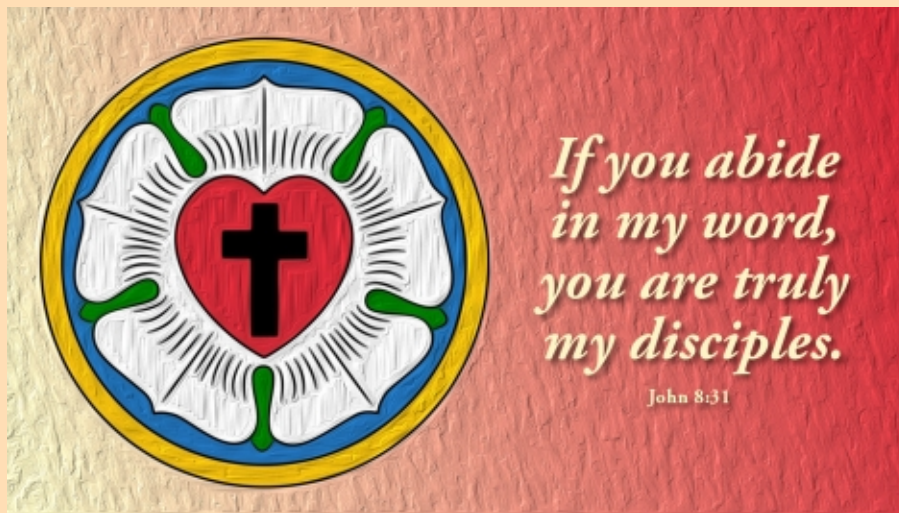


October 2025

The Herald

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Come Worship With Us Each Sunday
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

From the Pastor

"And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."

– Mark 13:12-13

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the above passage we find both LAW and GOSPEL.

The Law reminds us that, on this side of God's Kingdom, evil still exists in the world; there will be trials, there will be temptation, there will be sickness, and there will be death. So, Jesus warns His disciples: be on your guard! You will be beaten; you will be put on trial; you will be hated for the Gospel I am telling you to proclaim.

But He then reminds us: those who endure until the end will be saved. That is the hope we hold onto; it is the Gospel that we proclaim. Hold fast!

We are certainly living in the "in-between" time – in the time of "now and not yet." Jesus has been victorious on the cross, and yet He has not returned for His second coming. The war has been won, but there are battles still to engage. We continue strive AGAINST the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises.

Likewise, we are called to go into the world to proclaim the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are an Easter people, after all! And God promises us that someday, because Jesus rose from the dead and gives to us eternal life, we will know everlasting peace and be with Him forever.

In the meantime, as His disciples, we are called to be agents of peace, advocates for those without a voice, a helping hand to those who are in need, and – most of all – to be those who proclaim the Gospel to a world desperately in need of the Good News of Jesus Christ.

So, we must ask ourselves: are we ready to go anywhere God calls us? And are we ready and willing to do those things which He calls us to do?

Something for you to think about.

In Christ,

P. Randy

Upcoming Events

FLOOD BUCKET BUILD

Join us at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 12th here at Holy Trinity to assemble Flood Buckets for NALC Disaster Response. Please sign up to bring specific items needed for the Flood Buckets on the sheet in the narthex.

These items include:

- 1 five-gallon bucket with lid
- 1 jug bleach
- 2 large trash bags
- 1 roll paper towels
- 2 rags
- 1 Comet or scouring cleanser
- 1 Pine Sol or liquid cleaner
- 1 scrub brush
- 1 pair of rubber gloves
- 1 pair of leather gloves
- 1 pair of cotton gloves

We will also be collecting gift cards (Home Depot, Lowe's, Walmart - *please write the date purchased on each card), quilts/blankets, and Bibles. If you would like to participate in the build, please also sign up in the narthex so that we can make sure we have enough food for lunch.

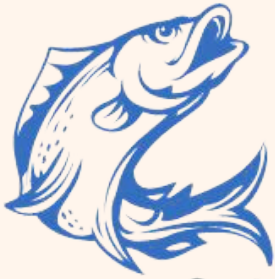
THANK YOU FOR SERVING THOSE IN NEED!

