

DEACON'S SHARING FUND

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HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF MISSION

Please be in prayer as we anticipate the donations and volunteers needed to support those affected by the recent hurricane destruction.

Due to government restrictions, relief teams are not yet permitted to enter affected areas. An emergency response team is being recruited and donations requested as a trip is organized for the near future.

Donations Needed:

gas cans	propane	water
TP	tarps	diapers
pet food	batteries	flash lights
first aid kit	blankets	trash bags
cash for gas	chainsaws	shovels
work gloves	baby formula	feminine products

Please also consider giving to the Deacons' Sharing Fund in the gold envelopes or online!

Contact Jon Worman at 540-903-8124 for volunteer and donation information.

New Life in Christ's Annual

Trunk n Treat

Saturday 10/26 6pm - 8pm

- 6PM - CHILDREN MEET IN FIRESIDE ROOM TO LINE UP FOR COSTUME PARADE
- 6:15PM - COSTUME PARADE TO CARS
- 6:20PM - TRUNK GAMES & OTHER ACTIVITIES
- 7:30PM - COSTUME PRIZES AWARDED

- INVITE NEIGHBORS, CLASSMATES, AND FRIENDS TO JOIN THE FUN!
- COSTUME PRIZES: MOST CREATIVE/ORIGINAL, FUNNIEST, CUTEST, MOST BIBLICAL
- CANDY DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE BOX LOCATED IN THE FOYER!

QUESTIONS? IDEAS? CONTACT : HANNAH REED, HANNYKAT82@GMAIL.COM

I CAN HELP WITH ... PLEASE CHECK A BOX (OR BOXES) AND TURN THIS PORTION IN TO THE OFFERING PLATE OR THE CHURCH OFFICE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A TRUNK GAME | <input type="checkbox"/> GREETING |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A TRUNK WITH TREATS ONLY | <input type="checkbox"/> CROWD CONTROL IN FIRESIDE ROOM AND LEADING PARADE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SET UP | <input type="checkbox"/> COSTUME JUDGE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLEAN UP | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PARKING | |

NAME AND CONTACT INFO:

"Rejoice in the Lord always." Phil 4:4



All women and teens 15+ invited. Join us in the Fireside Room!

**FOOD | FELLOWSHIP
ENCOURAGEMENT | CONNECTION**

Encouragement from Sharon Leaman



← No need to bring a thing!
Do you want to bring food?
Let us know what's coming.

Stay after for fun fall craft!
Register here so that we can
plan. Bring \$5 for materials. →



Childcare needed? Contact Heather O'Hara, (540)226-4904, by 10/20

"BE A BLESSING" DRIVE

Join as we seek to bless students in need in our community!
ITEMS WILL BE COLLECTED OCTOBER 1-31



We are collecting individually-wrapped options including:

- cereal / granola bars
- instant oatmeal / cereal cups
- Nutri-Grain bars
- applesauce or fruit cups/pouches
- Pop-tart packages
- microwavable soup cups
- juice boxes or pouches
- fruit snacks
- single-serving snacks: chips, pretzels, Goldfish, veggie straws, Pirate's Booty, Cheez-It crackers, Pringles
- Mac and cheese cups
- tuna fish or chicken cans

DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED
OFF IN THE LABELED BOX IN THE
CHURCH FOYER

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT
AS WE LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS!

ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT AMY AUKER (AMY.AUKER@GMAIL.COM)



