

# Children & Youth Summer Recreation

Ages and grades reflect the 2016-2017 school year. If you have any questions please contact the church office (804-288-1131), Chester Phelps ([chesterphelps@rrcb.org](mailto:chesterphelps@rrcb.org)), or Kim Crowley ([kimcrowley@rrcb.org](mailto:kimcrowley@rrcb.org)). Please sign up at [www.rrcb.org/summerrec](http://www.rrcb.org/summerrec).

**Recreation: Preschoolers & Families**  
**Saturday, August 5, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**  
 Preschool Fun Morning

**Recreation: Toddlers - 5th Graders**  
**Wednesday, August 9, 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**  
 Outing to the ARC Park

**Recreation: Kindergarteners - 2nd Graders**  
**Sunday, August 20, 12:30-3:30 p.m.**  
 Pizza Party  
 Cost: \$10

**Recreation: 3rd - 12th Graders**  
**Sunday, August 20, 12:30-3:30 p.m.**  
 Lunch, Laser Tag, and Ice Skating  
 Cost: \$10

**Recreation: 4th - 5th Graders**  
**Friday, August 25, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**  
 Dinner and Rock Climbing  
 Cost: \$10

**Recreation: 5th - 12th Graders**  
**Sunday, August 27, 12:30-3:30 p.m.**  
 Lunch and Swimming  
 Cost: \$10

**Recreation: Preschoolers - 4th Graders**  
**Sunday, August 27, 12:30-3:30 p.m.**  
 Lunch and Bowling  
 Cost: \$10



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## CATCH THE SPIRIT GRANT APPROVED

### RRCB is funding a Circulo de Costura (Sewing Circle) at CrossOver Ministry.

At a tour of the Quiocasin Road clinic in the spring, the need was presented that several women were interested in learning how to mend their family's clothing. The FaithLink class, led by Margaret Phelps, submitted a grant request, written by Andrea Glaze, to the Board of Missions (BOM) *Catch the Spirit* Special Committee. The project was approved and the small group has already begun their work! On July 10, Margaret Phelps, Julia Nixon, Hilary Blanchard, Joyce Leshner, Norma Hays, Christie Lessels, and Judy Collins had a meet and greet with eight CrossOver clients from Brazil, Mexico, and Guatemala.

**How can you help?** Donations of sewing notions (tools) are needed. The team will gladly accept used tools looking for a new home. Two sewing machines have been purchased. No fabric is needed at this time. The women are asked to provide their own thread and seam tape, and other accessories as needed. Please bring donations to the designated bins at the Missions Tables in the Upper or Lower Commons.

- scissors (for thread and fabric)
- fabric-marking pens and pencils
- measuring tools (measuring tapes, rulers, yard sticks)

- thimbles
- seam rippers
- straight pins
- safety pins
- sewing needles (assortment of sizes)
- machine needles - model: Baby Lock BL50A (suggested brand: Schmetz Universal)

### Catch the Spirit: New Grant Proposal for Mission Projects

The River Road Church Endowment Fund has made a significant grant to the BOM, with this expressed purpose: "to raise the mission involvement of River Road Church." The BOM, in turn, wants to make these funds available to those who are willing to take the lead on a new endeavor, responding to the call to serve those in need.

You're invited to bring your creativity to River Road Church, and help the BOM and congregation catch the spirit of your passion. If there is a mission project you would like to present, please fill out the form at [www.rrcb.org/catchthespirit](http://www.rrcb.org/catchthespirit), digital and paper forms available, and return it to the church office or to Bob Shoemaker, chair of the *Catch the Spirit* Special Committee.

### Back-to-School Collections 2017

We are collecting school supplies for CrossOver Ministry and toiletry bags and undergarments for the RCFN/RBA Church Hill Baptist Center! Virginia's tax free shopping weekend is August 4-6, 2017. Bring your donations to the designated bins at the Missions Tables located in the Upper and Lower Commons.

#### CrossOver Ministry School Supplies Collection

- Deadline: August 6**
- Backpacks
  - Loose leaf paper (college ruled)
  - #2 pencils
  - Primary pencils
  - Pens (black or blue)
  - Yellow Highlighters
  - Crayons (24 count)

- Colored pencils
- Washable markers
- Elmers glue bottles
- Glue sticks
- Composition notebooks
- Spiral notebooks (70-100 pages)
- 1" binders
- 12-inch/cm rulers
- Blunt scissors
- Large erasers

#### Church Hill Baptist Center Toiletry Bags & Undergarments

- Deadline: August 20**  
 Please fill gallon-sized Ziploc bags:
- Shampoo
  - Comb and Brush
  - Deodorant
  - Soap
  - Wash cloth
  - Toothbrush

- Toothpaste
  - Mouthwash
  - Floss
  - Lotion
- Undergarments for ALL AGES:
- Socks
  - Boys prefer boxers
  - Girls prefer bikini-cut

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## Evening Bridge

Tuesday, August 1

7:30 p.m., LC #102

Anyone who likes to play bridge (singles or couples) is invited to join us for a fun evening of bridge. Contact Kitty or George Davis (804-285-9782) for more information.