GLASS is a life group for surviving spouses
(God Loves All Surviving Spouses).

Join us on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday evenings at
6:30 p.m. for Bible study, discussion, &
supporting each other.

We meet in the prayer shawl room.
Come & bring a friend.

Upcoming Events



LUTHERAN MEN FISH FRY

October 12, 2024
5:00pm - 6:30pm

Local catch with french fries,
hush puppies and cole slaw

Proceeds to LM Mission Ministries
\$10 per plate donation
eat in or take out

Please call the church office for
tickets, if you have not been
offered a ticket.

A Sunday school class for preschool-age students is now available in the classroom to the left of the preschool office. Teachers are Tina Attaway and Becky Boland. If you have a preschool-age child, we would love to see them in Sunday school!

Parlor Sunday School Class

We have completed The Chosen and are going to study some of the disciples in depth. Come and join us at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday in the parlor.

Trunk - Or - Treat is scheduled for October 26th.
More details to come.

Upcoming Events

Confirmation Classes – Resuming October 27th

Parent meeting at 9:00am in the Conference Room
Confirmation is for current 7th & 8th graders and above

This year we will again begin using a Confirmation program called “Head to Heart.” It is a two-year series that focuses on the Bible (Year A) and Luther’s Small Catechism (Year B). This year is Year A.

During the first class/parent meeting, we will go over the schedule for the year, expectations for the class, answer any questions, and – the students’ favorite – assign refreshments for the year. J

I would ask that each student bring their own Bible, pen/pencil, and notebook with paper for class time. If there is a need for any of these items, please let me know. If you have any questions, please contact the church office, call/text me on my cell phone at 803-537-2303, or email me at pastor@holtytlc.org. I look forward to this year of growing in faith together!
-Pastor Randy

Happy Mountaineers

Happy Mountaineers met Wednesday, August 21, 2024, 10 AM in TLC. Following business, they drove to Mt. Tabor for the annual Four Churches Meeting. 11 members attended from Happy Mountaineers.

Our Sept meeting will be a visit to The Boland House. We’ll have a picnic lunch at either The Boland House, weather permitting, or back at the church. A trip to The Governor’s Mansion, decorated for Christmas, is planned for December’s meeting which will be on December 12. Kevin Shealy can drive the bus and the congregation is invited. Lunch will be at Lizard’s Thicket. Let Janet Fulmer or Mary Spires know by Nov. 17, if you’d like to participate.

We have lots of good fun and fellowship planned for the remainder of 2024 so ALL senior adults are invited and encouraged to join us. Bring a friend!!



Fall BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 2ND
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

CRAFTS, BAKED GOODS,
HOMEMADE SAUSAGE, SOUPS,
HOMEMADE CHICKEN SALAD & PIMENTO CHEESE,
HOMEMADE BREAD, FROZEN CASSEROLES,
YARD SALE ITEMS & BOOKS

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

531 Church Street
Little Mountain



Fall Bazaar

VOLUNTEERS FOR BAZAAR

If you would be willing to help in any way with the bazaar, please let us know. Craft items, clean and good condition thrift store items including books and furniture should be in TLC no later than Friday morning. Food items can be brought on Friday or early Saturday morning. Please call Ann Sanders at 803-537-7791 or Lin Lake at 803-360-0919. Proceeds will go to the Building Fund for repairs. Please drop in offering plate by Sunday, October 27th.

- _____ Help set up for bazaar on Friday, November 3rd starting at 9:00 a.m.
- _____ Donate homemade baked goods
- _____ Donate homemade bread
- _____ Donate homemade soup
- _____ Donate homemade chicken salad or pimento cheese spread
- _____ Donate some homegrown canned goods (jellies, vegetables, pickles, etc.)
- _____ Make craft items
- _____ Donate clean & good condition yard sale items (including furniture & books)
- _____ Help at bazaar on Saturday morning November 4th.

Name

Telephone #

SAUSAGE AT BAZAAR

Place your order for Pork Sausage in advance by filling out the form below and returning it in the offering plate or to the church office by Sunday, October 29th. Sausage can be picked up at Bazaar on November 2nd. Payment can be made when you pick up the sausage. Price is \$4.50 per pound.

