

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Little Mountain, South Carolina

4th Sunday after Epiphany

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and Meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(* Please stand as able)

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

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*Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. Almighty God, increase in us the holy gifts of faith, hope, and love. Teach us to love all people as you have commanded us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalms 71:1-6 see bulletin

The Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

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

*The Holy Gospel Luke 4:31-44

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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 "A More Excellent Way" Pastor Randy Drafts

*The Hymn of the Day *Rise, Shine, You People* Hymn 393

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*The Prayers

*The Peace

(We Sit)

We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

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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.

The congregation is invited to sing the following hymns during Communion: LBW 82, 84, 89.

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Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

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*Sending and Charge

*Doxology

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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 loving memory of David Boland by Carmen Boland

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.

Faith Circle will meet Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in the TLC. Donna Fulmer is program leader and Joyce McCall is hostess.

Yearbooks are available outside the nursery. Please pick up one per family.

HAPPY MOUNTAINEERS will meet Thursday, February 27th at 10:00 a.m. in the TLC. All members and any visitors are encouraged to attend. **DEVOTIONS & PROGRAM:** Pastor Randy MEAL: Courtesy of Ritchie & Helen Koon

Prayers: Unspoken request for church member, Family of Gerald Shealy, Kaye Shealy, Cade Floyd (Nephew of Patsy Frick), Hannah Drafts, Al Asbill (Brother of Alice Martinez), Jake Bearden (Grandson of Dot Abrams), Scott & Cheri Bell, Susan Hill (Mother of Crystal Crouch), The Director of Youth and Education Ministries position, Molly Kednocker, Micheal Torrence, Jean Miller (Mother of Pam Bush), Jean Alewine, Bobbie Bickley, Jonell Shealy. *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 2, 2025

4th Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, ⁵“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” ⁶Then I said, “Ah, LORD God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth.” ⁷But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a youth’; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD.” ⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the LORD said to me, “Behold, I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

Psalm 71:1-6

¹ In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame!
² **In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me, and save me!**
³ Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.
⁴ **Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.**
⁵ For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.
⁶ **Upon you I have leaned from before my birth; you are he who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31b - 13:13

^{31b}I will show you a still more excellent way.
¹If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will

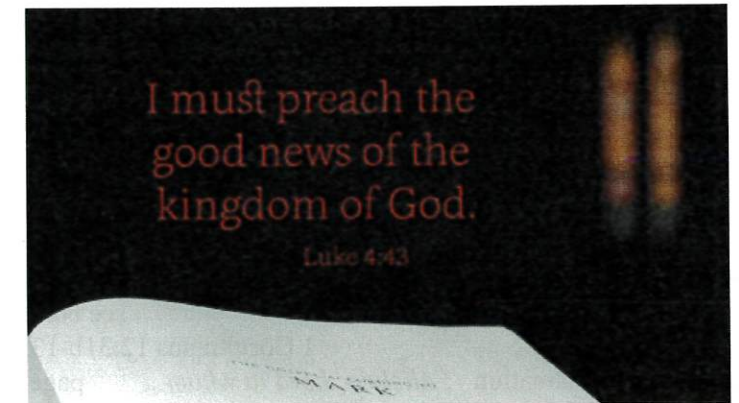
pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Gospel: Luke 4:31-44

³¹{Jesus} went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, ³²and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. ³³And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴“Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are — the Holy One of God.” ³⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. ³⁶And they were all amazed and said to one another, “What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!” ³⁷And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region. ³⁸And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon’s house. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. ³⁹And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them. ⁴⁰Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. ⁴¹And demons also came out of many, crying, “You are the Son of God!” But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ. ⁴²And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, ⁴³but he said to them, “I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose.” ⁴⁴And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

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

SERVING TODAY, February 2, 2025

Acolyte: Eva Kednocker
Crucifer: Blair Cromer
Bulletin Folder: Tanner Shell
Lector: Eli Kednocker
Greeters: Phillip & Christie Allison
Nursery: Erica Carter, Crystal Crouch, Joanie Billingsley
Altar Guild: Sheri & Robbie Wicker
Communion: Holly Havird, Peyton Koon
Flowers: Carmen Boland
Usher Chair: Darin Boland
Elevator: Scott Kednocker
Ushers: Stuart Dalton, Mike Riddle

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, February 9, 2025

Acolyte: Youth
Crucifer: Youth
Bulletin Folder: Cooper Morales
Lector: Eva Kednocker
Greeters: Erica Carter & Houston Billingsley
Nursery: Peyton Koon, Jenna & Taylor Lake
Altar Guild: Sheri & Robbie Wicker
Flowers: Darin & Becky Boland
Usher Chair: Darin Boland
Elevator: Scott Kednocker
Ushers: Stuart Dalton, Mike Riddle

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

Attendance January 26: Worship: 183 Sunday School: 57

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Needed Weekly in 2025	\$	6,610.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	5,013.00
Difference	\$	1,597.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

February 2, 2025

*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 2nd

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

Monday, February 3rd

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

Tuesday, February 4th

Faith Circle	2:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, February 5th

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

Sunday, February 9th

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



Souper Bowl Luncheon

Holy Trinity's TEENS FOR CHRIST

Invite you to our annual
SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON

February 9th in the TLC following worship

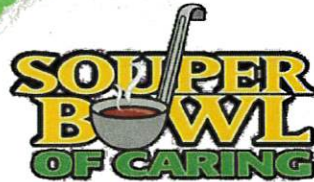
Donations will be taken to support a local ministry of the youth's choosing

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!!!



THE HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MEN
INVITE YOU TO THE 2025

Ladies Night

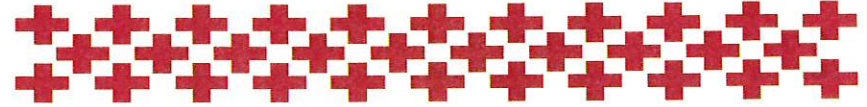
Saturday, February 15 at 6:00 p.m.

Catered Meal &
Entertainment by Pastor Ron Brown

Please see a member of the Lutheran Men or contact the church office for tickets. Tickets are \$15.

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Trinity Life Center
531 Church Street
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Monday, February 10, 2025
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Create a flurry of hope! Come give blood Jan. 27 to Feb. 28 for a \$15 e gift card rcblood.org/flurry



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Thanks to all who came out to our vision meeting! If you were not able to attend, we still welcome your input. Please fill out the survey in today's bulletin and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office. Completed surveys are due by February 16th.