



CROSSTIES



CHAPEL HAPPENINGS

Sts. Philip & James, Apostles

Holy Communion, 8:00 am
May 1

Rogation/Episcopal Visit

May 10

Clergy Retreat

May 11-13

Ascension
Holy Communion, 7:00 pm
May 14

Whitsunday (Pentecost)

May 24

**Anglican Way Institute
Conference (AWI)**
*The Book of Common Prayer
in the English and
American Tradition*
May 27-29

Trinity Sunday

May 31

**REC 58th General
Council**
June 10-12

**St. Barnabus the Apostle
(Eve)**
Evening Prayer, 6:30 pm
June 10

St. John the Baptist
Holy Communion, 6:00 pm
June 24

St. Peter the Apostle
Holy Communion, 12:00 Noon
June 29

A Musical Fourth
Concert, 4:00 pm
July 4

Founder's Perspective:

The Chapel of the Cross Mission

Submitted by David Bucy

Missions and Evangelism have always been a priority for The Chapel. In the Statement of Purpose, the founders declared "The Purpose of The Chapel of the Cross is the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ...by the establishment of a place of worship..."

In the ensuing years opportunities have been plentiful and varied. In the early years of The Chapel there was assistance for the Wilkinson Center and the Pioneer Club as well as house-building trips to Mexico. Sometimes, it was as simple as Doorkeepers, the Blessing of the Animals, Garage sales, Artisan fairs, and concerts, all front-porch ministries. Further afield, we have provided new churches with prayerbooks, hymnals, and vestments. The Chapel has been a leader in planting new churches as part of REC100. When Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast in 2005, The Chapel put together six relief and rebuild convoys over the next year. We have played a role in the reestablishment of the Church in Eastern Europe, and we are now engaged in missions to Cuba as well as the seat of the suffragan bishop for the Missionary Diocese of Cuba. Even the name of our school reflects the necessity of teaching and preaching the Gospel (2 Timothy 4:1-5).



Anglican Way Institute Conference

The Book of Common Prayer

In the English and American Tradition

May 27-29, 2026
\$199 in Person
\$99 Live Stream



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Celebrating the 40th Anniversary!

Chapel members gathered in the parking lot following services on Sunday, April 26, to celebrate The Chapel's 40th anniversary. Festivities included catered food from The Guava Tree, live music from the Red Wine Band and plenty of games for everyone. T-shirts were also available to commemorate the anniversary.

Heartfelt thanks go to the 40th Anniversary Committee; Audrey Gagie (chair), David Bucy, Ryan Davis, Harry Nicholls, Judy Moore, and Annelies Rafferty. In addition, The Chapel youth submitted some their memorable thoughts.



I remember when Fr. Smith was at the pulpit preaching a beautiful sermon about death. Me and my brother John were so confused, later that day, me and John were repeating the phrases that confused us the most for hours straight.

Mr. Rafferty's and Annalies's wedding!

The first Pentecost service I went to when my mom spoke in Greek and I heard many different languages that were very interesting.

When I read "Aids to Devotion" as "Aids to Division", and Bishop used it in his sermon.

- Dad being Baptised
- Claire being confirmed
- being in choir in 3rd grade

Throwing pancakes on Shrove Tuesday.
Hearing Mr. Mortan sing at 4th of July concert

I remember when Fr. Fruin got kicked in the face by a baby, at his first baptism.

The Fourth of July concert when Mr. First Dittman sang on 'The Jungle Book' song.



Fr. Fruin gave me my first job as a Chapel of the Cross employee on 10/11/93. Again this job I have learned a lot about lawn care and the REC.

The feast of lights dance when we had the pig and it was the first time that I had plucked up the courage to dance on that night since I joined the church! Also, when we got to keep the pig's teeth after words!

