

<p><b><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u></b>  <b><u>Acolyte(s):</u></b> Nathan Lingle  <b><u>Cross Bearer:</u></b> Richard Bowers  <b><u>Elder(s):</u></b>  Dennis Falder &amp; Kathy Winters  <b><u>Nursery Attendant:</u></b> Sonya Starnes  <b><u>Treasurer Assistant today:</u></b>  Kathy Winters</p>	<p><b><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u></b>  <b><u>Liturgist:</u></b> Jerry Mallonee  <b><u>Lay Reader:</u></b> Stephanie Anderson  <b><u>Treasurer Assistant:</u></b>  Jo Ann Simmons  <b><u>Flower Calendar:</u></b>  Ted &amp; Becky Setzer</p>
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*Trinity Reformed*  
**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
APRIL 7, 2019 - 10:30AM

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

Please help us welcome our Special Guest Organist, **Paula Brown!** Paula is a member of Concordia Lutheran Church. She is married to Johnny Brown and is retired from Newton-Conover City Schools! Welcome, Paula!!



"The Seven Last Words"  
Sunday, April 14 at 5:00 P.M.

**CANTATA**  
"Once And For All"  
Sunday, April 21 at 10:30 A.M.

**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 Choirs  
Marty Light, Organist  
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**COMING BEFORE GOD**

- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout
- PRELUDE "All Glory, Laud and Honor" by Melchior Teschnor/arr by Lani Smith  
Paula Brown, Guest Organist
- \*PASTOR'S DECLARATION Rev. Peggy Stout
- \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "How Great Thou Art" #2 Blue Book
- \*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) Stephanie Anderson, Liturgist  
Lord, your honor and glory are all around us.  
*The seasons praise you; the wind and the skies praise you; the newborn creatures who signal the spring praise you--*  
And we come to praise you today in our singing, in our praying, and in our meditations.
- \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Responsively) Stephanie Anderson, Liturgist  
God of amazing and unconditional love, we gather to give you extravagant praise and to lift up the name of Jesus,  
*who in obedience to your plan of salvation paid the price of love through His death.*  
Though we comprehend such sacrifice with a limited understanding,  
*we believe by faith that, at the end of the Lenten journey, love will triumph—and that is cause for celebration and thanksgiving.*  
So, help us, O Lord, that our worship today may honor and glorify You.  
Amen.
- \*CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director
- \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (Responsively)  
Stephanie Anderson, Liturgist  
O God, whose upward call in Christ Jesus we have so often chosen to ignore,

*we confess that we settle for lesser goals while you summon us to embrace the realm of heaven.*

We seldom look beyond our own interests to the well-being of our sisters and brothers. *We can see the wasteful acts of other people, but not our own selfish habits.* We exaggerate the contributions we make, but ignore the sacrifices of others. *We need your forgiveness, O God! Do a new thing within and among us,*

And when we feel that words have abandoned us, and we struggle to speak to you, we throw ourselves upon your mercy, and repeat the words which we have learned from your Son, Jesus Christ:

*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.*

\*PRAISE RESPONSE

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

#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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Linda Hill, Lay Reader

*Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known, and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

Linda Hill, Lay Reader

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God!*

ANTHEM "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" by Gilbert/Martin—Chancel Choir

\*GOSPEL READING

John 12:1-8

Rev. Peggy Stout

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

*All praise to you, Christ our Lord!*

**TODAY**, immediately following Worship, we will hold our Youth Hunger Scavenger Hunt—BOYS vs GIRLS. We will be traveling to homes to pick-up donations—as well as stopping by the store to purchase extra items.

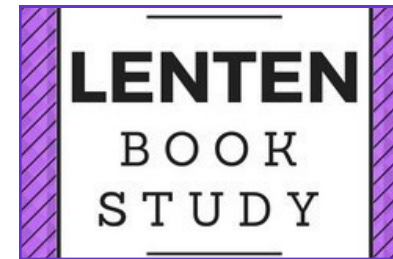
Please bring \$2 with you—and join us on this amazing, fun trip to help others!! (Donations will be divided between ECCCM & the Corner Table).

*We send a special **THANK YOU** to all church members who helped participate in this event.*



**Brotherhood:**

Meeting **TOMORROW**, April 8th at 5:30pm in the Parlor. All men, women, and youth are invited to attend! We will be finalizing plans for our Community Easter Breakfast. Please join us if you would like to help!



**THIS Wednesday, April 10**—11:30am. Rev. Peggy will be leading a study on the Adam Hamilton book, "Simon Peter: Flawed But Faithful Disciple" — We will be looking at Chapters 5 & 6.

This Friday, April 12th is the **deadline for Dewey A. Houston and Graves Family Memorial Scholarship Applications**. Please get your information to Tamara in the Church Office before 3:30pm on Friday! *Best wishes to all who apply!*

**Kidz Club:**

This Saturday, April 13th—we will hold our **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** at 2:00pm!

