

Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 21, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

(* Designates - "Those, who are able, are asked to please may stand.")

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout and Mark Dickerson

PRELUDE Marty Light, Organist

***PASTOR'S DECLARATION** Rev. Peggy Stout

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "O Worship the King" #336 Blue Book

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)** Tommy Simmons, Liturgist

Come, let us worship, all who love Christ the Lord!

But, there are seasons of adversity and times of personal struggle.

God has promised no trial or test will have victory over believers.

But enduring is hard and at times our spirits seem so weak.

God Almighty is our strength and in Christ we will be victorious.

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

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

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (Responsively)** Tommy Simmons, Liturgist

Holy and Loving God, we often plan our lives day by day thinking we are in complete control of our futures. We fail to even ask for your leadership and guidance as we make plans.

Forgive us, O Lord!

Remind us that you are the Almighty and Sovereign God, and you hold the destiny of all people and nations in your hands. We pray in the name of Christ who taught us to say:

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.

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Acolyte(s):

Nathan & Addyson Lingle

Cross Bearer: Austin Setzer

Elder(s): David Setzer &

Bruce Rockett

Nursery Attendant: Sonya Starnes

Treasurer Assistant today:

Jennifer Lingle

Ushers for Today:

Jeff & Tammy Maske,

Steve & Libby Thornburg

REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Liturgist: Libby Thornburg

Lay Reader: Kathleen Shuford

Treasurer Assistant: Joye Lane

Flower Calendar:

Alma Barringer

THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

All Church Members, Ministers

Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor

Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader

Mark Dickerson, Director of Christian Education

Alyssa Lowe, Director of Adult Traditional Choirs

Marty Light, Organist

Steve Thomas, Financial Secretary

Tamara McCarter, Church Secretary

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***PRAISE RESPONSE** *“Spirit of the Living God”* #155 Blue Book
*Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.*

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

GRADUATES’ RECOGNITION Mark Dickerson and Jessica Spain

PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Graves Family Memorial Scholarship Rev. Peggy Stout
Bill Hendrix Memorial Scholarship Richard Bowers
Dewey A. Houston Scholarship Naomi Smith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*Unison*) Jennifer Lingle, Lay Reader
*Holy and Loving God, may your Word be a lamp unto our feet and a
light unto our path. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING I Samuel 17:32-37, 45, 47-50
Jennifer Lingle, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Chancel Choir—Alyssa Lowe, Director

***GOSPEL READING** Matthew 4:1-11 Rev. Peggy Stout
The Gospel of the Risen Christ!
All praise to You, Christ our Lord!

SERMON Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Unison*) Rev. Peggy Stout
Let us confess the faith of our baptism:
*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only begotten Son our Lord; who conceived
by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius
Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the
third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in
the Holy Ghost; the One Holy Universal Christian Church; the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the
body; and life everlasting. Amen.*

**Youth
Confirmation:**

We will meet **TODAY**, immediately following Traditional
Worship. *Lunch will be provided by Dianne Propst &
Carolyn Reitzel.* We will be doing our Hunger Scavenger
Hunt—don’t forget to bring \$1 per person with you.

We will meet again next **Wednesday, May 31** at 6:30pm in
the Sanctuary. Please bring your parents with you! We
will have a practice session for our upcoming Graduation
Ceremony (scheduled for Sunday, June 4).

Come back and join us TONIGHT as we hold **Session 2 of
our Parenting Workshop**—with special guest, Lynn Cowell,
from Proverbs 31 Ministries. We will have a light dinner, door
prizes, Q&A sessions, book signings, & MORE!! Program
begins at 5:00pm—Praise Band Music begins at 4:30pm.



**Senior
Adults:** **GOOD TIMERS MYSTERY TRIP**—Wednesday, May 24th at 10:00am.
Even though we cannot tell you where we will be going, we can tell
you that you are in for a treat! Please bring some spending money
for lunch and (possibly) shopping! This will be an ALL DAY trip, so
please bear that in mind... We are going to have a wonderful time!

Youth:

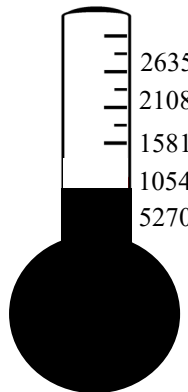
Lock-In—Friday, May 26th at 9:30pm. In
addition to games, we will do devotions
and start a new tradition to honor the
veterans in our church—“remembrance
bags.” Please come, ready to help with
this wonderful service project! Bring a
friend—hope to see you there!

**Next
Sunday:**

We will have **ONE combined Worship** at 10:30am.
There will be no “Faith Alive!” Services. Please join
us as we celebrate Memorial Day!

