

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Little Mountain, South Carolina
5th Sunday in Lent

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(* Please stand as able)

*Gathering Hymn *There Is a Balm in Gilead* WOV Hymn 737

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 56

*Apostolic Greeting page 57

*Kyrie page 57

*Hymn of Praise *Glory to God in the Highest* page 58

*Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. Almighty and merciful God, your Son's glory was revealed through humility and suffering. Keep us from the temptation to elevate ourselves and help us to humbly share ourselves with others; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 119:9-16 see bulletin

The Second Lesson Hebrews 5:1-10

*The Gospel Acclamation *Return to the Lord...* page 63

*The Holy Gospel Mark 10:35-45

*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 "The Perfect Sacrifice is Coming"
Pastor Randy Drafts

*The Hymn of the Day *Breathe on Me, Breathe...* Hymn 488
Rite of Holy Baptism page 121
Boyce James Wooten
*The Peace
(We Sit)

We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

The Offering

The Anthem: *There is a Savior* Choir

*The Offertory Hymn *Create in Me* page 75

*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 76

*Sending Song *Restore in Us, O God* WOV Hymn 662

*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.

No Altar Flowers during Lent.

Stewardship Minute

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." – 2 Corinthians 9:7

We give thanks to God and Welcome: Boyce James Wooten, son of Micah & Emily Wooten into the family of faith here at Holy Trinity through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

We are asking for donations of finger foods, cookies & cupcakes for the Easter Egg Hunt.

Happy Mountaineers will meet, Thursday, March 21, 10 AM, in Trinity Life Center. Following devotions and any business, we will welcome a guest speaker, Angela Bowers, representing Newberry County Memorial Hospital. Lunch will be provided. All members are encouraged to attend and any visitors are welcomed to try us out. **DEVOTIONS:** Mary Spires **MEAL:** will be provided **NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE**

Prayers: Richard Rand (brother in law of Terecia Wilson), Michael Torrence, Judy Shealy, Terecia Wilson, Jean Miller (Mother of Pam Bush), Denise Salyer (Friend of Lucy Peters), Randy Stockman (Father of Amber Koon), Jean Alewine, Bobbie & Andy Bickley, Junior Alewine, Patsy Frick, Broko Boland (nephew of Carmen Boland), Gerald & Jonell Shealy, Marilyn Plampin, Nancy Webb (Mother of Terecia Wilson). *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, March 17, 2024

5th Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹{Thus says the LORD,} “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Psalm 119:9-16 (ESV)

⁹How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

¹⁰**With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments!**

¹¹I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

¹²**Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes!**

¹³With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth.

¹⁴**In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.**

¹⁵I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.

¹⁶**I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-10

¹For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

²He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; ⁶as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.” ⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what

he suffered. ⁹And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

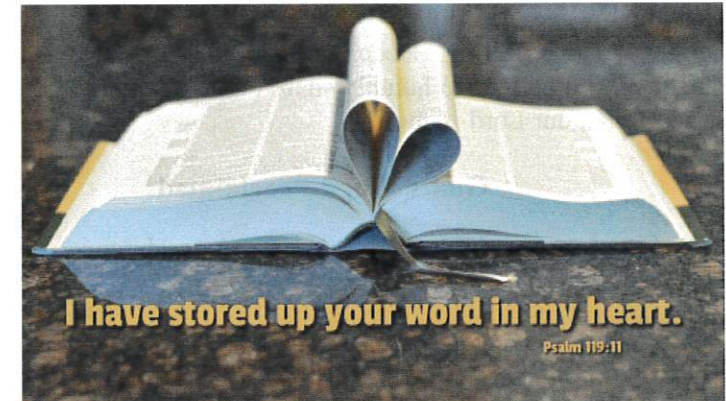
Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” ³⁹And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

A new covenant between God and his people came through Jesus Christ, who will reign as king and high priest forever. Jesus reminded his followers that to be a part of this new covenant is to be slave of all and servant of all, for the Son of Man came not to be served, but to be the one to serve others. His life, death, and resurrection are his “ransom” in exchange for the lives of his beloved children who believe.

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

SERVING TODAY, March 17, 2024

Acolyte: Barrett Havird
Crucifer: Tanner Shell
Bulletin Folder: Kaylee Hentz
Lector: Daniel Boland
Greeters: Charles & Brittany Frick
Nursery: Amy Collins, Paula Frick
Altar Guild: Kara Cumalander, Christie Allison
Flowers: No Flowers during Lent
Usher Chair: Spyros Lezimis
Elevator: Britton Havird
Ushers: Danny Newton, Edwin Havird

SERVING WEDNESDAY, March 20, 2024

Acolyte: Karter Crumpton
Crucifer: Eli Kednocker
Lector: Philip Armstrong
Altar Guild: Christie Allison, Kara Cumalander
Usher Chair: Spyros Lezimis
Elevator: James Wieters
Ushers: David Bush, Troy Hentz

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, March 24, 2024

Acolyte: Karter Crumpton
Crucifer: Eli Kednocker
Bulletin Folder: Natalie Winn
Lector: Bill Loadholdt
Greeters: Artie & Melisa Livingston
Nursery: Julie Haltiwanger, Ashley Boland
Altar Guild: Kara Cumalander, Christie Allison
Communion: Danny Newton, Sheri Wicker
Flowers: Palms
Usher Chair: Spyros Lezimis
Elevator: James Wieters
Ushers: David Bush, Troy Hentz

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

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

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Amount Needed Weekly in 2024 \$ 6,531.00
Amount Received Last Sunday \$ 5,543.00
Difference \$ 988.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

March 17, 2024

*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, March 17th

Confirmation 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Lutheran Men 6:30 p.m.