YOUR NAME _____

Pounds (regular, with onion) _____

Pounds (regular, without onion) _____

Pounds (spicy, with onion) _____

Pounds (spicy, without onion) _____

October Birthdays



October 1 Adam Anderson
October 2 Bobby Chapman
October 3 Christopher Corley, Harriet Moore, Lee Attaway
October 4 Charles Shealy, Lester Arnold, Jessi Boland,
Molly Kednecker, Dianne Fulmer, Miko Kaihara
October 5 Kaiti Shealy, Grant Shealy
October 7 Carlotta Chapman, Amanda Bush Glenn
October 8 Jerry Shealy, Britton Havird, Cody Page, Andrew Waters
October 10 Amy Collins, Parker Lester
October 11 Ellen Lindler, James Wieters
October 12 Cameron Kaihara
October 13 Brandon Dorroh, Caitlin Attaway
October 14 Derrick Kibler, Rebecca Edwards, Collins Elise Attaway
October 15 Landon Frick
October 16 Rachel C. Jurkovic, Artie Livingston
October 17 John Frick
October 18 Shelby Sheely
October 19 Karen Winn, Wendy Shealy
October 20 Crystal Shealy, Julie Haltiwanger, Chad Weaver
October 22 Travis Spires
October 23 Sydney Bell Hilton
October 25 Natalie Winn
October 26 Jackson Livingston, Zack Henson
October 27 Jeremy Lindler
October 28 Wendy Shell, Tyler Shell
October 29 Katherine Wieters
October 30 Kevin E. Shealy, Bart Chapman
October 31 Dorothy Armstrong, Brayden Lambert

HAPPY
Birthday
TO YOU



October Serving Assistants

Sunday	Acolyte	Crucifer	Bulletin Folder	Lectors	Flowers
06	Roman Long	Blair Cromer	Karsyn Crumpton	Ava Kate Weaver	Johnny & Angie Willis
13	Karsyn Crumpton	Blair Cromer	Knowlton Lindler	Joe Boland	TBA
20	Karsyn Crumpton	Tanner Shell	Hudson Long	Becky Chapman	Allen & Melody Williams
27	Hudson Long	Tanner Shell	Karter Crumpton	Helen Koon	Walt & Julie McLeod

Sunday	Greeters	Nursery
06	Edwin & Wanda Havird	Sheri Wicker, Julie Haltiwanger
13	Jeremy & Jessica Lindler	Rebecca Edwards, Karen Winn
20	Dana Dorroh & Janet Fulmer	Robin Loadholdt, Morgan Kaihara
27	Mike & Jackie Riddle	Amber Koon, Morgan Shealy

	Communion
06	Jeremy & Jessica Lindler

Altar / Parament for October
Sheri & Robbie Wicker

Ushers - October	Chairman:	Robby Hentz	* elevator operator
06, 13	Mark Kibler	Bobby Chapman	Curtis Boland*
20, 27	Aaron Lambert	Andy Chapman	Artie Livingston*

October

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Faith Circle 2pm	2 Bible Study 10am	3	4	5
6 Pentecost 16 9:15am-Sunday School 10:30am-Worship	7 Prayer Shawl-9am	8	9 Bible Study 10am Community Meal 6:00 p.m.- 6:45 p.m.	10 Revelation Bible Study 7pm	11	12 Fish Fry 5:30 p.m.-7p.m.
13 Pentecost 17 7:30am- Council Meeting 9:15am-Sunday School 10:30am-Worship 5:00pm- Teens for Christ	14 Prayer Shawl-9am	15	16 Bible Study 10am	17 Happy Mountaineers 10am	18	19
20 Pentecost 18 9:15am-Sunday School 10:30am-Worship 6:30pm- Lutheran Men	21 Prayer Shawl-9am	22	23 Bible Study 10am	24 Revelation Bible Study 7pm	25	26
27 Pentecost 19 9:15am- Confirmation 9:15am-Sunday School 10:30am- Worship 5:00pm-Teens for Christ	28 Prayer Shawl-9am	29	30 Bible Study 10am	31		

Bible Verse of the Month

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.*

Lamentations 3:22-23

Thank You Notes

With many thanks
to you
for your kindness.

