyone in singing one of her favorite songs in Spanish "De colores" which was made famous by Joan Baez in the 60's and 70's during the movement led by Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers to gain better working conditions for the migrants in the fields picking the fruits and vegetables. Our fellowship time together was topped off by a delightful pinata that Christa had filled with lots of hard candy -- the children enjoyed taking turns at giving the pinata a whack and it did finally break with the children all scurrying to pick up some of the goodies hidden inside!





BONHOEFFER AND RESPONSIBLE DISCIPLESHIP: FOR THE WORLD... BECAUSE OF CHRIST

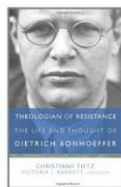
For Bonhoeffer, Christ is the definition of reality. Discipleship, then, is a call to become enveloped by that reality; therefore, the Christian's call is not to turn one's back on the world (enter the cloister) but to be God's presence in the world. In other words, our life in the world, which is lived out in the midst of families, friendships, work, and communities, is meant to display the presence and transformative work of God in the world. Because Bonhoeffer's faith led him to take the world seriously in all of its manifestations, Christian vocation is one that willingly stands up for one's neighbor and gets its hands dirty.

Join other ACTS participants as together we explore and learn more about our Christian's Call through this course.



The required textbooks for this course are ***Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works***, (Reader's Edition Set) by Dietrich Bonhoeffer (Fortress Press, 2015). ISBN-978-1506406503
and

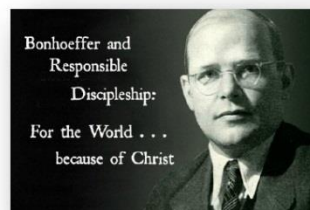
Theologian of Resistance: The Life and Thought of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, by Christiane Tietz. (Fortress Press, 2016) ISBN: 978-1506408446



Recommended additional reading (but not required):

The Bonhoeffer Reader by Clifford Green and Michael DeJonge. (Fortress Press, 2013) ISBN: 978-0800699451
and

Martin Luther and the Called Life, by Mark Tranvik. (Fortress Press, 2016) ISBN: 978-1451490114



PRESENTER
Rev. Dr. H. Gaylon Barker

COST
\$175 Registration Fee

WHEN
October 7th and
November 4th, 2017

TIME
9:00 AM-3:30 PM

WHERE
Grace, Waynesboro

Simulcast Location:
Holy Trinity, Wytheville
Gloria Dei, Hampton



Register at <https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/?eventid=1978788>

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Shop SERRV Quality Handicrafts for Christmas Gifts: A fun way to shop for Christmas gifts also benefits small community artisans around the world St. Mark is placing a congregation order this fall for hand-made handicrafts, chocolate and coffee through the SERRV catalog, to benefit Lutheran World Relief. Look for a catalog in the narthex (marked "St. Mark copy) which you can look through; you can also visit www.serrv.org to view the online catalog. You'll also find order forms on the table in the narthex.

Don't order online, but use one of our order forms, since you won't have to pay tax and St. Mark will make a donation from a discount to LWR. To ensure a timely delivery, there will be an order deadline of Reformation Sunday (Oct. 29th). Bring your order forms to Linda Roberts or Christa Escobar in the narthex after the service, then bring a check once it is verified that all items are in stock, the next Sunday Nov. 5, and Rich Leahy will collect them. You can e-mail Rich Leahy for an order form as well.



Charlottesville has two GAP Ministries that need help and support:

Connect Church: (434) 978-7984 - formerly Word of Faith, located next to next to Albemarle High School, has taken the GAP Ministry of **Personal Care Items**. They collect the following items:

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| Toilet tissue | Shampoo |
| Paper towels | Bar soap |
| Laundry soap | Financial Support |
| Deodorant | |

Belmont Baptist: (434) 296-7111 - provides **FREE laundromat** service vetted through Love INC (they purchased and installed commercial washers and dryers) and could use your help by providing them with detergent safe to use with **HIGH EFFICIENCY** washers.

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| Detergent-pods or liquid | Bleach-regular bleach |
| Dryer sheets | Stain removal spray-any brand |

Both of these churches provide their services to those in need so that their neighbors can use the money they save on these ministries, to apply to rent and utilities. This is a way you can participate in reaching out to those in need in our community. Each of these ministries goes out of their way to establish personal relationships with the folks they serve.

PRESCHOOL



And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

Happy fall and greetings from the Preschool! It's the most marvelous time of year to live in Central Virginia!

"Put on love and be thankful." These words from Colossians echo the message from the gospel, "Love one another!" and will guide our chapels, our professional development and even our customer service, for the 2017/2018 school year. The question before us is "How do we live this out in our everyday lives?" "How does this guide our interactions with one another, with children and with parents?" As we ask ourselves these questions, we find that the answers not only impact our life in the preschool, but also in our own families and our community. To teach love in a way that carries on in a lasting way, we must begin early and start the process by being good role models. Living a life of peace is an ongoing, intentional process. We must choose to "Put on love and be thankful!"