Parish Notice Board

- **The Chapel's episcopal visit** will be May 10, Rogation Day. The day will be extra-special as The Chapel celebrates its 40th birthday!
- **Trinity Sunday** The Rev'd Canon Tony Melton will preach and share about REC100 and Always Forward during a combined catechesis hour
- **Chapel Movie Night** is back this summer! Movies are:
 May 29 – *Mr Blandings Builds His Dream House*
 June 12 – *Top Hat*
 June 26 – *1776*
 July 10 – *Beau Geste*
 July 24 – *You Can't Take it With You*
 August 7 – *The Shootist*
 August 21 – *Sabrina*
 Attendees should bring a snack (to share) and drinks.
- **Summer Refreshment** begins June 7. Current catechesis class cycle will end on Pentecost Sunday, May 24.
- **A Musical Fourth Concert**, Saturday, July 4, 4:00 PM
- **250th Birthday for the United States of America.** The Church is the soul of a nation, and The Chapel will commemorate our nation's 250th birthday through reflection on Christian civilization, citizenry, and contribution to society and the body politic.
- Parish Giving for special Lenten offerings resulted in \$3,922.20 toward REC100, \$93 to Christ Church Jerusalem, and \$375 to Parish Benevolence.
- The "Aids to Devotion" will be republished as "Liturgical Supplements."
- **Garden-Narthex** start date is next!.



- The St. Timothy School **Spring Concert**, Thursday, May 7, 6:30 PM. A nursery will be provided from 5:00-8:00 PM.
- The St. Timothy School annual **Jog-A-Thon fundraiser** is complete. Students are collecting pledges from sponsors. Donations go toward improving our property, to maintaining family friendly tuition, and for student travel.
- **Commencement Sunday**, May 24, 5:00 PM. Luis Serrano will be graduated.
- **Kindergarten/Lower School Chautauqua**, Friday, May 29, 10:30 AM
- **Last Day** of school, Friday, May 29

Vital Signs			
	February	March	Year to Date
Average Attendance	137	126	129
Income	\$39,436	\$39,590	\$108,980
Expenses	\$36,692	\$54,735	\$159,542
Surplus (Deficit)	\$2,744	(\$15,145)	(\$50,562) [†]

[†] The "Year to Date" deficit is due in part to early annual expenses and a cash accounting methodology.



Church/Diocesan News



58TH REC GENERAL COUNCIL

June 10-12, 2026, Richmond, VA

ANGLICAN WAY INSTITUTE (AWI)

The Book of Common Prayer

May 27-29, Church of the Holy Communion Cathedral

ACNA COLLEGE OF BISHOPS

June 15-17

CAEDMON CHURCH MUSIC CONFERENCE

July 14-17, hosted by The Chapel

<https://www.caedmonconference.com>

ST. MICHAEL'S CONFERENCE

June 14-20, Camp Crucis, Granbury, Texas

<https://www.stmichaelsw.org>

ST. ANDREW'S CHOIR CAMP

July 26-August 2, Chester California

<https://givebutter.com/choircamp2026>

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Now has a prayer calendar page at:

<https://www.rec-bfm.org/prayer-calendar>

"KYRIAL MASS SETTINGS"

Published by The Chapel's Choirmaster, Andrew Dittman

BIRTHDAYS

MAY

Andrea Hills	05/02
Audrey Gagie	05/03
Susanna Predtechenskis	05/03
David Bucy	05/06
Lieneke Boonzaaijer	05/06
Samuel Predtechenskis	05/08
Samuel Reagan	05/09
Georgiana Johnson	05/10
Melissa Fruin	05/11
Mary Woolsey	05/15
Mark Parry	05/22
Howard Reed	05/28

JUNE

Julian Marin	06/05
Noah Bartman	06/10
Audrey Cole	06/12
Jennifer Dickinson	06/20
Ryan Davis	06/22
Kathryn Herrin	06/22
Lydia Kerridge	06/26
Remy Davis	06/27
Darla Predtechenskis	06/30

ANNIVERSARIES

Catherine & Kim Shiveley	05/13 (43)
Julia & Dietrich Boonzaaijer	05/30 (2)
Carol & Ward Wueste	06/09 (66)
Sue & Paul Walters	06/13 (11)
Brittany & Nicholas Dean	06/14 (18)
Heather & John Tutuska	06/22 (13)
Ashley & Samuel Cole	06/27 (17)
Annelies & Coleman Rafferty	06/28 (1)



