



ROUND HILL CHURCH

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Trinity Lane

August 2026



Sunday Worship

Early Service — 8:00-9:00am
Livestream on YouTube @ 8:00am
Late Service — 10:30-11:30am

Sunday School

In-Person or Zoom (Adult Class)
9:15-10:15am

Doug Rinker
Pastor

Roy Riley
Assistant Pastor

Whitney Johnson
Youth Director

Barbara Gray
Music Director
Sound Booth

Chris Gray
Worship Director

Sarah Solomon
Pianist

Kim Filbert
Building Superintendent

Marsha Miller
Administrative Assistant

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Psalm 48:14 — For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end.

**Pastor's Corner**
August 2026**Counterfeit Christianity**

None of us wants to be deceived—especially when it comes to our relationship with God. Yet Jesus lovingly warned that it is possible to appear religious on the outside while missing the life He came to give. His words are not meant to discourage us but to invite us into a genuine, life-changing relationship with Him.

In our busyness, with multiple sources of information, it is easy to mistake Christian activity for Christian maturity. We can attend worship services, participate in Bible studies, volunteer in ministry, and still neglect the daily fellowship with Christ that nourishes our souls. While these activities are wonderful expressions of faith, they are not substitutes for knowing Jesus personally.

Jesus said, "I am the vine; you are the branches ... apart from Me you can do nothing" (John 15:5). The Christian life has never been about simply doing more for God. It has always been about walking with God. As we remain connected to Christ, His life flows through us, producing love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, and every other fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23). These qualities cannot be manufactured through effort alone; they grow naturally in hearts surrendered to Him by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The wonderful news of the gospel is that God is not looking for perfect people. He is looking for surrendered hearts. We are saved by His grace through faith in Jesus Christ, not by our performance or our ability to maintain a religious image (Ephesians 2:8-9). Because of His grace, we can come to Him honestly, confess our weaknesses and sins, and trust Him to continue the good work He has begun in us.

From time to time, it is healthy to pause and ask ourselves:

Am I simply going through the motions, or am I walking closely with Jesus?

Is my faith shaping the way I love others, forgive, serve, and trust God through life's challenges?

Paul wrote about this, "Examine yourselves to see whether you are in faith." (2 Corinthians 13:5). These questions are not meant to produce guilt but to deepen our dependence upon Christ.

As a church family, may we encourage one another to pursue authentic faith. May our worship flow from grateful hearts, our service be motivated by love, and our lives point others to the Savior who has changed us. The world is not looking for flawless Christians—it is longing to see people whose lives have been genuinely transformed by the grace, mercy, and love of Jesus Christ.

Never settle for the counterfeit! Pursue the one true and living God!

Blessings,

Pastor Doug





"Board Buzz"



While the Church Board did not meet during the month of July, ministry certainly didn't slow down! Throughout the month, our focus was on supporting Vacation Bible School and continuing our outreach efforts within our church and community. It was a joy to see so many children, volunteers, and families come together to learn, serve, and grow in their faith.

As we look ahead, we're excited to resume board meetings in August and welcome our new board members as we continue the work God has called us to do. Thank you to everyone who has served, volunteered, and supported the many ministries happening this summer. We look forward to all that is ahead! Next Board meeting is August 10 @ 6:30pm—all are welcome to attend.

Chairman - Chris Boyce
Vice Chairman, Facilities, & Technology - Jeff McKay
Secretary, Social Media, & Communications - Kate Snapp
Treasurer - Kenny Unger
Congregational Care - Frank Roy
Family Ministries - Sue Boyce
Worship - Jack Owens
Mission & Outreach - Rusty Pugh
Human Resources - Todd Legge
Lay Ministries & Small Groups - Kim Black
Pastor - Doug Rinker

Women in the Word

Wednesday Morning Bible Study 10:15am



We have started a new Bible Study by David Jeremiah, "A Life Beyond Amazing", a study of the fruits of the spirit and their importance in our lives. This is a good time to join the Women in the Word Ladies Bible study!

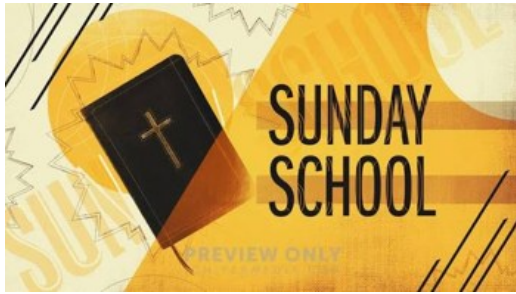


Giving Report

For June 2026, the actual regular offering was \$27286, budget was \$29,380, representing 93% of the budgeted amount received. January–June offering, actual \$217,813, budget was \$190 970, representing 114% of budget.