We have so many things to be thankful for! A wonderful, dedicated faculty, a full school with children from all over the world, a ministry that is extending into the greater community by partnering with other agencies (PHA, Intl Neighbors, JMU, PVCC.) We're also thankful for opportunities such as "Fiesta Latina," "St. Nicholas Pancake Breakfast," and LWR Baby Care Kits to fellowship and partner with the congregation of St. Mark Lutheran Church.

In other news, we're looking forward to our annual Halloween Costume Parade on Friday, October 27th. Always a fun event!

In your service,

Carla

MISSION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS – September 12th meeting

- The freewill offering from the October 22 Reformation concert is designated for Lutheran Disaster Relief.
- The Preschool fence will be rebuilt by Foothills Fence and the costs split between the Preschool (\$3,603.33) and the congregation (\$1,801.66). The congregation's share will be taken from the Capital Campaign fund.
- The design contract proposed by Alloy design for possible renovations including an accessible restroom and accessible access to the undercroft was accepted at an initial cost of \$3900. This cost will be paid for from the Scharlemann gift.
- The property committee was authorized to spend up to \$2000 for the purchase of 2 dehumidifiers for the fellowship hall and the undercroft as well as for elevator repairs.
- Mission Council adopted the Policies on Reimbursement and Ethics as well as the Expense report form as recommended by the Finance Committee.
- Linda Roberts, Treasurer; Howard Imhoff, Assistant Treasurer; and Duane Osheim, member of Council were identified as authorized signers on 2 SunTrust accounts.
- Ashley Smith is our new paid nursery staff person. Volunteers from the congregation will work with her to meet CPP compliance. This position will be reviewed in December to determine if this structure is working.
- 5:00 Sunday evening dinner service began on 9/10.
- A letter will be sent from St. Mark to the people and leadership of Congregation Beth Israel offering our support and care especially during their High Holy Days.
- Because of the size of our preschool staff we are now considered a large employer by Medicare as it relates to health benefits. This has implications for our budgeting process in the future.



Richard Rabe	October 1
Emily Elias	October 3
Linda Roberts	October 4
Bill Roberts	October 8
Ilene Rutschow	October 9
Pete Hall	October 14
Pat Dwiggin	October 15
Kristi Van Doorn	October 16
Johnny Kliwer	October 18
Robert Kliwer	October 21
Ulrike Lorenz	October 23
Howard Imhoff	October 30
Eric White	October 31
James White	October 31



CHURCH BUSINESS

	Offering	Attendance
August 6	\$2,438	82
August 13	2,836	83
August 20	8,242	69
August 27	4,040	88

ELCA NEWS

Please plan to join ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton on **Tuesday, Oct. 31**, as she co-hosts a commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The event, which will include speakers and a service, will be at the **Lutheran Church of the Reformation on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.**

Bishop Eaton will be joined by co-hosts Indiana-Kentucky Synod Bishop Bill Gafkjen, ELCA Vice President Bill Horne and Metropolitan Washington, D.C., Synod Bishop Richard Graham.

The event, which will meet under the theme “Looking Back and Called Forward,” will be available online via livestream for all to watch. The livestream link is: [elca.org/livestream](https://community.elca.org/elca-reformation-anniversary-event).

Go to <https://community.elca.org/elca-reformation-anniversary-event> by October 6 to register for attending this event in-person. (Please note: a maximum of 300 seats can be reserved. Once capacity is reached, you will be taken to a page to provide your name for a waiting list.)

Looking Back & Called Forward: ELCA 500, October 31, 2017

9:45 AM	Prelude
10:00 AM	Welcome & The Significance of the 500 th Anniversary
10:15 AM	Program Part I: Ministries of Reconciliation: 500 Years of Division & 50 Years of Dialogue
10:45 AM	Partners in reconciliation storytelling
11:45 AM	Luncheon/Intermission
12:45 PM	Program Part II: Hear the stories of the ELCA through the lenses of Congregational Vitality and Leadership and how these two important priorities will play a significant role in shaping the future of this church
2:00 PM	Looking Back & Called Forward Together in Christ Discussion
3:30 PM	Eucharistic Worship Service Commemorating the 500 th Anniversary of the Reformation
5:00 PM	Reception

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St. Mark Lutheran Preschool: A Ministry of St. Mark

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The preschool is open from 6am – 6pm

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Part-time co-teachers: Ashley Smith, Elizabeth Sutherland

Kitchen Manager: Lynn Hewson

October 2017

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(434) 293-3311 (bold=church activity)

