

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Little Mountain, South Carolina
21st Sunday after Pentecost

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 77

*Gathering Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Hymn 543

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*Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. Sovereign Lord, your reign extends across time and space. You have created us in your own image and redeemed us by your grace through your Son. Grant that we may return to you what is yours, our entire selves given to your mission in the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalms 96:1-9 see bulletin

The Second Lesson 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

*The Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, Lord to whom...* page 83

*The Holy Gospel Matthew 22:15-22

*The Gospel Response page 83

(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 Kyle Page

* The Hymn of the Day *If You Will But Trust...* Hymn 453
*The Apostles' Creed page 85
*The Prayers
*The Lord's Prayer
*The Peace

We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

The Offering

The Anthem

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*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 97

*Sending Song *Sent Forth By God's Blessing* Hymn 221

*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. Please sign the friendship pads at the end of the pew.

*The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of JoJo Cumalander on her birthday
By Bobbie & Maxton King Family*

Pastor Randy will be out of the office next week (October 12-18), returning Monday, October 19. He will respond to all non-emergency correspondence at that time.

Sunday School Teacher Needed... We are seeking a third Sunday school teacher to assist in sharing the gospel with first and second graders. Presently, Mrs. Karen Winn and Mrs. Holly Havird are rotating with one another. It would be great to have at least one more person join the rotation. Please contact Mrs. Karen or Mrs. Holly for more information if you believe that teaching is something you might enjoy doing or that God is calling you to try. If you're not sure whether you're qualified to teach Sunday school, please talk to Chris Crouch. He will confirm that you are perfect for the role.

Any **Altar & Parament** donations would greatly be appreciated for some items that need to be purchased.

Prayers: Doug Rister (Cousin of Shannon Corley), Lucy Peters, Allen Williams, Kollynns Hill, Kay Richardson, Kelli Robinson (Daughter of Charles & Kaye Shealy), Kenny Chapman, Rebecca Edwards, Janet Whetstone (Friend of Curtis & Diane Hardy), Dot Abrams, Margaret Millner (Sister of Emily Clements), Travis Spires, Becky Boland, David McCall, Scott & Cheri Bell, Jean Miller (Mother of Pam Bush), Jean Alewine, Bobbie Bickley. *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, Last-minute will remain on the list for one month and non-members for two weeks.*

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First Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7

¹Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: ²“I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the Lord, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, ⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness; I make well-being and create calamity; I am the Lord, who does all these things.”

Psalm 96:1-9

¹Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!
²**Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.**
³Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!
⁴**For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.**
⁵For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.
⁶**Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**
⁷Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
⁸**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!**
⁹Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus

Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” ²¹They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

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

SERVING TODAY, October 18, 2026

Acolyte: Zack Henson
Crucifer: Eli Kednocker
Bulletin Folder: Karsyn & Karter Crumpton
Lector: Phillip Allison
Greeters: Bobbie & Maxton King
Nursery: Kara Cumalander, Sarah Hutchinson,
 Dorothy Armstrong
Altar Guild: Kara Cumalander, Christie Allison
Flowers: Bobbie & Maxton King
Usher Chair: Charles Shealy
Elevator: Johnny Cumalander
Ushers: TBA
Golf Cart: Kevin Shealy
TLC On-Call Team: Spyros & Mavy Lezimis
Cleaning Team: Darin & Becky Boland, Ryan & Jana Padowicz,
 Amanda Drafts

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, October 25, 2026

Acolyte: TBA
Crucifer: Wyatt Koon
Bulletin Folder: Eli, Eva, & Anna Mae Kednocker
Lector: Carlotta Chapman
Greeters: Frank & Lin Lake
Nursery: unstaffed
Altar Guild: Kara Cumalander, Christie Allison
Flowers: Wanda & Edwin Havird
Usher Chair: Charles Shealy
Elevator: Johnny Cumalander
Ushers: TBA
Golf Cart: Ritchie Koon
TLC On-Call Team: Spyros & Mavy Lezimis
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*If you are unable to serve, please arrange to switch with
 someone or contact an alternate.*

Attendance October 11: Worship: 150 Sunday School: 37

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Received Last Sunday \$ 5,884.00

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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, October 18th

Lutheran Men	7:45 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.

