

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Little Mountain, South Carolina
3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude *Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling*

Welcome and Announcements

(* Please stand as able)

*Gathering Hymn *Bright and Glorious Is the Sky* Hymn 75

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 56

*Apostolic Greeting page 57

*Kyrie page 57

*Hymn of Praise *Glory to God in the Highest* page 58

*Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. Merciful God, through the gift of your grace you call us to repentance, obedience, and eternal life. Transform us to set aside all that might prohibit us from following your call to new life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalm 62 see bulletin

The Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 7:29-35

*The Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, Lord to whom...* page 62

*The Holy Gospel Mark 1:14-20

*The Gospel Response page 63

(We Sit)

The Children's Sermon: *All of God's little Children are asked to come forward for a special message just for them!*

The Congregation is invited to sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come forward.

The Sermon "How's the Fishing?" Pastor Randy Drafts

*The Hymn of the Day *You Have Come Down...* WOV Hymn 784

*The Creed page 65

*The Prayers

*The Lord's Prayer

*The Peace

(We Sit)

We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

The Offering

The Anthem: *Come Now and Follow Me* Choir

*The Offertory Hymn *Create in Me* page 75

*The Offertory Prayer

Merciful Father,

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God Sends Us Into The World

*Blessing page 76

*Sending Song *I Want to Walk as a Child of ...* WOV Hymn 649

*Sending and Charge

*Doxology Hymn 564

Before Worship: Speak to the Lord

During Worship: Let the Lord speak to you

After Worship: Speak to each other

Welcome to worship today. We especially extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting with us today. We are strengthened by your presence and hope that you will worship with us again soon. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of our church family here at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Marilyn Plampin, Knowlton Lindler, Bob Peters, & Holly Havird on their birthday today.
by Lucy Peters*

Stewardship Minute

"When the church becomes an institution, people are nothing more than volunteers to be recruited. When the church is a movement, our stewardship becomes the unleashing of our God-given gifts, talents, and passions." - Erwin McManus

Happy Mountaineers WILL MEET Thursday, Jan. 25, 10 AM, in TLC. Program plans will be announced later but mark calendars now to attend. All members and any newcomers are welcomed to attend. PLEASE BRING A PAIR OF SCISSORS TO USE IN A SPECIAL PROJECT! DEVOTIONS: Lucy Peters MEAL: will be furnished.

Teens for Christ Update

Calling ALL Youth!!! There are lots of exciting ways for our Teens for Christ to be involved and serve in the coming months. We have a regular meeting on January 28th at 5:30pm - bring a friend! We also need your help with the Super Bowl Luncheon on February 11th and our Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on February 13th.

Additionally: Thanks to Artie and Melisa Livingston for their leadership over the past few years and the wonderful job they have done! They have handed the reins over to our new youth leaders, Ashley Ballentine and Melissa Kednocker, who we thank for spearheading our program and organizing our most recent outings and gatherings. And we must also thank all of our parents for their support in making this ministry possible!! Please contact our new youth leaders if you have questions or if your child is interested in being a part of Teens for Christ.

Offering Envelopes: If you have not picked your offering envelopes up, they are now in the library.

Prayers: Barry Derrick (Brother of Clair Wicker), Jean Miller (Mother of Pam Bush), Rev. James Franklin Shealy, Dan & Becky McGlohorn (Friends of Brittany Frick), Denise Salyer (Friend of Lucy Peters), Randy Stockman (Father of Amber Koon), Jean Alewine, Bobbie & Andy Bickley, C.B. Mathis (brother in law of Patsy Frick), Junior Alewine, Patsy Frick, Broko Boland (nephew of Carmen Boland), Gerald Shealy, Marilyn Plampin, Nancy Webb (Mother of Terecia Wilson). *If you would like to include someone on our weekly prayer list, please call Pastor Randy at (803) 537-2303. Unless otherwise notified of a need, members will remain on the list for one month and non-members for two weeks.*

Sunday, January 21, 2024

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First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ²“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

Psalm 62

¹For God alone my soul in | silence waits;*
from him comes | my salvation.

