

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

RECUPERATING AT HOME

Yvonne Propst
Diane Loftin
Ted Setzer
Mike Kilby
Sarah Hoffman
Peggy Miller
Odessa Whitmire

HOMEBOUND

Paul & Lula Towery
Mary Tuttle
Martha Sigmon

IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES

ABERNETHY LAURELS

Grace Gundlach
Joan Williamson
Peggy Hollis
Marilyn Mills

ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:

Terry Settlemyre
Jackie Kanipe
Caroline Bryan
Bobbie Whisenant
Margaret Lane
Dottie Shuford
Arnold Webb—Kathleen Shuford's
uncle in South Dakota

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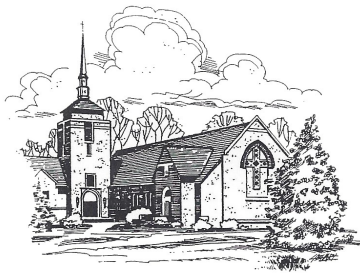
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A MOTHER'S HEART

is a *garden
of love*

*Charm is deceptive,
and beauty is fleeting;
but a woman
who fears the LORD
is to be praised.
Honor her for all
that her hands have done,
and let her works
bring her praise at the city gate.*

Proverbs 31:30-31



Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 13, 2018 - 10:30AM

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

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout and Mark Dickerson

PRELUDE Marty Light, Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Responsively*) Pat Bowers, Liturgist
 Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who creates us.
Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.
 Let us worship the Spirit, who renews and empowers us.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *"How Great Thou Art"* #2 Blue Book

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (*Responsively*) Pat Bowers, Liturgist
 Amazing God, how manifold are your works! The earth is full of life you have created, in forms too numerous to count. You have linked us, your people, to the earth and all living things.
Come among us now to make your ways known. Help us to dream and to see visions of your intentions for this world and for your church. Amen.

***CHORAL INTROIT** Chancel Choir, Alyssa Lowe—Director

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Responsively*) Pat Bowers, Liturgist
 Holy God and Loving Father, we confess that we do not always follow Christ's example nor do we always bring honor and glory to your name.
We harbor malice toward our enemies. We do not always treat our family and friends well.
 We are often rebellious, seeking our own ways and fleeing from your goodness.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us by the grace and mercy of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.



Come and help us celebrate MOM!
 TODAY, lunch will be available for ALL mothers and grandmothers immediately following the worship service!
Please join us downstairs in the LEC!

Menu: Roasted Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, & Desserts!

**During lunch, our youth will have some spectacular baskets for auction!
 All proceeds will go toward our Mission Trip at JRVC!**

Youth: **TODAY**, after lunch, the youth will travel to Johns River Valley Camp! If you are not sure about the Mission Trip this year, please come join us for a tour!

Next Sunday:

- **Graduates Recognition & Scholarship Presentations** during Traditional Worship (10:30am).
 - UCC **'Strengthen the Church'** Offering will be received.
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- 11:45am—**Youth Lunch Fundraiser**. We will be serving Grilled Chicken, Pinto Beans, Fried Potatoes, Coleslaw, Onions, & Cornbread. *Cost—Donations only!* All proceeds will go toward our Mission Trip.

We are still on the look-out for people to help with our Craft Bazaar this year!
 On Saturday, September 29, we will invite local artists/crafters to bring their crafts to our church. We need people to help with determining costs, preparing food, and organization of the event! Please let Tamara know if you would be interested!!

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the entire congregation for your cards and calls regarding my retirement as Financial Secretary. The reception was quite a treat with all the homemade finger foods. A special **"THANK YOU"** for the handsome desk clock that I received! Thank you all for your support in making my tenure successful.
 - Best regards, Steve Thomas

SERMON

Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

ORGAN INTERLUDE

Marty Light, Organist

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer (vocal solo)

Rev. Peggy Stout
Alyssa Lowe

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation
Offertory

Rev. Peggy Stout

*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

(Please be seated.)

HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

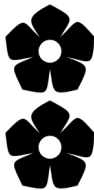
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*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*POSTLUDE

Marty Light, Organist



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in Honor of Naomi Smith's birthday, from her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Happy birthday to all of our May birthdays and Happy Mother's Day to all of our church ladies!

THANK YOU for all the prayers and cards that I have received! They have been greatly appreciated. I wanted everyone to know that I am doing much better!

-Diane Loftin

THANK YOU for this amazing care package filled with all of the little things that will hold me over till the end of school—and the encouraging notes from everyone! By far, the best part of my day!

- Sam Abernethy

THANK YOU so much for the care package and kind words!

- Jaedyn Lamp



OLD TESTAMENT READING: Proverbs 31:10-12, 25-31

¹⁰ A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. ¹¹ The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. ¹² She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life.

²⁵ Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. ²⁶ She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. ²⁷ She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. ²⁸ Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: ²⁹ 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' ³⁰ Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. ³¹ Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL READING:** Mark 7:24-30

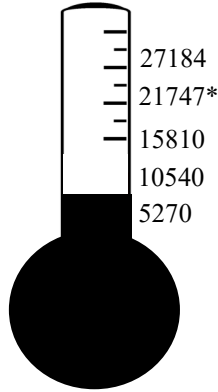
²⁴ From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' ²⁸But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' ²⁹Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

All praise to you, Christ our Lord.



VOLUNTEERS are needed to help with VBS this year!! Please see Mark Dickerson or Jessica Spain, if interested.



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF MAY</u>						
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving
May 06	30	119	30	179	49	\$ 6,613.00
May 13						
May 20						
May 27						
TOTALS	30	119	30	179	49	\$ 6,613.00

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

This Week

SUNDAY, MAY 13

Seventh Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 11:45am—Mother's Day Lunch & Silent Basket Auction
- 1:00pm—Youth to tour JRVC
- *NO Faith Alive Services!***

MONDAY, MAY 14

- 5:30pm—Brotherhood Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 15

- 7:00pm—Ladies Bible Study/Journaling

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

- 7:30pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, MAY 17

- 6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

FRIDAY, MAY 18

SATURDAY, MAY 19

SUNDAY, MAY 20

- Pentecost Sunday**
- Graduates Recognition/Scholarships**
- *Strengthen the Church Offering**
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- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
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IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

- Acolyte(s):** Addyson Lingle
- Cross Bearer:** Richard Bowers
- Elder(s):** David Setzer & Bruce Rockett
- Nursery Attendant:** Sonya Starnes
- Treasurer Assistant today:** Deb Hill

Ushers/Greeters for May:

Steven & Stephanie Anderson

REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

- Liturgist:** Jo Ann Simmons
- Lay Reader:** Howard Cooper
- Treasurer Assistant:** Bruce Rockett
- Flower Calendar:** Alma Barringer

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

Rev. Peggy Stout

This is the good news of God's grace: though we were sinners, Christ died and paid the penalty for us. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

***PRAISE RESPONSE** "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" (vs 1 & chorus)

#159 Blue Book

**There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, Filling us with Your love;
And for these blessings We lift our hearts in praise:
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived,
When we shall leave this place.**

(Please be seated.)

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON (*Recognition of Mothers*)

Jessica Spain and Mark Dickerson

BABY BAPTISM

Rev. Peggy Stout

(Baby -- George Oliver Spencer, son of Ryan & Carley Spencer)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*Unison*)

Kathy Winters, Lay Reader

**Holy and Loving God, as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit.
Softener 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

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Kathy Winters, Lay Reader

The Word of the Lord.

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ANTHEM

Chancel Choir, Alyssa Lowe—Director

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