women's retreat

APRIL 4-6, 2025

Camp Overlook Retreat Center

Harrisonburg, VA

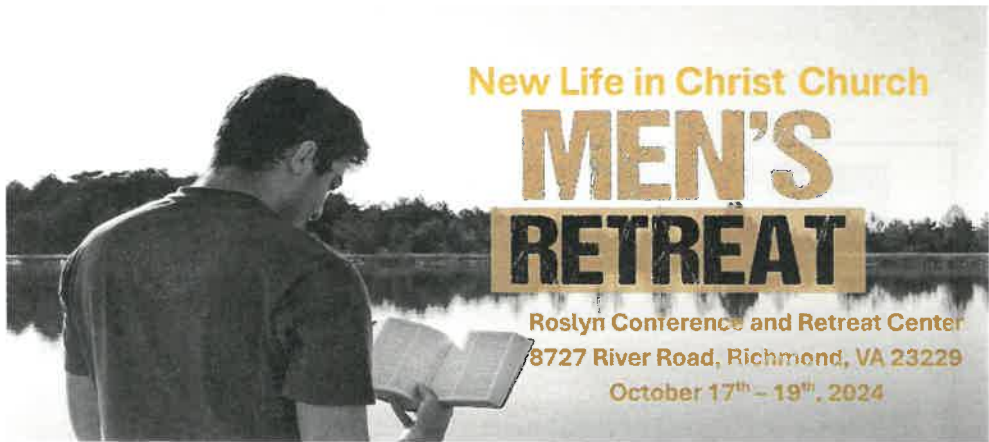
This year featuring a guest speaker!



**FIRST OPPORTUNITY
TO REGISTER COMING IN
NOVEMBER!**

Women ages 15 & up are encouraged to attend!

We hope to see you there!



New Life in Christ Church

MEN'S RETREAT

Roslyn Conference and Retreat Center
8727 River Road, Richmond, VA 23229
October 17th - 19th, 2024



**SPACE IS LIMITED!
SIGN UP NOW!**

Our Theme: “A Life Well Lived”

We all want to finish the well in this race called the Christian life. Yet, finishing well means we must learn how to live well—living life as God intended.

This weekend, we will create some margin in our lives to explore what it means to be a disciple and follow Christ, spiritually growing to look more like Him.

The cost is \$150.00 per person.

Sign up below and place in the offering plate. Payments can be made via: tithe.ly, by check or by cash. Please memo the payment “2024 Men’s Retreat”.

Don’t let cost be an obstacle to joining. Scholarships are available. See Pastor Sam for more information.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Amount Paid: _____

Renew your personal walk with the LORD.
Be encouraged by other men doing manly stuff.

Who Can Register: All men (young and old); under 16 years old must be accompanied by a father or mentor.

What To Bring: Your Bible, games, outdoor activities

What's Provided: Food, Fellowship, Fun, Facilities, Praise and Worship provided by the men of NLICC, & COFFEE!

Tentative Schedule

Thursday (Snacks Provided)

Arrive 6:00 pm. Retreat starts at 7:00 pm

Friday (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Provided)

9:00 am to 12:00 pm: Morning Discipleship

12:00 pm to 6:00 pm: Free Time & Activities

7:00 pm: Evening Discipleship

Saturday (Breakfast and Snacks Provided)

9:00 am to 12:00 pm: Morning Discipleship

12:00 pm: Depart for Home

A PRAYER IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

God of all good,
I bless Thee for the means of grace;
teach me to see in them Thy loving purposes and the joy and strength of my soul.

Thou hast prepared for me a feast; and though I am unworthy to sit down as guest,
I wholly rest on the merits of Jesus, and hide myself beneath His righteousness;

When I hear His tender invitation and see His wondrous grace,
I cannot hesitate, but must come to Thee in love.

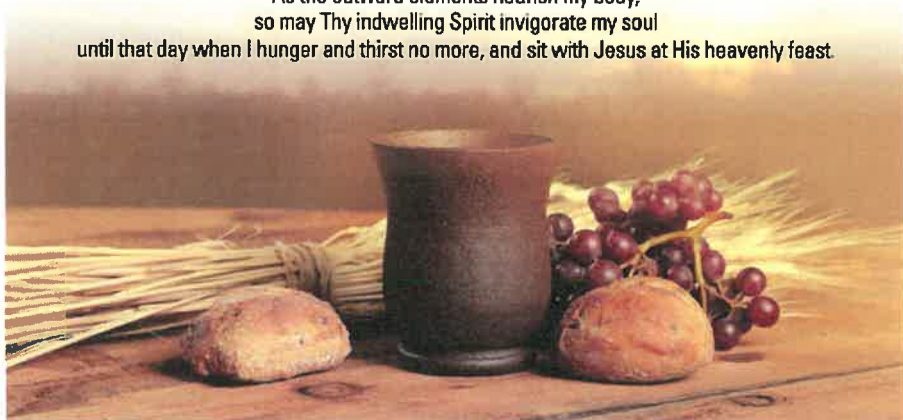
By Thy Spirit enliven my faith rightly to discern and spiritually to apprehend the Saviour.

