

# *NeverTheLess - October 14, 2018*

## **TODAY AND COMING SOON**

**WELCOME TO ALL**, especially if you are visiting us today. We are delighted to have you here. If you are visiting, we invite you to fill out a pew card and put it in the plate.

**BLUEGRASS MASS TONIGHT!** A little preachin', and lots of beautiful music! 5 pm, in the church. Y'all come, and bring a friend!

**FOURTH QUARTER: THE CENTER FOR ELDER SPIRITUALITY** The Fourth Quarter of our lives asks much of us – how will we use this time? What is the legacy we will leave behind? What might the god of love and wholeness ask of us in this time? What are the special gifts that come for you from the quiet, reflective, and creative explorations of this time? Help us make this a center of spiritual life for us and for our community. Think of what you can offer; think of what you might need. Please check out our new bulletin board in the hallway, where there are brief descriptions and sign-up sheets for courses and activities.

**WELCOME NEWCOMERS! YOU'RE INVITED TO LUNCH!** If you've been coming to St. James the Less for only a short time (and you get to define that!), please join us TODAY, October 14 at 11:30 in the Rectory for lunch and fellowship with other newcomers, Father Rock, and our Welcome Committee. Children are welcome.

**ALL HALLOWS' EVE (OBSERVED)** Join us at 6:30 pm on Sunday, October 28 for a Youth-Led, All-Welcome Service. Wear comfortable shoes, much of the service will take place off-site.

**LOVED ONES NOT FORGOTTEN** If you would like your loved one(s) remembered on All Saints Sunday (Observed), November 4, please call 798.6336 or drop a note in the office by Wednesday, October 31. Your loved ones' names will be included in a bulletin insert on All Saints Sunday.

## **OUTREACH and COMMUNITY**

**EMPTY BOWLS - A SJTL FOOD & BACKPACK MINISTRY EVENT** **NEW DATE: NOVEMBER 10!** Choose a hand-made bowl to fill with soup. Keep the bowl as a reminder that there are always empty bowls around the world. Tickets for this event are \$30 each and are available at re-funk-it, at The Supply Room Company, or here in the office at SJTL. Contact Margaret to reserve your ticket.

**CARITAS OCTOBER 20-27, 2018** This year we are excited to serve CARITAS by hosting families who are temporarily homeless. We will have 15-30 folks, mothers or fathers, and children, to care for every night. It will take our whole village to show them care and give them a great week. You will find sign-up sheets at Information Central for opportunities to Volunteer your time, Donate, and/or Loan items to make our guests feel welcome. Sign up on the sheets, or contact Dani Stockwell, 798.6548

- **CARITAS Volunteer Opportunities include:** Evening hosts; Overnight chaperones; Set-up/Clean-up; Family activity leaders; Van drivers and co-pilots; and Laundry helpers. AND, Thank you all so, so much for your bountiful response to the request for towels and sheets for CARITAS. Y'all are great. St. James the Less can always be relied on to come up with whoever odd request is made and you've done it again. Lots of folks will benefit from your generosity for many months and years to come.

**RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE'S THE BIG EVENT** the community of R-MC comes together to say "thank you" to the town of Ashland for its continued support. For the afternoon of Sunday, November 4, students, faculty, staff, and alumni help the community with service-oriented projects, such as raking leaves, window washing, and painting. If you would like to take part in the Big Event, please register a project via the link (<https://thebuzz.rmc.edu/submitter/form/start/202273>).

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**USHERS** Ushering is an easy, yet vitally important, role to the smooth running of Sunday worship. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at Information Central, or contact Margaret in the office. Sign up for a week, or 2, or a whole month.

**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS** We are seeking to expand our roster of folks who are able to help out in the office during staff meetings and/or when Margaret is out of the office. If you have an hour or so on a Wednesday morning or a free morning when Margaret is out (there will be lots of notice for such an event), please contact Margaret, 798.6336.

## **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS**

**WEDNESDAY MORNING READ** Wednesdays at 11 am, join us in the library to read together and discuss *Watership Down* by Richard Adams. This is an older book that can most likely be found at the local library or your favorite used book store.

## **A WOMEN'S RETREAT**

**THE ASH GROVE AT RICHMOND HILL INVITES YOU ...** to a Women's Retreat, October 26-27, Friday at 4pm - Saturday at 4pm. The theme is "Digging Deep: excavating generational trauma and resilience through the healing lenses of faith and hope." The keynote speaker is the Rev. Dr. Paula Owens Parker, author of *Roots Matter: Healing History Honoring Heritage and Renewing Hope*. She is a Presbyterian minister, senior program developer for Roots Matter LLC, adjunct assistant professor and senior program associate for the Center for Womanist Leadership at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond. Sponsored by Ashland Presbyterian Church, you may contact Pastor Kerra English, (865) 765.2944 for more information. Registration is \$120 for overnight, \$90 for day attendance. There is a pamphlet hanging at Information Central with registration instructions. Some scholarship assistance is available; please contact Pastor English.