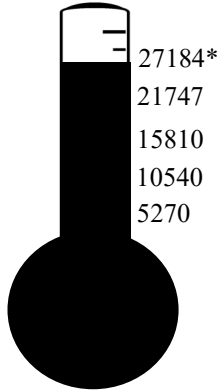
Please join us as we hide TONS of eggs, give out prizes and candy, eat snacks, and meet the Easter Bunny!

*All kids aged 2-12 years old are welcome to attend.*

Bring your own basket!

*(If it is raining on Saturday, we will move the Egg Hunt to next Saturday, April 20th).*





<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH</u>							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
March 03	0	140	—	140	52	\$ 6,429.54	
March 10	16	161	14	191	42	\$3,455.00	
March 17	12	119	31	162	38	\$ 4,749.00	
March 24	14	121	13	148	52	\$ 4,853.00	
March 31	15	122	12	149	—	\$ 5,934.00	
<b>TOTALS</b>	57	663	70	790	184	\$ 25,420.54	

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

Our ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING offering was \$640.00.

*This Week*

**SUNDAY, APRIL 7**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

- \*Mother's Retreat at JRVC
- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 11:45am—Consistory Meeting
- 11:45am—Youth Scavenger Hunt
- \*NO "Faith Alive!" Services Tonight!

**MONDAY, APRIL 8**

- 5:30pm—Brotherhood Meeting

**TUESDAY, APRIL 9**

- 5:15pm—Board of Property Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10**

- 11:30am—Lenten Book Study, Parlor
- 7:00pm—Choir Practice

**THURSDAY, APRIL 11**

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

**FRIDAY, APRIL 12**

- \*Deadline for Dewey A. Houston & Graves Family Memorial Scholarship Applications\*

**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

- 2:00pm—Kids' Easter Egg Hunt
- (Rain Date: April 20)

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14**

**Sixth Sunday of Lent**

**Palm/Passion Sunday**

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 5:00pm—Special Program—"The Seven Last Words of Christ"

**ATTENTION PARENTS:** If your child will be graduating this year from either high school OR college, we need their information in the Church Office as soon as possible. Info Needed: Photo of your child, their full name, School graduated from, Degree(s) earned, and plans for the future. Information needed by May 5th!

**SERMON**

Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**ORGAN MEDITATION** "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee" by E Dearle/arr by L Warriner  
Paula Brown

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- Invitation
  - The Words of Institution
  - Prayer of Consecration
  - The Sharing
  - Sharing of the Bread
  - Sharing of the Cup
  - Prayer of Thanksgiving (*Responsively*)
- We bless you, O God, for the gifts of bread and the cup, and for sustaining us in hope everyday of our lives. *We pray now for your strength to prepare us for service as we offer our lives of worship and witness in the world you have made. Amen.*

**OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

Rev. Peggy Stout

- Invitation
- Offertory "Wondrous Love" arr by David M. Cherwien
- \*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 "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" #560 Blue Book

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Peggy Stout

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Chancel Choir

\*CHIMES

\*POSTLUDE "Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott" arr by David M. Cherwien/Paula Brown



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Joyce & Gene Inman.  
- Given by Their Family

THE ROSE on the altar today is given in Honor of Luke Whitworth, born on April 3 to parents Colby and Lauren Whitworth. Luke is Tim & Rhonda Lail's grandson and JV & Patsy Randall's great-grandson.



**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.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**      *Isaiah 43:16-21*

<sup>16</sup> Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup> who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: <sup>18</sup> Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. <sup>19</sup> I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. <sup>20</sup> The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, <sup>21</sup> the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

**\*GOSPEL READING**      *John 12:1-8*

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup>There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup>Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup>But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, <sup>5</sup>'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' <sup>6</sup>(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) <sup>7</sup>Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup>You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

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

**THANK YOU**, Trinity Church Members, for making appetizers for our Family Game Night last Sunday! Your treats were delicious and very much appreciated!

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

<p><b><u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u></b>  Melanie McLendon  Bill Whitmire  Lawrence Warf  Peggy Wright  RJ York  Sarah Hoffman  Garland &amp; Darlene Whittaker</p> <p><b><u>HOMEBOUND</u></b>  Peggy Miller  Odessa Whitmire  Paul &amp; Lula Towery  Mary Tuttle  Martha Sigmon  Bobbie Whisenant  Wanda Sue Ammerman</p> <p><b><u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u></b></p> <p><b><u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u></b>  Joan Williamson—Room 240  Peggy Hollis</p>	<p><b><u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u></b>  Todd Hendrix  Jack Power  Earline Sigmon  Mike Kilby  Jackie Kanipe  Wally Davis  Virginia Brown  Jane McMillan—Tina Rockett's aunt  Jim Yount—in Singles group at Trinity  Lisa Bibb—friend of Kathleen Shuford  Doug Martin—Wanda Yancheski's brother</p>
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**Good Timers Upcoming Events:**

*For ALL senior adults, age 55 and over! We have regular meetings for fun and fellowship... because we all want to have a GOOD TIME! ... Please feel free to join us any time!*

In April, we are planning to take a trip to the Lazy 5 Ranch!  
In May, we are planning to take a trip on the Catawba Queen!

***Keep a look-out for more information!***  
*If questions, please contact Dianne Propst (828-256-5803).*