Offering boxes are at each door outside the auditorium/sanctuary, and in the main entrance. Please also remember that you may mail in your offering, give online at RoundHillChurch.com, or drop off during church office hours. Thank you for your past and future support of our church.

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." — Winston Churchill



New Sunday School Group In-Betweeners Sunday School

Chris Johnson has stepped up to lead a new Sunday School group! Chris is the Area Director for Young Life and is a great teacher and leader of young people.

We are exploring the launch of a new Sunday School small group for young adults between the ages of 18 and 22ish.

This group would be designed for those in the in-between season after high school, during college, or navigating the early years of adulthood.

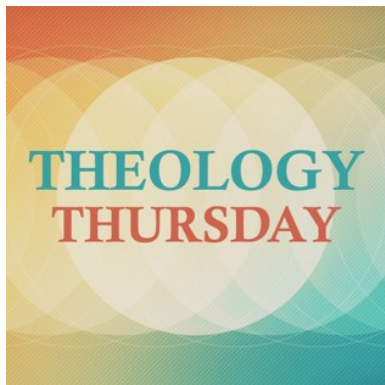
What to expect:

- A welcoming place to study Scripture, ask honest questions, and grow in community
- A rhythm of meeting together on Sundays as the group gets started
- If you want more, then there will also be opportunities to connect with Young Life leadership gatherings, beginning with the first suggested meeting on September 20

For those at RHC who are not traveling back to college towns, I would be glad to bring interested participants with me to the Young Life leadership meeting every other Sunday as well.

If you are in this age range—or know someone who is—please consider joining us as we begin gathering and discerning the best rhythm for this group.

Reach out to Pastor Doug or Chris Johnson with any questions!



Announcement: Theology Thursdays

Looking for a thoughtful way to grow in your understanding of Scripture and the Christian faith? Theology Thursdays will be a twice-a-month gathering on Thursday mornings before the workday begins, created for anyone who wants to engage the truths of God's Word with curiosity, humility, and practical purpose. Chris Johnson will lead the study.

Jesus teaches us to love the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. This group will focus especially on what it means to love God with our minds—not as an academic exercise, but as part of a faithful life of worship, discipleship, and service.

What to expect:

- A welcoming space for careful Bible study, honest questions, and meaningful conversation
- A journey through the story of Scripture from creation to consummation
- Practical reflection on how Christian beliefs shape everyday faithful living
- Encouragement to think clearly, pray deeply, and grow together in community

As C.S. Lewis reminds us, "Theology is practical, especially now." Theology Thursdays will be an opportunity to pursue that kind of practical, faithful understanding together.

When?

We anticipate starting in August. Depending on feedback from the interested parties, initial plans are two Thursday mornings a month. 7:00 a.m. starting time and breakfast at 6:30 a.m.

If you are interested in participating—or would like to suggest a time that would serve the group well—please reach out to Pastor Doug or Chris Johnson.

Mission Focus for August

Thank you to all who contributed to the July Back-to-School Mission Drive. Your support allowed us to provide school supplies, and positively impact the lives of children in our community through the Stuff-A-Bus collection by Bright Futures.

For August we will be collecting pet food and supplies to help our local pet shelters. The items below are needed. We thank you for helping support all God's creatures!

Pet Food * Cleaning supplies * Treats * Toys

RHC continues to spread the Gospel even to the ends of the earth!***This year RHC continues to financially support missionaries***

- * **Lane Pugh** recently went on a mission trip to Utah to share the Gospel with Mormon college students
- * **Matt Black** is in Zambia for over 3 months of intense immersion, relationship building and sharing the Gospel to remote villagers
- * **Joshua and Rachel Hirscher** and their infant children are in East Africa teaching and sharing the Gospel to Muslims

So what can you do? Pray for these young people who have dedicated their time, talent and treasure to sharing the love of Jesus to sometimes hostile people. Pray that God would multiple their efforts, build a hedge of protection around them, leverage opportunities for the Gospel to be shared and believed! Call on the Holy Spirit to give them strength and boldness in all their contacts.

Romans 10:14-15 *How, then can they call on the one they have not believed in? and how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"*



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August Happenings:***Youth Group***

8/9 - 6:30pm at RHC
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Small Groups

Every Tuesday at 6pm at RHC (except 8/18 - NO girls group)

Join us in praying for our students, teachers, and administrators as the new school year starts this month! If you have any questions or want to get involved with RHC youth, please contact Whitney Johnson at whitleann@gmail.com.



