

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Little Mountain, South Carolina
16th Sunday after Pentecost

We Prepare for Worship

Silence and meditation

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(* Please stand as able)

*Gathering Hymn *Beautiful Savior!* Hymn 518

*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. Redeeming Lord, only in Jesus can we be set free from the power of sin and death. Instill in your church wise and generous hearts that we may be faithful stewards of the grace and love we have received from you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

(We Sit)

God's Word Proclaimed

The First Lesson Amos 6:1-7

Psalm 146 see bulletin

The Second Lesson 1 Timothy 3:1-13

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

*The Holy Gospel Luke 16:19-31

*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 *"The Six Brothers"*

Pastor Randy Drafts

*The Hymn of the Day *God of Grace and God of Glory* Hymn 415

*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: *There's Something About that Name* Choir

*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 *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* Hymn 423

*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 my parents, Louie & Betty Derrick and my brother, Al Derrick
By Clair Wicker*

Happy Mountaineers will meet Thursday, Sept. 25, @ 10 a.m., in the TLC. Little Mountain Mayor Jana Jayroe will be our guest speaker. All members are encouraged to attend. Devotions: Lucy Peters
Meal: Will be provided

The FLOWER LIST FOR 2026 is on the board outside the church office. If you'd like a particular Sunday, please sign up by November 2, 2025. Thank you!

LISTS FOR ALTAR FLOWERS and TO SERVE BEREAVED FAMILIES will be compiled for 2026 with new church members being added and any necessary adjustments made. **SHOULD YOU WISH TO NOT BE ADDED OR TO BE DROPPED FROM EITHER OF THESE LISTS**, please notify the church office by November 2, 2025. If you have previously notified the office to be dropped or not included, it is not necessary to do so again. Any questions, contact Mary Spires.

Bazaar will be held on November 1st. Time to start getting your items ready. If you have any questions, please call Ann Sanders or Lin Lake.

Prayers: Jimmy Sanders, Libby Williamson (Aunt of Jillian Long), Dot Abrams, Becky Boland, Jerry Shealy, Jimmy Henson (Father of Josh Henson), Warren Fulmer, 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. *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: Amos 6:1-7

¹“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! ²Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, ³O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? ⁴Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

Psalm 146

¹Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

³Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

⁴**When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.**

⁵Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;**

⁷who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;

⁸**the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

⁹The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

¹⁰**The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!**

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 3:1-13

¹The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. ²Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable,

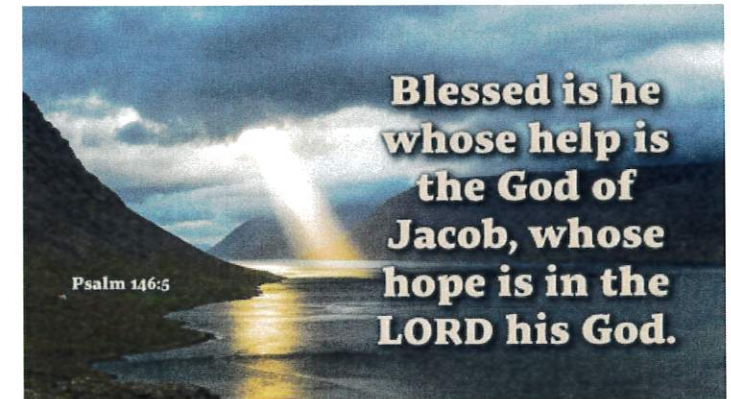
hospitable, able to teach, ³not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. ⁴He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, ⁵for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church? ⁶He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. ⁷Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. ⁸Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. ⁹They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. ¹⁰And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. ¹¹Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. ¹²Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. ¹³For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

¹⁹{Jesus said to the Pharisees,} “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. ²⁶And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ ²⁷And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house — ²⁸for I have five brothers — so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

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

SERVING TODAY, September 28, 2025

Acolyte: Dustin Winn
Crucifer: Zack Henson
Bulletin Folder: Barrett Havird
Lector: Christie Allison
Greeters: Maxton & Bobbie King
Nursery: Karen Winn, Jenna & Taylor Lake
Altar Guild: Jessica Lindler, Erica Carter, Bobbie King
Flowers: Clair Wicker
Usher Chair: Charles Shealy
Elevator: Johnny Cumalander
Ushers: Matthew Linton, Bill Dupuis