## Youth & Adults Mission Tour, Farmington, ME

August 2-13

In 1989 River Road Church entered into a partnership with the Baptists of Maine. During the past 28 years our church has travelled to Maine seven times. We have built cabins, a bathhouse, a dining hall and kitchen, and have painted and repaired the main house and outbuildings. Forty-five youth and adults will go to Farmington, Maine to once again renew our relationship with the Farmington Conference Center and Farmington Baptist Church. During our time together, we will paint all of the buildings, build a pavilion for the Worship Center, and work from a “punch list” of items the center would like to have done. Please remember these youth and adults in your prayers as they minister for our Lord and our church.

## Summer Choir

Sundays, August 6, 13, 20, & 27; September 3

Adults, youth, and children are invited to learn a simple anthem to sing with the choir for our worship service. Warm up begins at 10:30 a.m., but anyone is welcome at 10:15 a.m. Please email [bobgallagher@rrcb.org](mailto:bobgallagher@rrcb.org) by noon Saturday (before the Sunday you wish to sing) so a robe and a copy of the anthem are available for you.

## FLO - For Ladies Only Dinner

Friday, August 11

500 p.m., Shagbark Restaurant at Libbie Mill

RSVP to Jean Ellis (804-272-7672) by August 7 and let her know if you would like to carpool from the church.

## E. Carl Freeman Concert Series: The Choirs of Boys and Girls of Washington National Cathedral Michael McCarthy, Choirmaster

Monday, August 28, 2017

7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

The choirs attend a week-long choir camp at nearby Roslyn Conference and Retreat Center to prepare for the upcoming year. This year, as part of their preparation, they will sing at our church.

MINISTER ON CALL — (804) 464-7968

Please note the new number above and call if you have a pastoral need Friday-Saturday. The number will reach the designated minister for each weekend.

## FIXERS

Thursday, August 31

8:00 a.m., Reception Room

The FIXERS (Frequently Ingenious, eXtremely Energetic, Righteous Servants) are dedicated to keeping our beautiful church facility in top working order. The FIXERS meet for breakfast and fellowship, then break into teams and work on projects around the church. Please contact George Davis (804-285-9782) if you can make it.

### Here's a test:

- Do you know what a weed looks like in mulch bed?
- Do you know which end of a screwdriver to hold?
- Does holding a broom not intimidate you?
- Do you like free breakfast?

If you answered “yes” to one or more of these questions, you are qualified to join the FIXERS! Even if you didn’t answer “yes” to any of the questions, you’re still qualified to join the group. (As you can tell, our standards are not very high.) Men and women of all ages are encouraged to come.

## Men's Group: The Huddle

Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room

The Huddle is a small group of men who minister to each other, make a plan to bring their lives together on a regular basis, and keep faith in that plan and each other. For more information, please contact Bill Thurston (804-514-3360).

## Yoga

Mondays, August 7, 14, 21, & 28

5:45-7:00 p.m., Assembly Room

Hatha Yoga is a gentle form of stretching exercise that offers many health advantages. Darcie Anderson, a Registered Yoga Teacher is our instructor. There is a \$10 fee for each class you attend. Beginners and newcomers are most welcome.

## Celebration Sunday

Sunday, September 10

Join us for Sunday School, Worship, and then come back for a potluck cookout. Parents, bring your children to Sunday School early so you can meet their teachers. Adults, invite those you haven’t seen during the summer to join you in Sunday School that day. Be present in worship as we pray for and celebrate all those who support the various educational, missional, and worship ministries of our church. Return to the church in the evening for a picnic with the deacons grilling burgers and hot dogs and the rest of us providing sides and desserts. Then we will hear from our summer teams about their experiences and adventures. Sign up for the potluck by Tuesday, September 5 at [www.rrcb.org/picnic](http://www.rrcb.org/picnic).

