

# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Little Mountain, South Carolina

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(\* Please stand as able)

\*Gathering Hymn            *O Holy Spirit, Enter In*            Hymn 459

\*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 God, renew us daily through the power of your Holy Spirit that we might be nurtured in faith and holiness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*(We Sit)*

## God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson            Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm 1            see bulletin

The Second Lesson            2 Corinthians 5:1-10

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

\*The Holy Gospel            Mark 4:26-34

\*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            "Wait for It"            Pastor Randy Drafts

\*The Hymn of the Day *Great is Thy Faithfulness*            WOV Hymn 771

\*The Creed            page 65

\*The Prayers

\*The Lord's Prayer

\*The Peace

*(We Sit)*

## We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

The Offering

The Anthem:            *Come, Holy Spirit*            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            *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*            Hymn 543

\*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.

*The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Memory of Jerald Shealy and in Honor of Charles Shealy on Father's Day By Kevin, Wendy, Morgan, & Jennifer Shealy*

**Happy Father's Day:** Today we celebrate and give God thanks for the gift of our fathers. The ones who helped us see God in our biggest failures and greatest joys.

## Surviving Spouses Life Group

Holy Trinity plans to launch our second "Life Group" in the very near future. This new Life Group, called "Surviving Spouses", will be for widows and widowers, no matter how much time has passed since the loss of your spouse. The group will also seek to support those who are newly widowed. An interest meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, in the TLC at 6:30pm. Light refreshments will be provided. Please contact Ted Arnold (803-394-7378) or Pastor Randy (803-537-2303) with any questions.

## Summer Lunch Program through GAAP...

Newberry County is only providing a very limited summer lunch program for youths this summer. GAAP is hoping to fill the empty lunch gaps. Multiple churches have been asked to provide 1 type of lunch food. **Holy Trinity has been asked to provide canned Ravioli or SpaghettiOs (with or without meatballs).** If available, cans with a pull off tab/top are preferred. Any donations you can provide between mid-May until mid-August will be greatly appreciated. Your donations can be put in the appropriate donation box in the breezeway heading towards the TLC. Thank you!

**CLOTHING DRIVE**, sponsored by Happy Mountaineers, will BEGIN Sunday, June 16 and END Sunday, June 30. Leave CLEAN USABLE clothing, shoes, hats, caps, etc. in bags or boxes at the end of the hall outside the OLD KITCHEN. Donations will go to SC Dept of Mental Health.

Happy Mountaineers **WILL NOT MEET** in June.

Prayers: Kednocker Family, Matt Owens (Friend of Ashley Ballentine), Kathy Carter (Sister of Lin Lake), The Director of Youth and Education Ministries position, Fred Cumalander, Molly Kednocker, Micheal Torrence, Judy Shealy, Jean Miller (Mother of Pam Bush), Jean Alewine, Bobbie & Andy Bickley, Broko Boland (nephew of Carmen Boland), Gerald & Jonell Shealy, Marilyn Plampin. *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 16, 2024**

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**First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24**

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: “I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. <sup>24</sup>And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.”

**Psalms 1 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners,  
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

**<sup>2</sup>but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.**

<sup>3</sup>He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does  
not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

**<sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the  
righteous;

**<sup>6</sup>for the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup>For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup>if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup>For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened — not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup>He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. <sup>6</sup>So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the