Thank you very much
for my prayer shawl,
it is very beautiful &
very loved. It is also my
favorite colors.

Cheri Bell

Dear Congregation
and Prayer Shawl Ministry of HTLC,

Thank you so much for the
recognition and gifts. I
will use the blanket and
book as I begin my college
career.

Thank you again,
Connor Cromer



Prayer Shawl Ladies,

I sincerely thank you for:

- The beautiful prayer shawl made by
your loving hands;
- The love you never fail to give;
- The help you never fail to give;
- And the laughter you never cease to
share

In the love of Christ who loved us first,

Ludy H. Bedenbaugh

September 1, 2024

Prayer Shawl

I thank all of you for
taking the time out of
your day to make this
blanket for me. It means
a lot coming from the
Church. It really brightened
my day. ☺ -ELI

Prayer Shawl

Thank You for Your generosity and
thoughtfulness! Your gift was a
blessing! Your gift will forever be loved
by me.

Eva Kuhnacker



Memorials & Honorariums

Building Fund

In memory of Wayne Chapman on his birthday given by Becky Chapman.

In memory of Mildred Fowler given by David & Joyce McCall.

In honor of Annie Lever's birthday given by Larry & Renae Grooms.

In memory of my brother, Ollie Dominick given by Mary Ruth Chapman.

GAAP

In memory of Tommy Newton given by Helen & Ritchie Koon.

Prayer Concerns

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be known to God. (Phil. 4:6)

Al Asbill (Brother of Alice Martinez), Family of Oliver Dominick (Brother of Mary Ruth Chapman), Santania Rodgers (daughter in law of Dean & Barbie Rodgers), Jake Bearden (Grandson of Dot Abrams), Scott & Cheri Bell, Susan Hill (Mother of Crystal Crouch), The Director of Youth and Education Ministries position, Molly Kednocker, Micheal Torrence, Jean Miller (Mother of Pam Bush), Jean Alewine, Bobbie & Andy Bickley, Gerald & Jonell Shealy Note: Out of respect for individual wishes and privacy, if you wish to have someone placed on the prayer list, please obtain their permission prior to submitting it for publication in the newsletter. Thanks for your understanding.

We remember those in nursing care centers and the shut-ins of our congregation:

White Oak of Newberry
Jean Alewine

Going in the hospital? Having surgery? Recovering from an illness?
Are you in need of spiritual guidance or maybe in need of prayer?

Pastor Randy and the pastoral care volunteers of our congregation will be happy to visit with you at the hospital, at home or just pray for your healing and well-being.

Please call Pastor Randy Drafts at (803)537-2303 or the church office and let us know of your need and we will be glad to visit and pray with you anytime.

Remember, the Pastor and pastoral care volunteers cannot respond to or meet your needs if they are not aware of them.

Council Minutes

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Congregational Council Minutes August 11, 2024 Meeting

The Holy Trinity Congregational Council met in regular session on Sunday, August 11, 2024 at 7:30am. Joe Boland chaired the meeting and Carter Lake opened with devotions. Bill Loadholt will have devotions at the September meeting.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the July 14, 2024 Congregational Council Minutes.

Pastor's Report

- The pastor will be on vacation October 14-20 and December 25, 2024-- January 1, 2025.
 - Office for Director of Youth & Education Ministries-- please continue to think about this space. Room by Brett's office may be a possibility.
 - Last council meeting Pastor reported Tina Attaway would like to restart a Sunday School class for pre-school age children (2-4 years old). She will work to get the parents involved in teaching the classes and be a resource after the class gets started. Council agreed to go forward and Pastor will get back with Tina.
 - First Choice Pest Control-see minutes
 - Some upcoming events-August 9 - NALC Online Mission Convocation (6-9 pm), Sunday August 18-Acolyte training (9:15 AM); Sunday September - Stewardship Sunday (Time and talent forms made available); Sundays, September 22,29, and October 6- First Communion classes- 9:15 am; Sunday, October 6-First Communion Sunday; October 27- Start of Confirmation classes.
 - The NALC Disaster Kit Build date is Oct. 12 .Bob Dernbach has challenged HTLC and participating churches to build 150 flood buckets. We will also be collecting Bibles, quilts, and gift cards.
- A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the Pastor's Report.