Monday, March 18th

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

Wednesday, March 20th

Leviticus Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Good News Club 2:40 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.
Lenten Meal 6:00 p.m.
Lenten Worship 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 21st

Happy Mountaineers 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 24th

Confirmation 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship / Palm Sunday / Holy Communion 10:30 a.m.
Teens for Christ 5:30 p.m.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Mid-Week Lenten Schedule

This year during our mid-week Lenten worship, are going to explore the question: what does it mean to live out our baptism in the world today?

For Christians, our way of life has at its foundation God's saving action in baptism. All that we are, and all that we do, grows out of His love given to us in baptism. During Lent, we will reflect upon who we are as God's children in baptism, and how we are to live as people forever marked with the cross of Christ. We will also be reminded that, in a world filled with pain, suffering, and uncertainty, God calls His baptized children to bring the message of hope, mercy, and grace into the lives of everyone around us. This is our ministry as baptized persons—as persons marked for living!

Join us Wednesdays during Lent to learn more.

Meal at 6:00 p.m.
Worship at 7:00 p.m.

February 21 - Claimed
February 28 - Named
March 6 - Clothed
March 13 - Enlightened
March 20 - Appointed

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JOIN US FOR AN



**Easter
Egg Hunt**

EGG HUNT - SNACKS - FELLOWSHIP

MARCH 30 | 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

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Holy  Week

SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday - March 24	10:30 A.M.
Maundy Thursday - March 28	7:00 P.M.
Good Friday - March 29	7:00 P.M.
Easter Egg Hunt - March 30	2:00 - 4:00 P.M.
Easter Sunday - March 31	
Sunrise Service	7:00 A.M.
Easter Breakfast	FOLLOWING SUNRISE
Easter Worship	10:30 A.M.

Volunteers Needed at GAAP in March

Holy Trinity has agreed to provide volunteers to work at the GAAP food pantry when a month has 5 Saturdays in it. In 2024, these dates are March 30, June 29, August 31st, and November 30th.

Since the first date (**March 30th**) is coming up soon, we are looking for volunteers to help that day.

6 volunteers are needed to staff the pantry. The volunteer hours are **9:45am to 12 noon**. Teenagers needing service hours are also welcome to join us.

The GAAP pantry is located at **501 O'Neal St in Newberry**.

If you are willing to volunteer March 30th, please let Danny Newton know at 843-810-5821 or 438dwnewton@gmail.com.

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Registration
Fee

SOLID ROCK DAY CAMP

JUNE

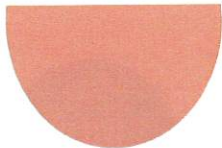
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WORSHIP & MUSIC, GAMES, BIBLE STUDY, CRAFTS,
SPECIAL ACTIVITIES, & JESUS - CENTERED FUN

St. Peter & Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Registration Link Coming Soon!!



What is a disciple?
 Who are disciples?
 Disciple
 Discipleship
 Disciple-making
 What is discipleship?
 How can I be a disciple?

Jesus' Plan for Making Disciples

Our previous discussion focused on the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) with Jesus commanding us to "Make Disciples." Three participles were used to explain how this command was to be followed - 1) Going 2) Baptizing and 3) Teaching. Let's look at these closer.

1. Going

Go to people, Jesus expects us to "go out." We are expected to "go out" and reach others who know nothing or very little about Jesus. Christians are not doing the work of the church if we are not winning souls to Christ or witnessing to the message of the gospels.

If the church is to grow by making disciples, its people must be willing to reach out into the world, community or local areas as Christ's witnesses. That is why Jesus sent us the Holy Spirit. "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8). The Holy Spirit whose fruit includes love and peace (Galatians 5:22) will give you boldness and opportunity to speak on His behalf.

Evangelism can be defined as sharing the good news of Christ's substitutionary death and resurrection and His free offer of forgiveness for sin and eternal life to all who come to Him by faith to receive it. The church should encourage and equip believers to effectively share their faith with unbelievers as well as believers!

2) Baptizing

Helping people identify with Christ.

Jesus said that part of making disciples was baptizing those to whom we have gone and who have accepted Christ. He was not saying to simply get people wet! The primary meaning of the Greek work baptism is "identification"!

When we put our trust in Christ, we become so completely identified with Him that His death and resurrection to new life become our death and resurrection. Many Christians struggle in their daily lives because they don't understand their new ID. They don't realize that being "in Christ" is such a radically new way of life that whatever happens to Christ happens to US.

3) Teaching

Teach people Biblical truth.

Once people have believed the gospel and have been ID with Christ, we must teach them "to observe all that I commanded you" (Matthew 28:20). Jesus said the goal is that people "observe," or obey, all that He commanded us. Unfortunately, many Christians want to audit the Christian life. They want the information without incurring any course responsibility. Thus accountability must be a key component of our instruction since obedience is the goal.

The goal of biblical teaching to combine information and knowledge with skill in applying the truth to daily life. Making disciples is a process of spiritual development. God wants to take the negatives in our lives and turn them into positives so that we come out looking like His Son.

Many people will say they don't know enough scripture to teach others. In general, your actions can speak louder than words. If the "seed" or "idea" is planted, God will cultivate and do the rest.

"Go & Make Disciples!"
 The Discipleship Team

