

The Weekly Update

SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

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Never forget.

Ministry Fair Sunday!

Our Annual Ministry Fair returns **September 13-20** in the Narthex! Come explore the many ministries at Cross & Crown and discover opportunities to connect, serve, and share your gifts.

This year's theme is "Why Do You Serve?" As you visit each ministry, take a moment to reflect on what inspires you to serve and how serving has helped you grow in faith, build relationships, and make a difference in the lives of others.

Stop by the Narthex **September 13-20** and discover where God may be calling you to serve!



Women & Wine

Mimosas, munchies, and morning laughs—what could be better?

Join Kati Goode & Tammie Hersey on Saturday, September 12, 9 a.m.–noon for a fun morning of mimosas, snacks, and fabulous company!

A Mimosa Bar (including non-alcoholic options) will be ready. Bring an appetizer to share and your favorite beverage. **Sip. Snack. Socialize.**

Welcome to Worship!

Sunday, September 13 | Following the 10:15 a.m. service

Families with children ages 3 through 3rd grade are invited to join us for a fun, 30-minute experience designed to help kids and parents feel more comfortable and confident worshipping together!

Parents will join Pastor Melody for a conversation about children in worship, while kids spend time with our C&C Kids leaders learning what's happening this fall.

Then, we'll all head into the Sanctuary to explore the different parts of worship and discover why we do what we do each Sunday.

Snacks included—with allergy-friendly options!

Come learn, explore, and grow together! We can't wait to see you! Let us know you're coming by using the link below to RSVP.

Psst... If you forget to sign up, that's ok, you can still attend! 😊

ROADSIDE CLEANUP: TOMORROW, SEPT. 12!

Grab your gloves and join us for a morning of service! No experience needed—volunteers ages 12+ are welcome. Most teams wrap up in about two hours, but the impact lasts much longer!

Come serve, meet new people, enjoy the outdoors, and show our community that Cross & Crown cares. Sign up below or contact Jason Watts at jswatts72@gmail.com for more information.

Let's clean up our community and help everyone feel a little more at home!

WE'RE GETTING READY TO REIMAGINE THE WAY WE WELCOME PEOPLE AT CROSS & CROWN!

On September 20, immediately following the 10:15 am service, we invite you to join us for a light lunch followed by a training session for our new Guest Experience Team (G.E.T.). Pastor Matt will be leading the training and it will last approximately one hour.

Jeff Bratschie and Jill Jurgensen will be coordinating the G.E.T., and we are putting together four teams of two people for the 8:15 am service and four teams of four people for the 10:15 am service who will serve on a rotating basis.

Below is the link to sign up for lunch and training. We'd love to see you there!

* New Cross & Crown Apparel Is Here!

Use the link below to place your order!

Show your Cross & Crown spirit while supporting our youth! Beginning next week, new Cross & Crown apparel will be available through an online store set up directly with our vendor.

There will be lots of options to choose from, including hoodies, long-sleeve T-shirts, hats, and a pullover option. With a variety of styles and sizes available, there's something for everyone!

Best of all, your purchase helps support our youth as they raise funds to attend the National Youth Gathering next year! It's a great way to add some new Cross & Crown gear to your wardrobe while helping our young people have an incredible faith-filled experience.

Watch for the online store link next week and start shopping! All orders will be placed directly through the online store and fulfilled by our vendor.

Wear your Cross & Crown pride and support our youth!



YouthQuake- Sept. 26

YouthQuake is a gathering for 3rd-5th grade from across the NC Synod for fellowship, learning, service, and worship. This year, the theme is What is the Church? This year's YouthQuake, Saturday, September 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at First Lutheran, Greensboro. The cost of \$25/person includes lunch and a T-shirt! Adults: All adults attending must have Safe Gathering Certification or provide proof of other background check and training approved by the church.

Use the link below to register!



SUDS & DUDS: Give a Little, Make a Difference!



The Community Care Team is gearing up for Suds & Duds this October—and we need your quarters!