## Potluck Side Dishes — Last Name Begins with:

A-F: starchy side | G-P: dessert | Q-Z: salad

# Happy Birthday!

**August 1**  
Sharon Bailey  
Nancy Cox  
Dana Price  
Eli Stanley

**August 2**  
Byrd Latham  
Deep Sawhney

**August 3**  
Steve Bailey  
Page Booth  
Libbie Geiger  
Dick Morris  
Kyle Smart  
Kevin Smith

**August 4**  
Colston Pounders

**August 5**  
Hannah Cunningham  
Ridley Hart  
David Hooker  
Erica Kirwan  
Winn Kral  
David Price

**August 6**  
T.J. Crocker  
Dave Holland, Jr.  
Christopher Macturk  
Mike Newman  
Luke Scherer  
Sarah Wilkinson

**August 7**  
Wendy Graves  
Camille Stoakley

**August 8**  
Matthew Cipolletti  
Betsy Edwards  
Leigh Johnson  
Ashley Logsdon  
Gail Rogers

**August 9**  
Eunice Garrett  
Christopher Hurst  
John McGuire IV  
Anne Catherine McIlwain  
Janet Moyers

**August 10**  
Steve Bartholf  
Jenny Davis  
Charles Horner  
Joyce Leshner  
Tom Ligon  
Mark Pounders  
Ashley Smith

**August 11**  
Warner Blunt, IV  
Charles Cosby, Jr.  
Steve Eldridge  
Brian Ezzelle  
Miggie Mustian  
Suzanne Spicer  
Etta Wallace  
Caroline Zukowsky

**August 12**  
Sam Balentine  
Elizabeth Cartwright  
Alex Dardick  
Harold Gibson  
Marge Rusher  
Tom Starke

**August 13**  
Betsy Foster  
Keri Ann Gohman  
Braelynn Lawhorn  
Ray Nelson  
Ashley Stevens  
Jay Wilson III

**August 15**  
Gregory Govoruhk  
Helen Morrell  
Faye Wheeler

**August 16**  
Lisa Cipolletti  
Sarah Collier  
Dennis Lacy IV  
Mary Alice Lynch  
Hannah Williams

**August 17**  
Annette Byron  
Jean Kelly  
Sue Naschold  
Sandy Sizemore

**August 18**  
Mason Davis  
Emma Dixon  
Sarah Pruden  
Shawn Ryan

**August 19**  
Courtney Collins  
Kensey Foster  
Michael Johnson

**August 20**  
Tom Ahl  
Brooks Hall  
Gene Harris  
Cecil Perry  
Amy Trott

**August 21**  
Tom Gilsdorf  
Bill Jordan  
Brian Price  
Tim Sexton

**August 22**  
Deborah deTreville  
Nancy Lowrence  
Judy McDanel  
William O’Flaherty  
Janet O’Neal

**August 24**  
George Cook  
Sam Dietz  
Steve Lessels  
John McGuire, III  
Terrell McIlwain  
Jennifer Rutherford

**August 25**  
Sam Blankenship

**August 26**  
Fred Bagwell  
Currie Carter  
Anthony Hickle  
Edward Matney  
Heather Millar  
Ralph Nelson

**August 27**  
Leslie Amason  
Ann Bagwell  
Donna Bower  
Amy Hubbard

**August 28**  
Bob Bullock  
Judy Dixon  
Liz Seward  
Charles Sorrell  
George Thomas  
Cayla Wright

**August 29**  
Suzanne Charnock  
Gwynn Noble  
Wes Scholz  
H.G. Siewert

**August 30**  
Brendan Collins  
Neil Groseclose  
Layne Havens  
Barbara Kinsey  
Janet Ralston  
Jody Smart

**August 31**  
D’Este Chytka  
Lee Coldiron  
Mary Alice Halloran  
Emily Mathews

**August 20**  
Chandler and Robbie Williams – 33 years

**August 21**  
Steve and Lani Gilliam – 18 years

**August 22**  
Ransone and Carolyn Hartz – 48 years

**August 23**  
Steve and Helen Larson – 48 years  
Scott and Gini Street – 44 years

**August 24**  
Hilton and Margaret Almond – 49 years  
Frank and Suzette Cavallo – 17 years  
Don and Barbara Robertson – 49 years  
Dan and Peggy Stevens – 54 years  
Mac and Jan Taylor – 65 years

**August 26**  
Rusty and Kathy Cleveland – 17 years  
Mike and Frances Derrer – 11 years

**August 28**  
Jim and Trish Clague – 18 years  
Malcolm and Jill Page – 35 years

**August 29**  
Don and Carol Cruickshanks – 36 years  
Jim and Sondra Trent – 64 years

# Happy Anniversary!

**August 1**  
Bill and Amy Thurston – 2 years  
John and Karen West – 30 years

**August 2**  
Bob and Diane Shoemake – 48 years

**August 3**  
John and Carol Nugent – 42 years

**August 4**  
Brent and Laura Leshner – 16 years

**August 5**  
David and Jean Kelly – 39 years

**August 6**  
Scott and Jennifer Blankenship – 23 years  
Bryan and Marguerite Bostic – 23 years  
Alex Ortega and Ashlyn Cross – 8 years  
Greg and Melissa Govoruhk – 12 years

