

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Little Mountain, South Carolina
12th Sunday after Pentecost

We Prepare for Worship

- Silence and meditation
- Prelude
- Welcome and Announcements
(* Please stand as able)
- *Gathering Hymn *Precious All People That on Earth...* Hymn 245
- *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. Gracious God, you welcome all who cry out to you, and no one is beyond the reach of your mercy. Strengthen us to be living signs of your healing and mercy so that all may know your glory and grace; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**
(* We Sit)

God’s Word Proclaimed

- The First Lesson Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
- Psalm 67 see bulletin
- The Second Lesson Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32
- *The Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia, Lord to whom...* page 83
- *The Holy Gospel Matthew 15:21-28
- *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 Me” as the children come forward.

The Sermon Kyle Page

- * The Hymn of the Day *In Christ There Is No East...* Hymn 359
- *The Apostles’ Creed page 85
- *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 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 *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* WOV Hymn 723
- *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
By Ted Arnold

Pastor Randy will be out of the office Monday, August 10, through Sunday, August 16. He will return all non-emergency calls, texts, and emails beginning Monday, August 17.

Homecoming...The social ministry committee and those willing to help with homecoming, will meet on Wednesday, August 19 at 6:00 p.m. in conference room.

HAPPY MOUNTAINEERS’ AUGUST meeting will be the annual “4 Church’s Meeting” on THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 11:00 AM, hosted by Macedonia. Macedonia will furnish BBQ & fried chicken; bring a covered dish to share. If you’d like to carpool from the church, let Ann Sanders know. All members are encouraged to attend.

Prayers: Kollynn Hill, Kay Richardson, Cody & Tori Hutto (Son-in-law & Daughter of Scott & Cheri Bell), Kelli Robinson (Daughter of Charles & Kaye Shealy), Mike Riddle, Kenny Chapman, Rebecca Edwards, Owen Shimel (grandson of Joanne Alewine), Janet Whetstone (Friend of Curtis & Diane Hardy), Dot Abrams, Meredith Williams (Daughter of Phil & Alice Martinez), Margaret Millner (Sister of Emily Clements), Travis Spires, 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, Last-minute will remain on the list for one month and non-members for two weeks.*

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First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

¹Thus says the LORD: “Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my righteousness be revealed.”

⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant — ⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.” ⁸The LORD God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, “I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered.”

Psalm 67

¹May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

²**that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.**

³Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

⁴**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

⁶**The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.**

⁷God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ^{2a}God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. ...

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order

that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

²¹Jesus went away from {Gennesaret} and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” ²⁴He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” ²⁶And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁷She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

SERVING TODAY, August 16, 2026

Acolyte: Anna Mae Kednocker
Crucifer: Eva Kednocker
Bulletin Folder: Wyatt & Addi Koon
Lector: Cindy Frick
Greeters: Jerry & Annette Shealy
Nursery: Samantha & Aubrey Curtis, Karen Winn
Altar Guild: Erica Carter, Bobbie King, Jessica Lindler
Flowers: Ted Arnold
Usher Chair: Kevin J. Shealy
Elevator: Ray Cumalander
Ushers: James Sligh, Brian Stiver
Golf Cart: Johnny Cumalander
TLC On-Call Team: Faye Shealy, Melody Williams
Cleaning Team: Joe & Wanda Boland, Lauren Boland, Laurie Chapman, Melody Williams

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, August 23, 2026

Acolyte: Logan Frick
Crucifer: Landon Frick
Bulletin Folder: TBA
Lector: Helen Koon
Greeters: Charles & Kaye Shealy
Nursery: unstaffed
Altar Guild: Erica Carter, Bobbie King, Jessica Lindler
Flowers: Curtis & Dianne Hardy
Usher Chair: Kevin J. Shealy
Elevator: Ray Cumalander
Ushers: James Sligh, Brian Stiver
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If you are unable to serve, please arrange to switch with someone or contact an alternate.

Attendance August 9 : Worship: 182 Sunday School: 66

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Received Last Sunday \$ 7,178.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

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*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 16th

Lutheran Men	7:45 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.

Monday, August 17th

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
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Tuesday, August 18th

Stewardship Finance Meeting	6:30 p.m.
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Wednesday, August 19th

Social Ministry Committee	6:00 p.m.
Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 20th

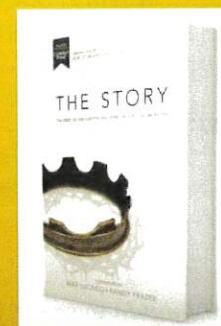
Happy Mountaineers 4 Church's Meeting at Macedonia	11:00 a.m.
Card/ Game Night	6:00 p.m.
Youth Choir	6:00 p.m.
Circle of Joy	6:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 23rd

Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Teens for Christ	2:00 p.m.



Learn "The Story" of man's redemption through Christ, every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 6 PM in the Parish building, continuing on August 11th.



Bible study for students in grades 6 -12; however, anyone is welcome.