Council Minutes

- The tree removal/trimming of the cemetery and tree across from playground is completed. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to split the tree cutting expenses 50% to the cemetery fund and 50% to the General fund.
- Under Benevolence, our support organizations showed no monies had been paid out yet. Normally half of the monies to these groups are paid out the first 6 months and the remainder of monies the last part of the year. This has now been caught up and will be reflected in next month's budget report.
- Issue of finding an assistant treasurer is still a problem which Spyros and James have been diligently working on—please see minutes under unfinished business.
- Income activity was noted to be down slightly for several months but as far as YTD funding, we need to be at 58% funding and we are currently at 62% funding.
- Ann Sanders, Auditor, provided a comprehensive audit report which was distributed. Overall, the report was very favorable. The benevolence issue has been addressed. The reimbursement for convocation was posted under retreats and conferences and will be corrected. The deposit for community meal should have been posted to Social Ministry Account. Sunday school and Vacation Bible School have gone over budget. There were some questions noted on Teens for Christ financial report. Pastor, Joe Boland, and Cindy Frick will meet with the Youth advisor, to review budget and answer any questions as well as obtain feedback.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Council Approved Open Items

1. Railing at bottom step of balcony. This is currently an on-going process. The property committee continues to look at the possibility of adding a railing at the bottom step of the balcony and has contacted David Bush who is currently evaluating this area. The committee will be meeting on the 20th.
2. Repair/refurbish pews. This is currently ongoing. Cameron Kaihara and Marty Frick have gotten estimates from 3 different vendors and will possibly have several different options that council may choose from. Once pews are repaired, we can revisit the idea of getting pew cushions.

Unfinished Business

1. Director of Youth and Education Ministries position—Carter Lake reported 2 resumes have been submitted and these candidates have been interviewed by Christian Education. Further discussion followed regarding this position and it was felt that perhaps other options need to be explored at this time before making any final decisions. These options include the possibility of this being made a part-time position; exploring different insurance options like group policy/etc; and possibility of making this an associate pastor position. Christian Education will meet back to explore these and other options and report back to Council.
2. Gift for Cemetery—Nothing new for now. The rock columns have been done and look beautiful. Mrs. Ann Sanders was contacting the steel company for the archway.
3. Parking lot ministry. It has been recognized that there is a small group of people who physically can't get to Sunday School and worship so they have to decide to do one or the other. Music and Worship appointed a team of 5 people to look at options. Helen Koon reported that the team had met and discussed different options for the golf cart. They will be getting back with Music and Worship. Helen will continue to provide updates to Council.

