

# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Little Mountain, South Carolina

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

## We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(\* Please stand as able)

\*Gathering Hymn *He Leadeth Me* Hymn 501

\*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 56

\*Apostolic Greeting page 57

\*Kyrie page 57

\*Hymn of Praise page 58

\*Prayer of the Day

**P. Let us pray together.**

**C.** Shepherding God, draw us into the pasture of your grace, make us whole through the blood of the lamb, and keep us mindful that through your gift eternal life in Christ we shall not want; through Jesus Christ, 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 Acts 20:17-35

Psalms 23 see bulletin

The Second Lesson Revelation 7:9-17

\*The Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, Lord to whom...* page 62

\*The Holy Gospel John 10:22-30

\*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 Good Shepherd" Pastor Randy Drafts

\*The Hymn of the Day *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* Hymn 481

\*The Apostles' Creed page 65

\*The Prayers

\*The Lord's Prayer

\*The Peace

## We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

The Offering

The Anthem

\*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 *The Lord's My Shepherd* Hymn 451

\*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 Keribeth's 17<sup>th</sup> birthday and Kayleigh Jane's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday  
By Mom, Dad, Jase, & Tristan*

**TABLECLOTHS** - Some are missing from TLC so if you have taken some home to wash, please check and see if you forgot to return them. They have been missing for months. If you find some, please leave on counter in kitchen.

**Golden-age Sunday:** If you have already celebrated your 75th birthday or will be 75 this year, you are a Golden-ager. Each year a booklet is published containing short biographies of our golden-agers. If yours needs to be updated, please submit changes to Marie. If you are a first time golden-ager, biographies usually include prior occupation, family, hobbies, whatever you would like to include. Changes and new submissions should be given to Marie before April 24.

The **Music and Worship Committee** would like to donate the piano in the sanctuary to anyone in the congregation or community. This would be a great opportunity for anyone who would like to learn to play the piano. This would be delivered free of charge by Steinway Piano Company when they deliver the new piano to our church. If anyone is interested, please contact Donna Fulmer at 803-422-7407.

Prayers: Family of Quay & Charlotte Roseman, Jean Frick (Sister of Karen Winn & Becky Boland), Ann Herrington, Dot Abrams, Stuart & Pam Dalton, Meredith Williams (Daughter of Phil & Alice Martinez), Margaret Millner (Sister of Emily Clements), Travis Spires, Libby Williamson (Aunt of Jillian Long), Becky Boland, David McCall, Scott & Cheri Bell, 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, April 26, 2026

4th Sunday of Easter

**First Reading: Acts 2:42-47**

<sup>42</sup>{The believers} devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup>And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup>And all who believed were together and had all things in common. <sup>45</sup>And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

**Psalm 23**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup>**He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

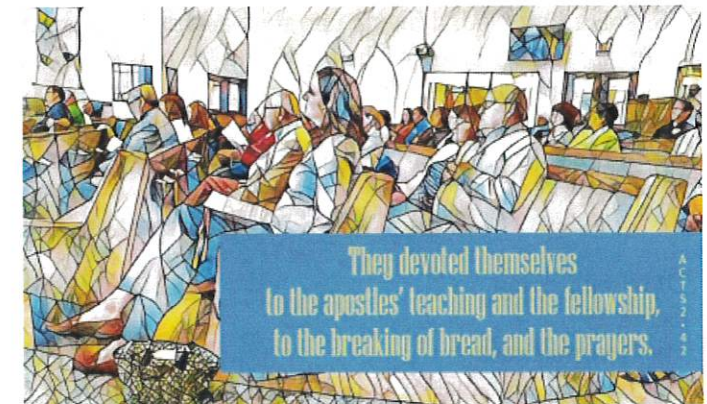
<sup>19</sup>For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup>For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup>He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. <sup>23</sup>When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

**Gospel: John 10:22-30**

<sup>22</sup> At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, <sup>[a]</sup> is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."

# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

**SERVING TODAY, April 26, 2026**

**Acolyte:** Eden Stoudemire  
**Crucifer:** Ella Stoudemire  
**Bulletin Folder:** Keribeth Zwart  
**Lector:** Daniel Boland  
**Greeters:** Frank & Lin Lake  
**Nursery:** unstaffed  
**Altar Guild:** Wanda Havird, Holly Havird  
**Flowers:** JP, Mary Jane, & Jase Zwart  
**Usher Chair:** Steve Bush  
**Elevator:** Cameron Kaihara  
**Ushers:** Frank Lake, Brad Stokes  
**Golf Cart:** Dean Rodgers  
**TLC On-Call Team:** Spyros & Mavy Lezimis  
**Cleaning Team:** Joe & Wanda Boland, Lauren Boland, Laurie Chapman, Melody Williams

