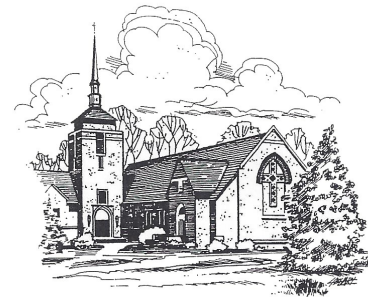


IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Acolyte: Hunter Jorgensen
Cross Bearer: Jennifer Lingle
Elders: Tony Wells and Dawn Kilby
Nursery Director: Sonya Starnes
Treasurer's Assistant: Dawn Kilby

REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acolyte: Hunter Jorgensen
Cross Bearer: Jennifer Lingle
Elders: Tony Wells and Dawn Kilby
Flowers: Kathy Alexander
Lay Reader: Luana Wright
Liturgist: Marcia Pencola
Treasurer's Assistant: Ron Young



Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 5, 2024—10:30 A.M.

**Denotes—Those who are able may stand.*

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE

"Peace with God"
(by Garrett Parker)

Marty Light, Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Psalm 118:24*)

Kathleen Shuford, Liturgist

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

***HYMN**

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

#322 Blue Book

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (*Responsively*)

Kathleen Shuford, Liturgist

Come among us, O God, and receive our worship this day. Teach us your wisdom from above, that we may bear good fruit in our lives.

Let your love flow like a river in our hearts and let the light of Christ shine in our lives. Amen.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

Holy and Loving God, we often plan our lives day by day thinking we are in complete control of our futures. We fail to ask for your guidance as we make plans.

Forgive us, O Lord!

Remind us that you are the Almighty and Sovereign God of all people!

Forgive us, O Lord, for the quickness of our tongues and the harm we inflict on others through our words. Forgive us, O Lord, for the times that we get so attached to what will not last and we forget eternity.

Grant us the desire and strength to be living witnesses for you, both in our words and in our actions. We ask all these things in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.



Trinity Church currently uses Abundant Life Florist in Newton for our altar flower vases. Please call (828) 465-1996 to order (or cancel) your flowers, no later than the Tuesday before your scheduled Sunday.

If you have any questions, please contact Bethany in the church office, and to mention to whom you wish to have the flowers dedicated.

THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

All Church Members, Ministers
Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor
Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader
Martha Caldwell, Director of Adult Traditional Choir
Marty Light, Organist

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***PRAISE RESPONSE**

*“On Eagle’s Wings”
And I will raise you up on eagles’ wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of my hand.
(Please be seated.)*

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Jessica Spain

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Tera Rockett, Lay Reader

Holy and Loving God, may your Word be a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalm 103:1-5, 11-13, 17-18
The Word of the Lord.

Tera Rockett, Lay Reader

Thanks be to God!

PIANO INTERLUDE

“Jesus Loves Me”
(by William Bradbury/arr. by Michael Fischer)

Marty Light, Organist

***GOSPEL READING**

John 15:12-17
The Gospel of the Risen Christ!

Rev. Peggy Stout

All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

SERMON

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Rev. Peggy Stout

ANTHEM

“Bread of Sorrows, Wine of Tears”
(by Lloyd Larson)

Chancel Choir

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Elements

Sharing of the Bread

Sharing of the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Responsively)

Holy and Merciful God, at this table we have been embraced by your love and strengthened by your Holy Spirit.

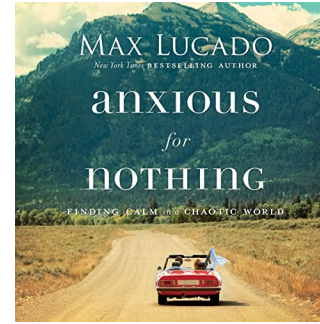
Bind us to you and send us out into the world to love and care for all people. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN**

“Blest Be The Tie That Binds”

#560 Blue Book

HAPPENING AT TRINITY



“Anxious For Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World” by Max Lucado

Ladies’ Book Study: Monday’s at 6pm
(5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 6/3)

We meet from 6-7:15pm here in the Church Parlor. Light snacks & drinks will be provided. Please let Luana Wright, Marcia Mancini, or Rev. Peggy know if you’d like to attend.

Mother’s Day Luncheon



Mother’s Day is next Sunday! Please join us for worship on Sunday, May 12th as we honor our Mothers and Grandmothers in worship. We will have our Mother’s Day Luncheon at 11:45am immediately following worship. Lunch will be prepared by Rick Helton and others, and will include: pork loin, mashed potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, rolls, and homemade peach cobbler. We hope to see you there!

ATTENTION: Graduates and Parents



We will be recognizing our high school & college graduates during the worship service on Sunday, May 19th. In addition to recognizing our graduates, we will be presenting our Houston and Grave Scholarships to the recipients during worship. Please plan to attend as we recognize and honor our 2024 Graduates!

