

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Little Mountain, South Carolina

7th Sunday after Epiphany

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Preschool Recognition & Music

(* Please stand as able)

*Gathering Hymn *Lord Jesus, Think on Me* Hymn 309

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 77

*Apostolic Greeting page 78

*Kyrie page 78

*Hymn of Praise page 79

*Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. O God, you know our fears and lack of confidence. Forgive our willful ways, and defend our faith through the teaching of your Christ, through whom you gather saints to give you glory without end. Grant this, we pray, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson Genesis 45:3-15

Psalms 103:1-13 page 264

The Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42

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

*The Holy Gospel Luke 6:27-38

*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 "Do Unto Others" Pastor Randy Drafts

*The Hymn of the Day *Lord, Whose Love in Humble...* Hymn 423

*The Apostles' Creed page 85

*The Prayers

*The Lord's Prayer

*The Peace

(We Sit)

We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

The Offering

The Anthem: *I Will Be True* Choir

*The Offertory Hymn *Create in Me* page 96

*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 *All Creatures of Our God and King* Hymn 527

*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 honor of Everett's birthday
By Daniel & Ashley Boland*

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

Bus Shed Cleanout... The time has come to clean out the bus shed. A lot of stuff has accumulated over the years and we need to go through everything and discard all the old, unneeded things that have been stored there and properly organize the rest. In order for us to avoid discarding something important the Property Committee is asking for your help in identifying what needs to be saved and stored in the shed. If you or a committee you served on has stored items in the shed that need to be saved, please clearly identify those items (eg tag them) prior to 3/22. Untagged items will be assumed to be surplus and discarded. Thanks for your assistance in this effort.

Prayers: Family of Fred Cumalander, Faye 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, 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.*

First Reading: Genesis 45:3-15

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. ⁴So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. ¹⁰You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' ¹²And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. ¹³You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.'" ¹⁴Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

Psalm 103:1-13

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Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42

²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

³⁰Why are we in danger every hour? ³¹I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! ³²What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." ³³Do

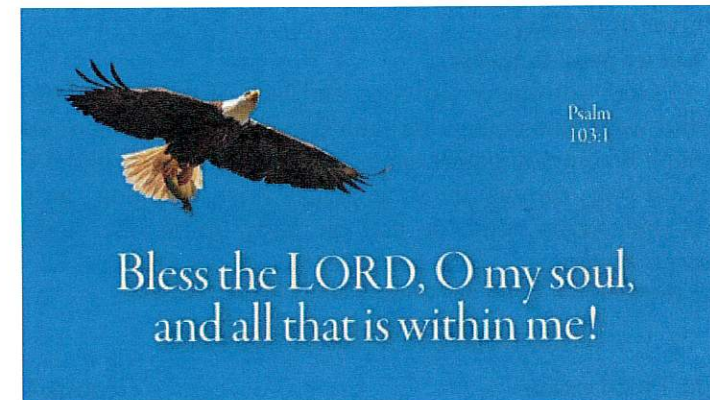
not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." ³⁴Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame. ³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" ³⁶You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. ³⁹For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. ⁴⁰There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. ⁴¹There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory. ⁴²So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

²⁷{Jesus said,} "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them. ³²If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. ³⁷Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

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

SERVING TODAY, February 23, 2025

Acolyte: Roman Long
Crucifer: Zack Henson
Bulletin Folder: Joanie Billingsley
Lector: Becky Chapman
Greeters: Bobby & Laurie Chapman
Nursery: Karen Winn, Glenda Hentz, Dorothy Armstrong
Altar Guild: Sheri & Robbie Wicker
Flowers: Daniel, Ashley, & Everett Boland
Usher Chair: Darin Boland
Elevator: Travis Koon
Ushers: Kevin Crumpton, Philip Armstrong

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, March 2, 2025

Acolyte: Karsyn Crumpton
Crucifer: Daniel Williams
Bulletin Folder: Kaylee Hentz
Lector: Kaylee Hentz
Greeters: Chris & Crystal Crouch
Nursery: Christie Allison, Peyton Koon
Altar Guild: Karen Winn, Connie Frick
Communion: Bobby & Becky Chapman
Flowers: Donna Fulmer
Usher Chair: Steve Bush
Elevator: Rod Steffy
Ushers: Philip Armstrong, Steve Layton

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

Attendance February 16: Worship: 140 Sunday School: 56

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Needed Weekly in 2025	\$	6,610.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	5,922.00
Difference	\$	688.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

February 23, 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 23rd

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

Monday, February 24th

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
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Tuesday, February 25th

GLASS	6:30 p.m.
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Wednesday, February 26th

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

Thursday, February 27th

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


Sunday, March 2nd

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

Shrove Tuesday

Pancake Supper

TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH
6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.




Ash Wednesday

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Join us for
Ash Wednesday Worship

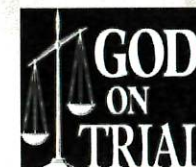
March 5th
10:00 a.m. (TLC)
7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

FOR YOU ARE DUST,
AND TO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN.
GENESIS 3:19



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Mid-Week Lenten Schedule 2025



The unbelieving world has always insisted on putting God on trial. As our society becomes more secular, we Christians are increasingly aware of the many ways in which God—and his people—are judged. Temptations are many in this environment: treating unbelievers as enemies, retreating from the world, even questioning God ourselves. How do we live as people of God in this hostile world? We find our model—and our motivation—in Jesus.

This series takes us back to the moments when God was literally on trial before men in the person of Christ. In these inspired episodes, we find forgiveness for us and all people, love for our enemies, strength for our faith, and courage to testify to the truth.

Schedule:

- March 5 (Ash Wednesday, 10am & 7pm) – Accusations
- March 12 – Restraint
- March 19 – Testimony
- March 26 – Misconceptions
- April 2 – Truth
- April 9 – Sympathy
- April 17 (Maundy Thursday) – Respite
- April 18 (Good Friday) – Evidence

The series concludes with “Vindication” on Easter Sunday (April 20) at 10:30am worship.

Meal at 6:00pm
Worship at 7:00pm


Note: No meal Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, or Good Friday.

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The NALC Carolinas Mission Region invites you for our annual

Youth Retreat at the Beach “Legacy”

March 14-16, 2025
Garden City Chapel and Retreat
Murrells Inlet, SC
6th- 12th graders



Cost is \$120 per person. Send at least 1 adult leader (over age 25) for every 5 students. College age students are invited to apply to serve as leaders-in-training. Register in January. Contact Melanie Corn, mcorn@stplchapin.com, for more information!