

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Little Mountain, South Carolina
9th Sunday after Pentecost

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(* Please stand as able)

*Gathering Hymn *Have No Fear, Little Flock* Hymn 476

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 77

*Apostolic Greeting page 78

*Hymn of Praise *Glory to God in the Highest* page 79

*Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray together.

C. God of all grace, you delight in your children and give them the kingdom. Give us faith to trust in your loving provision, that we might not worry needlessly, but live in freedom and gratitude; 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 Genesis 15:1-6

Psalm 33:12-22 see bulletin

The Second Lesson Hebrews 11:1-16

*The Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, Lord to whom...* page 83

*The Holy Gospel Luke 12:22-34

*The Gospel Response page 83

(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 the Little Children" as the children come forward.

The Sermon "Fear Not, Little Flock"

Pastor Randy Drafts

*The Hymn of the Day *Lord of All Hopefulness* Hymn 469
*The Creed page 85
*The Prayers
*The Lord's Prayer
*The Peace
(We Sit)

We Offer Our Thanks and Praise to God

The Offering

The Anthem: *Jesus Loves Me* Dorothy & Tabitha Armstrong

*The Offertory Hymn *Create in Me* page 96

*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 97

*Sending Song *How Great Thou Art* Hymn 532

*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
By Frank & Lin Lake

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Pastor Randy will be out of the office this week (Monday, August 11-Sunday, August 17) and returning on Monday the 18th.

Pastor's laptop and email are not working currently. Should you need to email Pastor Randy between now and when repairs are completed, please email him at pastordrafts@gmail.com.

If you are interested in the children's choir, please meet after church for a brief meeting or contact Brett at 803-924-0798.

Volunteers Needed at GAAP in August... Holy Trinity has agreed to provide volunteers to work at the GAAP food pantry when a month has 5 Saturdays in it. In 2025, these dates are March 29, May 31, August 30, and November 29th. If you are willing to volunteer August 30th, please let Danny Newton know as soon as possible at 843-810-5821 or 438dwnewton@gmail.com.

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

Prayers: Jimmy Henson (Father of Josh Henson), Family of Marilyn Plampin, Warren Fulmer, Pam & Stuart Dalton, Wayne & Pam Shealy (Sister of Artie & Kim), David McCall, Eddie Stevenson (Brother-in-law of Maxton King), 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.*

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6

¹The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O LORD God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

Psalms 33:12-22

¹²Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!
¹³**The Lord looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man;**
¹⁴from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth,
¹⁵**he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds.**
¹⁶The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
¹⁷**The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.**
¹⁸Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,
¹⁹**that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.**
²⁰Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.
²¹**For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.**
²²Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-16

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. ⁴By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. ⁵By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. ⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he

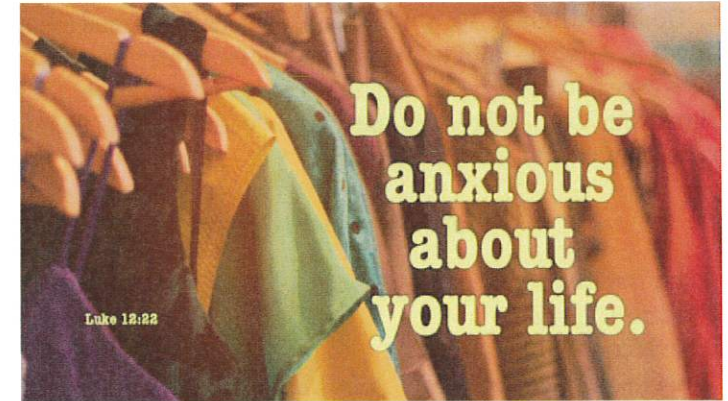
rewards those who seek him. ⁷By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith. ⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. ¹³These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

Gospel: Luke 12:22-34

²²{Jesus} said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. ³⁰For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. ³²Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

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

SERVING TODAY, August 10, 2025

Acolyte: Karsyn Crumpton
Crucifer: Tanner Shell
Bulletin Folder: Blair Cromer
Lector: Philip Armstrong
Greeters: Charles & Cindy Frick
Nursery: Crystal Crouch, Jenna & Taylor Lake
Altar Guild: Karen Winn, Connie Frick
Flowers: Frank & Lin Lake
Usher Chair: Marty Frick
Elevator: Lane Attaway
Ushers: Josh Long, Dalton Chapman

TLC On-Call Team: Faye Shealy & Melody Williams
Cleaning Team: Joe & Wanda Boland, Lauren Boland,
Laurie Chapman, Melody Williams

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, August 17, 2025

Acolyte: Logan Frick
Crucifer: Eli Kednocker
Bulletin Folder: Eli Kednocker
Lector: Daniel Boland
Greeters: Phillip & Christie Allison
Nursery: Peyton Boland, Karen Winn
Altar Guild: Karen Winn, Connie Frick
Flowers: Ted Arnold
Usher Chair: Marty Frick
Elevator: Jackson Livingston
Ushers: Louie Chapman, Robert Edwards

TLC On-Call Team: Faye Shealy & Melody Williams
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Laurie Chapman, Melody Williams

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

Attendance August 3: Worship: 183 Sunday School: 41

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Needed Weekly in 2025	\$	6,610.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	11,845.00
Difference	-	\$ 5,235.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

August 10, 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, August 10th

Council Meeting	7:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.

Monday, August 11th

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
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Tuesday, August 12th

GLASS	6:30 p.m.
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Wednesday, August 13th

Community Meal	6:00 - 6:45 p.m.
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Sunday, August 17th

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



There has been interest in a children's choir amongst members of the congregation. If you are under the age of eighteen and are interested in joining, please reach out to Brett Lindler or the church office.



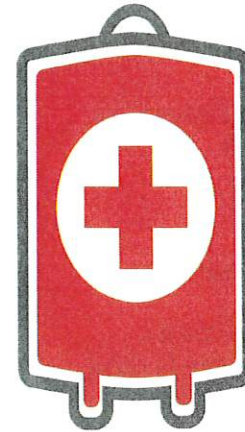
First Communion Instruction

Sundays – September 21, 28 & October 5
9:15a.m. (Conference Room)

Here at Holy Trinity, parents and guardians help determine when a child is ready to receive Holy Communion.

- This 3-session class is designed for children who are preparing to commune for the first time. Any child who already communes but would like a refresher on significance of Holy Communion is also welcome to attend.
- Parents or guardians may attend all classes with their child and must attend the beginning of the first class on September 21st.
- First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, October 5th, during 10:30a.m. worship.
- If you have questions about your child's readiness, please contact Pastor Randy to pick up a copy of "Holy Communion: Discerning Your Child's Readiness." Please note: children 3rd grade and above who have not had First Communion instruction are strongly encouraged to attend.

You may register for this class by contacting Pastor Randy or by calling the church office. Please register no later than Sunday, September 14th to allow us time to prepare adequate materials. Thank you, and we look forward to journeying to the table with you!



Give blood.
Help save lives.



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Monday, August 18, 2025
2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Trinity Life Center
531 Church Street Little Mountain, SC 29075

Come give for a \$15 e-gift card &
successful donations get A1C testing.



For an appointment, please scan or visit RedCrossBlood.org
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