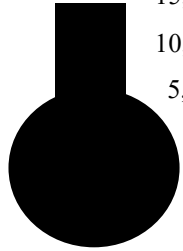
Our church’s new ministry to **In My Father’s House** will focus on collecting donations all through the month of May. We will aim to support this ministry by donating specific requested items:

Dry Goods: Rice, Pasta, Boxed Cereal, Grits, Beans, Crackers
Canned Goods: Canned Meat, Veggies, Beans, Soup, Fruit
Cleaning Products: Lysol Wipes, Sponges, Disinfectant Spray

Please consider donating throughout the month of May. We will have boxes in the church office foyer labeled for “In My Father’s House” donations.

In My Father’s House is located above Gift & Thrift in Newton: 108 East 1st St.
 Web: www.inmyfathershouseccsn.org





27,184
21,747
15,810
10,540
5,270

<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL</u>						
	Sanctuary	Lahu	Live Stream	Total	Offering	
Apr. 7	93	14	40	147	\$3,650.00	
Apr. 14	86	14	53	153	\$2,831.00	
Apr. 21	99	8	35	142	\$4,304.00	
Apr. 28	91	12	42	145	\$3,042.00	
Total	369	48	170	587	\$13,827.00	

Goal for a four week month is \$21,747 and for a five week month is \$27,184*.
— Denotes combined Traditional & Lahu service

This Week

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:30 am—Sunday School (all ages)
10:30 am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
Holy Communion
10:30 am—You Tube Live Stream
11:45 am—Consistory Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 6

6:00 pm—Women's Book Study

TUESDAY, MAY 7

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

7:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 9

9:30 am—Hugs and Stitches
6:00 pm—Sweet Adelines

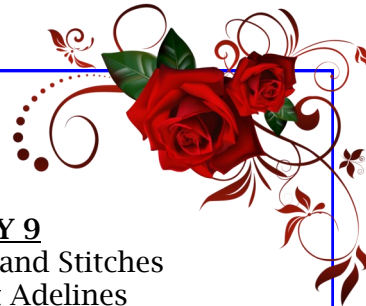
FRIDAY, MAY 10

SATURDAY, MAY 11

SUNDAY, MAY 12

Mother's Day Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:30 am—Sunday School (all ages)
10:30 am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
10:30 am—You Tube Live Stream
11:45 am—Mother's Day Luncheon



OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

Invitation

Offertory

*Doxology

"The Path of the Just"
"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

By Edward Broughton

*Offertory Prayer

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

Jennifer Lingle

Let us confess the faith of our baptism:

***I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is at the
right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living
and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the
life everlasting. Amen.***

*HYMN

"I Love To Tell The Story"
(verses 1 & 4)

#619 Blue Book

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

"Little Postlude & Fugue in F Major"
(by J.S. Bach)

Marty Light, Organist

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**THE FLOWERS** on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and  
in honor of our 33rd Wedding Anniversary on May 4th.

Given By: Gina Setzer



**OLD TESTAMENT READING:**

*Psalm 103:1-5, 11-13, 17-18*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him. But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children’s children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God!*

**\*GOSPEL READING:**

*John 15:12-17*

‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

The Gospel of the Risen Christ!

*All praise to you, Christ our Lord!*

**Congregational CARE NOTES today!** There are care notepads provided at the end of each pew. Please take a moment to write a note of care, thought, or appreciation to someone on the church prayer list. *Please write their name on the top of the paper.* We will take up the notes after the service and mail them directly to the person’s home. *You may also place them in the offering plates when passed down the pews.*

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, and visits**

**PLEASE REMEMBER**

Margie Furmage—awaiting kidney cancer surgery (May 31)  
John Furmage—at home coping with dementia  
Darlene Whittaker—still undergoing chemo  
Yvonne Propst  
Jane Bartholomew  
Scott Mallonee  
\*Michael Gantt (Son of Charles & Brenda Gantt)  
\*Kellie Wesson (Cousin of Molly Lamp)

**RECUPERATING AT HOME**

Larry Fox      Gene Hamilton  
Vickie Piercy   Margie Reaves  
Margie Griffin Ted & Becky Setzer  
Charles Gantt

**HOMEBOUND**

Martha Sigmon      Jeanne Whitmire  
Joan Saine      Wanda Sue Ammerman

**IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES**

**ABERNETHY LAURELS**  
**102 Leonard Avenue**  
**Newton, NC 28658**

Joan Williamson (Room 240)  
Joe Schell (Apt 205)  
Check Mills (Harmony, Rm 1052)

**THE GREENS AT VIEWMONT**  
**220 13th Ave. PINW**  
**Hickory, NC 28601**

Julie Settlemyre

**MAGNOLIA LANE**  
**107 Magnolia Drive**  
**Morganton, NC 28655**

Pat Roark (Room 1)

**PIEDMONT CROSSINGS**  
**100 Hedrick Dr**  
**Thomasville, NC 27360**

Jack Power (Room 512)

**TERRA BELLA**  
**1088 Radio Station Rd.**  
**Newton, NC 28658**

Jeanette Bitz (Room A12)

**UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE**  
**7166 Jordan Road**  
**Ramseur, NC 27316**

Boyd Stout

