

***e-Spire* Headlines**

Headlines that are underlined are linked to our website for more information.

[A Word from Your New Pastor, Daniel Glaze](#)

Dearest RRCB family,

November is now here, and in a few short weeks I will join you as your pastor. To say that I am excited about the journey we have before us is a tremendous understatement!

As we finish up our ministry here in North Carolina, my family and I have surely felt your prayers for us. This goodbye hasn't been easy, and your prayers, notes, and phone calls have sustained our spirits. Thank you.

November is the time when we naturally turn our thoughts to the blessings we enjoy and our thankfulness to God for all the grace and love in our lives. This year, I am particularly grateful for the opportunity to serve Christ alongside such a faithful and loving family at River Road.

Please continue to pray for our family as we joyfully pray for you.

In love and thanksgiving,
Daniel Glaze

[Click here and scroll to the bottom of the post to watch a welcome video with Daniel.](#)



Worship

[Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost](#)

Service of Worship

Sunday, November 13, 2016

11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Sermon by Dr. Tom Graves



Wednesday Night Dinner &

Programs

November 16

[Mission of Hope in
Uganda with Missy
Ward Angalla](#)

CBF Global Missions
Field Personnel Refugee
Women's Advocacy
Coordinator, Uganda
6:30 p.m., Assembly
Room

November 23

No Wednesday Night
Dinner & Programs
Happy Thanksgiving!

November 30

Q&A with Daniel Glaze,
facilitated by Dan
Bagby
6:30 p.m., Fellowship
Hall

Dinner reservations are **required** and must be made by **11AM on Monday** mornings. (Scroll to the bottom of the [post](#) to find the sign up form.)



Upcoming Events

Children & Youth Activities

[November 2016](#)

[FLO Luncheon](#)

Friday, November 11
12:00 p.m., Palermo Italian

[FLO Afternoon Tea](#)

Friday, December 9
12:00 p.m., Jefferson Hotel

This event is open to all women.
Please make your reservation by
November 21.

[Fall Intergenerational Hike](#)

NEW DATE: Saturday, November 12
8:00 a.m., Pocahontas State Park

There is no deadline for sign up, however, lunch orders have already been placed.

[E. Carl Freeman Concert Series](#)

[One Voice Chorus Presents "War and Peace"](#)

Saturday, November 12
7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Lynn Atkins, director
Music of Ireland, Haydn, and Kodaly
Ticketed Event: Call 804-221-9880 for tickets and information.

FIXERS

Thursday, November 17

8:00 a.m., Reception Room

Book Lovers Group

Thursday, November 17

7:30 p.m., LC #102

Book: *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi

This is a special meeting of the Book Lovers group and everyone is invited to attend this program! Seth Roberts is the guest reviewer and will lead the discussion.

Business Meeting

Sunday, November 20

12:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

The November business meeting will be held immediately following worship. We need a quorum of 100 to conduct the business of the church.

Loss: Getting through the Holidays

Tuesday, November 22

7:00 p.m., Parlor

Folks who have experienced an important loss are invited to gather with in the Parlor with Dan Bagby for an hour or so, when we can quietly and prayerfully identify dynamics of loss and grief, compare notes on how to move through the holiday times, and share a moment or two of mutual support and care.

ADVENTure Lunch

Sunday, November 27

12:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Make reservations for your family now! And don't forget to bring your donation for the Church Hill Christmas Store.

The Comma Club

Tuesday, November 29

9:30-3:30 p.m., Blackstone, VA

Make your reservations by November 18. This group is open to all ages; "senior" is not a requirement.

Church Christmas Decorations

Outside Christmas Decorations

Friday, December 2

9:00 a.m., Narthex

Decorations Take Down

Wednesday, December 28

9:00 a.m., Sanctuary

2017 Flower Calendar

Sundays, December 4, 11, & 18

12:15 p.m., Upper Commons

E. Carl Freeman Concert Series

Advent & Christmas Choral Concert

River Road Chancel Choir with Orchestra

Sunday, December 11

7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Handel's *Messiah* - Advent/Christmas portion

Please note our new ticketing process through Eventbrite: [click here to reserve your free tickets for this concert!](#)

E. Carl Freeman Concert Series

St. Olaf Choir

Friday, February 3

7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Northfield, Minnesota

Anton Armstrong, director

Ticketed Event: [Tickets are ONLY available online through St. Olaf Concert.](#)

Since this concert is likely to sell out months in advance, tickets will not be available at the door. This is a special presale for our congregation; tickets go on sale to the public Tuesday, November 15.

To purchase tickets, please enter the Promotional Code 'riverroad'. The code is entered in a box at the top left of the webpage. Once the code is accepted, the performance at River Road should have a green dot with a "buy" button next to it that allows you to buy your tickets.



