

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Little Mountain, South Carolina
The Holy Trinity

We Prepare for Worship

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P. Let us pray together.

C. Majestic Trinity, strengthen us in our faith, defend us from all evil and temptation, and bring us into the everlasting presence of your love; 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

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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 Trinity: Beyond Explanation"
Pastor Randy Drafts

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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.

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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
by Daniel, Ashley, & Everett 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.

If you have any **musical talents** to share through the summer, please contact Brett Lindler at 803-924-0798.

There will be an adult VBS class June 23-26.

Prayers: Tourie & Hunter Corbett (Niece of Patsy Frick), Larry Velthouse (Step-Father of Robin Loadholdt), John Doke (Friend of Becky Boland), Kathy Carter (sister of Lin Lake), Wayne & Pam Shealy (Sister of Artie & Kim), David McCall, Lib Boland, Eddie Stevenson (Brother-in-law of Maxton King), Lee Lewis (Friend of Becky Boland), Helen Koon, Mike Brown (Father of Jillian Long), Kaye Shealy, Hannah Drafts, Jake Bearden (Grandson of Dot Abrams), Scott & Cheri Bell, Molly Kednocker, 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, June 15, 2025

The Holy Trinity

First Reading: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

¹Does not wisdom call? Does not understanding raise her voice? ²On the heights beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud: ⁴"To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the children of man.

²²"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. ²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, ²⁶before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. ²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth ³⁰then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man."

Psalm 8

¹O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

²**Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.**

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

⁴**what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?**

⁵Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

⁶**You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,**

⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

⁸**the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

⁹O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

*The Book of Common Prayer verse numbers for this psalm are different from the numbering in the ESV.

Second Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-36

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them:

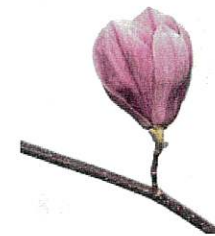
²²"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know — ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' ²⁹Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, 'The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.'" ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Gospel: John 8:48-59

⁴⁸The Jews answered {Jesus}, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" ⁴⁹Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." ⁵²The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' ⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

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*If anyone keeps
my word, he will
never see death.*

JOHN 8:51

*"Preaching, Teaching and Serving
in Christ's Name"*



SERVING TODAY, June 15, 2025

Acolyte: Dorothy Armstrong
Crucifer: Zack Henson
Bulletin Folder: Tanner Shell
Lector: Betty Cumalander
Greeters: Curtis & Peyton Boland
Nursery: Joyce McCall, Peyton Boland
Altar Guild: Kara Cumalander, Christie Allison
Communion: Kevin J. Shealy, Ann Sanders
Flowers: Daniel, Ashley, & Everett Boland
Usher Chair: Charles W. Frick
Elevator: Robbie Wicker
Ushers: Blake Derrick, Will Attaway

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, June 22, 2025

Acolyte: Barrett Havird
Crucifer: Daniel Williams
Bulletin Folder: Brayden Lambert
Lector: Helen Koon
Greeters: Philip & Lauren Armstrong
Nursery: Christie Allison, Crystal Crouch,
Dorothy Armstrong
Altar Guild: Kara Cumalander, Christie Allison
Flowers: Allen & Linda Chapman
Usher Chair: Charles W. Frick
Elevator: Robbie Wicker
Ushers: Blake Derrick, Will Attaway

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

Attendance June 8: Worship: 119 Sunday School: 32

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Needed Weekly in 2025	\$	6,610.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	4,294.00
Difference	-	\$ 2,316.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

