

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE (08-09-26)

Acolyte: Ocean Spain

Cross Bearer: Patrick Setzer

Elders: Shuford Abernethy, Andy Kanipe

Treasurer's Assist: Natalie Travis



REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acolyte: Ocean Spain

Cross Bearer: Patrick Setzer

Elders: Shuford Abernethy, Andy Kanipe

Flowers: Becky Setzer

Lay Reader: Todd Dickerson

Liturgist: Pat Bowers

Treasurer's Assist: Deb Hill

Trinity Church currently uses **Abundant Life Florist** in Newton for our altar flower vases (828-465-1996). We also use **Kibbie's Flower Farm & Design Co.** for piano vases and other flower arrangements (828-979-6369). Please call to order (or cancel) your flowers, no later than the Tuesday before your scheduled Sunday.



THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

All Church Members, Ministers

Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor

Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Pastor

Martha Caldwell, Director of Adult Traditional Choir

Marty Light, Organist

TRINITY ONLINE GIVING



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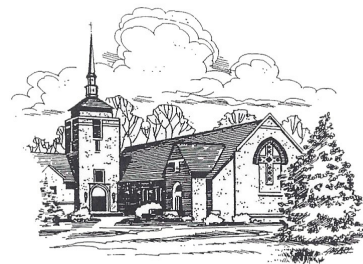
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Trinity Reformed

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 9, 2026—10:30 A.M.

Our Mission: *To love God, love one another, and love the world through adoring worship, affectionate community, and active service*

**Designates "Those who are able please stand"*

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE

"Gigue"

(by Georg Telemann)

Marty Light, Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

Luana Wright, Liturgist

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

#341 Blue Book

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Responsively)**

Luana Wright, Liturgist

Ever-loving Father, on this day set aside for rest and worship, we gather to make room in our lives to draw near to you.

Bless our time together that we may go forth renewed in spirit and with a deeper understanding of Jesus' teachings. Amen.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsively)**

Rev. Peggy Stout

Holy God, you are merciful and compassionate, always willing to forgive whenever we seek you. So—

we come today, O Lord, to acknowledge our impure thoughts and our wrongful deeds.

We have often placed what we see as "right" above the patience and compassion that you would have us bring to the world.

Forgive us, O Lord, and help us to be dedicated to carrying the wonder and glory of your love with us always.

Look upon us, O Lord, with kindness and grace, and show us how to walk in your ways. We ask all these things in the name of 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.

*PRAISE RESPONSE

“On Eagles’ 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 (Responsively)

Greg Reitzel, Lay Reader

Send your Spirit among us, O God. Prepare our minds to hear your Word.
Move our hearts to accept what we hear and purify our will to obey in faith.
This we pray in the name of Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING #1

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Greg Reitzel

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

“Fairest Lord Jesus”
(Derek Hakes)

Chancel Choir

*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:21-28

Rev. Peggy Stout

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

SERMON

Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”
(vs. 1 & 4)

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HAPPENING AT TRINITY

Summer Service Project



We are hosting a youth-sponsored School Supply Drive ***through TODAY, August 9th***. Thank you for your generous donations so far. You are making a difference in the lives of so many students!

Youth Movie Night



We will be having a youth movie night this ***Saturday, August 15th***. Meet us at the church at ***5:30pm***. Dinner will be provided! Please call Patrick (828-578-0119) or Ashley (828-217-7509) if you have any questions.

Church Staff Planning Meeting



Our meeting will be held ***Sunday, Aug. 16th at 11:45am*** immediately after worship. Please join us as we share a light luncheon and plan upcoming calendar events through the end of 2026.



Youth Fundraiser



On ***Sunday, August 23rd*** we are going to have a baked potato luncheon and Dessert Auction following church service. This youth fundraiser is for our future mission trips and youth projects. We hope you will come out for a day of fellowship, good food, and amazing desserts!

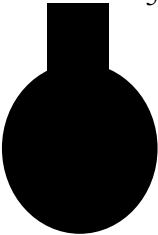
Trinity’s Vacation Bible School sponsored a mission project—thanks to your generosity, we collected donations for The Corner Table’s Jr. Bakers Dozen, which will support efforts to feed the hungry in our community. Thank you, Trinity Church and friends!

COMING SOON...



