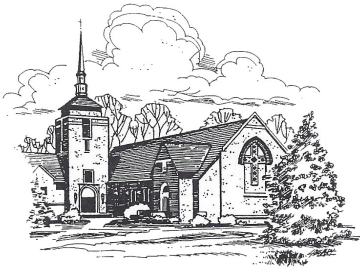


<p><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u> <u>Acolyte(s)</u>: Reagan Kilby <u>Cross Bearer</u>: Megan Jorgensen <u>Elder(s)</u>: David Setzer & Jerry Mallonee <u>Nursery Attendant</u>: Sonya Starnes <u>Treasurer Assistant today</u>: Rockie Saine</p>	<p><u>USHERS for October</u>: Tommy Simmons' S.S. Class</p> <p><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK</u>: <u>Liturgist</u>: Marty Wilson <u>Lay Reader</u>: Lawrence Warf <u>Treasurer Assistant</u>: Tony Wells <u>Flower Calendar</u>: Marjorie Reaves</p>
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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 6, 2019—10:30 A.M.

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

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE "Melita" by John Dykes/arr by Steven Scott—Marty Light, Organist

*PASTOR'S DECLARATION Rev. Peggy Stout

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #349 Blue Book

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) Kelly Barringer, Liturgist
We come to worship God, bringing our own needs and that of the world.
We come with our faith and our doubts;
We come with our hopes and our fears.
We come as we are because it is God who invites us to come, and God has promised never to turn us away.
Let us worship!

*CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (Responsively) Kelly Barringer, Liturgist
Holy and Loving God, we confess that we are not eager to wrestle with you or to take responsibility for the sin in our lives --
Yet, we have bent your commandments to our own convenience. We listen to the words we want to hear. We often do what is easiest rather than what is right or best. Forgive us, O Lord--
For the things that we have done that we regret and for the things that we have failed to do that we regret, ***Forgive us, O Lord!***
For the times we have reacted without thought and without love,
Forgive us, O Lord!
For hurtful words spoken and helpful words left unsaid,
Forgive us, O Lord! Help us to lay down our burden of regrets, and fill us not only with the desire but the commitment to follow in the ways of Christ.

We ask all these things in the name of Christ our Lord, who taught us to



Sunday, October 20 in downtown Newton!

- 2:00pm—Registration
- 3:00pm—Event Starts
- 4:00pm—Awards/Refreshments

(Benefits ECCCM & the Corner Table)

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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pray:

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** *“Have Thine Own Way”* (vs 4) #400 Blue Book
*Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Hold o’er my being Absolute sway! Fill with Thy Spirit
‘Til all shall see Christ only, always, Living in me.*

(Please be seated.)

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*Unison*) Jessica Spain, Lay Reader
*Eternal God, in the reading of the scriptures, 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. Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 37:1-9* Jessica Spain, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM *“Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place”*
by Lanny Wolfe/arr by Jack Schrader—Chancel Choir

***GOSPEL READING** *Luke 17:1-10* 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** *“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”* (vs 1 & 4) #421 Blue Book

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Peggy Stout

ORGAN MEDITATION Marty Light

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation Rev. Peggy Stout
*(All who are confirmed or have made a public announcement of faith in
Jesus Christ are invited to receive Holy Communion. Ours is an open
table. The cups are divided between wine & juice. Red is the wine).*

The Consistory will meet **TODAY**, following Worship, in the Chapel.

TONIGHT, Rev. Peggy will begin a book discussion on John Ortberg’s When the Game is Over it All Goes Back in the Box.



*What can we take with us to the kingdom of God?
... Only what we brought to the game—everything else goes
back in the box. The only real “winnings” you claim and
keep are your own soul and the love you have for Christ
and each other. If you think you might need a better game
plan, this strategy-filled playbook walks you through what
it takes to really win big at the game of life.*

Please join us at 5:00pm for music and discussion.
Refreshments will be provided after the service.

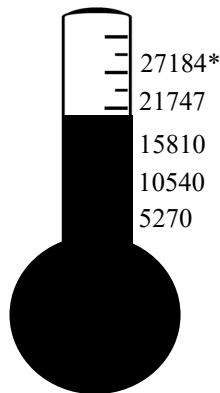
Lunch Bunch: Our next meeting will be held **THIS Wednesday, October 9th** at Box Car Grille in Claremont. We will meet at the restaurant at 11:45am. (*Van riders will need to meet at the church at 11:30am*). Please sign-up at the back of the Sanctuary—or let Tamara know if you would like to go so that we can make reservations!

Brotherhood: Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, October 14th** at 5:30pm in the Parlor. We will be finalizing plans for the big fall BBQ! Any and all help would be appreciated.

Good Timers: **Our outing to Mount Airy** has been scheduled!! We will be leaving (*tentatively*) at 9:00am on Tuesday, October 15th. Please join us as we visit “the home of Andy Griffith,” Pilot Mountain State Park, and the NC Granite Quarry! *If you would like to join us, please contact Dianne Propst at church or by phone: 828-256-5803.*



Rev. Peggy has re-scheduled the **Chairpersons’ Dinner & Planning Meeting** for next Tuesday, October 15th. We will meet at 6:00pm in the Sun Room. Please bring your calendars so that we can discuss upcoming events and schedules through January of 2020.



