

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
 Little Mountain, South Carolina
Reformation Sunday

We Prepare for Worship

- Silence and Meditation
 Prelude *A Song of Triumph with Song of Faith*
 Welcome and Announcements
 (* Please stand as able)
 *Gathering Hymn *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*~ Hymn 229
 *Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 56
 *Apostolic Greeting page 57
 *Kyrie page 57
 *Hymn of Praise *This is the Feast...* page 60
 *Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. Sovereign God, we pray for the Holy Spirit to continue to reform the church of Christ. Keep it in the true faith and embolden it to bear witness to the life-giving message of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**
 (We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

- The First Lesson Revelation 14:6-7
 Psalm 46 see bulletin
 The Second Lesson Romans 3:19-28
 *The Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, Lord to whom...* page 62
 *The Holy Gospel John 8:31-36
 *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 "You Are Free, Indeed"

Pastor Randy Drafts

- *The Hymn of the Day *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast...* Hymn 230
 *The Rite of Affirmation of Baptism page 198
 *The Peace
 (We Sit)

We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

- The Offering
 The Anthem *We Are the Church*
 *The Offertory Hymn *Let the vineyards...* page 66
 *The Offertory Prayer page 67
 *The Great Thanksgiving page 68
 *The Eucharistic Prayer page 70
 *The Lord's Prayer page 71

Communion: *All are welcome at the Lord's Table! We receive Communion at the Chancel steps. If you are unable to partake of the bread or wine, the church affirms our Lord's presence in each element. Children who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come up and receive Communion, please notify an usher and we will gladly serve you Communion in the pew.*

- Lamb of God* page 72
 *Post Communion Blessing
 *Post Communion Canticle *Thank the Lord...* page 72
 *Post Communion Prayer page 74

God Sends Us Into The World

- *Blessing page 74
 *Sending Song *The Church's One Foundation*~ (V. 1-5) Hymn 369
 *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

*The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
 by Walt & Julie McLeod*

(~) Denotes a hymn that was recommended through the recent Congregational Hymn Survey.

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.

Stewardship Minute

Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost. – Ignatius of Loyola

Congratulations to Blake Ballentine, who will be confirmed this morning during worship.

Lutheran Men would like to thank Mike & Jackie Riddle, Allen, Linda, & Dalton Chapman for furnishing the fish for the fish fry. Thank you to Carter Lake, Charles E. Frick, & Robbie Wicker for frying the fish. Also thank you to all the ladies for their work in the kitchen. Thanks to everyone for the donations to the Lutheran Men.

THANKSGIVING DRESSING FOR THE HUB

Would you be willing to help provide the dressing for the HUB on Thanksgiving Day?

A 13x9x2 (5 boxes of dressing) will serve 15 people. Please leave it in the TLC by 8:00 am on Thanksgiving Day. If you would like to bring it the day before, just put it in the refrigerator.

There will be a list on the bar for you to mark off your name as you deliver. Please contact Janet Fulmer (803-945-7312) by November 16 if you would be willing to help with this special lunch so that a lot of area families will be able to enjoy Thanksgiving. Thanks for your help.

The 2024 Flower List is on the bulletin board outside the church office. If you'd like to provide flowers for a special Sunday, please sign up as soon as possible. If you'd like to be dropped from the list, please call Marie in the church office.

Prayers: Family of Mary Nell Bowers, Kyle Page, Randy Stockman (Father of Amber Koon), Robert Wicker, 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, Amy Wicker (sister-in-law of Kevin E. Shealy), Marilyn Plampin, Nancy Webb (Mother of Terecia Wilson), Bob Whitlatch. *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, October 29, 2023

Reformation Sunday

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

⁶I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

Psalm 46

¹God is our ref- | uge and strength,*
a very present | help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,*
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths | of the
sea;**

³Though its waters | rage and foam,*
and though the mountains tremble | at its tumult.

⁴**The LORD of | hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.**

⁵There is a river whose streams make glad the ci- | ty of God,*
the holy habitation of | the Most High.

⁶**God is in the midst of her; she shall not be | overthrown; *
God shall help her at the | break of day.**

⁷The nations make much ado, and the king- | doms are shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth shall | melt away.