Laundry at a laundromat can cost \$7–\$10 per load. We're helping make laundry day a little easier by gifting laundry detergent + a roll of quarters to people in our community.

Start saving those quarters! Drop them in the collection jars each week and help turn a handful of change into a whole lot of kindness.

Every quarter counts!

PRAYER list

MEMBERS:

JEANETTE ABBOTT
JENNY BOOTH
JIM BURNS
DENNIS DOWNEY
LINDA FARIES

HAROLD HEIDEGGER
KATHI & FRANK MACARINE
GREG & KELLY RICHARDSON
CRISS UCMAN
JD WINFREY

FAMILY & FRIENDS:

Andrew Bernauer, son of Wayne & Rosemary Bernauer
Deb Ciganek, friend of Jill Jurgensen
Sandra Duncan, friend of Felicia Eybl
Nancy Farden, friend of Larry Stratemeyer
Jim Kozlinski, Cathy Kozlinski's husband
Mark & Ellen Kramm, friends of Jill Jurgensen
Ted Meiss, Christine Meiss' husband

Warm Hearts, Warm Hands

We're collecting new winter scarves, hats, gloves, and socks for A Roof Above, helping provide warmth and comfort to our neighbors experiencing homelessness. Please place your donations in the collection basket in the Narthex throughout the month of September. Thank you for helping us share warmth, care, and compassion with our community!

Donations are due by Sunday, October 11th.



Women's Zoom Bible Study Resumes September 14th!



The Women's Bible Study group meets via Zoom on Monday evenings at 7:30pm. We will be starting our next study on Monday, September 14th with "Friends & Sisters; Belong & Relating to One Another in the Family of Faith". This study will run from September 14th – October 12th. If you'd like to join this study please contact Allison Muzevich @ acm0321@gmail.com. Books can be purchased from Lifeway Women or by clicking the link below!

Coming up this week...

Monday, Sept. 14: 7:30 pm- Women's Zoom Bible Study
Tuesday, Sept. 15: 12 pm- Staff Meeting
7 pm- Finance Committee Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 16: 1 pm- Mahjong
6 pm- WNH Dinner
6:30 pm- Executive Committee Mtg.
6:45 pm- Handbells
7:30 pm- Choir
Thursday, Sept. 17: 12:30 pm- 1 pm- Gift Share
Saturday, Sept. 18: 1 pm- Memorial Service for Joe Ucmann

Happy Birthday

Haley Weil

SEPT 12

If we have missed your birthday, PLEASE email LeAnne @ office@crossandcrown.org so we can add your birthday to our list.



Wednesday Night Happenings

September 16

Good food, good conversation, & community!

Single \$7
Kids (ages 4-10) \$3
Families \$25
(AGES 0-3) FREE!



Grilled Chicken

Tender, seasoned chicken breast grilled to perfection and served juicy and flavorful.

Sides: Oven Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Rolls & Dessert

NEXT SUNDAY!



After an incredible first year, Rooted Sunday is growing—and we're ready for more! Once a month, elementary kids, middle schoolers, and high schoolers will dive into a shared faith theme through Bible stories, hands-on activities, real conversations, and plenty of room to ask questions and connect faith to everyday life.

Different ages. One shared faith journey. A place to grow, connect, and belong.

AND YES—LUNCH IS PROVIDED!

We can't wait to see how God grows our Rooted family this year!

Foundations: What Is Church?/ What is Confirmation?

We'll explore that the Church is not just a building, but the community that gathers around Word and Sacrament. Children will discover that the Church is a place where we hear God's Word, receive God's grace, and grow together in faith. We'll also explore confirmation as a time to ask questions, deepen our understanding of faith, and claim the promises God made to us in baptism as we grow into our lives as followers of Jesus.

MEAT UP! CROSSMAN MEN'S GROUP SEPT. 27- 4PM

Men, meat, and meaningful conversation! MEAT Up is a casual gathering for the men of Cross & Crown to come together, get to know one another, share stories, talk about life and faith, and enjoy some good food straight from the grill. No agenda, no pressure—just good fellowship, great conversation, and plenty of meat!