**August 7**  
Gary and Robyn Tyer – 41 years

**August 9**  
Fred and Sharon Dixon – 48 years  
Jack and Renee Dunlevy – 31 years  
Cam and Cindy McGuire – 42 years

**August 10**  
Don and Leanne Thomson – 32 years

**August 12**  
Dennis and Janet O’Neal – 28 years

**August 13**  
Scott and Jane Leake – 40 years

**August 16**  
George and Denise Moore – 42 years  
Tim and Betty Rose Sexton – 48 years

**August 17**  
E.J. and Sandy Bowen – 54 years

**August 19**  
Rob and Bettina Sandford – 50 years



# Summer Vespers

Come... let us gather together in the cool of the evening this summer, for worship, spiritual renewal, and fellowship at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Our 2017 Wednesday vesper series welcomes students from Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond (BTSR). Our church has been a strong supporter of BTSR and this is an extension of that support. We look forward to hearing them and to welcoming you as we pause to listen for God's Word 'for the living of these days.' Come... refresh your spirit and worship the Lord.

**August 2: Justin Pierson** — Justin Pierson is a current BTSR student working at First Baptist Church in Richmond in their community ministry and recently spent a year in Austria with refugee ministries.

**August 9: Neil Zahradka** — Neil Zahradka is a 2017 graduate of BTSR and has worked in the environmental field. He has been doing his internship with the BGAV in community gardening.

**August 16: Karen Brown** — Karen Brown is a 2017 graduate of BTSR and has preached recently at First Baptist Church in Richmond.

**August 23: Charles Bagwell** — Charles Bagwell is a professor and pediatric surgeon at MCV/VCU and a current BTSR student looking to blend his work in medicine and health care with the medical students he teaches.

**August 30: Karen Brown**

# Holland Lectures

The Holland Lectures, previously known as The Catacombs Lectures, is an annual series at the end of the summer sponsored by the Shepherd-Holland Bible Study Class. The lectures take place during the Sunday School hour, at 9:45 a.m. in the Assembly Room, but you do not have to be in a Sunday School class to attend the series. On January 15, 2017, the class voted unanimously to rename the class the Shepard-Holland Bible Study Class, and the Catacombs Lectures, the Holland Lectures, in memory of Dr. Henry Holland.

**August 6: Rozanne Oliver**, Member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Charlottesville; layperson called to contemplative prayer and retreat leadership. **Topic:** Contemplative Prayer: Embracing Closeness to God

**August 13: Libby Grammer**, Interim Minister of Christian Education and Spiritual Formation, River Road Church, Baptist. **Topic:** Spiritual Discernment: Finding Truth, Growing Character, Becoming Disciples

**August 20: Rebecca Wells**, Department of Neurology, Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. **Topic:** The Role of Meditation in the Holistic Practice of Medicine

**August 27: MaryAnn McKibben Dana**, Presbyterian Minister and Author of *Sabbath in the Suburbs*. **Topic:** Solitude and Prayer in the Life of Faith

**September 3: Hanna Zhu**, Graduate of Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond and RUAH School of Spiritual Direction at Richmond Hill. **Topic:** The Spirituality of St. Anthony, the Founder of Christian Monasticism

# The Comma Club Program Preview

The Comma Club is a group that meets once a month for lunch and a program at the church. On occasion the group plans a day trip in pursuit of their constant curiosity and desire to learn new things. The Comma Club is primarily made up of senior adults, though it is not a requirement; anyone interested in a program or trip is invited. If you are attending a luncheon, reservations are required and cost \$10 per person. Monthly luncheons and trips are posted online at [www.rrcb.org/seniors](http://www.rrcb.org/seniors).

**September 12:** Lunch and Program with Bill Lohmann. Mr. Lohmann is a regular columnist for *The Richmond Times-Dispatch*. He's the author of several books featuring travel around the back roads of Virginia.

**October 10:** Fall Day Trip by bus - Back Roads of the Shenandoah Valley. The cost is \$108 per person. More information to follow.

**November 14:** Lunch and Program (TBD)

**December 12:** Lunch and Program with special guest Donna Deekins, former Snow Queen at Miller & Rhoads (1971-1989) and Thalhimers (1990-1991).

