

Today’s Events: August 9

8:45 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Worship Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>
11:00 am	New-ish to Central Coffee Hour - <i>Library</i>
11:15 am	Children’s Playtime - <i>Chapel</i>
	Parent Gathering – <i>Conference Room</i>
	Youth Sunday School – <i>Youth Arena</i>

This Week’s Events: August 10-16

Mon., 8/10	5:45 pm	Theology Pub – <i>Village Pub</i>
Tues., 8/11	9:45 am	Staff Meeting – <i>Conference Room</i>
	11:00 am	Executive Team Meeting - <i>Conference Rm</i>
Wed., 8/12	11:00 am	Centering Prayer – <i>Chapel</i>
	12:00 pm	Church St. Collaborative – <i>1st Pres. Ch.</i> Haywood St. Worship – <i>Haywood St. Sanctuary</i>
Thurs., 8/13	8:00 am	Thursday Morning Prayer – <i>Zoom</i>
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer – <i>Zoom</i>
	11:00 am	Social Principles Meeting – <i>Room 219</i>
Sun., 8/16	8:45 am	Sunday School
	9:30 am	Blood Pressure Checks - <i>Library</i>
	10:00 am	Worship Service – <i>Sanctuary</i>
	11:00 am	Blood Pressure Checks - <i>Library</i>
	11:15 am	Children’s Playtime – <i>Chapel</i> Young Parent Gathering – <i>Conf Room</i> Youth Sunday School – <i>Youth Arena</i>

Sunday Rhythm for Children & Youth!

Nursery	Elementary	Youth	Parents
9:30am-12:30pm	Worship 10:00-10:30 am	Worship 10:00-11:15 am	Worship 10:00-11:15 am
	Children’s Church 10:30-11:45 am		
Children’s Play Time 11:15-11:45 am		Youth Sunday School 11:15-11:45 am	Young Parent Gathering 11:15-11:45 am

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Thank you to Sharon Boone, our guest organist, who is filling in for Corey Powell this week while he is enjoying his vacation.

Sermon Discussion Questions

Continue to reflect on today’s message by journalling or discussing the following questions:

- Have you ever found yourself in trouble while on the water in a boat? What happened?
- When have you found yourself in trouble in life? Did you try to save yourself? Did you ask Jesus to save you?
- How can you remember to call out to God for help the next time you’re in trouble?

Daily Suggested Scripture Readings

Let this week’s Lectionary readings guide your daily quiet time with God:

- Monday: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
- Tuesday: Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b
- Wednesday: 1 Kings 19:9-18
- Thursday: Psalm 85:8-13
- Friday: Romans 10:5-15
- Saturday: Matthew 14:22-33

Next Week in Worship...

Rev. Dr. Melanie Harris brings a special message for “Feast of Creation in Christ” Sunday, the first new feast day added to the Revised Common Lectionary since 1983. Dr. Harris is Professor of Black Feminist and Womanist Theologies at Wake Forest University. Her scholarship critically examines intersections between race, religion, gender, and environmental ethics. She is an author, community leader, educational consultant, and former broadcast journalist. Join us and invite a friend who is passionate about creation care!



Ordinary Time
August 9, 2026
10:00 a.m.

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Mary Brown

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE “Prelude on *Holy Manna*” Sam Batt Owens
Sharon Boone, guest organist

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 118 Rev. Lisa Rettew
O give thanks to the LORD for God is good;
God’s steadfast love endures forever!
The LORD is our strength and our might;
God has become our salvation.
Save us, we beg you, O LORD!
O LORD, we beg you, give us success!
You are our God, and we will give thanks to you;
You are our God, we will praise you.
O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;
God’s steadfast love endures forever!

*HYMN 57 “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” AZMON
(Stanzas 1,2,3,4,7)

MINISTRY MOMENT: Clothing Drive for Emma Elementary Susan Robinson

PASTORAL PRAYER ending with the Lord’s Prayer Rev. Lisa Rettew

OFFERTORY “One Faith, One Hope, One Lord” Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir; Sharon Boone, guest organist

While the choir makes their musical offering, the ushers will pass plates for those who wish to offer a financial gift or a prayer request. You may also use this QR code to make a financial gift. Whether you place something in the plate or not, you are invited to pause as you pass it and reflect on what you hope to offer God this week.



*DOXOLOGY Hymnal 94
“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