Crawdads Baseball Game Make-Up Date

We have rescheduled our youth trip to LP Frans Stadium for a Crawdads baseball game to ***Saturday, September 5th***. It’s “Video Game & Jersey Giveaway” night. We will meet at the church at ***5:30pm*** and head to the game. Everyone is welcome to dress as their favorite video game character or wear your favorite jersey! If you have any questions, please reach out to Patrick or Ashley.



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

ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST					
	Sanctuary	Lahu	Live Stream	Total	Offering
Aug 2	81	20	55	156	\$4,514.00
Aug 9					
Aug 16					
Aug 23					
Aug 30					
Total					

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, AUGUST 9

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

5:30 pm—Board of Property Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

6:30 pm—A.A. Meeting
No Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

9:30 am—Hugh & Stitches
6:00 pm—Sweet Adelines

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

Time TBD—Youth Group Movie Night

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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

THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given to the Glory of God,
in memory of my wife, Vae, and in honor of my lovely
Trinity Church Family. You all are greatly appreciated.

Given By: Gene Hamilton



***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostles' Creed*)

Tim Setzer

Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say:

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.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory

***Doxology**

"Be Still and Know that I Am God"
"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.

***Offertory Prayer**

***HYMN**

"Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult"

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***BENEDICTION** (*Unison*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

We go now to serve one another in the love of God, by the grace of Christ, and in the strength of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***CHIMES**

***POSTLUDE**

"The Solid Rock"
(by William Bradbury/arr. by Laura Berquist)
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Marty Light

### **KIDS CLUB: PARK PICNIC & FUN**

Join us **TODAY** for a walking field trip to the park! We'll enjoy a picnic lunch together and make homemade ice cream while learning a little science along the way. We hope you'll join us for this fun-filled day of fellowship and discovery! (*see Jessica Spain if you have any questions*)







## OLD TESTAMENT READING #1

*Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 (NIV)*

1 This is what the Lord says: “Maintain justice and do what is right, for my salvation is close at hand and my righteousness will soon be revealed.

6 And foreigners who bind themselves to the Lord to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold fast to my covenant—7 these I will bring to my holy mountain and give them joy in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.” 8 The Sovereign Lord declares—he who gathers the exiles of Israel: “I will gather still others to them besides those already gathered.”

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God!***

## \*GOSPEL READING

*Matthew 15:21-28 (NIV)*

21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, ‘Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.’

23 But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, ‘Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.’

24 He answered, ‘I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.’

25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, ‘Lord, help me.’

26 He answered, ‘It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.’

27 She said, ‘Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.’

28 Then Jesus answered her, ‘Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.’ And her daughter was healed instantly.

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 in our church. *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. *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**

Lawrence Warf  
Darlene Whittaker  
Debbie & Frank Dickerson  
Wanda Sue Ammerman  
\*Frank Wells  
Jane Hamilton  
Jeanne Whitmire  
Mabel Lawing  
Shirley & Ken Poovey  
Carolyn Reitzel  
Lynn Dee David  
Yvonne Propst  
Steve Thornburg  
Jo Ann Simmons  
Jane Bartholomew  
Elizabeth Jackson  
Aimee Falder

### **RECUPERATING AT HOME**

Stan & Margie Griffin  
Rev. Earle Potts  
\*Garry Hill



### **OTHERS**

\*Candace Moore (C. Stanford’s Mom)  
\*Eric Spenser (D. Crotts’ Friend)  
\*Rowe Eckard (D. Eckard’s brother)  
\*Michael Gantt (C & B Gantt’s Son)  
\*Tammy Billingsley (friend of D. Crotts.)  
\*Mike Simmons (T. Simmons’ Brother)  
\*Bill Barnard (B. Adams’ Brother)  
\*Bobbie Sigmon (Terry Hall’s Niece)

### **ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES**

#### **SPRINGS OF CATAWBA**

#### **Hickory, NC 28601**

Cyndy Adams

#### **CV ASSIST. LIVING—ROCK BARN**

#### **Conover, NC 28613**

Jeanne Whitmire (Room 107)

#### **MAGNOLIA LANE**

#### **Morganton, NC 28655**

Pat Roark (Room 1)

#### **CLEMMONS VILLAGE**

#### **Clemmons, NC 27012**

Danna Perkins (Room 1)

***Welcome! If you desire to seek a closer walk with God or would like to make a personal commitment to Jesus Christ, please feel free to speak to Rev. Stout about your desire. If you wish to become a member of this church, or just want more information about our church, please speak to Rev. Stout to explore your interest. Please feel free to see Rev. Peggy at church, or call her at the church office (828-464-8226) or on her cell number (828-302-0039).***