²**He alone is my rock and | my salvation,*
my stronghold, so that I shall not be | greatly shaken.**

³How long will you assail me to crush me, all of | you together,*
as if you were a leaning fence, a | toppling wall?

⁴**They seek only to bring me down from my | place of honor;*
lies are their | chief delight.**

⁵They bless | with their lips,*
but in their | hearts they curse.

⁶**For God alone my soul in | silence waits;*
truly, my hope | is in him.**

⁷He alone is my rock and | my salvation,*
my stronghold, so that I shall | not be shaken.

⁸**In God is my safety | and my honor;*
God is my strong rock | and my refuge.**

⁹Put your trust in him al- | ways, O people,*
pour out your hearts before him, for God | is our refuge.

¹⁰**Those of high degree are but a | fleeting breath,*
even those of low estate can- | not be trusted.**

¹¹On the scales they are lighter | than a breath,*
all of | them together.

¹²**Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no | empty pride;*
though wealth increase, set not your | heart upon it.**

¹³God has spoken once, twice | have I heard it,*
that power be- | longs to God.

¹⁴**Steadfast love is | yours, O LORD,*
for you repay everyone according | to his deeds.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-35

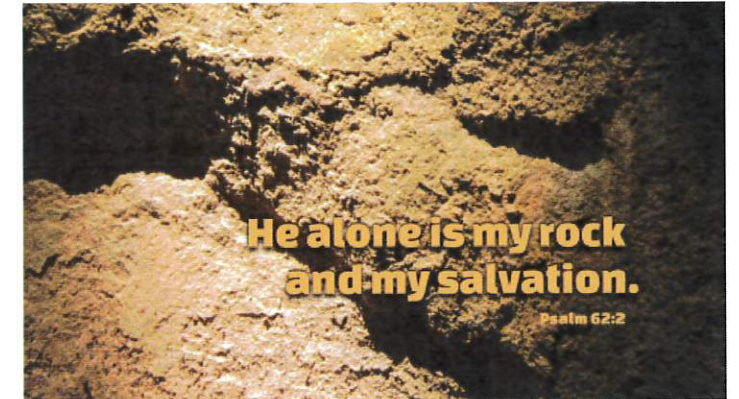
²⁹This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away. [³²I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. ³³But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, ³⁴and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. ³⁵I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.]

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.” ¹⁶Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

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*“Preaching, Teaching and Serving
in Christ’s Name”*



SERVING TODAY, January 21, 2024

Acolyte: Aubrey Curtis
Crucifer: Daniel Williams
Bulletin Folder: Cooper Morales
Lector: Allen Williams
Greeters: Shelley Page
Nursery: Jenna Lake, Brittany Frick
Altar Guild: Bobbie King, Jessica Lindler
Flowers: Bob & Lucy Peters
Usher Chair: Darin Boland
Elevator: Travis Koon
Ushers: Daniel Boland, Chad Weaver

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, January 28, 2024

Acolyte: Aubrey Curtis
Crucifer: Daniel Williams
Bulletin Folder: Margaret Livingston
Lector: Ted Arnold
Greeters: Karen & Rodger Winn
Nursery: Lauren Armstrong, Paula Frick
Altar Guild: Bobbie King, Jessica Lindler
Flowers: Mary Spires & Lib Boland
Usher Chair: Darin Boland
Elevator: Travis Koon
Ushers: Daniel Boland, Chad Weaver

If you are unable to serve, please arrange to switch with someone or contact an alternate.

