

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Acolyte: ?

Cross Bearer: Gina Setzer

Elder(s) of the Month:

Dennis Falder & Kathy Alexander

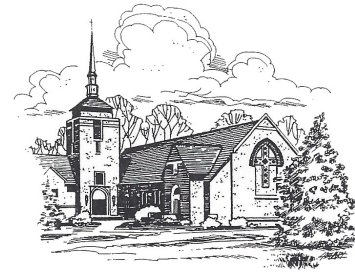
Nursery Attendant: Sonya Starnes

REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Liturgist: Jerry Mallonee

Lay Reader: Kathleen Shuford

Flower Calendar: Yvonne Propst



Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**SEVENTEETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 19, 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*)

Jessica Spain, Liturgist

There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Blessed be the name of the Lord our God!

HYMN

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Choir Member(s)

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Jessica Spain, Liturgist

O God, when Jesus walked among us to spread your message of redemption and love, He did not elevate Himself above those He came to save. So, Lord, help us to humble ourselves and let us be your servants in today's world. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

PIANO INTROIT

Marty Light

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Peggy Stout

Holy and Merciful God, we confess that we are much like the first disciples of Jesus. Our cravings for more and more toss us about like leaves in the fall winds. We boast of our great wisdom, yet we do not understand your ways of gentleness and peace. We often do not plant ourselves in your Word, and in your hope and grace, and we reap a harvest of conflict and chaos. Draw near to us, gracious God, and forgive us. Lead us into a willingness to put others first, and grant us wisdom to serve instead of seize, that we may bring forth a harvest of righteousness, justice, and peace. We ask all these things in the name of Christ, who taught us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom



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Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader

Martha Caldwell, Director of Adult Traditional Choir

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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 “*On Eagle’s Wings*” Choir Member
And I will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of my hand.

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

BABY BAPTISM Rev. Peggy Stout
(James Samuel Plott, Son of Read & Alyssa Plott)

PIANO INTERLUDE “*Jesus Loves Me, This I Know*” Marty Light

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Janie Setzer, Lay Reader
Holy God, we come before you as open vessels ready to be filled. Send forth your Spirit that we may hear your Word and internalize it for our lives.
Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 1* Janie Setzer, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM “*Here I Am, Lord*” Choir Member(s)

GOSPEL READING *Mark 9:30-37* 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

THE APOSTLES CREED Stephanie Anderson?
Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is at the right hand of the Father, and he



Because of the increase in the number of COVID cases in our county, the Consistory encourages that face masks be worn inside the building.

Please help us keep each other as safe as possible!

Youth Lunch & “Trash to Treasures” Scavenger Hunt—Sunday, September 26th—11:45am-1:30pm. Come join us as we carpool around Conover to collect “treasures!” Prizes will be awarded for the smallest item, the most unusual/eccentric item, the ugliest item, and the most valued item! A Subway box lunch will be provided for all participants.

(All items not claimed will be donated to LINC Gift & Thrift in Newton.)

Our next **Youth Confirmation Class** will be held on Tuesday, September 28th at 6:00pm in Rev. Peggy’s Office. We will be discussing the Ten Commandments and the Lahu Mission—with special guest, Rev. Jaha Seechang.



Neighbors In Need

Offering Received—Sunday, October 3rd

Singles (age 18+):

- Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 12th. We will meet at the church at 4:30pm and carpool over to Sorrento’s Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria in Statesville—or meet there at 5pm. Sorrento’s offers salads, pastas, pizzas, strombolies, calzones, sandwiches, & more.



OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 1*

¹Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, ²but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night. ³That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers. ⁴Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. ⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. ⁶For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL READING** *Mark 9:30-37*

³⁰They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, ³¹because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise.” ³²But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it. ³³They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the road?” ³⁴But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest. ³⁵Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.” ³⁶He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.”

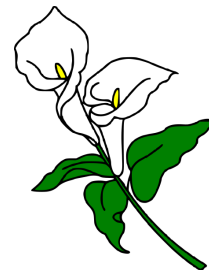
The Gospel of the Risen Christ.
All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

I just wanted to say **THANK YOU** to all of my Trinity Family for your prayers, cards, calls, and best wishes since my surgery 4-weeks ago. I love you all!
- Jerry Mallonee

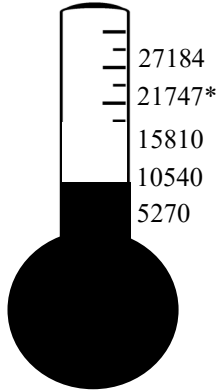
Congregational CARE NOTES today! There are notebooks provided at the back of the Sanctuary. Please take a moment to write a note of care, thought, or appreciation to someone on the church prayer list. *Please write their name on the top of the paper.* We will take the notes up after the service and mail them directly to the person’s home.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

<p><u>HOSPITALIZATIONS</u> Jeanne Whitmire—CVMC (634) Virginia Brown—CVMC (423) Pat Roark—Atrium Charlotte (9126)</p> <p><u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u> Peggy Wright David Epley Donna Griffin Cox Sarah Hoffman Marjorie Reaves</p> <p><u>HOMEBOUND</u> Martha Sigmon Diane Loftin Bobbie Whisenant Paul & Lula Towery Wanda Sue Ammerman</p> <p><u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u></p> <p><u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u> Joan Williamson—Room 240 Joe Schell—Apt 205</p> <p><u>CV ASSISTED LIVING at Rock Barn</u> Mary Crump—Room 114</p> <p><u>BAYVIEW NURSING (New Bern, NC)</u> Jackie Kanipe—Room 28</p>	<p><u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u> Jeff Whisenant Rev. Earle Potts Randy Steelmon</p> <p>*Michael Gantt (Charles & Brenda Gantt’s son) - 1890 Knolls Dr— Newton, NC 28658</p> <p>*Terrell Pope (Larry Pope’s brother) - in hospital in Lincolnton with COVID</p>
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CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY to Larry Pope & Family in the loss of his sister, Sheila Pope Pyatt on September 14th at CHS-Blue Ridge. A funeral service will was held this past Saturday at Beam Funeral Service in Marion, NC.



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER</u>						
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving
September 05	—	71	—	71	—	\$ 5,720.87
September 12	—	91	—	91	—	\$ 3,510.50
September 19						
September 26						
TOTALS	—	162	—	162	—	\$ 9,231.37

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

This Week

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Baby Baptism (Samuel Plott)

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

9:30am—Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.
6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

*Deadline for October Tablet Info!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Eighteenth 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—Youth Lunch & “Trash to
Treasure” Scavenger Hunt

will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

Choir Member(s)

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

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.*

Rev. Peggy Stout

***Prayer**

(Please be seated.)

SPECIAL MUSIC (Duet)

“The Prayer”

Alyssa Lowe Plott & Bergsvein Toverud

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Peggy Stout

May the blessing of God—Creator, Healer, and Giver of Life—bless and keep you. May Christ, the Son of Righteousness, shine brightly on your path as you walk the way of justice and peace this week, and may you feel the strength of the Holy Spirit always with you. Amen.

***CHIMES**

***POSTLUDE**

Marty Light



Sunday, October 17th

3:00pm in downtown Newton

Benefits: ECCCM & The Corner Table
(to provide meals to the homes facing food
insecurity in eastern Catawba County)



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of Matthew Deal's birthday
on September 21st.

- Given by Alicia Deal and Monica Wise