**The Church Office and Preschool will both be
CLOSED on Monday, May 29.**





ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving
May 07	29	124	41	194	53	\$ 5,066.00
May 14	33	207	40	280	50	\$ 5,071.00
May 21						
May 28						
TOTALS	62	331	81	474	103	\$ 10,137.00

Goal for a four week month is \$21,080 and for a five week month is \$26,350.

This Week

SUNDAY, MAY 21

Sixth Sunday of Easter—Graduates Sunday/Scholarship Presentations

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 11:45am—Youth Confirmation Class
- 5:00pm—Parenting Workshop
- 6:00pm—Snack Supper/Book Signing

MONDAY, MAY 22

- 8:00am—Volunteers to ECCCM
- 6:00pm—Singles Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 23

- 4:30pm—T.A.G. “Scripture Talk”

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

- 10:00am—Good Timers Mystery Trip
- 6:30pm—Board of Congregational Care Meeting
- 7:30pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, MAY 25

- 9:00am—Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.
- 6:00pm—Sweet Adelines’

FRIDAY, MAY 26

- 9:30pm—Youth Lock-In

SATURDAY, MAY 27

- 5:00pm—Youth Bible Study

SUNDAY, MAY 28

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Memorial Day Services

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
 - 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
 - 10:30am—ONE Combined Worship
- NO Faith Alive! Tonight!*

MONDAY, MAY 29

- Memorial Day**
- Preschool CLOSED**
- Church Office CLOSED**

The Board of Congregational Care will meet with Rev. Peggy on Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30pm. Please come to the church office.

ORGAN MEDITATION

Marty Light, Organist

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

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.*

***Offertory Prayer**

***HYMN**

“Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult”

#399 Blue Book

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Peggy Stout

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

Chancel Choir—Alyssa Lowe, Director

***CHIMES**

***POSTLUDE**

Marty Light, Organist



THE FLOWERS on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God and in Honor of Sean & LaKeyla’s Wedding Anniversary on May 23.
- Given by Dawn Kilby

On behalf of the Gideons, **THANK YOU** for your prayers and financial support for the Lord’s work. The funds given in the amount of \$339.00 will reach over 270 lost souls in desperate need of God’s Word—and indeed, lives will be changed. - Sincerely yours in Christ, Ken Manfredi



OLD TESTAMENT READING

I Samuel 17:32-40, 45, 47-50

³²David said to Saul, ‘Let no one’s heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.’ ³³Saul said to David, ‘You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth.’ ³⁴But David said to Saul, ‘Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, ³⁵I went after it

and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. ³⁶Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.’ ³⁷David said, ‘The LORD, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.’ So Saul said to David, ‘Go, and may the LORD be with you!’

⁴⁰Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd’s bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

⁴⁵But David said to the Philistine, ‘You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.

⁴⁷for the battle is the LORD’s and he will give you into our hand.’ ⁴⁸ When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly towards the battle line to meet the Philistine. ⁴⁹David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. ⁵⁰ So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, striking down the Philistine and killing him; there was no sword in David’s hand.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.’ ⁴But he answered, ‘It is written, “One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.” ’ ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you”, and “On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.” ’ ⁷Jesus said to him, ‘Again it is written, “Do not put the Lord your God to the test.” ’ ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹and he said to him, ‘All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.’ ¹⁰Jesus said to him, ‘Away with you, Satan! for it is written, “Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.” ’ ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.
All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

Congregational CARE NOTES today! There are notebooks provided at the end of each pew. 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. Thank you for your help in this caring ministry!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

<u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u> Mike Kilby Peggy Miller Lois Hall Bobbie Whisenant	Christopher T. Lawrence Kyle Falder Colby Whitworth—Son-in-law of Tim & Rhonda Lail, Husband of Lauren Barbara Kanipe—Jackie Kanipe’s niece Halle Grace Ritchie—Allen & Libby Overcash’s great-niece Cheryl Weseman—Brenda Adam’s sister Eddie Berringer—Friend of Hamp & Kathleen Shuford David Leasure—Father of Veronica (Trinity’s Catawba College Scholarship Student)
<u>HOMEBOUND</u> Paul & Lula Towery Mary Tuttle	
<u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u> <u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u> Grace Gundlach Joan Williamson Peggy Hollis—fractured pelvis	
<u>CONOVER NURSING</u> Helen Ellis	
<u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u> Martha Sigmon Aimee Falder	



The Neighbors Network invites you to a **LIVE AUCTION** on Saturday, May 20 at 2:00pm at the Mayor’s House in Conover.

100% of proceeds will help provide the services and resources needed to help older adults “thrive in community.” Featuring: Tables, Desks, & Upholstered Furniture Items—New & Antiques... Lamps, Hanging Fixtures, Fans, & Other Household Items. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Please call 828-464-1111 for more information. *(Sneak Peak Friday the 19th from 4-7p.)*

