



Radiance Community Church

An Interesting Summer...

Do you remember having to write essays about “What I Did This Summer” during the first week of school? I remember thinking during the summer each year that I needed to do something interesting so I would have something to write about. While most of us have (thankfully) aged out of that requirement, we want you to have a summer full of love, adventure, and faith. Our Ministries Council has planned lots of opportunities for all ages, and I hope you will join us in nourishing hearts for God, being a home to friends and strangers, and sharing God’s love.

I hope you will also take some time to sit quietly, to consider the wonder of God’s creation, and to listen to the Spirit. Perhaps Mary Oliver’s poem, “The Summer Day,” can inspire us:

Who made the world?
 Who made the swan, and the black bear?
 Who made the grasshopper?
 This grasshopper, I mean—
 the one who has flung herself out of the grass,
 the one who is eating sugar out of my hand,
 who is moving her jaws back and forth instead of up and down—
 who is gazing around with her enormous and complicated eyes.
 Now she lifts her pale forearms and thoroughly washes her face.
 Now she snaps her wings open, and floats away.
 I don't know exactly what a prayer is.
 I do know how to pay attention, how to fall down
 into the grass, how to kneel down in the grass,
 how to be idle and blessed, how to stroll through the fields,
 which is what I have been doing all day.
 Tell me, what else should I have done?
 Doesn't everything die at last, and too soon?
 Tell me, what is it you plan to do
 with your one wild and precious life?

Blessings,
 Pastor Melissa



pray for one another

- Those who are homebound or in retirement/nursing homes: Jim Bryant, Mary Durrer, Betty Heptinstall, Buddy Hawkins, Nadine Minnix, Cheryl Nicely, Betty Obenchain, Louise Parris, Betty Payne, Becky Peyton, Jack Pilcher, Evelyn Ragland, Alice Scogin, Vilas Secrist, Anna Mae Smith, Joe St. Clair
- Those with cancer including Dalton Burgess, Linda Dwyer, Wyatt Hodges (friend of the Kinseys), Penny Long (Bob Crawford's sister), Mary Seithalil (friend of Lisa Baker), Caden Thomas, Betsy White (Joyce Waugh's niece), David Wyatt (friend of the Kinseys)
- Nancy Burgess' granddaughter, awaiting surgery for kidney stones
- Cathy Howell's mother, who has entered hospice care
- Steven Harris, recovering from bone spur surgery
- Asher, Joyce Short's great-grandson, in NICU
- Joyce Short's mother, as she in the hospital
- Vicki Wray's husband, Droop, who is in Lewis Gale with a GI bleed

Upcoming Meetings

- **Mission Week Planning Meeting:** Monday, June 1, 6:00 pm.
- **Administrative Council:** Monday, June 15, 5:30 pm.
- **Ministries Council:** Wednesday, June 17, 6:00 pm. (please note the change of date)



Featured Dates

Monday June 1

Mission Week Planning Meeting 6:00 PM

Wednesday, June 3

Midweek Spiritual Formation 12:00 PM

Friday, June 5

Family Outdoor Movie Night 8:00 PM

Sunday, June 7

Passport Missions Camp 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:30 AM
Worship & Communion

Monday, June 8

Passport Missions Camp 12:00 PM
Evelyn Townsend Circle

Wednesday, June 10

Passport Missions Camp 12:00 PM
Midweek Spiritual Formation

Thursday, June 11

Passport Missions Camp

Sunday, June 14

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

Monday, June 15

Admin Council Meeting 5:30 PM

Wednesday, June 17

Midweek Spiritual Formation 12:00 PM
Ministries Council Meeting 6:00 PM
Youth Food, Faith, & Fun 6:00 PM

Sunday, June 21

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

Wednesday, June 24

Midweek Spiritual Formation 12:00 PM
Youth Food, Faith, & Fun 6:00 PM

Sunday, June 28

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

Radiance Giving

Giving: Thank you for your faithful support of the ministry of our church. If you wish to give an offering, you may do so by placing it in the offering plate during the service, via mail, electronically through your bank or our website, <https://bit.ly/givingrcc>.

You may also donate by scanning our QR code:



Intergenerational Events This Summer

- **Family Outdoor Movie Night:** Friday, June 5. Join us on the lawn behind the basketball goal as we watch Pixar's Elio. We'll start serving hot dogs, popcorn, and sno-cones at 8 pm, and the movie will begin as soon as it is dark enough. Bring a chair or blanket, and invite your friends!
- **Local Mission Week:** July 12-18. We're partnering with local ministries to share God's love in our community. There will be opportunities to serve during the day and in the evening, as well as activities for all ages and abilities.
- **Faith and Family Night at the Ridge Yaks:** Friday, July 17, 6:30 pm.
- **Sunday Sundaes:** July 19, 11:30 am. Let's celebrate National Ice-Cream Day with sundaes after worship! Wear "ice-cream" colors that day, and enjoy having dessert before lunch - along with some great fellowship! Let the church office know if you are able to make some homemade ice-cream to share.



