

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

**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 11, 2021—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** (*Responsively*)

John Houston, Liturgist

Come, all who seek the living God! Come, you are in need of good news—for God is our Strength and Refuge.

***Blessed be the name of the Lord!***

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*"When Morning Gilds the Skies"*

#322 Blue Book

**\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

John Houston, Liturgist

Holy and Loving God, we praise you for calling us your children and for showing mercy and grace to all in need of your love and forgiveness. Accept our praise and hear our prayers, and equip us for service in the world—as we offer our hands and our hearts, all that we are, that you may receive the glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(Please be seated.)*

**ORGAN INTROIT**

Marty Light, Organist

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

Rev. Peggy Stout

Almighty God, knowing that nothing can separate us from your love, we come confessing our sins:

***for our lack of love for You and for one another, for the times we have followed our will and way rather than yours, for the times our own selfishness has silenced our witness for You—forgive us, O Lord!***

Open our hearts that we may receive the promise of your forgiveness and the assurance of your pardon. May we be receptive to your will, walk in

**IN THE LORD'S SERVICE**

**Acolyte:** Jacob Houston

**Cross Bearer:**

Kathy & Duane Alexander

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

Tony Wells & Dawn Kilby

**Nursery Attendant:** Sonya Starnes

**REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Liturgist:** Kathleen Shuford

**Lay Reader:** Carolyn Reitzel

**Flower Calendar:**

Jo Ann Harper (the Setzers)

Danny Graves (on piano)

**DONATIONS are needed for VBS!** We are in need of individual bags of chips and canned drinks! Please drop yours off at the church office.

Also, **we need teachers, leaders, and crafters!** Please contact Jessica Spain (828-228-0035) for more details or to let her know that you can help on July 31st!



**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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the light of your path, and know the everlasting presence of your love and mercy. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** (*Responsively*) Rev. Peggy Stout  
God's mercies are new every morning. In Christ, God offers us  
forgiving grace and welcomes us into a community of trust, acceptance,  
and hope.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**PRAISE RESPONSE** "O How He Loves You and Me" #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.*

**LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** Cindy Abel, 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** Proverbs 2:1-10 Cindy Abel, Lay Reader  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**ANTHEM** "Consider the Lilies" Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

**\*GOSPEL READING** Mark 7:31-37 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**

**\*HYMN** "I Love to Tell the Story" #619 Blue Book

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Peggy Stout



Our **Bereavement Meal Ministry** provides a home-cooked meal for family and friends who have lost a loved one. The meal is served by family request. This time allows family and friends to visit and comfort one another as the grieving process continues. Our teams work on a rotating basis. There are volunteer opportunities available to donate a dish or help serve the meal. If you would like to help us in this ministry, please contact Tamara at (828)464-8226 or sign-up at the back of the Sanctuary.

*Singles:*

**Dinner Meeting on July 13th.** We will meet at the church at 5:00pm and will carpool over to The Yellow Deli in Hiddenite. "Come on in for a wonderful steamed sandwich, a salad, a tasty treat, or just a friendly conversation with friends around a fire." Average cost: \$10-\$20. Our group is open to all people who have never been married, are divorced, or widowed. We would love to have you join us.

*Brotherhood:*

**The Trinity Brotherhood will meet again THIS WEDNESDAY, July 14th at 5:30pm.**

We need all the helpers we can get as we discuss the upcoming Old Soldiers' Reunion plans. Our group is open to all men, women, and youth.



**Mission: Deep Sea**

FOR ALL KIDS  
AGE 3-YEAR THROUGH 5TH GRADE!  
*Come join us as we DIVE DEEP and strengthen our relationship with God!*

**ONE DAY ONLY! - Saturday, JULY 31st**  
**10:00am-5:00PM—VBS**  
**5:00-7:00PM—Family Cookout & Celebration**

*To register, pick-up a form at the back of the Sanctuary or visit [www.trinitytoday.org](http://www.trinitytoday.org)!*





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.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**     *Proverbs 2:1-10*

My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, <sup>2</sup> turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding— <sup>3</sup> indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, <sup>4</sup> and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, <sup>5</sup> then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. <sup>6</sup> For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. <sup>7</sup> He holds success in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless, <sup>8</sup> for he guards the course of the just and protects the way of his faithful ones. <sup>9</sup> Then you will understand what is right and just and fair—every good path. <sup>10</sup> For wisdom will enter your heart, and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul.