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER</u>							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
September 01	15	109	—	124	49	\$ 3,272.00	
September 08	—	149	—	149	49	\$ 5,346.00	
September 15	30	108	17	155	59	\$ 3,536.00	
September 22	18	119	—	137	46	\$ 3,404.00	
September 29	20	178	—	198	42	\$ 3,656.00	
TOTALS	83	663	17	763	245	\$ 19,214.00	

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

This Week

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Neighbors in Need Offering

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 11:45am—Consistory Meeting
- 5:00pm—“Faith Alive!” Music, Book Discussion & Refreshments

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

- 12:00pm—Preschool Grandparent’s Day Luncheon
- 5:15pm—Board of Property Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

- 11:30am—Lunch Bunch, Box Car Grille
- 7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

- 2:00pm—ECCCM 50 Year Celebration

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 5:00pm—“Faith Alive!” Worship

Donations and sign-ups are now being accepted for our FALL FESTIVAL!! We had an amazing turn-out last year—of over 500 children!! Please think about donating some candy this year!! A donation box can be found at the church office. Helpers are needed for Trunk-or-Treating and Cake Walk donations. (Please sign-up at the back of the Sanctuary, or let Tamara know if you can help as soon as possible)!



The Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Communion

Sharing of the Bread

Sharing of the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Responsively)

Gracious God, we thank you for the love that brings us food from heaven, gives us the life of your Son, and assures us that we belong to the company of all your faithful people in heaven and on earth—

Strengthened now by this fellowship and by the power of your Holy Spirit, grant that we may continue your work in our world until we come into the glory of your eternal kingdom. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

Offertory

“His Eye is on the Sparrow” by C Gabriel/arr by E Broughton

*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 (dedication of gifts and pledges)

*HYMN

“He Keeps Me Singing”

#587 Blue Book

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Chancel Choir

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

“Medieval French Postlude”

by John Troutman/Marty Light



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given
in Love and to the Glory of God.
- Given by Yvonne Propst



TRINITY REFORMED UCC WELCOMES OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TODAY—Ken and Jan Herman. Ken & Jan are coming by letter of transfer from Trinity Baptist Church in Newton. They have two children (Scott and Sharyn), two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren! Both have “green thumbs.” They enjoy working with flowers and doing yard work. Please help us make them feel welcome.



OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 37:1-9*

¹ Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, ² for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb. ³ Trust in the LORD, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security. ⁴ Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart. ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. ⁶ He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday. ⁷ Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices. ⁸ Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil. ⁹ For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL READING** *Luke 17:1-10*

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Occasions for stumbling are bound to come, but woe to anyone by whom they come! ²It would be better for you if a millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea than for you to cause one of these little ones to stumble. ³Be on your guard! If another disciple sins, you must rebuke the offender, and if there is repentance, you must forgive. ⁴And if the same person sins against you seven times a day, and turns back to you seven times and says, “I repent”, you must forgive.’ ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, ‘Increase our faith!’ ⁶The Lord replied, ‘If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, “Be uprooted and planted in the sea”, and it would obey you. ⁷ ‘Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, “Come here at once and take your place at the table”? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, “Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink”? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, “We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!” ’

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.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

<u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u>	<u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u>
Candy Laws Lawrence Warf Mike Kilby Peggy Wright Sarah Hoffman Garland & Darlene Whittaker	Mary Schell Todd Hendrix Virginia Brown Andrew & Linda Mosteller—Jackie Kanipe’s brother and wife Martin Light, Sr.—Marty Light’s father Gloria DiSanto—Debbie Spencer-Ahrens’ mother (in Texas) Charles W Spencer, II—Debbie Spencer-Ahrens’ son (in Kuwait) Becky Sherrill—cousin to Libby, Martha, Coy, Louise, & Martha Caldwell
<u>HOMEBOUND</u>	
Peggy Miller Paul & Lula Towery Martha Sigmon Bobbie Whisenant Wanda Sue Ammerman	
<u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u>	
<u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u>	
Mabel Lawing—Room 1005 Joan Williamson Peggy Hollis Mary Tuttle Joe Schell	
<u>TRINITY RIDGE</u>	
Odessa Whitmire—Room 107	
<u>CV ASSISTED LIVING</u>	
Mary Crump—Room 114	

Updated Addresses:

Les Bird
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Solomons, MD 20688

Amanda Shuford
8136 Greywinds Dr
Raleigh, NC 27615

The Children’s School:

- **Tuesday, October 8:** Grandparents’ Day! If you have a grandchild in the preschool, we would like to invite you to join us for lunch at 12:00pm!!
- **Our Coupon Book sale** continues until the end of October—cost \$20/each. Please contact Cathy Higgins (Director) if you would like to purchase—828-464-0057. **THANK YOU for your help!**