Morning Worship, Church Picnic & Baptism

***Sunday, August 23, 2026
Cedar Creek Christian Camp
2757 Coal Mine Rd. Strasburg, VA***

10:30am - **Combined** Worship Service
12:00pm - Lunch
1:30pm - Baptism Service
1:45pm - Fun, fishing, swimming, volleyball

Bring your chair, a covered dish, fishing pole and a guest!
Meat & Drinks will be supplied by the church.



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August Birthdays

Tracy Wilson	Aug 1
Bradley Ashmore	Aug 1
Sandy Miller	Aug 6
Emily Shable	Aug 6
Helen Hodges	Aug 6
Emileigh McKay	Aug 7
Bonnie Prelip	Aug 11
Robin Lynn	Aug 13
Roy Riley	Aug 13
Heather Anderson	Aug 17
Michael Purtlebaugh	Aug 17
Greg Trenary	Aug 18
Heather McKay	Aug 19
Beverly Bennett	Aug 20
Lynn Cookson	Aug 20
Cassie Riley	Aug 21
Mariah Perez	Aug 22
Roger Newlin	Aug 22
Luke Roy	Aug 23
Mark Painter	Aug 23
Jean Ayers	Aug 23
Carole Montgomery	Aug 23
Dustin Campbell	Aug 24
Brenda Lockhart	Aug 24
Logan Kohne	Aug 26
Jacob Pugh	Aug 28
Nanci Sandy	Aug 28
Bessie Solenberger	Aug 28
Hunter Legge	Aug 28
Karynn Everett	Aug 30



Golden Shepherds

August 20, 2026
(3rd Thursday every month)
11am—3pm

People 55 and older are welcome to join our Golden Shepherds for a time of food, fun, and fellowship on the third Thursday of every month! **Except September will be on the 24th** due to some folks being out of town on the third Thursday.



August Anniversaries



Joe & Barbara Salyer	Aug 6
Greg & Tina Hammon	Aug 11
Pat & Suzy Hyland	Aug 16
Steve & Crystal Barton	Aug 16
Kenny & Kim Bowen	Aug 18
Steve & Kim Black	Aug 23
Mark & Staci Painter	Aug 26
Butch & Ann Tharp	Aug 30



Prayer Chain
Contact Charlie Webber
(540) 667-4624



Adra Jones	Eddie & Dot Roy	John Shelly	Randy Berg
Alan Shanholtz	Eddie Presgraves	Josiah Dick	Renee Lockhart
Alexis McFarland	Gerald Dolly	Joyce Kerns	Robert Shifflett
Alvin Walker	Henry Rutherford	Katie Mack	Roy Senter
Angela Dorsey	Jack Hooper	Kenny Whetzel	Scott Feltner
Angie Clark	Janelle "Jellybean"	Kim Campbell	Sherri Harding
Audrey Lockhart	Krippner	Kim Greene	Stephanie Brake
Becky Rector	Jean Pennington	Kim James	Sue Newlin
Betty Godlove	Jennifer McDonald and	Linda Kerns	Toby Merritt
Bobby Pugh	her Father	Megan Martin	Vicki Dillow
Bradley Zeback	Jennifer Willis	Michael Holliday	Wanda Scannell
Brenda Reynolds	Jim Rush	Nettie Lanham	
Bruce Legge	Jimmy Lyons	Pam Mayhew	
Bunny Wisecarver	Joe Stuart	Pam Whitacre	
Cooper Graham	John Light	Patti Mack	



WALK TO EMMAUS

THE UPPER ROOM®

The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program for Christians, based on the biblical story of Jesus appearing to two disciples on the road to Emmaus. It's a weekend designed to strengthen and deepen participants' faith, helping them to become more active and effective Christian leaders. It's not a

physical journey, but a spiritual one, drawing inspiration from Luke 24:13-35, where Jesus joins two disciples on the road to Emmaus.

How it works: Participants attend a weekend retreat, where they experience talks, small group discussions, worship, and acts of service. Topics cover themes like God's grace, Christian community, and living a life of grace.

Who can attend: The program is designed for practicing Christians who want to deepen their faith and become more active in their church and community. It's ecumenical, welcoming members from various Christian denominations.

Follow-up: After the weekend, participants are encouraged to join small groups for ongoing support and accountability, continuing the journey of faith together. Round Hill Church is associated with the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia Walk to Emmaus.

Men's Walk is the weekend of September 17-20, 2026
Women's Walk is the weekend of October 15-18, 2026

If you are interested in participating in this, please reach out to Pastor Doug or to Kim Black for more information.



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