"We are ready to run!" The Saint Timothy School Jog-A-Thon

May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1 Sts. Philip & James, Apostles 8:00 am Holy Comm 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	2 8:30 am Pro-Life M Prayer @ CHC <i>every Sat of month</i> 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry 11:00 am Shower for Annelies Rafferty
3 Easter 4 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Comm w/ Morning Prayer 5:00 pm Evening Prayer followed by Chapel Youth (6th-12th grade)	4 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Trail Life* (@ Trinity Fellowship)	5 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	6 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	7 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	8 8:00 am M Prayer (w/ Litany) 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	9 9:00 am Morning Prayer, & Doorkeepers Ministry
10 Rogation Episcopal Visit 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC)	11 Rogation Day 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Trail Life* (@ Trinity Fellowship)	12 Rogation Day 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	13 Rogation Day 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	14 Ascension Day 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Holy Comm	15 8:00 am M Prayer (w/ Litany) 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	16 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
Clergy Retreat						
17 Sunday after Ascension 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morn Prayer w/ Litany (& HC) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer followed by Fellowship of Ancient Christian Storytelling	18 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Trail Life* (@ Trinity Fellowship)	19 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	20 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	21 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	22 8:00 am M Prayer (w/ Litany) 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	23 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
24 Whitsunday 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Comm w/ Morning Prayer 5:00 pm Eve Prayer/ Saint Timothy School Commencement	25 Memorial Day Whitsunweek 8:00 am M Prayer 12:00 pm Holy Comm	26 Election Day Whitsunweek 7:00 am Primary Run-Off Polls Open 8:00 am Holy Comm 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Polls Close 7:00 pm Vestry	27 Ember Day 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	28 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	29 Ember Day 8:00 am M Prayer (w/ Litany) 10:30 am STS K Graduation & LS Chautauqua 7:00 pm Movie Night	30 Ember Day 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Ante-Comm followed by Guild Training
Office Closed		Anglican Way Institute: The Book of Common Prayer				
31 Trinity Sunday 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Comm						

May 2026

May	Day	Service	Time	Altar Guild Team	Nursery *SS & Worship	Epistoler / Reader	Lector(s)	Acolytes *stays for HC	Ushers W = Welcomers (*Captain) Open/Close	Counters	
Fri	1	St. Philip & St. James, Apostles	HC	8:00 am	Sunday Team	x	Andrew D.	Faculty & Student	John D. Luis S.	Norris M.	Alms Box
Sun	3	Easter 4	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R.	Carlos M.	Adam R.	NR Smith	x
			HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Christine B.	Gloria A Maria T.	Ron K.	Coleman R.	Paul C.* Gavin B.	Norris M.* Ken B.	Sam C. Norris M.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	Coleman R.	Youth	x	Youth	x
Wed	6	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	x	Ben E.	x	Lector	x
Sun	10	Easter 5 Rogation Sunday Confirmations	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R.	Carlos M.	Adam R.	NR Smith	x
			MP Procession w/HC	10:30 am	Cathy M. (Catherine S. - interim)	Hired	Edwin A.	Ryan D.	Isaac L.* Ansel B. John D. James D.	Brad L.* James R.	Ken B. David B.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
M/T/W	11/12/13	Rogation Days	MP	8:00 am	x	x	x	student/faculty	x	x	Alms Box
Thurs	14	Ascension Day	HC (&EP)	7:00 pm	Sunday Team	x	Karl B.	Coleman R.	John D. James D.	Norris M.* Victor P.	Diocese of Cuba
Sun	17	Sunday after Ascension	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Mark P.	Andrew G.	Mark P.	NR Smith	x
			MP w/ Litany (&HC)	10:30 am	Becky M.	Kate P. Sarah E.	Karl B.	Ben E.	Luis S* John D. Karl VI Peter P.	Ryan D.* Julian J.	Norris M. Edwin A.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	Young Adult	x	Norton	x
Wed	20	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	x	Victor P.	x	Lector	x
Sun	24	Whitsunday	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R.	Carlos M.	Adam R.	NR Smith	x
			HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Cynthia B.	Hannah L. Christine B.	Norris M.	Coleman R.	Isaac L.* Coleman R.	Ken B.* Brad L.	David B. Ryan D.
			EP/ Commencement	5:00 pm	x	Hired	Edwin A.	Graduate	John D. James D. Paul C. Peter P.	James R.* Ryan D.	College Scholarship Fund
Mon	25	Monday in Whitsunweek	HC	12:00 pm	Sunday Team	x	Andrew D.	x	John D.	x	Alms Box
Tues	26	Tuesday in Whitsunweek	HC (MP)	8:00 am	Sunday Team	x	Coleman R.	student	Luis S. Anthony S.	x	Alms Box
W/F/S	27/28/29	Ember Days	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wed	27	Wednesday in Whitsunweek Ember Wednesday	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	x	Karl B.	x	Lector	x
Sat	29	Ember Saturday	MP&Ante Communio	9:00am	x	x	Adam R.	Mark P.	John D.	Mark P.	Alms Box
Sun	31	Trinity Sunday	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R.	Carlos M.	Adam R.	NR Smith	x
			HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Christine B.	Ashley C. Melissa F. (SS. Kathryn J.)	Ron K.	David B.	Paul C.* Peter P.	Victor P.* Norris M.	Sam C. Brad L.