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, May 3, 2026**

**Acolyte:** Meekin Stokes  
**Crucifer:** Colton Mitchell  
**Bulletin Folder:** Joanie & Houston Billingsley  
**Lector:** Chris Crouch  
**Greeters:** Phil & Alice Martinez  
**Nursery:** Karen Winn, Ann Newton  
**Altar Guild:** Christie Allison, Kara Cumalander  
**Communion:** Jessica Lindler, Sheri Wicker  
**Flowers:** Charles & Cindy Frick  
**Usher Chair:** Spyros Lezimis  
**Elevator:** Britton Havird  
**Ushers:** Britton Havird, Edwin Havird  
**Golf Cart:** Johnny Cumalander  
**TLC On-Call Team:** Spyros & Mavy Lezimis  
**Cleaning Team:** Kim Steffy, Karen Winn, Philip & Lauren Armstrong, Stuart Dalton

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

Attendance April 19:   Worship: 121    Sunday School: 49

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Received Last Sunday                   \$ 4,765.00

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**Welcome to Holy Trinity!**

April 26, 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, April 26th**

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Confirmation	4:30 p.m.
Teens for Christ	5:30 p.m.

**Monday, April 27th**

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
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**Tuesday, April 28th**

GLASS	6:30 p.m.
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**Wednesday, April 29th**

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

**Thursday, April 30th**

Youth Choir	6:00 p.m.
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**Thursday, May 1st**

Carolinas Mission Region Convocation

**Saturday, May 2nd**

Carolinas Mission Region Convocation

**Sunday, May 3rd**

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship/ Holy Communion / Golden Age Sunday / Congregational Meeting	10:30 a.m.

**NOTICE OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:**

SUNDAY, MAY 3 before worship. The purpose is to vote on options for pew refurbishment. All active members (who have communed and contributed in 2025 & 2026) are eligible to vote.

\*\*Please take a look at the pew in the TLC which has been refurbished to give you an idea of what we are possibly looking to do.



*Holy Trinity Lutheran Church*  
**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

MAY 3	Golden Age Sunday
MAY 17	Graduate Sunday
MAY 24	Confirmation Sunday
JUNE 15-19	Vacation Bible School
JULY 19-24	Solid Rock Day Camp

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Our church family has been blessed for many years through music that lifts our hearts in worship. Our current piano has faithfully served us, but it is now in need of replacement. We are prayerfully inviting members of the congregation to consider contributing toward the purchase of a new piano so that our worship services continue to be enriched through music for years to come.

Any donation, large or small, will help us reach this goal and will be a meaningful way to support our ministry of music in our church. We also will be selling keys on the piano as we did for our organ in memory of or an honor of loved ones. Each key will cost \$75 or two keys for \$125. A piano key form can be left in the church office or placed in the offering plate. Donations can also be given to any music and worship committee member- Donna Fulmer, Lauren Armstrong, Cindy Frick, Bobby Chapman, and council liaison - Ted Arnold. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generosity.

In Christian love,  
The Worship and Music Committee

# SUMMER ROAD TRIP

Summer!

Sunday School!

Coming May 24<sup>th</sup> to the TLC. Ending July 12<sup>th</sup>

## B.Y.O.C.

Bring Your Own Car

FOLLOWING GOD'S ROAD MAP

# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

cordially invites you to  
Golden Age Sunday

Sunday, May 3, 2026

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
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Sunday School 9:15 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.

Luncheon will follow worship

## Golden Age Sunday

**ALL MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH  
ARE INVITED!**

WE NEED TO KNOW WHO YOU ARE!! If you are 75 or older, OR WILL TURN 75 ANYTIME IN 2026, you are a HOLY TRINITY GOLDEN AGER and will be honored at the Sunday, May 3, worship service. There will be a home cooked meal following the service and we need to know how many will attend. Invite your family to join us for this special day when the folks who continue to be the bedrock of our congregation are honored. EVERYONE, INCLUDING GOLDEN AGERS, needs to return the slip below with your name and number attending by Sunday, April 26. Drop it in the offering plate, by the church office OR call the office with the number attending.

Tell us about yourself! If you need to update a biography or submit a first time biography, please do so to the office by April 24. If needed, forms are on tables outside the office and in the elevator room of the church to get you started.

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All volunteers, golden agers, church members, & visitors, please be sure to turn in your number attending as well.

THERE WILL BE \_\_\_\_\_ ATTENDING THE MEAL ON  
GOLDEN AGE SUNDAY.  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_

## Are you Graduating?

If so, please let the church office know by May 3rd... Graduate Sunday is May 17th.

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**CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY:** Schedule your photo session after church service today. Check in at the table set up outside as you exit. Times available are:

Wednesday May 20      Thursday May 21      Friday May 22      2:00 pm – 8:36 pm  
Saturday May 23      10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**NOTE:** You may also schedule by calling Judy Bedenbaugh (803) 364-2496 for appointments on Wednesday and Thursday.

You may also schedule by calling Donna Fulmer (803) 422-7407 for appointments on Friday and Saturday.

**DO NOT FORGET YOU GET A FREE 8X10 PORTRAIT AND A CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

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