

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Little Mountain, South Carolina  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

**We Prepare for Worship**

Silence and Meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Preschool Recognition & Music

(\* Please stand as able)

\*Gathering Hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Hymn 499

\*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

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\*Apostolic Greeting

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\*Kyrie

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\*Hymn of Praise *This is the Feast...*

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\*Prayer of the Day

**P. Let us pray together.**

C. Almighty God, surrounded by the snares of this world, we cannot stand apart from the power of your grace. Strengthen us in body, mind, and spirit so that we may continue in the face of all that threatens to overcome us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

**God's Word Proclaimed**

The First Lesson

Micah 6:1-8

see bulletin

Psalm 15

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The Second Lesson

\*The Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, Lord to whom...*

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\*The Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

\*The Gospel Response

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(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 "Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit"

Pastor Randy Drafts

\*The Hymn of the Day  
Rite of Holy Baptism  
*Easton Lane Attaway*  
\*The Peace  
(We Sit)

**We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God**

The Offering

The Anthem *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God*

\*The Offertory Hymn *Let the vineyards...*

\*The Offertory Prayer

\*The Great Thanksgiving

\*The Eucharistic Prayer

\*The Lord's Prayer

*Lamb of God*

**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.*

\*Post Communion Blessing

\*Post Communion Canticle *Thank the Lord...*

\*Post Communion Prayer

**God Sends Us Into The World**

\*Blessing

\*Sending Song *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

\*Sending and Charge

\*Doxology

*Before Worship: Speak to the Lord*

*During Worship: Let the Lord speak to you*

*After Worship: Speak to each other*

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God and  
in memory of Brad Sanders and  
in honor of Chris Sanders on their birthday; February 5<sup>th</sup>  
by Ann Sanders*

**We give thanks to God and Welcome:** Easton Lane Attaway, son of Lane & Caroline Attaway into the family of faith here at Holy Trinity through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

**Important Update Regarding the Church Office**

The church office door will now have 2 signs: one in Green (Welcome! Please come in!) and another in Red (Do Not Disturb). Please respect and heed these signs if you come by the office. If the Red sign is up, Marie is UNAVAILABLE; please see Pastor Randy in his office or call him on his cell phone. If he is also unavailable, you may reach out to Council President Kevin J. Shealy.

Please direct all concerns, issues, or complaints regarding office or church business to Pastor Randy. If the issue is with Pastor Randy, you may contact Kevin J. Shealy. Thank you for your assistance with these matters moving forward!

**Happy Mountaineers** will meet on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 10:00 a.m. in the TLC. All members and any other senior adults who'd like to visit with us are encouraged to attend. Our program will be entertainment from Holy Trinity Preschool. For details, see Ann Sanders. LUNCH: Spiral sliced ham with sides to be provided. DEVOTIONS: Amanda Drafts

There is a strong interest in a **new pictorial directory** for Holy Trinity. (Our last one was produced a decade ago - 2016!) However, we need a point person to coordinate this effort. If you are interested in being the point person or would like more information about what would be involved, please contact Pastor Randy.

**Good News Club**, sponsored by Holy Trinity and held at Little Mountain Elementary, will begin on Wednesday, February 18, and run through Wednesday, March 25. The deadline to register is February 11th.

If your child attends Little Mountain Elementary and you are interested in participating, permission forms were sent home last week in students' Wednesday folders. If you did not receive a form, extras are available in the narthex. We would love to see you there!

Prayers: Family of Eddie Stevenson (Brother-in-law of Maxton King), Jackson Shealy (Member of the Screaming Eagles), Meredith Williams (Daughter of Phil & Alice Martinez), Emily Clements, Margaret Millner (Sister of Emily Clements), David Mitchum (Friend of Randell Drafts), Kenny Chapman, Travis Spires, Libby Williamson (Aunt of Jillian Long), Becky Boland, David McCall, Hannah Drafts, Jake Bearden (Grandson of Dot Abrams), Scott & Cheri Bell, Molly Kednocker, 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, members will remain on the list for one month and non-members for two weeks.

Sunday, February 1, 2026

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

**First Reading: Micah 6:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Hear what the LORD says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. <sup>2</sup>Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the LORD has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel. <sup>3</sup>“O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me! <sup>4</sup>For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. <sup>5</sup>O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD.” <sup>6</sup>“With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? <sup>7</sup>Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” <sup>8</sup>He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

**Psalm 15**

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill?  
**<sup>2</sup>He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart;**  
<sup>3</sup>who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;  
**<sup>4</sup>in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the LORD;**  
**<sup>5</sup>who swears to his own hurt and does not change;**  
<sup>5</sup>who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent.  
He who does these things shall never be moved.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

<sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” <sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we

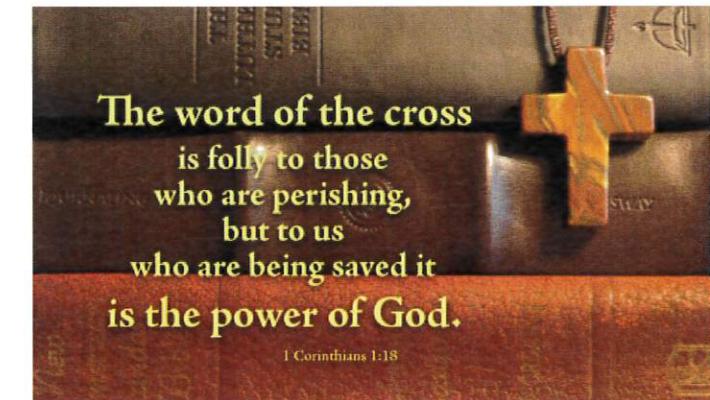
preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. <sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, <sup>31</sup>so that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

**Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12**

<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, {Jesus} went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: <sup>3</sup>Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. <sup>5</sup>Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup>Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. <sup>7</sup>Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. <sup>8</sup>Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. <sup>9</sup>Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. <sup>10</sup>Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup>Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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



**SERVING TODAY, February 1, 2026**

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| <b>Acolyte:</b>          | Hudson Long  |
| <b>Crucifer:</b>         | Karsyn Crumpton  |
| <b>Bulletin Folder:</b>  | Landon & Logan Frick   |
| <b>Lector:</b>           | Roman Long   |
| <b>Greeters:</b>         | Charles & Kaye Shealy  |
| <b>Nursery:</b>          | Kara Cumalander, Sara Hutchinson,<br>Dorothy Armstrong       |
| <b>Altar Guild:</b>      | Jessica Lindler, Erica Carter, Bobbie King                   |
| <b>Communion:</b>        | Phillip Allison & Janet Fulmer                               |
| <b>Flowers:</b>          | Ann Sanders  |
| <b>Usher Chair:</b>      | Maxton King  |
| <b>Elevator:</b>         | Daniel Williams  |
| <b>Ushers:</b>           | Ritchie Koon, Dean Rodgers                                   |
| <b>TLC On-Call Team:</b> | Bill & Robin Loadholdt                                       |
| <b>Cleaning Team:</b>    | Darin & Becky Boland, Ryan & Jana Padowicz,<br>Amanda Drafts |
| <b>Golf Cart:</b>        | Curtis Boland  |

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, February 8, 2026**

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| <b>Acolyte:</b>          | Karter Crumpton  |
| <b>Crucifer:</b>         | Karsyn Crumpton  |
| <b>Bulletin Folder:</b>  | Barrett Havird   |
| <b>Lector:</b>           | Youth Sunday   |
| <b>Greeters:</b>         | Sam & Sara Hutchinson  |
| <b>Nursery:</b>          | unstaffed  |
| <b>Altar Guild:</b>      | Jessica Lindler, Erica Carter, Bobbie King                   |
| <b>Communion:</b>        | Maxton & Bobbie King   |
| <b>Flowers:</b>          | Rebecca & Robert Edwards                                     |
| <b>Usher Chair:</b>      | Maxton King  |
| <b>Elevator:</b>         | Daniel Williams  |
| <b>Ushers:</b>           | Ritchie Koon, Dean Rodgers                                   |
| <b>TLC On-Call Team:</b> | Bill & Robin Loadholdt                                       |
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| <b>Golf Cart:</b>        | Bobby Chapman  |

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

Attendance January :   Worship:   Sunday School:

### *Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:*

Amount Received Last Sunday \$ No Service

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## Welcome to Holy Trinity!

February 1, 2026

*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, February 1st

|                            |            |
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| Sunday School              | 9:15 a.m.  |
| Worship / Preschool Sunday | 10:30 a.m. |
| Teens for Christ           | 5:30 p.m.  |

**Monday, February 2nd**

Prayer Shawl 9:00 a.m.  
TLC 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 3rd

Faith Circle 2:00 p.m.  
Stewardship Finance Committee 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 4th**

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

**Thursday, February 5th**

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| Card Night  | 6:00 p.m. |
| Youth Choir | 6:00 p.m. |

Sunday, February 8th

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| Council Meeting                    | 7:30 a.m.  |
| Sunday School                      | 9:15 a.m.  |
| Worship / Youth Sunday             | 10:30 a.m. |
| Souper Bowl Luncheon after Worship |            |



**Souper Bowl Luncheon**

Holy Trinity's TEENS FOR CHRIST  
Invite you to our annual SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON  
February 8th in the TLC following worship

\*Donations will be taken to support a local ministry of the youth's choosing\*

The congregation is invited and encouraged to bring a soup or chili, sandwiches (grilled cheese or pb&j), crackers, or a dessert.  
Please indicate what you will bring on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.  
This will help us ensure we have enough food for all!  
Thanks for your support!!!

**SOUper BOWL OF CARING**

Nate Boland; 4th

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Be a part of the lifesaving cause.

**American Red Cross** Community of Giving

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Blood Drive**  
Feb. 9, 2026  
2:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
Trinity Life Center  
531 Church Street, Little Mountain, SC 29075

Please help with the blood shortage.  
For an appointment, please visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)  
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

**Ash Wednesday WORSHIP**  
February 18, 2026  
10:00 a.m. (TLC)  
7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

[holytic.org](http://holytic.org)

**THE HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MEN**  
INVITE YOU TO THE 2026  
*Ladies Night*

Saturday, February 21 at 6:00 p.m.

Catered Meal &  
Entertainment by Pastor Ron Brown

Please see a member of the Lutheran Men or contact the church office for tickets. Tickets are \$20/person.