body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

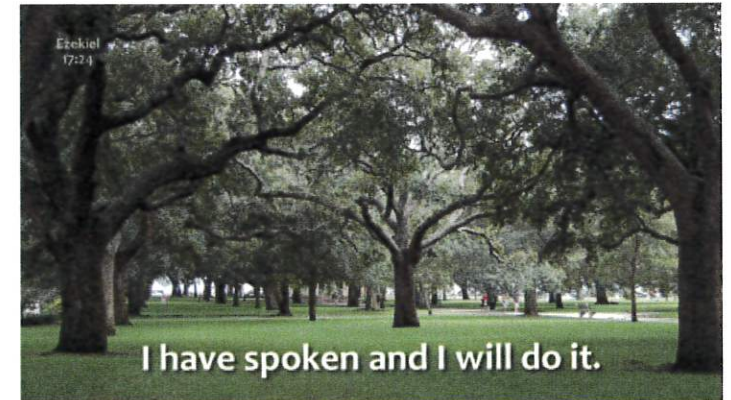
**Gospel: Mark 4:26-34**

<sup>26</sup>{Jesus} said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. <sup>27</sup>He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.” <sup>30</sup>And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” <sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. <sup>34</sup>He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

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Faith is something that is not rational, logical, or reasonable. It is a gift of the Holy Spirit that sustains us in our daily lives. It assures us that God has our best interests at heart, but even more so that his will is done on earth as it is in heaven. As we walk by faith, we are assured that Christ is with us, even if we cannot fully understand the ways in which God’s kingdom comes on this earth.

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



**SERVING TODAY, June 16, 2024**

**Acolyte:** Natalie Winn  
**Crucifer:** Braxton Rodgers  
**Bulletin Folder:** Tanner Shell  
**Lector:** Danny Newton  
**Greeters:** Edwin & Wanda Havird  
**Nursery:** Sheri Wicker, Karen Winn  
**Altar Guild:** Jessica Lindler, Bobbie King  
**Flowers:** Kevin & Wendy Shealy  
**Usher Chair:** Frank Lake  
**Elevator:** TBA  
**Ushers:** James Sligh, Brian Stiver

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, June 23, 2024**

**Acolyte:** Aubrey Curtis  
**Crucifer:** Braxton Rodgers  
**Bulletin Folder:** Bryson Aull  
**Lector:** Ann Sanders  
**Greeters:** Maxton & Bobbie King  
**Nursery:** Rebecca Edwards, Julie Haltiwanger  
**Altar Guild:** Jessica Lindler, Bobbie King  
**Flowers:** Ritchie & Helen Koon  
**Usher Chair:** Frank Lake  
**Elevator:** TBA  
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*If you are unable to serve, please arrange to switch with someone or contact an alternate.*

Attendance June 9:   Worship: 161   Sunday School: 45

**Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:**

Amount Needed Weekly in 2024	\$	6,531.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	5,271.00
Difference	\$	1,260.00

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## Welcome to Holy Trinity!

June 16, 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, June 16th**

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

**Monday, June 17th**

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
VBS Meal	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
VBS Program	6:15 p.m. 8:15 p.m.

**Tuesday, June 18th**

VBS Meal	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
VBS Program	6:15 p.m. 8:15 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 19th**

VBS Meal	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
VBS Program	6:15 p.m. 8:15 p.m.

**Thursday, June 20th**

VBS Meal	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
VBS Program	6:15 p.m. 8:15 p.m.

**Friday, June 21st**

VBS Meal	5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m.
VBS Program	6:15 p.m. 8:15 p.m.

**Sunday, June 23rd**

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

**Please share with your friends, family, and other community members!**

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is currently looking for a Director of Youth and Education Ministries. The ideal candidate will profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord, have a firm working knowledge of the Bible, and be committed to the core values of the North American Lutheran Church. They will interact well with parishioners of all ages and have experience with professional teaching and education duties. This is a full-time, salaried position with flexible office hours and the expectation that the ideal candidate will serve during the week and on weekends. For more information and to apply, visit <https://holyltc.org/about/join-our-team>.