June 15, 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, June 15th

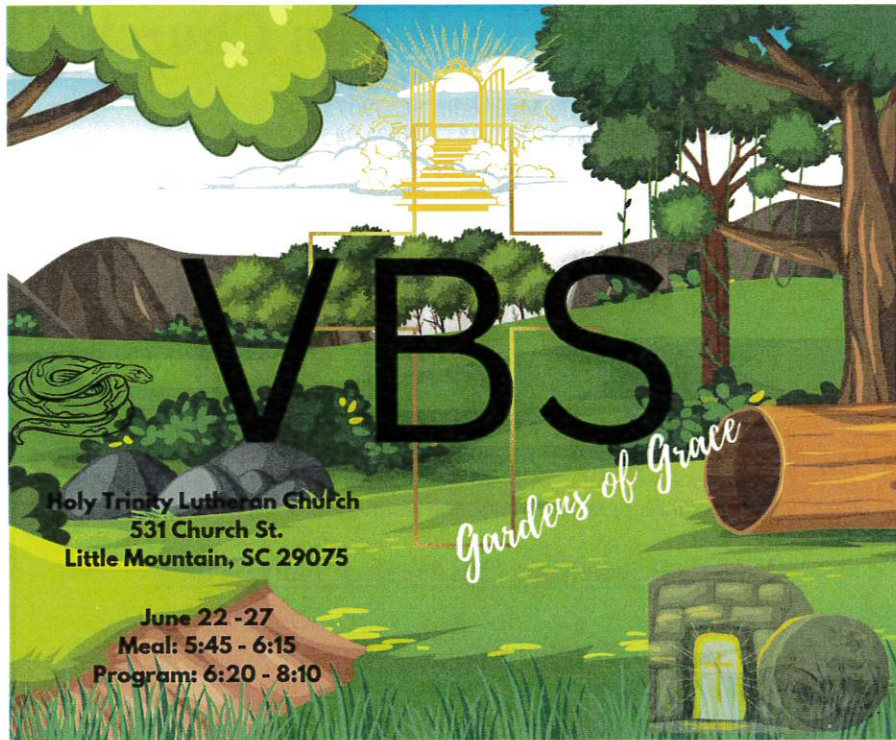
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship / Happy Father's Day	10:30 a.m.

Monday, June 16th

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
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Sunday, June 22nd

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
VBS Orientation	5:45 p.m.



Notice of Congregational Meeting

All eligible voting members of Holy Trinity are invited to join us for a congregational meeting on Sunday, June 22nd. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss and vote on a change to the Carolinas Mission Region Constitution (see below) and to receive updates regarding the 2025 Vision and our Benevolence to date. The congregation will also vote on the disposition of the church bus* and parsonage. If you feel strongly about any of these matters, plan to attend. Please speak to a council member or Pastor Randy if you have questions or concerns about the meeting.

Ratification Vote for CMR Constitution Article 7.02

The Carolina Mission Region has voted to modify its current constitution to expand voting privileges to 2 lay delegates per congregation, regardless of size. This is applicable only to Convocations of the Mission Region and Mission Districts, not the biennial NALC Convocations. Below is the text of the current Article and the amendment approved at the May 2-3, 2025 Carolinas Mission Region Convocation held at Christ's Lutheran Church in Stanley, NC. This change must be ratified by a majority vote of NALC congregations in North & South Carolina.

Current Article 7.02

7.02 Delegates with voting privileges at a Convocation of the Carolinas Mission Region, or any Convocation of a member Mission District (see Art. 7.05), shall be the ordained ministers of the Mission Districts that comprise the Carolinas Mission Region of the NALC and the official lay delegates of the congregations of the Mission Districts in the Carolinas. Each congregation of the Carolinas Mission Region of the NALC shall elect one lay delegate to the Convocation for every 400 baptized members, or fraction thereof, of such congregation. In the event that the total number of lay delegates elected pursuant to the preceding sentence is less than the total number of ordained clergy, the Regional Council of the Carolinas Mission Region of the NALC (or, in the case of a specially called Mission District Convocation, the Regional Council representatives of the Mission District in question) shall apportion additional lay delegates based on the relative size of the congregations in the member Mission Districts.

Proposed change to Article 7.02

7.02 Those with voting responsibilities at a Convocation of the Carolinas Mission Region, or any Convocation of a member Mission District, shall be the ordained ministers of the Mission Districts that comprise the Carolinas Mission Region of the NALC and the official lay delegates of the congregations of the Mission Region and Mission Districts. Each congregation may send up to two lay delegates to the annual CMR Convocation and Mission District Convocations. Lay persons chosen by their congregations to represent them at the Convocation are delegates. Clergy and delegates have voice and vote.