

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Little Mountain, South Carolina

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(* Please stand as able)

*Gathering Hymn *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Hymn 439

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 56

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

*Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. God of glory and love, peace comes from you alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to your kingdom, and fill our hearts with joy in your promises; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson Genesis 3:8-15

Psalm 130 see bulletin

The Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

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

*The Holy Gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

*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 "Rest for the Weary Soul"

Pastor Randy Drafts

*The Hymn of the Day *Softly and Tenderly...* WOV Hymn 734

*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: *Take My Yoke Upon You* 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 *He Leadeth Me* Hymn 501

*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 Honor of our 12th Wedding Anniversary
By Blake, Jessica, & Kadence Derrick

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 25th, 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.

Committee Mailboxes

Mailboxes for our Executive Council Members and our Congregational Committees have been moved from inside the Conference Room to the wooden board located across the hall from the Conference Room. Committee chairs, please remember to periodically check your boxes!

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!

Happy Mountaineers WILL NOT MEET in June or July. Watch Sunday bulletins for August meeting news.

Mom's Life Group will NOT meet on June 10th or 17th due to Day Camp & VBS. We will resume the following week. Stay tuned for updates!

Prayers: Kathy Carter (Sister of Lin Lake), The Director of Youth and Education Ministries position, 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.*

First Reading: Genesis 3:8-15

⁸{The man and his wife} heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” ¹⁰And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” ¹¹He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” ¹²The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

Psalm 130 (ESV)

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
² **O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**
³If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
⁴**But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.**
⁵I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
⁶**my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.**
⁷O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.
⁸**And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart.

Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For 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.

Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

¹⁶“But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, ¹⁷“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.”

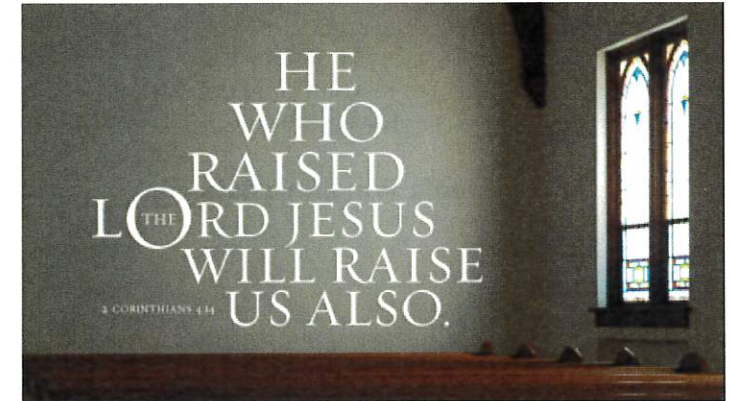
¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ ¹⁹The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”^[a]

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.”^[b] ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The reality of sin is something that we simply cannot escape. Evil is present in the world, and it has a terrible impact. St. Paul called sin the “old Adam,” and Luther understood it as a struggle that only ends at the grave. Behind all sin is the deep need to be in control of our own lives, choices, and actions. We recognize and appreciate God’s power over us when we fear, love, and trust God above all else.

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

SERVING TODAY, June 9, 2024

Acolyte: Natalie Winn
Crucifer: Blake Ballentine
Bulletin Folder: Dustin Winn
Lector: Carlotta Chapman
Greeters: Britton & Holly Havird
Nursery: Melissa & Eva Kednocker, Morgan Kaihara
Altar Guild: Jessica Lindler, Bobbie King
Flowers: Blake & Jessica Derrick
Usher Chair: Frank Lake
Elevator: Daniel Curtis
Ushers: Daniel Williams, Greg Murray

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, 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

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

Attendance June 2: Worship: 152 Sunday School: 51

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Needed Weekly in 2024	\$	6,531.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	6,822.00
Difference	+	\$ 291.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

June 9, 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 9th

Council Meeting	7:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Solid Rock Day Camp Ice Cream Social at St. Peter	4:00 p.m.

Monday, June 10th

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
Solid Rock Day Camp at St. Peter	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 11th

Solid Rock Day Camp at St. Peter	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, June 12th

Solid Rock Day Camp at Holy Trinity	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Community Meal	6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 13th

Solid Rock Day Camp at Holy Trinity	9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Solid Rock Day Camp Closing Program	6:00 p.m.
Revelation Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

Friday, June 14th

Solid Rock Day Camp at Holy Trinity	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
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Sunday, June 16th

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>.

**“COME AS YOU ARE?”
Community Meal**

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Trinity Life Center**

**Wednesday, June 12th
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

Please join us for a time of food and fellowship and get to know your neighbors.

**No charge for meal.
No reservations needed.
Stop in on your way home from work.**

Bring your family and friends.

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VBS



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

Matthew 6:21

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Register Here!

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

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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 “5th Saturday” will be **June 29th**.

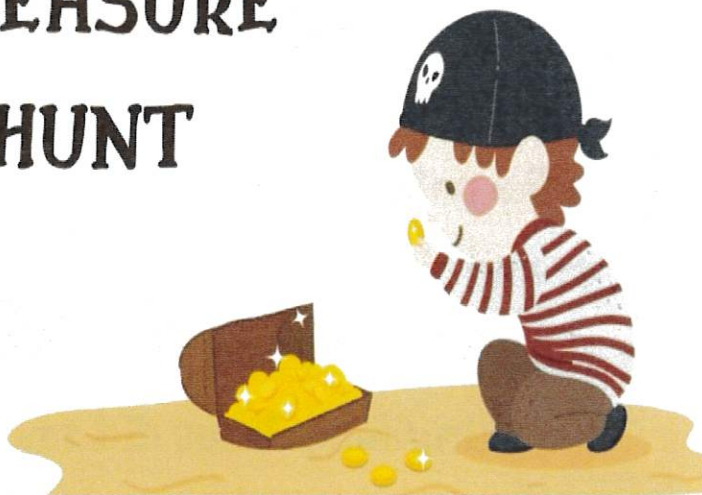
June 29th will be here before we know it. For that reason, we are looking to sign up volunteers now to help that day

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**.

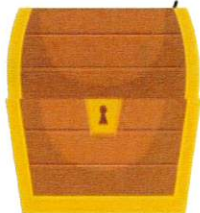
If you are willing to volunteer June 29th, please let Danny Newton know at 843-810-5821 or 438dwnewton@gmail.com.

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



**Follow the path where joy takes flight, where
swings and slides are a child's delight. Like
little children, come and play, for such is the
kingdom, Jesus did say.**

Ages 7 & Up



**Where vines intertwine, and leaves form
a cross divine, your next clue hides
where nature's embrace meets the divine
space.**