

HAPPY  
Mother's day

# NEWSLETTER

MAY 12, 2023

## Interested in Joining Our Book Club?

For MANY years a group of women from Cross & Crown have enjoyed the fellowship of a book club. We meet the first Thursday of the month and gather either in the parlor at church or in someone's home. A few examples of books we have read this year include: *West with Giraffes*, *The Lincoln Highway*, *The Island of Sea Women*, *The Dictionary of Lost Words*. Our next meeting is Thursday, June 1st at 7 pm and we will be discussing *The Song of Achilles* by Madeline Miller. If you are interested in joining our book club, please reach out to Jill Jurgensen ([jjphoto2009@gmail.com](mailto:jjphoto2009@gmail.com)) and she will add you to the emails.

## Music Notes

We welcome Pastor Tennyson Shifley from Lutheran Services of the Carolinas this Sunday to lead our services. At our 8:15 a.m. Worship, Janice Mangum will provide flute music several times during the service. You may recognize Janice as she has filled in as a handbell ringer on several occasions. Janice also plays in the Charlotte Flute Choir, a local ensemble. We are grateful to have her share her gifts with us.

At our 10:15 a.m. Worship, Gabe Simpkins, Cole Zoutewelle, and Dawson Jones will play guitar and drums. Gabe is a Senior at Providence High School, Cole is a Junior at South Mecklenburg High School, and Dawson is a Sophomore at Marvin Ridge High School. Andy Blackburn, a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at the Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy, will play a piano prelude to the service. Thanks to these young musicians for their leadership.

The Choir will sing a Gaelic Easter Celebration which is a combination of a familiar hymn tune and text presented with a Celtic flair.

~Larry Stratemeyer

## Coming up This Week...

Sunday, May 14—8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship  
9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School  
10:15 a.m. Contemporary Family Worship  
5 p.m. Cub Scouts

Monday, May 15—7 p.m. Care Givers Support Group

Tuesday, May 16—8:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
5:30 p.m. Table Talk, 7 p.m. Boy Scouts

Wednesday, May 17—6 p.m. WNH  
6:30 p.m. Executive Committee  
6:45 p.m. Handbells, 7:30 p.m. Choir

Saturday, May 20—1-4 p.m. Piano Recital

Live stream link for Sunday's Service at 10:15 a.m.:  
<https://youtube.com/live/yPzjIP1cWwo?feature=share>  
If you miss the live stream, watch your email for the link to the to be sent out Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

## ONE LAST WEEK TO... JOIN THE JOURNEY!

Join the Book of Faith Sunday School class in the Parlor at 9:15 a.m. for a glimpse of the Holy Land! Cathy Rudolph will be showing a video from one of the trips Cross & Crown members took to the Holy Land.

**COME AND SEE... JOIN THE JOURNEY...**  
May 14, 9:15 a.m. in the Parlor!

## HONORING ALL 2023 GRADUATES!

Send us names, schools, degrees and graduation dates for anyone in your family who graduated with a High School or post-High School degree this year. We want to celebrate all our graduates! Email the church office [office@crossandcrown.org](mailto:office@crossandcrown.org) to give us your graduate information. We will honor them on Sunday, June 11.

## ROADSIDE CLEAN UP JUNE 3RD



Weather permitting, we will do the next cleanup on Saturday, June 3, 2023. Meet at the church at 8:45 a.m. We will go over the rules assign routes, and then begin cleanup activities at 9:00 a.m. Typically most crews are done in 2 hours time. Ideally, we would like 12 volunteers. Youth ages 12 and older are welcome to volunteer.



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E48A8AA2AA5FD0-roadside2>



## VBS 2023 JULY 10-14

Are you ready for an "Out of This World" experience? Our theme this year is "STELLAR" where kids learn to shine Jesus' light! VBS is July 10-14. Registration forms will be available soon so keep an eye out for them!

