

Fellowship Weekend 2025

Friday, October 3, 2025

2:30 pm – 4:00 pm God's City arrive at the Hyatt Place

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm Meet and Greet Pizza and Salad Reception

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Saturday Morning Options

We are excited to welcome our God's City of Refuge family! Before our cookout at Longwood Park begins at 4:00 pm, you may choose how to spend your Saturday morning in the way that best suits you. This time is yours to simply rest and relax, or you may take part in one of the activities listed below. Whatever you decide, we look forward to gathering together later in the afternoon.

9:00 am Coffee Bar at Kingdom Life Ministries
2002 Mercer Avenue, NW | Roanoke, VA 24017 | 540.345.6676

9:30 am
– 10:30 am Devotional Team and Musicians Rehearsal for Sunday Morning

Roanoke Star & Overlook

Enjoy a little stargazing when you visit Virginia's Blue Ridge by making your way up to the Roanoke Star, the world's largest freestanding man-made star. The star, which sits atop Mill Mountain, is illuminated at night and the overlook provides a breathtaking view of the Roanoke Valley and surrounding Blue Ridge Mountains.

Carvins Cove

Located just seven miles from the north side of Roanoke, Carvins Cove Natural Reserve contains more than 12,000 acres of both hardwood and mixed pine forests, a 630-acre reservoir and 60 miles of trails for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding. More than 11,200 acres of Carvins Cove Natural Reserve is protected by the largest conservation easement in Virginia's history. Roanoke's Carvins Cove is a vital piece of Virginia's green infrastructure and also a source of fresh water. Rainfall drains from the natural reserve into the beautiful Carvins Cove reservoir.

[Shop Til You Drop](#)

Tanglewood Mall

Located just minutes from Downtown Roanoke in beautiful Southwest County, Tanglewood Mall has been serving shoppers in the valley for more than 35 years. From national retailers, restaurants, specialty shops and cinemas, you'll find everything you need for every season.

[Towers Shopping Center](#) is Roanoke, Virginia's most convenient shopping destination. Just off I-581 at Colonial and Brandon Avenues, Towers features an eclectic mix of unique retailers, restaurants and services. Our roster of more than 50 merchants includes: Fresh Market, Kroger, Freedom First Credit Union, and Buff City Soap. There is always something delicious at Towers, with restaurants such as Cava, Firehouse Subs, Hibachi Express, McAlister's Deli, Chipotle Mexican Grill, Mission BBQ, Spoons Frozen Yogurt, Wildflour Cafe & Catering. Our one-of-a-kind businesses include: A Little Bit Hippy, Jewelry Connection, Present Thyme, Roanoke Coin Exchange, Bubblecake and more. Towers Shopping Center, we have you covered!

[Valley View Mall](#)

4802 Valley View Boulevard NW

Roanoke, VA 24012

Hours: 11:00 am – 8:00 pm

Home of all of your favorite stores like Altar'd State, ULTA Beauty, Vans, Cheddars, Red Robin & More!

[Hamrick's of Roanoke](#)

36915 Brambleton Ave.,

Roanoke, VA 24018

Hours: 9:00 am – 9:00 pm

[Thrifting Adventure](#)

Join the *Thrifting/Yard Sale Queens* for a fun morning of bargain shopping! Hunt for hidden treasures, score amazing deals, and enjoy the thrill of the find.

Out and About

Jeter Farm Fall Festival & Country Store

- Recurring weekly on Sunday, Saturday
- Dates: September 27, 2025 to October 26, 2025
- Times: Saturdays 9am - 6pm; Sundays 12pm - 6pm
- Admission: \$15; Ages 2 and under - No Charge
- [Jeter Farm](#)
181 Blue Ridge Boulevard | Roanoke, VA 24012
- [Visit Website](#)

Downtown Roanoke - Center in the Square

Free Aquariums

Beautiful, peaceful, educational. Enjoy our atrium's vibrant fish tanks on the first floor!

Harrison Museum of African American Culture

Welcome to the website of the Harrison Museum of African American Culture (HMAAC). We are an educational and cultural institution committed to promoting, showcasing, and celebrating the art and history of African Americans for Roanoke Valley citizens and visitors. Our purpose is to cultivate awareness and appreciation of the significant contributions of people of African descent.

Rooftop Deck

The rooftop at Center in the Square is free to access and features one of the best views in Virginia's Blue Ridge, with panoramic looks at the surrounding downtown skyline and nearby mountains on the horizon. The gardens showcase the innovative use of urban green space and kids will love feeding the fish in the Koi pond.

Virginia Museum of Transportation

Through exciting interactive exhibits and artifacts, we take our patrons back in time and bring history to life. Our museum offers both historical and cultural context that allows us to enlighten and educate visitors in-depth about the various concepts that have been pivotal in shaping transportation over time within the Commonwealth and beyond. Includes trains, aviation, and automobiles.

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Cookout in the Park

Longwood Park

611 E Main Street | Salem, VA 24153

Sunday, October 5

10:00 am

Morning Worship

2002 Mercer Avenue, NW | Roanoke, VA 24017 | 540.345.6676

1:00 pm

Lunch

The Garden Center

3640 Colonial Avenue, SW | Roanoke, VA 24018