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Needed Weekly in 2023	\$	6,531.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	6,574.00
Difference	+	\$ 43.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

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*We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today!
We pray that Christ will touch you with His love so you may be empowered
to be His witnesses in the world. Please join us throughout the week for
worship, Bible study, community outreach and fellowship in Christ Jesus.*

What's Happening This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday, January 21st

Confirmation 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

Monday, January 22nd

Prayer Shawl 9:00 a.m.
Mom's Life Group 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 24th

Leviticus Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Cub Scouts Pack 111 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 25th

Happy Mountaineers 10:00 a.m.
Revelation Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 28th

Confirmation 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Teens for Christ 5:30 p.m.

Join us for Card/Game Night on
Thursday, February 1st at 6:00 p.m.



Please bring a dish to share and we will have dinner together. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

Shrove Tuesday

Tuesday, February 13th



MORE DETAILS TO COME SOON...

Ash Wednesday Worship

February 14, 2024

10:00 a.m. – TLC

7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Mid-week Lenten Services 2024 Theme: *Baptized: Marked for Living*

This year during our mid-week Lenten worship, are going to explore the question: what does it mean to live out our baptism in the world today?

For Christians, our way of life has at its foundation God's saving action in baptism. All that we are, and all that we do, grows out of His love given to us in baptism. During Lent, we will reflect upon who we are as God's children in baptism, and how we are to live as people forever marked with the cross of Christ. We will also be reminded that, in a world filled with pain, suffering, and uncertainty, God calls His baptized children to bring the message of hope, mercy, and grace into the lives of everyone around us. This is our ministry as baptized persons—as persons marked for living!

Join us Wednesdays during Lent to learn more.

Schedule:

February 21 – Claimed

February 28 – Named

March 6 – Clothed

March 13 – Enlightened

March 20 – Appointed

May God's blessings be upon you, your families, and our community this Lenten season and beyond.

In Christ,

P. Rudy

Evening Bible Study: REVELATION

Come join us every 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month for a Bible study on Revelation. The month of January, we will meet January 11th & 25th at 7:00 p.m.

Rev. 1:3 "*Blessed is the one who reads about the words of this prophecy & blessed are those who hear it & take to heart what is written in it because the time is near.*"

We look forward to seeing you there!

What is a disciple?

Who are disciples?

Disciple

Discipleship

Disciple-making

What is discipleship?

How can I be a disciple?

Who are disciples? What is a disciple? Do you consider yourself a disciple? How have you answered these questions?

We have all been commissioned to make disciples! Jesus left the disciples with these last words of instruction – Matthew 28:18, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of ALL nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the end of the age.”

We are to go – whether it is next door or 1,000 miles away – and make disciples. IT IS NOT an option! This was a command to all who are believers in Christ. We are not all evangelists but we all have certain gifts that we can use to help fulfill this GREAT COMMISSION. WE ARE ALL DISCIPLES! If you believe in Jesus, you are a disciple!

A disciple is as a person who has decided that following Jesus takes precedence over everything else! A disciple looks and acts like the one he or she follows. A disciple intentionally chooses Christ and His will over their own, even at their own personal expense.

Being a disciple costs – it costs in the way we choose to spend our time, talents, and treasures for God and His glory rather than our own. The goal of a disciple is to have a transformed life and to replicate God’s kingdom values in the lives of others. Just coming to church every Sunday is not enough. We are called to serve others. We have to be accountable and responsible in our actions to be a disciple. It doesn’t just happen by sitting or reading. We have to intentionally look around us. Our neighborhood, work place, grocery line, and even our church is our mission field.

What can you do to serve others? The church? The community?

Stay tuned for further excerpts about discipling, discipleship, and disciple-making!

THE HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MEN
INVITE YOU TO THE 2024

Ladies Appreciation Dinner

February 17, 2024 at 6:30p.m.

Catered by: 3rd Generation Catering &
Family Restaurant, Johnston

Entertainment: Pastor Ronnie Brown

**PLEASE SEE LUTHERAN MEN OR
CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE
FOR A TICKET BY FEBRUARY 11
TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT.
MEAL COST \$20.**