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STS Teacher In-Service						
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REC 58th General Council						
14 Trinity 2 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer followed by Chapel Fellows	15 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg	16 8:00 am M Prayer	17 8:00 am M Prayer 6:30 pm Evensong 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	18 8:00 am M Prayer	19 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany)	20 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
21 Trinity 3 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morn Prayer w/Litany (HC) 5:00 pm Evening followed by Fellowship of Ancient Christian Storytelling	22 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg	23 8:00 am M Prayer	24 St John the Baptist 8:00 am M Prayer 6:00 pm Holy Comm followed by POTLUCK 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	25 8:00 am M Prayer	26 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany) 7:00 pm Classic Movie Night	27 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
28 Trinity 4 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer followed by Ladies of the Chapel	29 St Peter the Apostle 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 12:00 pm Holy Comm	30 8:00 am M Prayer 7:00 pm Vestry	1	2	3	4



The Chapel Trail Life group with its partner Boy Scout Troop, led by Victor Predtechenskis, in front of Good Shepherd's new sanctuary in Tyler, Texas.

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			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	Youth	x	Youth	x
Wed	10	St. Barnabas, Apostle (Eve)	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	Karl B	Ben E.	x	Lector	x
Sun	14	Trinity 2	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Mark P.	Andrew G.	Mark P.	NR Smith	x
			MP (&HC)	10:30 am	Becky M.	Sarah E. Susanna P.	Julian J.	David B.	Karl VI* Ansel B. John D. Luis S.	James R.* Norris M.	Norris M. Brad L.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	Karl B.	Andrew G.	x	Karl B.	x
Wed	17	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	Karl B	Fruin	x	Lector	x
Sun	21	Trinity 3	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Mark P.	Andrew G.	Mark P.	NR Smith	x
			MP w/ Litany (&HC)	10:30 am	Cynthia B.	Christine B. Hannah L.	Norris M.	Ben E.	John D. James D.* Gavin B. Isaac L.	Brad L.* Ken B.	David B. Ken B.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	Young Adult	x	Norton	x
Wed	24	St. John Baptist	HC(EP)	6:00 pm	Sunday Team	x	Karl B	Andrew D.	John D. James D.	Victor P.* Mark P.	Alms Box
Sun	28	Trinity 4	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R.	Carlos M.	Adam R.	NR Smith	x
			MP (&HC)	10:30 am	Christine B.	Ashley C. Maria T.	Karl B.	Edwin A.	Edwin A. Joaquin A. Karl VI Anthony S.*	James R.* Julian J.	Sam C. Edwin A.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	woman	x	Ashley D.	x
Mon	29	St. Peter the Apostle	HC	12:00 pm	Sunday Team	x	Andrew D.	x	John D.	Ken B.	Alms Box



Children present their mites boxes during the service on the First Sunday after Easter. Funds raised contribute to the Diocesan Lenten Offering for REC100.



Saint Timothy students enjoying time in Washington D.C. during their recent East Coast Heritage trip.



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*A Faith to Believe · A Place to Belong
A Rule of Life*

Rise Above – Basil

The Lord doesn't send suffering to the servants of God without a purpose. It tests the genuineness of our love for God the Creator. Just as athletes win crowns struggling in the arena, Christians are perfected by the trial of their temptations if they patiently and gratefully accept what God sends them. Everything is ordained by the Lord's love. We must not be distressed by anything that happens to us even if it affects our present weaknesses. For although we don't know why everything that happens to us is sent by God as a blessing, we should be convinced that



everything that happens to us is for our good. Every trial either provides a reward for our patience or keeps our soul from lingering too long in this life and being filled with the world's wickedness. If the Christian's hope was limited to this life, dying prematurely would be a bitter thing. But if those who love God know that the separating of the soul from these bodily restraints begins our real life, why do we grieve like those who have no hope? Be comforted, then, and don't fall under your troubles. Show that you are superior to them and can rise above them.

The Newsletter of The Chapel of the Cross

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