# Fall Wednesday Night Dinner & Programs

## Wednesday Night Schedule

Childcare is provided for newborns through pre-k from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

4:45-5:30 p.m.: River Road Camerata

5:15-6:15 p.m.: Dinner

6:00-6:45 p.m.: Children's Choirs

6:00-6:45 p.m.: Youth Study Hall

6:15-7:15 p.m.: Adult Program

6:30-7:30 p.m.: Bell Choir

6:45-7:15 p.m.: Children's Programs (kindergarten-2nd grades and 3rd-5th grades)

## Adults' Program Preview (programs are subject to change)

**September 6:** Back to School! led by Ed Pruden

**September 13:** Book Review by Fred Anderson: *The Book of Joy*

**September 20:** Report from Ghana Visit with Ebenezer Quaynor and Team

**September 27:** Community Conversation with Daniel Glaze

**October 4:** Reformation Series with Bob Gallagher

**October 11:** Reformation Series with RRCB Clergy

**October 18:** Reformation Series with Pam Durso

**October 25:** Reformation Series with Loyd Allen

**November 1:** Reformation Series with Phyllis Tessieri

**November 8:** Recognition of Our Veterans

**November 15:** WMUV with Valerie Carter

**November 22:** No Dinner & Programs - Happy Thanksgiving!

**November 29:** Missionary Visit: Josh & Jessica Hearne

**December 6:** Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long by the Fire

**December 13:** Starlight Service of Remembrance

**December 20:** No Dinner & Programs - Merry Christmas!

**December 27:** No Dinner & Programs - Happy New Year!

## Wednesday Night Dinner Standing Reservations

Standing Reservations for Wednesday dinners, September 6 through December 13, 2017 (no dinner on November 22), are now available. The pre-paid reservation provides a 10% discount from the normal price, so you can miss a Wednesday or two and maintain the convenience of having a standing reservation. The deadline to sign-up and pre-pay is anytime **before the first dinner on September 6**. To make your standing reservation, please call the Church Office (804-288-1131) and mail your payment, or make your reservation and pay online through Access ACS ([www.rrcb.org/standingreservations](http://www.rrcb.org/standingreservations)).

### 14 Weeks Pre-paid Costs:

Adults & Youth - \$89

Children - \$38

Family Max - \$252

### Weekly Costs:

Adults & Youth - \$7

Children - \$3

Family Max - \$20

**This fall we are introducing new programming that has been created to help serve our children, youth, and their families on Wednesday nights.**

Youth will have the opportunity to use the Youth Area as a study hall from 6:00-7:15 p.m.

The children will continue after choir from 6:45-7:15 p.m., and will be split into two groups, grades pre-k to 2 and grades 3 to 5. They will follow a rotation model:

- **Recreation** will either be on the playgrounds or in Chapel Hall.
- **Bible Story** nights are two weeks at a time to allow the children to learn a story, and then present the story to other children the following week.
- **Missions Education** will include learning from missionaries, both visiting RRCB and others around the world, or missions we participate in, such as CARITAS.
- **Intergenerational Nights** are presented throughout the fall where the children will participate with adults or learn the same topic, but in a child-friendly atmosphere.

The staff and the board of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation are excited about these new programs, but we do **need volunteer help in making it successful**. We are asking adults to commit to one activity in the rotation. We hope you will prayerfully consider volunteering, to sign up, please contact Kim Crowley ([kimcrowley@rrcb.org](mailto:kimcrowley@rrcb.org)).

- 2 adults with youth (6:00-7:15 p.m.)
- 2 adults with grades pre-k to 2 (6:45-7:15 p.m.)
- 2 adults with grades 3 to 5 (6:45-7:15 p.m.)

## Children's Program Preview

**September 6:** Recreation

**September 13:** Missions Program

**September 20:** Report from Ghana Visit with Ebenezer Quaynor and Team

**September 27:** Bible Story Lesson Week 1

**October 4:** Bible Story Lesson Week 2

**October 11:** Reformation Series with RRCB Clergy

**October 18:** Serving CARITAS

**October 25:** Missions Program

**November 1:** Bible Story Lesson Week 1

**November 8:** Bible Story Lesson Week 2

**November 15:** Recreation

**November 22:** No Dinner & Programs - Happy Thanksgiving!

**November 29:** Missionary Visit: Josh & Jessica Hearne

**December 6:** Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long by the Fire

**December 13:** Christmas Eve Family Service Rehearsal

**December 20:** Christmas Eve Family Service Rehearsal with Pizza

**December 27:** No Dinner & Programs - Happy New Year!