

GHTC Weekly

News & Announcements

Sunday, January 25, 2026



Youth Ski Trip – Saturday, January 31

Middle and high school students are invited to go snow skiing and tubing on Saturday, January 31st at Massanutten Ski Resort. We will leave from the church at 7:00 a.m. and return by 6:00 p.m. The cost to attend is \$50/person, and one friend is permitted per GHTC youth. *Please register your child by scanning the QR code by **tomorrow, Monday, January 26th.***

Holy Strollers – Saturday, January 31 at 1:30 p.m.

The first stroll of 2026 will be amongst horses, quiet roads, pretty houses, a lake, and winter-time woods as Meredith and Billy McGuire kindly welcome the group to their neighborhood. We will start at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 31st, at their home, 746 Merry Go Round Road, Manakin-Sabot, VA 23103. The walk is five miles, and it will take about two hours. If you have hiking poles, you may want to bring them, due to uneven terrain. Shoes that can stand up to mud and muck are also a good idea. *If you plan to attend, please RSVP with Susan Hankins by visiting ghtc.org/contact and selecting “Holy Strollers” from the drop-down menu or call (804) 938-8440.*

Holy Eucharist with Greater Richmond Children’s Choir – Sunday, February 1 at 10:30 a.m. Worship

The internationally award-winning Greater Richmond Children’s Choir, led by Artistic Director, Crystal Jonkman, and Associate Director, Roshan Chakane, will sing anthems and lead the hymns and service music at our 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Annual Parish Meeting, Worship & Reception Information

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on February 8th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Church. Printed copies of the Annual Report and agenda will be available at the meeting and online at ghtc.org/publications. Paper ballots and pencils will be included with the printed 2025 Annual Report booklet. There will be no Parish Breakfast, worship services are regularly scheduled, and a cake and punch reception will follow the 10:30 a.m. service in the Parish Hall. *If you have questions about participating in the meeting and Vestry election, please contact Jane Carlson through ghtc.org/contact or by calling (804) 359-5628 x23.*

Prayers for Healing by the Font Offered During Worship

When prayers for healing are offered, you are invited to come to the prayer station at any time during communion, before or after you receive. The clergy will ask what you wish to pray for and you may share as much or as little as you would like. Then they will pray with you and, if you consent, trace a cross with anointing oil on your forehead. You are always welcome and no prayer is too big or too small!

Ash Wednesday Schedule – Wednesday, February 18

GHTC will have three offerings for Ash Wednesday this year. The 11:00 a.m. Healing Service will include imposition of ashes. Ashes-to-Go will be offered by Clergy in Monroe Park beginning at 12:00 p.m. Finally, a choral Holy Eucharist service for Ash Wednesday will take place in the Church at 7:00 p.m. A livestream is available for this evening service, as is child care.



Front Porch Forum Dinner Registration Open – Saturday, February 21

GHTC has begun offering a full course dinner before the Richmond Forum events in 2026. Sylvia May, a parishioner, choir member, and chef, along with Father Brent have planned this community building idea for utilizing our proximity to Altria Theatre. The next four-course dinners will be on Saturday, February 21st, 2026 and continue on March 21st, and April 18th. The cost is \$80 per person, which will include drinks and your meal. If you need parking the cost is \$100. Seating will be limited to 35–40 people. Guests will arrive at GHTC after 5:00 p.m. and dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. Richmond Forum doors open at 7:00 p.m., so dinner will end by 7:15 p.m. Invite friends, family, and fans of the forum. The menu for February 21st will be announced and available for download soon. *Scan the QR code to make your reservations.*

Compline Service – Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Compline, from the Latin compleo, meaning “to complete,” marks the end of the day’s liturgical cycle. On Thursday, March 19th, GHTC will hold a Compline service containing Scripture readings, psalms, confessions, hymns, and prayers for protection. It will last about 20 minutes and will be informal. It will be led by members of our Parish Choir. This will be a way to connect as a community towards the end of the week and experience the beauty and stillness of this ancient service. Please invite others to attend this meaningful and contemplative time of reflection.