TLC On-Call Team: Spyros & Mavy Lezimis
Cleaning Team: Kim Steffy, Karen Winn,
Philip & Lauren Armstrong

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, October 5, 2025

Acolyte: Dustin Winn
Crucifer: Zack Henson
Bulletin Folder: Eva Kednocker
Lector: Karsyn Crumpton
Greeters: Ritchie & Helen Koon
Nursery: Glenda Hentz, Jessica, Keaton, & Knowlton
Lindler
Altar Guild: Holly Havird, Wanda Havird
Communion: Jeremy & Jessica Lindler
Flowers: Maxton & Bobbie King
Usher Chair: Frank Lake
Elevator: Alex Attaway
Ushers: Blake Derrick, Andy Chapman

TLC On-Call Team: Steve & Leah Bush
Cleaning Team: Darin & Becky Boland, Charles E. Frick,
Chris & Crystal Crouch

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

Attendance September 21: Worship: 165 Sunday School: 48

Our Weekly Commitments and Needs – General Fund:

Amount Needed Weekly in 2025	\$	6,610.00
Amount Received Last Sunday	\$	9,186.00
Difference	+	\$ 2,576.00

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

September 28, 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, September 28th

1st Communion	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Confirmation	4:30 p.m.
Teens for Christ	5:30 p.m.

Monday, September 29th

Prayer Shawl	9:00 a.m.
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Wednesday, October 1st

Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Choir	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 2nd

Youth Choir	6:30 p.m.
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Sunday, October 5th

1st Communion	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Worship / Holy Communion	10:30 a.m.



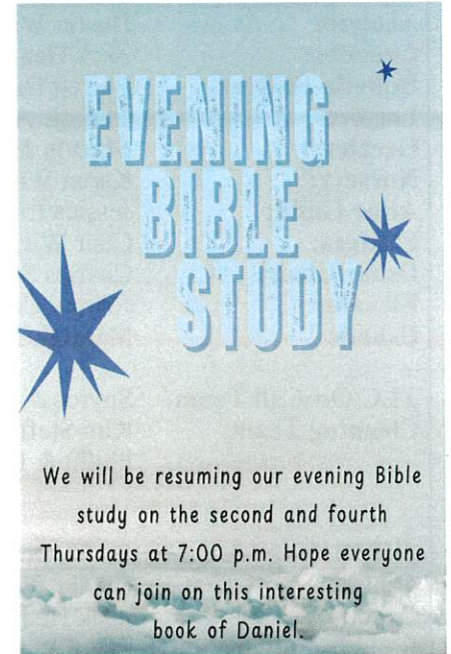
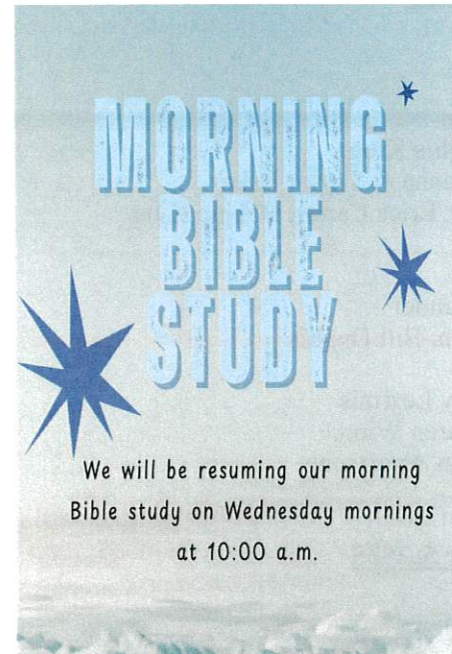
First Communion Instruction

Sundays – September 21, 28 & October 5
9:00 a.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!



Stewardship

"We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--ourselves, our time, and our possessions..."

Stewardship is an individual's response to the blessings God has given to all His people and how we can best share those blessings with our neighbors. Surveys will be made available to each of our families. You will also receive an emailed copy and a copy will be available on the church website. Please complete the survey and return it by September 30th. You may place your survey in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

Parents, this is a wonderful opportunity to talk with your children about the importance of giving back to the Lord. We ask that you please help your children complete the form. The completed surveys will be used to help church leaders connect members with ministries they have gifts for, as well as to complete the servant list, volunteer calendars, and committee appointments for the coming year.

May God bless us as we use our time, talents, treasures, and testimony to preach, teach, and serve in Christ's name.