Monday, October 19th

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
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Wednesday, October 21st

Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 22nd

Happy Mountaineers	2:30 p.m.
Youth Choir	6:00 p.m.
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

Friday, October 23rd

Bazaar Committee make casseroles	9:00 a.m.
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Saturday, October 24th

Trunk-or-Treat	4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
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Sunday, October 25th

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Confirmation	4:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.

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SATURDAY,
OCTOBER
24TH



4:00 P.M.
TO
6:00 P.M.

Candy Donations for Trunk or Treat are greatly appreciated!

If you would like to donate candy, please bring it to the conference room. Thank you for helping make this a fun and special event for everyone!

Volunteers:

There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.

OUT TO EAT with Happy Mountaineers. October meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 22, 2:00 PM in TLC. Following devotions and a brief business session, we'll board the bus for the Blue Ocean Seafood restaurant where we have a reservation. THE BUS WILL LEAVE AT 2:30 PM AND THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO JOIN US. INVITE A FRIEND!!. Let Janet Fulmer, Ann Sanders or Mary Spires know if you'd like to go. We don't want to leave without you!!



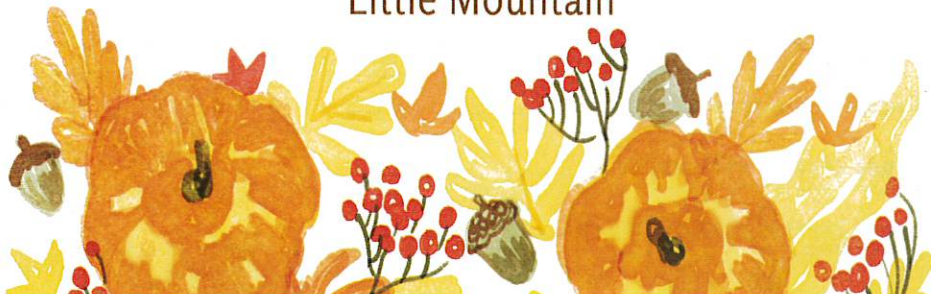
Fall BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 7TH
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

CRAFTS, BAKED GOODS,
HOMEMADE SAUSAGE, SOUPS,
HOMEMADE CHICKEN SALAD & PIMENTO CHEESE,
HOMEMADE BREAD, FROZEN CASSEROLES,
YARD SALE ITEMS & BOOKS

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VOLUNTEERS FOR BAZAAR

If you would be willing to help in any way with the bazaar, please let us know. Craft items, clean and good condition thrift store items including books and furniture should be in TLC no later than Friday morning, November 6th. Food items can be brought on Friday or early Saturday morning. Sausage biscuits will be available for sale Saturday morning. Please call Ann Sanders at 803-537-7791 or Lin Lake at 803-360-0919. Proceeds will go to the Building Fund. Please drop in offering plate by Sunday, November 1st.

- Help set up for bazaar on Friday, November 6th starting at 9:00 a.m.
- Donate homemade baked goods
- Donate homemade bread
- Donate homemade soup
- Donate homemade chicken salad
- Donate homemade pimento cheese spread
- Donate some homegrown canned goods (jellies, vegetables, pickles, etc.)
- Make craft items
- Donate clean & good condition yard sale items (including furniture & books)
- Help at bazaar on Saturday morning November 7th.

Name

Telephone #

SAUSAGE AT BAZAAR

Place your order for Pork Sausage in advance by filling out the form below and returning it in the offering plate or to the church office by Sunday, November 1st. Sausage can be picked up at Bazaar on November 7th. Payment can be made when you pick up the sausage. Price is \$5.00 per pound.

YOUR NAME -----

Pounds (regular, with onion) -----

Pounds (regular, without onion) -----

Pounds (spicy, with onion) -----

Pounds (spicy, without onion) -----