Radiance Youth Summer Schedule

- **Escape to Summer: Sunday, May 31.** We're celebrating the start of summer with lunch and an escape room! Meet at 11:45 in the fellowship hall, and we'll get lunch and then try an escape room. We'll be back to church at 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$20 + money for lunch.
- **Passport Missions Camp, Sunday, June 7- Thursday, June 11 at Lees-McRae**
- **Food, Faith, & Fun:** Join us in the youth room from 6-8 pm on June 17 and 24 and July 22 and 29. Bring your dinner, and we'll provide dessert.
- **Pool Party: Wednesday, July 8, 3-6, pm** at Branderwood Pool
- **Back to School Adventure: Wed August 5, 10 am- 4 pm.** We're having an adventure in Natural Bridge - Safari Park, Dinosaur Kingdom, & Pink Cadillac Diner! The cost is \$40 + money for lunch.
- **Back to School Blessings: Sunday, August 9, 10:30 AM**



Faith Formation Opportunities

- **Sunday Morning Bible Study, 9:30-10:15 am:** Adults, join us in the fellowship hall for our study of the “Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the 10 Commandments Today.” We also have classes for our children and youth, so there is something for your whole family.
- **Midweek Spiritual Formation, Wednesdays at noon:** During June, Rev. Steven Harris is leading a Bible study on the book of Numbers. We’ll be asking questions such as: What do we do when surrounded by complainers? How can we find God at work amid the challenges of life? How can we overcome our frustrations when God seems absent? What does it mean to be blessed by “outsiders”? Join us in person or by Zoom: bit.ly/radiancebiblestudy. You can also listen to a podcast of the study on Spotify at : bit.ly/rccfaithpodcast.
- **Faith Lending Library:** We have resources for the summer on the bookcase in the foyer. Please feel free to borrow books and return them when you are done so that others can enjoy them as well!

FAITH Formation



Debra	Williams	June 07	Steven	Pollard	June 23
Sally	Crawford	June 08	Tamra	Sloan	June 26
Jean	Grady	June 14	Violet	Pruitt	June 28
Easton	Krawchison	June 19	Mary	Harris	June 29
Emily	Whitt	June 22	Paula	Stump	June 30
James	Bryant	June 23			

Missions Opportunities

- **Blessing Box:** Our little food pantry has continued to be well used by our community; food is taken as quickly as we can stock it. As you shop, please pick up a little extra to share with our neighbors.
- **Book and Magazine Collection:** The Evelyn Townsend Circle is collecting reading materials for the Roanoke City Jail library and for TAP. Paperback books and magazines will go to Roanoke City Jail and hardback books will go to TAP. Please place your donations in the appropriate box in the foyer.

MISSIONS

Radiance Kids

- **Celebrate Summer Buckets:** Parents, be sure to pick up your “Celebrate Summer” buckets from the table in the foyer! There is one for every family (look for your children’s names, as some of them have extra goodies for multiple children). We pray that these tools will help you nurture your children’s faith at home and while traveling this summer!
- **Radiance Kids Academy Cooking Class:** **Friday, July 31, 6-8 pm.** Mark your calendars now for this fun time of learning, and watch for more details!



Worship Leadership Schedule

June 7

- **Greeters:** Bobbie Hawkins, Neal Kinsey
- **Scripture Reader:** Glenda Pollard
- **Offertory Prayer:** Joyce Short
- **Children's Worship Leader:** No Children’s Church
- **Offering:** Jenna Dillon, Kathy Kinsey, Alyssa Viele, Brennon Viele
- **Communion Prep:** Becky Beard, Janice Deyerle
- **Communion:** Becky Beard, Mary Harris, Paul Howell, Joyce Short, Gordon Williams

June 14

- **Greeters:** Lisa Baker, Nancy Vest
- **Scripture Reader:** Brennon Viele
- **Offertory Prayer:** Nancy Burgess
- **Children's Worship:** Donna Kester
- **Offering:** Cason, Easton, & Michael Krawchison, Ric Scott

June 21

- **Greeters:** Mary Shirley, Gordon Williams
- **Scripture Reader:** Ellen Scott
- **Offertory Prayer:** Ric Scott
- **Children's Worship:** Glenda Pollard
- **Offering:** Janice Deyerle, Jonathan Melson, Ray Templin, Becky Beard

June 28

- **Greeters:** Bobbie Hawkins, Vicki Wray
- **Scripture Reader:** Cindy Poff
- **Offertory Prayer:** Janice Deyerle
- **Children's Worship Leader:** Nancy Vest
- **Offering:** Gerri Mills, Ric Scott, Mark Smith, Gordon Williams

Your Place
In Service

**Radiance Community
Church**

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