While I gaze upon the emblems of my Saviour's death, may I ponder why He died,
and hear Him say, 'I gave my life to purchase yours,
presented Myself an offering to expiate your sin,
shed My blood to blot out your guilt,
opened My side to make you clean,
endured your curses to set you free,
bore your condemnation to satisfy divine justice.'

O may I rightly grasp the breadth and length of this design,
draw near, obey, extend the hand, take the bread,
receive the cup, eat and drink,
testify before all men that I do for myself,
gladly, in faith, reverence and love, receive my Lord,
to be my life, strength, nourishment, joy, delight.

In the supper I remember His eternal love, boundless grace,
infinite compassion, agony, cross, redemption,
and receive assurance of pardon, adoption, life, glory.

As the outward elements nourish my body,
so may Thy indwelling Spirit invigorate my soul
until that day when I hunger and thirst no more, and sit with Jesus at His heavenly feast.



PARTICIPATING IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-34

The Lord Supper: also commonly called "communion," is a sacrament where Christ is spiritually present, offering us His body and blood to nourish our faith. As we eat, we participate in His death and resurrection and the sacrament acts as a means of grace to build us up in faith.

We welcome all who have professed faith in Jesus Christ, been baptized, have been admitted to the table, and are genuinely seeking to live a godly life. If that doesn't describe you, we ask that you not participate. However, please come and speak to a pastor or an elder if you desire to be baptized or participate in the future.

If you do not participate, you can use the prayers below during this time of quiet receiving. If you do receive the sacraments, you can meditate on the love of Jesus Christ for you. Consider the prayer on the other side of this sheet to help you think of His grace.

Today, we will distribute the bread and the cup separately to you in your seats. We will eat the bread together and then we will drink the cup together. The bread is gluten free. The cup has grape juice.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who You are. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that You promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through You I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in You the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in baptism and a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen.

For Reflection and Discussion

Week of October 6, 2024

"Politics and Providence (Part 4): The King God Chose" Acts 13:21-22

1. Read Acts 13:21-22
2. What does it mean to be "a man after God's own heart" (Acts 13:22), in light of the context that God first made this statement (see Acts 13:21 and 1 Samuel 13:8-14, especially verse 14). What was God looking for in contrast to what He already had in King Saul?
3. How did Saul show he was not a man after God's heart?

Consider also these verses:

Rash vows:	1 Samuel 14:24-30; 1 Samuel 14:43-45
Murderous jealousy:	1 Samuel 18:8-11; 1 Samuel 19:1
Witchcraft:	1 Samuel 28:7-8
Ignoring prophets:	1 Samuel 15:22-23
Killing of priests:	1 Samuel 22:16-19

Seeing these actions, what does this show us about Saul's heart? What motivated him? What place did the Lord have?

4. In what ways did David's heart and actions differ from Saul's?
Consider 1 Samuel 17:45-47; Psalm 51:1-2; 1 Samuel 24:6;
2 Samuel 7:12-13; 2 Samuel 24:24.
5. What are some of the qualities of leadership that we tend to value in our culture today? How do they compare to God's standards for leadership?

6. How do you reconcile David's significant sins with the fact that God still called him a man after His own heart? Why do you think David was the standard for faithfulness with future kings? (1 Kings 9:4-5; 2 Kings 2:22)

7. One part of David's life was his humility and repentance (Psalm 32:1-5; Psalm 51:1-19). Why is this important to God's vision for leadership?

What motivated David to repent and how should that inspire us to the same humility?

8. Discuss the idea of God using flawed leaders like David to accomplish His purposes, and to approve their leadership, even with those flaws. How does this shape your understanding of leadership in the church and in the world?

9. Consider Philippians 2:5-11. How does Jesus Christ fulfill the role of the ultimate king that David pointed to? How should this shape our expectations for leadership in the church and in politics?

10. As Christians, how do we navigate our responsibility in voting for leaders when none of the options seem to fully reflect godly principles? How can we apply biblical wisdom in these decisions?

11. How can you apply this passage to your life this week?

Is there a

- Sin to repent of?
- Promise to believe?
- Example to follow?
- Command to obey?
- Knowledge about God to be gained?