Every Sunday – CoDA 6-8pm (SR)
Every Monday – Chess Club 6:30 pm (N)
Every 2nd Monday (Sept-May) – Beer & Hymns 7pm Trinity Irish Pub on The Corner
Every 3rd Monday – **Worship & Music 5pm**
Every 4th Monday-Discipleship 5pm (L)
Every 4th Monday - Women's Book Club - 7:00 pm - (L)
Every Mon thru Fri – Narcotics Anonymous ~ 12:15 pm – SR
Every Tuesday – FCA prayer group noon-1pm (L)
Every Tuesday - 12 Step Group 5:15 pm (SR)
Every 1st Tuesday – 12 Step for Women 5:30 pm (L)

Every 2nd Tuesday - **Mission Council Meeting– 7:30pm (L)**
Every Wednesday – 12 Step for Women 5:30pm (SR)
Every Wednesday (Sept-Apr) Choir 7pm (Sanctuary)
Every Wednesday - SAA Group - 7:30pm (SR)
Every 2nd Wednesday – SAA study group 6:30pm (L)
Every Thursday - TM Sindhii 4 ~ 6pm (U)
Every Thursday - CoDA 7:30pm (SR)
Every 3rd Thursday – Preschool staff meeting 12:15-2:45 (L)
Every Friday – FCA Prayer Group 11:30am (U)
Every Saturday - AA Group – 9 pm - (SR)

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 9am Sunday School 10:15am HOLY COMMUNION St. Mark Ministry Fair after worship (Narthex) Noon LuMin (SR) 5pm Table worship service 6pm CoDA (SR)	2 12:15pm NA (SR) 6pm Preschool committee (L) 6:30pm Chess Club (N)	3 Noon-1pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes (L) 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:15pm 12-Step Group (SR) 5:30pm 12-Step for Women (L)	4 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:30 12 Step for Women (SR) 7pm Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 7:30pm SAA Group (SR)	5 12:15pm NA (SR) 4pm TM Sindhii (U) 7:30pm CoDA (SR)	6 11:30am Fellowship of Christian Athletes Prayer Group (U) 12:15pm NA (SR)	7 UVA home football game vs. Duke 12:20pm 9pm AA Group (SR)
8 9am Sunday School 10:15am HOLY COMMUNION Marty Party after worship (FH) Noon LuMin (SR) 5pm Table worship service 6pm CoDA (SR)	9 12:15pm NA (SR) 6:30pm Chess Club (N) 7pm Beer & Hymns at Trinity Pub on the Corner	10 Noon-1pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes (L) 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:15pm 12-Step Group (SR) 7:30 Mission Council (L)	11 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:30 12 Step for Women (SR) 6:30pm SAA Study Group (L) 7pm Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 7:30pm SAA Group (SR)	12 12:15pm NA (SR) 4pm TM Sindhii (U) 7:30pm CoDA (SR)	13 11:30am Fellowship of Christian Athletes Prayer Group (U) 12:15pm NA (SR)	14 9pm AA Group (SR)
15 9am Sunday School 10:15am HOLY COMMUNION Noon LuMin (SR) 5pm Table worship service 6pm CoDA (SR)	16 12:15pm NA (SR) 5pm Worship & Music (L) 6:30pm Chess Club (N)	17 Noon-1pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes (L) 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:15pm 12-Step Group (SR)	18 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:30 12 Step for Women (SR) 7pm Choir/Organ Practice for concert (Sanctuary) 7:30pm SAA Group (SR)	19 10am Preschool chapel 12:15pm Preschool staff meeting (L) 12:15pm NA (SR) 4pm TM Sindhii (U) 7:30pm CoDA (SR)	20 11:30am Fellowship of Christian Athletes Prayer Group (U) 12:15pm NA (SR)	21 UVA home football game vs. Boston College time TBA 9pm AA Group (SR)
22 9am Sunday School 10:15am HOLY COMMUNION Noon LuMin (SR) 2:30pm Concert rehearsal 4pm Hymn Festival concert 5:30 Concert potluck (FH) 6pm CoDA (SR)	23 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 12:15pm NA (SR) 5pm Discipleship (L) 6:30pm Chess Club (N) 7pm Congregational Care (L) 7:30pm Women's Book Club (L)	24 Noon-1pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes (L) 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:15pm 12-Step Group (SR)	25 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:30 12 Step for Women (L) 7pm Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 7:30pm SAA Group (SR)	26 10am Preschool chapel 12:15pm NA (SR) 4pm TM Sindhii (U) 7:30pm CoDA (SR)	27 11:30am Fellowship of Christian Athletes Prayer Group (U) 12:15pm NA (SR)	28 9am-1pm New member retreat (L) 9pm AA Group (SR)
29 REFORMATION 9am Sunday School 10:15am HOLY COMMUNION with new member welcome Noon LuMin (SR) 5pm Table worship service 6pm CoDA (SR)	30 12:15pm NA (SR) 6:30pm Chess Club (N)	31 Noon-1pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes (L) 12:15pm NA (SR) 5:15pm 12-Step Group (SR)	Preschool reserves the Fellowship Hall Weekdays from 9am – noon, 3 - 5pm			

