



*Trinity Reformed*  
**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MOTHER'S DAY  
MAY 8, 2022—10:30 A.M.**

*\*Designates "Those who are able please stand."*

**COMING BEFORE GOD**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Peggy Stout

**PRELUDE**

Marty Light, Organist

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (*based on Psalm 139*)

Tommy Simmons, Liturgist

We've come today to worship God — who loved us before we were born, who knows us better than we know ourselves, whose presence never leaves us, and whose love for us never ceases. This is our God! Let us worship together.

**\*HYMN**

*"Morning Has Broken"*

#5 Blue Book

**\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Tommy Simmons, Liturgist

God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to praise you. Fill us with your Spirit that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**\*PIANO INTROIT**

Marty Light

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

Holy and Sovereign God, who loved us into being, we your children praise you. When we fail, you restore us. When we are wounded, you nurse us; when we grieve, you weep with us, and when we celebrate, you laugh with us. But, sometimes we don't reach out to you — because we have failed you, ourselves, and others, and we are too embarrassed, too ashamed, or we try to forget.

***We need your love and forgiveness. Have mercy, O Lord, and help us to reach out to you at any and all times of our lives. Strengthen us in our faith walk and in our witness to the world.***

We ask all these things in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

This is the good news of God's grace: though we were sinners, Christ died

**IN THE LORD'S SERVICE**

**Alcolyte:** Alonzo Cunningham

**Cross Bearer:** Jennifer Lingle

**Elder(s) of the Month:**

Tony Wells & Dawn Kilby

**Nursery Attendant:** Sonya Starnes

**REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Liturgist:** Tim Lail

**Lay Reader:** Kelsey Wise

**Flower Calendar:** Marcia Pencola

**Flowers By Lester Lane**

4932 Macedonia Church Rd—Vale, NC 28168  
(704) 462-2406



*To ensure your flowers are delivered by Sunday, Lester Lane asks that you give him plenty of time to get your vases together. He requests that calls be made by TUESDAY of the week that you have flowers. Tamara will try to get reminders out as soon as possible during the week. Thank you for your help in this matter.*

**THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH**

All Church Members, Ministers

Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor

Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader

Martha Caldwell, Director of Adult Traditional Choir

Marty Light, Organist

Joe Hart, Financial Secretary

Tamara McCarter, Church Secretary

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and paid the penalty for us. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
*Thanks be to God!*

\*PRAISE RESPONSE      “O How He Loves You and Me” (vs 1)      #622 Blue Book  
*O how He loves you and me.  
O how He loves you and me;  
He gave His life, what more could He give:  
O how He loves you, O, how He loves me,  
O how He loves you and me.*

*(Please be seated.)*

**LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD**

CHILDREN’S TIME AND RECOGNITION OF MOTHERS      Jessica Spain

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(Unison)*      Tera Rockett, Lay Reader  
*Holy and Loving God, as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit.  
Soften our hearts that we may delight in your presence. Open our  
minds that we may discern your truth. Shape our wills that we may  
desire your ways. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING      *Proverbs 31:10-12, 25-31*      Tera Rockett, Lay Reader  
The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God!*

ANTHEM      “The Gift of Love”      Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

NEW TESTAMENT READING      *Acts 9:36-43*      Rev. Peggy Stout  
The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God!*

SERMON      Rev. Peggy Stout

**RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

\*HYMN      “God of the Women”      *(see insert)*

PASTORAL PRAYER      Rev. Peggy Stout

**The Lord’s Prayer** *(Unison)*  
*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom  
come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our  
daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And  
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the  
kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*



Our next **Singles’ Outing** will be held on **Tuesday, May 10th**. We will be traveling to Casa Azul Mexican Kitchen. Please meet at the church at 4:30pm to carpool—or meet us at the restaurant at 5:00pm! Our group is open to ALL adults age 18 and over!

Please join us **next Sunday, May 15th** as we recognize our 2022 Graduates and announce our scholarship recipients!

***Congratulations to all of our Graduates!!***



Our next Kidz Club activity will be held on **Sunday, May 15th at 11:30am**. We will go to the Conover City Park for a picnic lunch, games, and fun! *Please bring \$5 for lunch!*

**Please RSVP to Jessica Spain by May 8th**—828-228-0035.

**Your help is needed!!**

We are looking for some various items to make CARE PACKAGES for our LOCAL NURSING HOMES. We can drop these items off at the Nursing Home for some of the folks there with little to no family members.

Please help us gather some of the following items:

Soap/Shower Gel	Books (reading or puzzle)	Shampoo/Conditioner
Handmade Cards	Chapsticks	Deodorants
Hair Brushes	Razors/Shaving Cream	Lotions
Toothpaste	Toothbrushes	Socks (no-slip, preferably)
Mouth Wash	Dental Floss	Tissues/Kleenex
Stuffed Animals	Adult Diapers/Depends	

Please drop your items off at the church office **NO LATER than May 15th**, so we have plenty of time to get the packages together. Thank you all so much!