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

**\*GOSPEL READING**     *Mark 7:31-37*

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>32</sup> There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him. <sup>33</sup> After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then he spit and touched the man's tongue. <sup>34</sup> He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, "Ephphatha!" (which means "Be opened!"). <sup>35</sup> At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly. <sup>36</sup> Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. <sup>37</sup> People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

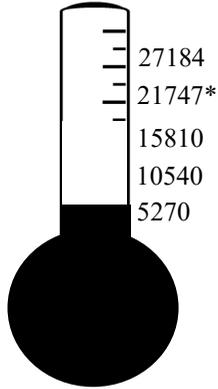
The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God!*

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

<p><b><u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u></b> David Epley Cal Harmon Sarah Hoffman Marjorie Reaves Virginia Brown</p>	<p><b><u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u></b> Debbie Crotts Brenda Adams Rev. Earle Potts Randy Steelmon Vae Hamilton Shea Maske</p>
<p><b><u>HOMEBOUND</u></b> Martha Sigmon Diane Loftin Bobbie Whisenant Paul &amp; Lula Towery Wanda Sue Ammerman</p>	<p>*Michael Gantt (Charles &amp; Brenda Gantt's son) *Cathleen Neaves (Marty Light's sister) *Hilga Kopter (CJ Jorgensen's grandmother) *Patrick Beadle (Zoe Falder's fiancé)</p>
<p><b><u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u></b> <b><u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u></b> Joan Williamson—Room 240 Joe Schell—Apt 205</p>	<p>*Jeremiah "JB" Stearns—cancer *Dr. Les Wicker—major health problems</p>
<p><b><u>CV ASSISTED LIVING at Rock Barn</u></b> Mary Crump—Room 114 <b><u>BAYVIEW NURSING (New Bern, NC)</u></b> Jackie Kanipe—Room 28</p>	



**THE HICKORY CRAWDADS present:**  
**CHURCH BULLETIN SUNDAYS**  
*(Bring your church bulletin to the ticket office for a discounted \$6 ticket. The 'Dads will donate \$4 from each ticket to that bulletin's respective church courtesy of Catawba Shoe Store.)*  
**OFFER AVAILABLE ON SUNDAYS:**  
July 18th—3pm; August 1st—3pm;  
August 15th—3pm; August 22nd—3pm;  
September 12th—3pm.



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY</u>						
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving
July 04	—	83	—	83	—	\$ 6,422.57
July 11						
July 18						
July 25						
<b>TOTALS</b>	—	83	—	83	—	\$ 6,422.57

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

## This Week

### SUNDAY, JULY 11

#### Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am—Sunday School (adults)  
 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship  
 10:30am—Radio Broadcast (90.5FM—  
 in the parking lot)  
 11:30am—Consistory Meeting

### MONDAY, JULY 12

### TUESDAY, JULY 13

5:00pm—Singles Outing

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

5:30pm—Brotherhood Meeting  
 7:00pm—Choir Practice

### THURSDAY, JULY 15

6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'  
 7:00pm—Board of Christian Ed Mtg.

### FRIDAY, JULY 16

### SATURDAY, JULY 17

### SUNDAY, JULY 18

#### Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

#### \*Receiving New Member (Wright)

9:30am—Sunday School (adults)  
 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship  
 10:30am—Radio Broadcast (90.5FM—  
 in the parking lot)  
 11:45am—Youth Lunch & “Downtown”  
 Scavenger Hunt ?

#### From the Board of Worship:

Beginning on August 1st, we will NO longer be ordering flowers from ABC Florist. We will be using Flowers by Lester Lane our of Vale, NC! The new contact information is **704-462-2406**. We will still try to send out reminders when it's your Sunday to do flowers!

Thank you so much for helping make this transition as smooth as possible.



#### The Lord's Prayer (*organ solo*)

Marty Light, Organist

*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.*

#### 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.*

##### \*Prayer

##### \*HYMN

*“Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult”*

#399 Blue Book

##### \*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

##### \*CHIMES

##### \*POSTLUDE

Marty Light, Organist



**THE FLOWERS** on the altar today are given in Loving Honor of our son, our granddaughter, and our daughter-in-law, and in Loving Memory of our daughter — All four have July Birthdays!

- Given by Ivey & Betty Curlee

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY** to Darlene Whittaker & Family in the loss of her brother-in-law, Robert Lee Brawley on July 7th. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 10th at Sharon Lutheran Church in Statesville. The family will receive friends prior to the service (from 2-3:15pm). Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.