Stewardship

Thoughtful Giving: *For Such a Time as This*

Commitment Sunday: November 20

- [Testimony by Dan Bagby](#) (11/6/16)
- [Testimony by Bob Gallagher](#) (10/30/16)
- [Mission Vision: Thoughtful Giving](#) (10/30/16)



Missions

Thanksgiving Boxes

Deadline: Wednesday, November 16

Boxes will be provided to each Sunday School Class asking for them to be filled with "Thanksgiving-like" food items. You may also leave donations on the Missions Tables in the Upper and Lower Commons.

[Church Hill Christmas Store](#)

Deadline: Sunday, November 27

Please deliver your donations to the Missions Tables in the Upper or Lower Commons, or bring them to the ADVENTure Lunch after worship on November 27 for a teachable moment with our children. [Click here for more information.](#)

[Thanksgiving Offering 2016](#)

Deadline: Sunday, December 4

The Thanksgiving Offering will be designated to Oak Grove Elementary School to provide food for the students over the holidays. Envelopes can be found in the pew racks, or you may contribute online.

[Micah Opportunities and Needs - Fall 2016](#)

Service:

- Classroom assistance and one-on-one tutoring
- Office assistance
- Food backpack distribution on Friday afternoons
- Sharing your career on Career Day (November 21)

Donations:

- Children's book drive
- Clothing
- Bikes



Rejoice & Give Thanks

[Campaign Updates](#)

- [Sound Update Fall 2016 \(09/06/16\)](#)
- [Photo Galleries \(updated 09/06/16\)](#)
- [New Sound, Old Sound \(06/15/16\)](#)
- [Summer 2016 Update \(06/01/16\)](#)
- [Spring 2016 Update \(03/01/16\)](#)
- [Winter 2015 Update \(12/01/15\)](#)
- [Fall 2015 Update \(09/01/15\)](#)
- [New Organ Console Delivery \(06/09/15\)](#)
- [Piano Refurbishment Project \(02/09/15\)](#)



Church Information

Minister On Call

November 11-13

Chester Phelps ~ (804) 229-6163

Financial Statements

Financial Statements were mailed this week. Please take the time to review your statement to ensure your contributions have been properly designated. If you have any questions regarding your statement please email LeAnne Lane (leannelane@rrcb.org) or setup a meeting with her. You may also check your statement online through [Access ACS](#) throughout the year.

Stewardship Discovery Report

The Stewardship Discovery Report from this summer's work by Dr. Tom Melzoni and Horizons Stewardship is available by contacting the Church Office. You may request a digital copy or hard copy.

Fellowship Fund

In the third quarter of 2016, our congregation contributed over \$7,000 (over \$25,000 for the year) helping over 120 people and their families. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and we ask for your ongoing support and donations. You will find designated blue envelopes in the pew racks, or you may give online (www.rrcb.org/onlinegiving).

For more information on the Endowment Fund match, online giving, and the Fellowship Fund, [click here](#).

Pastor's Blog

- [Something That Never Goes Out of Style](#) by Bert Browning
 - [Ministry v. Shopkeeping](#) by Libby Grammer
 - [God is Not a Democrat / God is Not a Republican](#) by Dan Bagby
 - [Making the Old New Again](#) by Chester Phelps
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Glimpses of Faith

Four most recent stories:

- ["Ubi caritas" by Duruflé](#) by RRCB Chancel Choir
- [Glimpses Across Liminal Thresholds](#) by C. Page Highfill
- ["Agnus Dei" from Duruflé Requiem](#) by RRCB Chancel Choir

Share your faith story with us through written words, poetry, art, or other media, and we'll share it with others who may grow from it.

To see an invitation from Dan Bagby, for more information about your submission, and to find the full list of

- [Wonderful Words of Life from Mike](#) by Nancy Brown

stories click [here](#).

Happy Birthday!

November 10

Richard Cloe, Catherine Franck, Carolyn Hartz, Emmaline Reeves, Carolyn Roberts, Dan Stevens, Kasey Street, Rob Taylor

November 11

Marguerite Bostic, Sandra Briggs, Milton Jante, Stephen Larson, Peggy Marr, Patricia Schools, Marilene Sheppard, Ann Wilson, Richard Wood

November 12

Carol Decker, Christopher Nalls, Susan Ryan, Allison Story, John Zukowsky

November 13

Loretta Albertis, Meredith Ezzelle, Susan Halloran, Diane Shoemake, Janet Spencer, Dottie Williams

November 14

Alexander Knerr; Evan Knerr; Grover Robinson IV; Jan Taylor

November 15

Shepard Pounders

November 16

Elizabeth Cruickshanks, Paul Felts, Ellen Gwathmey, Barry Harmon, Debra Stoddard, Russell Sumner

November 17

Allison Darnold; Edward Ernouf III; Brendan McGuire; Waverly Pulley; Karen Singleton

Happy Anniversary!