## **PRAYER LIST – October 14, 2018**

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for the clergy and congregations of Emmanuel, Harrisonburg ; Emmanuel, Alexandria; Grace, Port Republic

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for The Church in Wales The Most Revd John Davies Archbishop of Wales & Bishop of Swansea & Brecon

**Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer:** We pray for public, non-profit, and religious social service work and ministries in Metropolitan Richmond: For all in need of social services, all social service departments and caseworkers; for partnerships between the church and other institutions serving the needy.

**For the repose of souls:** Helen B. Vaughan

**For our parishioners requesting our prayers:** **GUS** Miller, **PAT** Funk, **DICK** Harman, **HENRY** Mayer, **ERIN** Yagla, **STEWART** Dishman, **DON** Jones, **JOANIE** Burgoyne, **GAYELLEN** Wagner, **STEVE** Pace, **ANNA** Stiles, **MARY ANN** Kinser, **BILL** Blakemore; **FAN** Cox Etienne, **WILEY** Hughes, **TOM** Street

**For those serving in the diplomatic corps, the military, and as missionaries:** **KEMPER** Jones, **GREG** Ericksen, **MATTHEW** Thomas, **PHILIP** Morison, **JAMES** Ashley, **ANDREW** Brunson

**Relatives & Friends:** *(people added this week are in italics)* **ANNE MARIE** Fisher (friend of the Jones family); **WILL** Holman (friend of the SJTL Parish); **JOHN** Murphy (father of Erin Murphy); **LYNN** Forehand (cousin of Joyce Blunt); **VICKI** Snelgrave (cousin of Joyce Blunt); **HAMILTON** family (friends of the Roberts family); **JANET** Cobb (sister of Jim Cobb); **KATHERINE** Anderson (friend of Katherine Tinker); **WIL** Lawrence (son of Ann & Wilbur Lawrence); **DONNA** Hoffman (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer); **PAM** Whittaker (friend of Beth Markwood); **SUSAN** Adams (sister of Steve Pace); **MARK** Longaker; **BILL** Russell (friend of Margaret and Chris Belyea); **RUTH** Syman-May (friend of the SJTL parish); **SAM** Hulseley and Family (friends of Lula Hopkins); **SAVANNAH** Wood (friend of Beth Markwood); **SHELBY**; **STEVE** (family of Fran McConnell); **MELANIE V.** (friend of Ruth Savino); **AUBREY** Fletcher (friend of Ann and Wilbur Lawrence); **TOM** Slaughter (brother of Ann Lawrence); **DAVID** Willis (friend of the parish and the Ashland community); **CAMILLE** Loya (friend of Aleta Meyer); **DENISE** Buxton (sister of Sylvia Spagna), **MOLLY** Harrison (daughter of Beth and Bill Harrison); **FRAN** Shareck (mother of Stephanie Shareck Werner); the Rev. **JEN** Kimball (friend of the Spagnas); **JAMIE** Hopkins (brother of Ron Hopkins); **KEVIN** Johnson (friend of Keith Redington); **MELANIE** Watkins (niece of Bobbie Street); **CANDICE** Worley (friend of Joanne & Lou Flanagan); **STEPHEN** Woods (friend of the Kinser and Meyer families); **GARY** Michael Sanders (family of Tracy and Bob Hughes); **JERRY** Lee Pruitt, Jr. (friend of Rock Higgins), **JANE** MacManus (family of Barbara Olin); **JONATHAN** Smith (brother of Matt Smith); **RUTHIE** Skinner (friend of Neale Smith); **JAXIN** "Judy" Wu (friend of Lyde Longaker), **MARYEA** McIntosh (friend of Stephanie Shareck Werner); **NITA** Taylor and **OLETA** Ledbetter (family of Richard and Janet Taylor); **SUSAN** Falbo (friend of Ginny and Karl Meyer); **MONTENNA** Thompson (friend of the HSYG); **GAY LYNN** Gagnon (cousin of Neale Smith); **CHARLES**, **FAYE**, **ALI**, **CHARLIE**, **RYLAND**, **AND MARY** Joy; **KATHERINE** Leonard (friend of Miriam Smith); **KAREN** Ling (sister of Kris Holt), **PHILLIP** Burroughs (friend of Neale Smith), **PETE** Buxton (brother-in-law of Sylvia Spagna); **RUTH** Jordan (sister-in-law of Pat Jordan); **MAL** Rogers (friend of Rock); **STEVE** and **RENEE** Rennick (friends of Joanne and Lou Flanagan); **EDDIE** Taylor (family of Janet and Richard Taylor); **MOE** Rodriguez (friend of Keith Redington); **GARY** Hodges (family of Keith Redington); **JOYCE** Burgess (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **CINDY** Schmitt (friend of the Meyer family), **JACK** (by Michele and John Murphy); **PATTY** Atkins-Smith (Miriam Smith's mother); **YVONNE** Ludwig (friend of Susan Leachman); Pastor & Mrs. M. **RANDELL WILLIAMS** (friends of the parish); **JANE** and **LEWIS** Pollard (Calvary Episcopal friends); **DOREEN** Welfel (*sister of Dawn Stockbridge*)

*The altar flowers today are in loving memory of Dutch and Allie Halblieb by the Yancey Jones family.*