***Volunteers Needed at GAAP in June***

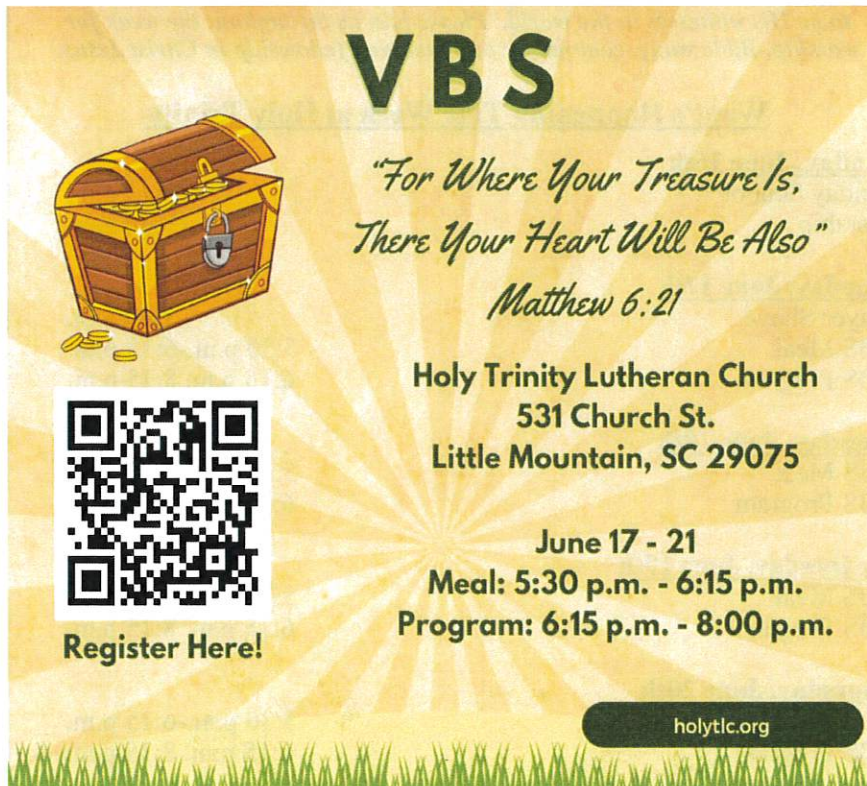
Holy Trinity has agreed to provide volunteers to work at the GAAP food pantry when a month has 5 Saturdays in it. In 2024, the next "5<sup>th</sup> Saturday" will be **June 29<sup>th</sup>**.

June 29<sup>th</sup> will be here before we know it. For that reason, we are looking to sign up volunteers now to help that day

**5 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. I think the last group of volunteers that worked in March enjoyed their time and service work.

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

If you are willing to volunteer June 29<sup>th</sup>, please let Danny Newton know at 843-810-5821 or [438dwnewton@gmail.com](mailto:438dwnewton@gmail.com).



**VBS**

*"For Where Your Treasure Is,  
There Your Heart Will Be Also"*

*Matthew 6:21*

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June 17 - 21  
Meal: 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.  
Program: 6:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Register Here!

[holyltc.org](https://holyltc.org)



**MOM'S LIFE GROUP**

**2024**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

<b>JUN 24</b>	LIFE GROUP MEETING 6:30 PM
<b>JUN 28</b>	NACHO MARGARITA 6:30 PM
<b>JUL 8</b>	LIFE GROUP MEETING 6:30 PM
<b>JUL 13</b>	SERVICE PROJECT 4 PM
<b>JUL 19</b>	FAMILY GAME NIGHT 6-9 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
TEXT OR CALL AMBER LAMBERT 803-467-5529

# TREASURE HUNT



## Instructions

The riddle is your clue to find a hidden note.  
Leading up to VBS we will have a new clue every  
Sunday. Keep track of all of your hidden notes to  
unlock a secret passage



**Ages 6 & under**



**Discover where volunteers lend a hand,  
where love is served in pots and pans.**

**Ages 7 & up**



**In the heart of fellowship's embrace, where love  
abounds and grace finds space, seek the spot where  
energy takes place, for 'those who hope in the Lord will  
renew their strength. They will soar on wings like  
eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will  
walk and not be faint.' - Isaiah 40:31**