Cherry Street & Cathedral Place Implement Pay-to-Park

The City of Richmond has installed paid parking signs along North Cherry Street and Floyd Avenue/South Cathedral Place. The parking regulations include paying for parking by phone from 8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. Cathedral Place will be affected Monday–Sunday, while Cherry remains open to free parking on weekends. *To pay for parking, download an app at [rvapark.online](https://www.rvapark.com) or text the zone number to (866) 888-7275.*

Youth Instrumental Ensemble 2026 Rehearsal Schedule – Returns Sunday, February 8 at 9:00 a.m.

The Youth Instrumental Ensemble rehearsals return Sunday, February 8th at 9:00 a.m. The remaining dates will remain at 11:50 a.m. All youth musicians (orchestral instruments, keyboards, guitars, and singers) from 4th grade through high school are invited to join the ensemble, and we also welcome solo performances. We will be preparing a musical piece to present on Children & Youth Sunday, March 22nd, 2026, at the 10:30 a.m. service. *(Rehearsal dates on next page)*

Rehearsal Dates: February 8 | February 22 | March 1 | March 15

If your youth is interested, please contact Luke Brennan by visiting ghtc.org/contact and selecting "Youth Instrumental Ensemble" from the drop-down menu or call (804) 358-4369 x21.

Morning Prayer Tuesdays & Thursdays Changes to 9:00 a.m.

The staff prays **Morning Prayer** together on Tuesdays and Thursdays **in the Chapel and all are invited. The time has changed from 8:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** Morning Prayer is a simple and reflective service which is part of the Daily Office.

Bible Study Wednesdays Changes to 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study on Wednesdays has resumed. **The time has changed from 9:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**

This is a no homework or prior Biblical knowledge type of study, and is designed to help us listen to what scripture and God might be calling us to be or do.

Wednesday Evening Lectio Divina Group has Resumed – Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. on Zoom

Lectio divina ("divine reading") is a traditional format of prayerful reflection on scripture. GHTC's lectio divina group meets weekly on Zoom from 7:15 p.m.–8:15 p.m. every Wednesday and you are invited to join. The goal is to read and reflect on the Gospel for the next Sunday and no preparation is needed. We only ask that you attend as many sessions as you can. *If you are interested in joining our group, please feel free to contact either Beth McClelland (804-304-8823) at esmc1234@icloud.com or Mary Ann Blankenship (804-334-8922) at mabblankenship625@gmail.com.*

2026 "Stewards of Hope" Update & Ongoing Pledges

As **Stewards of Hope**, we invite you to prayerfully consider a gift and return your pledge by mail or online at ghtc.org/stewardship. Our 2026 goal is **\$800,000**, which will support the four pillars of our shared ministry — **Worship, Education, Parish Life, and Mission**. After Sunday, January 18th our total amount pledged is \$730,720.80 and our total number of those pledged is 140.

Parish Prayer List Additions

Names may only be added to the Prayer List with the explicit consent of the recipient. All names in italics were added to the prayer list this past week. In order to keep the Prayer List current, we print names on the Prayer List for two months or less. *If you would like for someone to remain on the list for more (or less) time, please call the office at (804) 359-5628 or email Lauren Frazier at lfrazier@ghtc.org.*

Parish Prayer List

For those with recent illnesses, we pray for Ken & Wanda Rodgers.

For our mission ministries and partners: Red Door Ministry, serving those who are food insecure; Circles RVA and those working towards financial stability; the people of Belize; the staff and families of St. Andrew's School; and the Pace Center, our Covenant Partner for Campus Ministry.

For those affected by gun violence, for racial reconciliation and healing, and peace in the world. For our Country, the Commonwealth of Virginia, the City of Richmond and surrounding counties, and Virginia Commonwealth University.

We invite you to lift up these people and ministries in your additional prayers.

The following names are those listed beyond three months ago and welcome your continued prayers.

Pray for Tali B. Alcorn, the Bomar Family, Harry Bowman, Steve Bowman, Donna Campbell, Sue Davis, Scot F, Anne Gordon Curran, Caswell Cooke, Mary Cooke, Elizabeth Prettyman, Michael S.Vicky & Diego Samos, Jamie Sauer, Doug Smith, Sibyl Telfian, and Debbie & Jim W.

In the Anglican Cycle of prayer, we pray for *Inglesia Anglicana de Chile*.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *St. Paul's-Bailey's Crossroads, Clark Parish (Grace & St. Mary's)-Berryville, Leads-Markham, St. Andrew's-Ada.*

We ask that you please take this announcement insert with you and recycle it when you are finished.

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