



Chapel service for Eden Muina. (Campus Carrier photographer Nolan Scoretz)

HEALTHY TOGETHER

On Monday evening, hundreds in the Berry community gathered at the College Chapel to grieve the death of sophomore student, Eden Muina. Quiet by nature, Eden stood out by virtue of her convictions, buoyant energy, kind heart, and insightfulness. She was an animal science major and worked at the horse barn and with Dr. Brian Campbell on community garden projects.

This heartrending loss reminds us that our lives are fragile and that we should not take our days or our relationships for granted. Consider what you will learn from this day.

“How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our lives.”
Annie Dillard

RELATIONAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

This past 18 months has been a distressing time for many in our community. It is important to be attentive to your own state of mind and to the emotional health of those around you. Prolonged uncertainty is distressing and demoralizing. If you or someone you care about needs some help to work through a difficult moment, people here on campus can provide you with support and resources.

<https://www.berry.edu/student-life/life-on-campus/counseling-center/>

VACCINATION CLINIC

This fall, 195 Berry students opted to return to campus without submitting documentation regarding a vaccination or previous COVID infection. **Since July 21, 29 of that 195 (or 15%) have tested positive.** That is a disturbing percentage.

Since Aug. 1, 22 patients, between the ages of 20 and 59, died of COVID at Floyd Medical Center. Not one of these patients had been vaccinated.

Vaccinations are the single best way to protect yourself and others from COVID. Recent research shows that vaccinations greatly strengthen and broaden (boost) the immune response even in those who have had a previous COVID infection.

Friday (Sept. 17) from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Krannert Ballroom E.
We are offering both Pfizer and the Johnson & Johnson vaccines.
[Please sign up.](#)

COVID BY THE NUMBERS

BERRY:

Percentage fully vaccinated: 80% students, 97% full-time faculty, 80% full-time staff

Additional percentage partially vaccinated: 3% students, 1% full-time faculty, 5% full-time staff

Moderate / **Yellow** level of risk.

For week of Sept. 9 – Sept. 15*: 6 student cases, 2 employees

Last week, Sept. 2 – Sept. 8*: 3 student cases, 0 employees

Number of active cases at Berry: 12

*This represents only those currently in residence at Berry.

ROME/FLOYD COUNTY:

The number of new cases and hospitalizations declined noticeably this week, although levels are still well above the worst days in January.

Percentage of population fully vaccinated: 36%

Additional percentage partially vaccinated: 3%

High / **Deep red** level of risk

180 COVID cases in Floyd and Redmond hospitals.

Compared to 3 on June 21

25.7% positive tests in last 14 days

Compared to 12.8% in GA last 14 days

Floyd County is more than double the state average.

1,564/100,000 new COVID cases in the last 14 days

Compared to 703/100,000 in GA over last 14-day period.

Floyd County is more than double the state average.



Thursday

BOLD OPEN ZIPLINE

5:00-7:00 pm

BOLD Course

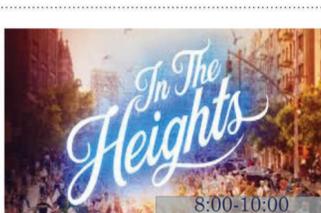


Artist Talk with Jason Tanner Young
5:00-6:00 pm
McAllister Auditorium



Friday

QUIZMASTERS TRIVIA WITH OIT
Evans Auditorium
7:00 pm



Saturday

Berry Night at the Rome Braves
6:00-10:00 pm at State Mutual Stadium
Student Tickets: \$5 box level
Fireworks after the game!

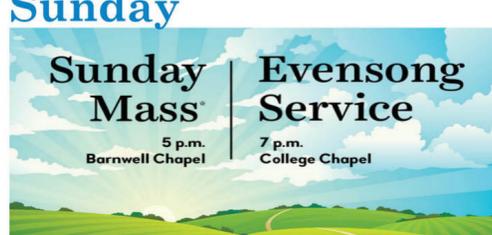


SOLE'S Little River Canyon Hike & Swim
9:00 am
Meet at Jewel Box



Intramurals
4v4 Flag Football Tournament
Spikeball Tournament
2:00 pm
Valhalla

Sunday



If you have any COVID-related questions, send an email to covid-19questions@berry.edu.

Our staff will get back to you in a timely manner.