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017	October 15, 2017	October 22, 2017	October 29, 2017
Welcome/Announcements	Amanda Nelsen	Sara Bon-Harper	Tony Marbury	Tom Hecmanczuk	Duane Osheim
Crucifer/Acolyte	Aidan Carter	Crosby Horton	Katharina Ravichandran	Izzy Hecmanczuk	Nora Giesecke, Sylvie Bon-Harper
Chalice Bearer	Aidan Carter	Lewis Horton	Katharina Ravichandran	Izzy Hecmanczuk	Sylvie Bon-Harper
Ushers	Richard Sundberg, Lewis Horton	Tom Teisberg, Marco Escobar	Ali Griffith, Lewis Horton	Tom and Will Hecmanczuk	John and Anita Jones
Nursery	Sylvie Bon-Harper	Izzy Hecmanczuk	Will Hecmanczuk	Nora Giesecke	Nate Kiewer
Assisting Minister	Jack Milligan	Tony Marbury	Phyllis Stewart	Constance Johnson	Yvonne Osheim
Reader	Jack Milligan	Sylvie Bon-Harper, TBD	Jeff Werner	Helen Ida Moyer	Pat Dwiggins
Altar Guild	Heidi Jones	Elaine Oakey	Sandy Werner	Marcy Wisbauer	Corinne Courtney
Greeter	Paul Huffman	Jennifer Dwiggins	Gail & Jack Milligan	Christine Giesecke	Linda Imhoff
Children's Moment	Tony Marbury	Christa Escobar	Tom Hecmanczuk		Anna Bon-Harper
Counters	Elaine Oakey, Tom Hecmanczuk	Lynn Stephenson, Mark Giesecke	Christa Escobar, Lois Shepherd	Elaine Oakey, Greg Wichelns	Jack Milligan, Mark Giesecke
Snack	Christine Giesecke, Caroline Hecmanczuk	N/A - Marty Party	Yvonne Osheim, Corinne Courtney	Kathryn Stephenson, Amy Robbins	Carolyn Rader, Sue Pickett
Friendship Coffee Set up/Clean up	Charlotte Owen/Susan & Crosby Horton	Lisa Veale/Kara McClurken	Yvonne Osheim/Bill & Linda Roberts	Amanda Nelsen/Caroline Hecmanczuk	Charlotte Owen/Susan & Crosby Horton
Flower Delivery	Bill & Linda Roberts	Laurene Nelson	Sue Pickett	Yvonne & Duane Osheim	Congregation

	November 5, 2017	November 12, 2017	November 19, 2017	November 26, 2017
Welcome/Announcements	Laurel McClurken	Lewis Horton	Lois Shepherd	Amanda Nelsen
Crucifer/Acolyte	Katharina Ravichandran	Aidan Carter	Anna Bon-Harper	Crosby Horton
Chalice Bearer	Katharina Ravichandran	Aidan Carter	Anna Bon-Harper	Lewis Horton
Ushers	Richard Sundberg, Lewis Horton	Tom Teisberg, Marco Escobar	Ali Griffith, Lewis Horton	Tom and Will Hecmanczuk
Nursery	Anna Bon-Harper	Rebecca Giesecke	Sylvie Bon-Harper	Izzy Hecmanczuk
Assisting Minister	Ginny Nelson	Helen Ida Moyer	Bill Roberts	Phyllis Stewart
Reader	Christa Escobar	Patty Marbury	Laurel McClurken	Laurene Nelson
Altar Guild	Linda Imhoff	Heidi Jones	Patty Marbury	Elaine Oakey
Greeter	Constance Johnson	Anita Jones	Heidi Jones	Nancy Kiewer
Children's Moment				
Counters	Tom Teisberg, Constance Johnson	Tom Hecmanczuk, Mark Giesecke	Elaine Oakey, Greg Wichelns	Tom Teisberg, Mark Giesecke
Snack	Heidi Jones, David Zentmyer	Patty Marbury, Joyce Garver	Lee Leahy, Karen Love	Gail Milligan, Marcy Wisbauer
Friendship Coffee Set up/Clean up	Charlotte Owen/Kara McClurken	Amanda Nelsen/Bill & Linda Roberts	Yvonne Osheim/Caroline Hecmanczuk	Kara McClurken
Flower Delivery	Bill & Linda Roberts	Laurene Nelson	Sue Pickett	Yvonne & Duane Osheim