**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Proverbs 31:10-12, 25-31*

<sup>10</sup> A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies. <sup>11</sup> Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. <sup>12</sup> She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.

<sup>25</sup> She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. <sup>26</sup> She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. <sup>27</sup> She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. <sup>28</sup> Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: <sup>29</sup> “Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all.” <sup>30</sup> Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. <sup>31</sup> Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God!***

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

*Acts 9:36-43*

<sup>36</sup> In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. <sup>37</sup> About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. <sup>38</sup> Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, “Please come at once!” <sup>39</sup> Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, “Tabitha, get up.” She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. <sup>41</sup> He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. <sup>42</sup> This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup> Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God!***

**Congregational CARE NOTES today!** There are notebooks provided at the back of the Sanctuary. Please take a moment to write a note of care, thought, or appreciation to someone on the church prayer list. *Please write their name on the top of the paper.* We will take the notes up after the service and mail them directly to the person’s home.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits**

**HOSPITALIZATIONS**

Alma Barringer (CVMC, Room 435)  
Donna Griffin Cox (NC Meml Hosp)

**RECUPERATING AT HOME**

Rev. Earle Potts      Jane Bartholomew  
Linda Hill            Debbie Crotts  
Martha Sigmon      Virginia Brown  
Peggy Wright        Margie Reaves  
Paul Towery          Mabel Lawing

**HOMEBOUND**

Jack Power  
Diane Loftin  
Wanda Sue Ammerman

**IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES**

**ABERNETHY LAURELS**

Joan Williamson (Room 240)  
Joe Schell (Apt 205)

**CV ASSISTED LIVING**

Mary Crump (Room 114)

**GATEWAY (Lenoir)**

Pat Roark (Room 124)

**TRINITY VILLAGE**

Sarah Hoffman (Room 809-A)  
Bobbie Whisenant (Room 302)

**ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:**

Jo Ann Simmons  
Sherry Eckard  
Jeff Whisenant  
Gene Hamilton  
Randy Steelmon  
Rockie Saine

Ted Setzer (surgery May 5)  
Aimee Falder (surgery May 9)

\*Alvin Arrowood (Amanda Houston’s father) - heart-attack at CVMC

\*Ron Rutledge (significant other of Sandy Lawrence)

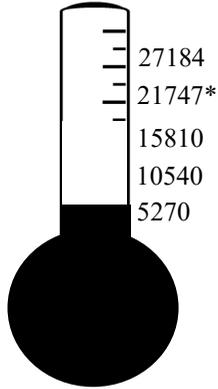
\*Michael Gantt (son of Charles & Brenda Gantt)

Dear Peggy and member of Missions at Trinity Reformed UCC—We want to say a big **THANK YOU** for the generous gift of support sent for us via Interserve. As we prepare for our upcoming term, we are praying for continued support and prayers from our partner churches and individuals. Details will be forthcoming!

- With love, Andy & Ellen Collins

Dear Rev. Stout and Congregation—**THANK YOU** for the recent most generous donation of snacks, pantry items, and the monetary gift. We are most appreciative of these items which helped fill our pantry. Many patients will be blessed by your meeting their needs.

- Sincerely, Carolina Caring Volunteer Services



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF MAY</u>				
	Sanctuary	Lahu	Livestream	Envelope Giving
May 01	102	12	29	\$ 2,563.80
May 08				
May 15				
May 22				
May 29				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>\$ 2,563.80</b>

Goal for a four week month is \$21,747\* and for a five week month is \$27,184.

## This Week

### SUNDAY, MAY 8

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### \*MOTHER'S DAY

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship

10:30am—YouTube Live Stream

### MONDAY, MAY 9

5:30pm—DCE Search Committee Mtg.

### TUESDAY, MAY 10

4:30pm—Singles Outing

5:30pm—Board of Property Mtg.

7:00pm—Board of Christian Ed Mtg.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

7:00pm—Choir Practice

### THURSDAY, MAY 12

9:30am—Hugs & Stitches Ministry

6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

### FRIDAY, MAY 13

### SATURDAY, MAY 14

### SUNDAY, MAY 15

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### \*GRADUATES RECOGNITION & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATIONS

#### \*NEW MEMBER (WALKER)

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship

10:30am—YouTube Live Stream

11:30am—Kidz Club Meeting

2:00pm—Baby Shower (Hill)



### OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

#### Invitation

Kathy Alexander

#### Offertory

#### \*Doxology

*"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

#### \*Prayer

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostle's Creed*)

Natalie Inman

Let us confess the faith of our baptism:

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

#### \*HYMN

*"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*

#611 Blue Book

#### \*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

May God Almighty — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless and attend to you this week. Go now in the name and love of God, by the grace of Christ, and in the communion of the Holy Spirit to love and care for each other.

*Amen.*

#### \*CHIMES

#### \*POSTLUDE

Marty Light



**THE FLOWERS** on the altar today are given in Loving Honor of our mother and grandmother, Patricia Inman and in Loving Memory of our grandmothers, Joyce Inman and Rachel Ervin.

Happy Mother's Day to all the special women in our church.

- Given by Natalie Inman