⁸**The LORD of | hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.**

⁹Come now and look upon the works | of the LORD,*
what awesome things he has | done on earth.

¹⁰**It is he who makes war to cease in | all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the |
shields with fire.**

¹¹“Be still, then, and know that | I am God,*
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth.”

¹²**The LORD of | hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.**

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it — ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

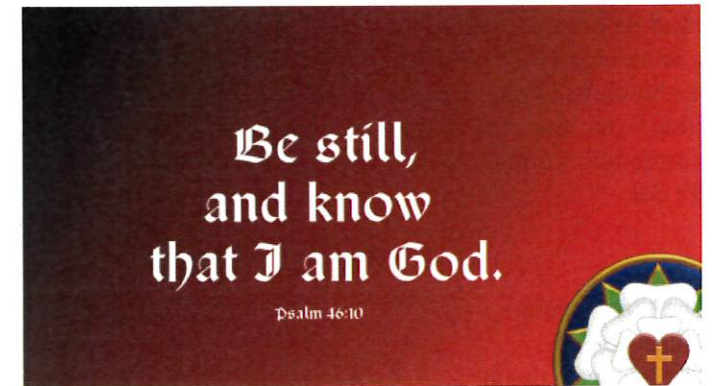
Gospel: John 8:31-36

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free?’” ³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

On this 500th Anniversary of the nailing of the 95 theses on the Castle Church door in Wittenberg, Germany, we remember the firestorm created by a young monk named Martin Luther. Focusing on the Word of God in its purity, Luther challenged the Church of his day to return to the Lord and to forsake manmade pieties that only caused believers to doubt their salvation and carry a heavy burden of guilt.

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

SERVING TODAY, October 29, 2023

Acolyte: Kaylee Hentz
Crucifer: Braxton Rodgers
Bulletin Folder: Cooper Morales
Lector: Caitlin Attaway
Greeters: Edwin & Wanda Havird
Nursery: Amy Collins, Dana Dorroh
Altar Guild: Connie Frick, Karen Winn
Communion: Donna Fulmer & Janet Fulmer
Flowers: Walt & Julie McLeod
Usher Chair: Charles Shealy
Elevator: Darin Boland
Ushers: Curtis Hardy, Ritchie Koon

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, November 5, 2023

Acolyte: Kaylee Hentz
Crucifer: Braxton Rodgers
Bulletin Folder: David Rodgers
Lector: Ava Boland
Greeters: Jeremy, Jessica, Keaton, & Knowlton Lindler
Nursery: Julie Haltiwanger, Glenda Hentz
Altar Guild: Wanda Havird, Holly Havird
Communion: Ted Arnold, Phillip Allison
Flowers: Ann Sanders
Usher Chair: James Wieters
Elevator: Steve Bush
Ushers: Danny Newton, David Bush

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	\$	5,739.71
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	5,643.00
Difference	\$	96.71

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

October 29, 2023

*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 29th

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

Monday, October 30th

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

Wednesday, November 1st

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

Saturday, November 4th

Fall Bazaar	8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
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Sunday, November 5th

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship / Holy Communion / All Saints Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Youth Reformation Party (Leave at 2:30pm)	

FALL BAZAAR

BAZAAR—NOVEMBER 4, 2023

It's that time so start getting your items ready for the bazaar. We will have a craft sale including wooden, iron, crocheted and handmade items. We will also have a "white elephant" sale including good condition and clean yard sale items, furniture, and books. We will be selling chances for a beautiful crocheted afghan and quilt made by our Prayer Shawl Group. Start making all those handmade items, canned jellies and vegetables. Also available will be home-made sausage, baked and canned goods, soups, chicken salad and pimento cheese spreads and chicken casseroles.

Mark this date on your calendar and join us for a delicious sausage biscuit for breakfast and do lots of your Christmas shopping. Time for bazaar is 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. If you have suggestions for the bazaar, please speak with Ann Sanders or Lin Lake! Proceeds from the bazaar will go towards new flooring in Parish Building.

Mark Your Calendars!

Homecoming Sunday will be November 19th! We are happy to welcome Pastor John Pless as our guest preacher that day. Following worship we will enjoy delicious food and wonderful fellowship. Please bring a covered dish and leave in the TLC before worship.