November 10

Scott & Dottie Eldridge - 15 years
Will Underwood & Libby Grammer - 4 years

November 11

Frank & Bette Schwall - 55 years

November 14

Alex & Allyson Brand - 18 years
Bo & Caesy Hawthorne - 10 years

November 15

Tom & Mary Lee Starke - 13 years

Church Family Information

Folks who are bolded are additions or changes from last week's list.

AT HOME: Mary Ellen Berry, Marian Brooks, Doris Curtis, Margaret Daniel, Doug Edwards, Sam Nixon, Betty Rose Sexton, David Sims Sr., David "Chip" Sims Jr., Avery Small, Mac Taylor

IN HEALTHCARE: Jean Eubank - The Hermitage, Eunice Garrett - Morningside, Mary Lib Grizzard - Westminster, Mary Haydon - The Crossings at University Park, Charlotte Ladd - Lakewood, Ann Moss - Westminster, Bob Younger - Westminster

IN ASSISTED LIVING: Jane Budwell - Beth Sholom; Ellis Cunningham -

Elmcroft Assisted Living; Mary Gauldin - Our Lady of Hope; Jeanette Gholston - Chestnut Grove Assisted Living; Lovell Glasco - Lakewood; Sue Kalbaugh - Gayton Terrace; June Lane - Lakewood; Sarah MacLellan - Culpeper Baptist Retirement Community (Culpeper, VA); Clayton Marr - Our Lady of Hope; Vivian Mathews - St. Mary's Woods; Mary Noble - Cedarfield; Gloria & Doug Pace - The Memory Center Richmond; John Pearson - Lakewood; Merle Showalter - Lakewood; Mary Shreve - Spring Arbor Assisted Living; Sandy Thornton - Sanders Health Care Center (Gloucester, VA), Kemp West - The Hermitage

IN REHABILITATION: Opal Bristow - Lucy Corr (hospice), Jerry Crute - Westport Manor, Janet Currie - Beaufont Rehab & Healthcare

IN HOSPITAL: Martha Younger - St. Mary's

Calendar of Events

If you have an event or meeting planned at the church, please contact Cassandra Ducca to schedule it on the calendar.

Thursday, November 10

7:30 p.m.: Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Friday, November 11

9:00 a.m.: Chancel Committee
Flower Team, Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.: FLO Luncheon, Palermo Italian

Saturday, November 12

8:00 a.m.: Intergenerational Fall Hike, Pocahontas State Park
9:00 a.m.: Kitchen Workday, Fellowship Hall Kitchen
7:00 p.m.: Concert Series: One Voice Chorus, Sanctuary

Sunday, November 13

9:00 a.m.: Family Handbell Choir, Bell Room; Inquirers' Class, Youth Area
9:20 a.m.: Children's Choirs Makeup Rehearsal, Choir Room
9:45 a.m.: Sunday School
11:00 a.m.: Worship, Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.: Reception, Fellowship Hall
12:15 p.m.: Nominating Committee, LC #102
4:00 p.m.: Board of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation, Parlor
4:15 p.m.: Youth Handbell Choir, Bell Room
5:00 p.m.: Youth Choir, Youth Choir

Monday, November 14

9:15 a.m.: Joyful Hearts, LC #102
5:45 p.m.: Yoga, Chapel Hall
6:00 p.m.: Communications Committee, Home of Karen Collier
6:30 p.m.: Watercolor 101, LC #102

Wednesday, November 16

8:00 a.m.: Men's Group: The Huddle, Reception Room
4:30 p.m.: Stephen Ministry, Parlor; Building & Property Council, Reception Room
4:45 p.m.: River Road Camerata, Choir Room
5:30 p.m.: Wednesday Night Dinner, Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.: Children's Choirs
6:30 p.m.: Wednesday Night Program, Assembly Room; Chancel Bell Choir, Bell Room
6:45 p.m.: Voice for Life, Choir Room
7:00 p.m.: Youth Choir Makeup Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, November 17

8:00 a.m.: FIXERS, Reception Room
7:30 p.m.: Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room; Book Lovers, LC #102

Room

5:45 p.m.: Youth Snack Supper,
Fellowship Hall

6:15 p.m.: Youth Music, Youth Area

6:45 p.m.: Youth Program, Youth
Area

Key: LC - Lower Commons | UC - Upper Commons | CH - Chapel Hall

The Chapel is open for prayer, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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