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4. Need for assistant treasurer. Spyros and James have been trying to find someone for months. Spyros reminded everyone that Catherine won't be doing payroll after this year. Also there is a question of how much longer Marie may be doing payroll for preschool. Spyros and James have been looking to buy a new software package for QuickBooks. Apparently the package needed that is being advertised is no longer being sold. After much discussion, a suggestion was made that we may need to hire an outside accounting firm. This would solve a lot of issues as far as would no longer need a treasurer, would make auditing easier, and payroll would be taken care of through it. It was decided to have Stewardship Finance committee make recommendations and report back to council. Tony Shell will oversee this.
5. The TLC committee is working on revising the guidelines and will continue to report back to Council with recommendations. Julie Haltiwanger will be meeting with the Cub Scout Leaders to review the use of the TLC.
6. Fresh Eyes Follow-up of Committees. All committees have been asked to meet before the end of August to determine overall how things are working and what if any changes of any committees need to be made. A member of Fresh Eyes will be invited to attend each committee meeting to evaluate how things are going on each committee and need for recommendations if any. This information will be gathered end of this month so that recommendations can be made for the coming year. Cemetery was brought up again. The Constitution By-Law of the church states "that the management of the cemetery shall be in the hands of a committee known as the Cemetery Committee elected yearly by the Congregational Council at its January Meeting." The Cemetery Committee will need to be a standing committee by itself and this will be further discussed by Fresh Eyes.
7. First Choice for Rodent and Pest Control. First Choice is currently doing our rodent control. They also offer pest control. Terminix is currently doing our pest control. Bob Peters reported that 2 Terminix Companies are treating our facilities. One company treats termites all facilities and pest control of the parsonage. The other Terminix treats pests in the parish/church/ TLC (This Terminix Co. would not return his call). The Terminix he was able to contact is the termites all facilities and pest control of parsonage stated the Pest control we currently have covered mice and rodents for all facilities. If there are problems noted between treatments, then Terminix should be notified. Pest Control for all facilities would be \$334.00 per quarter for Terminix/ \$385.00 per quarter for First Choice. For Termite bond, First Choice - \$1100.00 per year with initial cost of \$6600.00; Terminix is \$823.00 yearly. Currently, we are double paying parsonage pest control. Property Committee will find out what kind of agreement we currently have with First Choice and continue to try to contact the other Terminix and then go forward and report back to Council further recommendations.
8. Chartering request from Cub Scout Pack 111. Cub Scout Pack 111 has asked if HTC would consider being their chartering organization moving forward. They are currently chartered by Little Mountain Ruritan club. We will plan to meet with the Cub Scout Leaders for additional information before going forward. Storage for scouts was discussed and suggestions made. This topic will be further discussed at a later meeting.
9. Danny Newton reported that the trees were finally planted at the bank along the cemetery. Tony Shell had been keeping them watered; Charles Frick dug the holes, and Danny assisted in planting them. The landowners who requested the trees initially were asking for the church to purchase 1 more tree but this was not in the initial proposal and could not be approved. They may purchase one on their own if desired.

Council Minutes

New Business

A. Contractor bylaw.

Based on recommendations from Stewardship Finance, a preliminary contractor bylaw for contractor repairs was presented by Phillip Allison. This bylaw included the following-- no single member of HTLC should be able to commit the church to billable contracted repair or construction without approval of the relevant committee chair and the council liaison; if there is an emergency then the pastor could give approval; and the contractor will have to provide proof of Liability insurance and Workman's Compensation. A monetary limit may need to be set. After much discussion, it was decided to table this until next meeting.

B. Church Basement.

With the recent rains, the church basement has been flooding. The sump pump has been pumping all it can handle. Several men of the church have had to come and help get rid of the water. Concern is with the overall condition of the basement--with water draining behind the paneling-- dampness mold, mildew, rotting wood, etc. Especially, since we have discussed fixing it up for the youth and possibly for the cub scouts. Frank Lake contacted Walt Shealy who is a building contractor and helped build the HTLC. He is to come this Monday and evaluate the basement and water issue. This assessment will then be brought back to council by Property committee for further recommendations.

Committee Reports

Christian Education – see minutes

Property –

- The next property committee meeting is August 20th.
- At the parsonage –Moisture/humidity issue is currently on-going. Wilsons is evaluating this and HVAC and crawl space as well.
- Paint popping off window sills
- Light flickering in the sanctuary is now fixed.

Preschool –

- Preschool is planning their school opening August 28

Social Ministry –

- GAAP needs volunteers for August 31
- Community meal is on-going.
- Homecoming is next up-coming event 3rd Sunday of September

Stewardship/Finance – Meeting in October to do budget for 2025. Will need all committees to turn in their budgets. It was also felt that there needed to be a contact person for each committee to help ensure this gets done. There was discussion regarding each committee/group being budgeted for a certain amount of money which is there for the committee if needed. If the money is not needed, then it is expected it should not be spent. It was also noted that most organizations/groups of the church turn in a financial report at end of each year but some are not doing this. Budget will be discussed next meeting.

Worship and Music – Will be meeting Tuesday August 20

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Boland, President
Cindy Frick, Secretary

Holy Trinity Staff

Disciples of Christ

Pastor

Parish Office Administrator

Director of Music Ministries

Organists

Sexton

People of Holy Trinity

Rev. Randy Drafts

Mrs. Marie Shealy

Mr. Brett Lindler

Mrs. Lib Boland

Mrs. Donna Fulmer

Mr. Brett Lindler

Mr. Ted Arnold

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

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