Invitations are being sent to former pastors and others. If you'd like an invitation sent to someone special, please give the church office the name and mailing address by Monday, Nov. 13. An invitation will be mailed to them on the 14th.

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5-9 Years Old

10-14 Years Old


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HOW TO PACK A SHOEBOX GIFT

1. **Shoebox:** Get a standard-size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl.
2. **"Wow" Item:** Select a quality "wow" toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal to bless a child.
3. **Other Gifts:** Pack full with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. See *shoebox gift ideas on the right*.
4. **Pray:** Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift. Include a personal note and photo to delight the heart of a child.
5. **Donate \$10 Per Box:** A donation of \$10 per box is critical to cover shipping and other project costs. To give online, follow the instructions on the front of this label.
6. **Drop Off:** Take your shoebox gift to a local drop-off location during National Collection Week, the third week of November. Visit samaritanspurse.org/oc to find one near you.

SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS

- "Wow" Item:** Soccer ball with pump, doll, stuffed animal, shoes
- Toys:** Toy cars, jump ropes, yo-yos, musical instruments, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)
- Personal Care Items:** Toothbrushes, washcloths, combs, hairbrushes
- School Supplies:** Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, coloring and picture books, solar calculators
- Accessories:** Socks, sunglasses, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)
- DO NOT INCLUDE**
- Candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, scary or war-related items, seeds, food, liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items or glass containers, aerosol cans
- For additional gift suggestions and more, visit samaritanspurse.org/oc*
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- Doll
- Stuffed animal
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TOYS

- Toy cars
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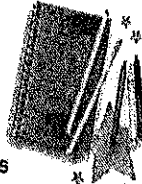
PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes
- Small water bottles



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators



ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)



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Shoebox gifts are like snowflakes—no two are alike!

—Franklin Graham,
President, Samaritan's Purse



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Morning Bible Study: EXODUS

Wednesday mornings at 10:00a.m.
in classroom next to the church office.

All are welcome!!



Evening Bible Study: REVELATION

Come join us every 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month for a Bible study on Revelation October 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the parlor A study guide will be given and it will be a fun night of learning & fellowship.

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!

Operation Christmas Child Samaritan's Purse

The Circle of Joy is sponsoring Operation Christmas Child shoebox ministry this year. We have a few boxes and labels available on the first pew for packaging gifts. However, any regular sized shoebox will work as well as purchased plastic shoeboxes.

The age groups for the shoeboxes are boy/girl:

- 2-4 years old
- 5-9 years old
- 10-14 years old

Please see your bulletin insert for shoebox gift ideas and items that are not allowed. Extra labels for shoeboxes are located on the table in the elevator hall.

Samaritan's Purse asks for a donation of \$10 per box to cover international shipping and other costs. Please attach cash or a check payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church with your shoebox. HTLC will collect the money and write one check to cover all the boxes.

Please return your shoebox to the front pew on or before Sunday, November 19.

We will pray for God's blessing of these shoeboxes and for the mission of Operation Christmas Child. All boxes will be taken to Redeemer Lutheran Church on Monday, November 20.

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. Food items can be brought on Friday or early Saturday morning. Please call Ann Sanders at 803-537-7791 or Lin Lake at 803-360-0919. Please drop in offering plate by Sunday, October 29th.

- _____ Help set up for bazaar on Friday, November 3rd starting at 9:00 a.m.
- _____ Donate homemade baked goods
- _____ Donate homemade soup
- _____ Donate homemade chicken salad or pimento cheese spread
- _____ Donate some homegrown canned goods (jellies, vegetables, pickles, etc.)
- _____ Make craft items
- _____ Donate clean & good condition yard sale items (including furniture and books)
- _____ Help at bazaar on Saturday morning November 4th.

_____ 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, October 29th. Sausage can be picked up at Bazaar on November 4th. **Payment can be made when you pick up the sausage. Price is \$4.50 per pound.**

YOUR NAME _____
Pounds (regular, with onion) _____
Pounds (regular, without onion) _____
Pounds (spicy, with onion) _____
Pounds (spicy, without onion) _____



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