

<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> David Setzer</p>	<p><u>USHERS for October:</u> Tommy Simmons' S.S. Class <u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u> <u>Liturgist:</u> Greg Reitzel <u>Lay Reader:</u> Carolyn Reitzel <u>Treasurer Assistant:</u> Joye Lane <u>Flower Calendar:</u> Dawn & Marty Wilson</p>
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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 20, 2019—10:30 A.M.

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

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE Josh Herman, Guest Organist

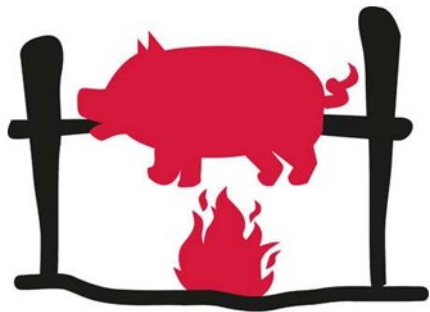
***PASTOR'S DECLARATION** Rev. Peggy Stout
Come, let us worship our Creator God, who is the very definition of generosity and who calls each of us to be generous.

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

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Responsively)** David Eckard, Liturgist
God of all good things, we invite you to be present today—
to receive our worship and to find the desires of our hearts pleasing to you.
Open our hearts to fresh ways of serving you and your world.
Open our minds to new ways of sharing all that you have given to us.
Open our souls that we may be filled with your abundant love and grace.
In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

***CHORAL INTROIT** Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (Responsively)** David Eckard, Liturgist
Merciful God, you are the God of generosity -- you gave all of yourself through Christ so that we could have life.
Forgive us for failing to recognize that what we have is yours and is given to us to share with others.
Instill in us the sense of community that the early church had -- where members shared and distributed to all who had need so that no one lacked for anything.
Show us daily how to be good stewards of all that you have given and to meet the needs of our church, our community, and our world.



**The Trinity Brotherhood
BBQ is coming ...**

NOVEMBER 1 & 2

Please see Jeff Whisenant for more information—or to find out how you can help!

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
Joe Hart, Financial Secretary
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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 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** *“This Is My Father’s World” (vs 2)* #6 Blue Book
*This is my Father’s world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker’s praise.
This is my Father’s world:
He shines in all that’s fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.*

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S SERMON Jessica Spain

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*Unison*) Natalie Inman, Lay Reader
O Lord, our God, as we hear your Word read and proclaimed, fill us with your Spirit. Soften our hearts that we may delight in your presence. Sharpen 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 *Psalm 112:1-9* Natalie Inman, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM *“Canon of Praise”* Pachel bel/arr by Hal Hopson—Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING *II Corinthians 8:1-15* Rev. Peggy Stout
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON *“Giving, Generosity, & God’s Grace”* Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

ORGAN INTERLUDE Josh Herman



NEXT Sunday, October 27th
from 6-8pm

SOME MONEY REQUIRED!

Hot Dog Supper (\$2), Cake Walk (25¢/kids & 50¢/adults), FREE Games, Hay Rides, Popcorn, Sno-cones, Cotton Candy, Balloon Artist, and Trunk-or-Treating!!

If you would like to help, please sign-up at the back of the Sanctuary today!

Volunteers are needed to help at ECCCM on Monday, October 28th—any time between 9am-4pm. Please go there to help and let them know that you are from Trinity Reformed UCC. Thank you for helping!

Saturday, November 2 is going to be a busy day at our church!

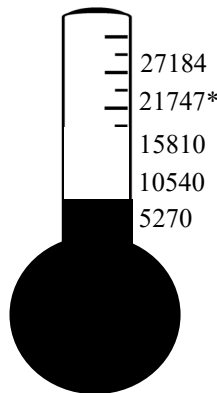
9:30am—**Singles Outing** to Gastonia & Belmont. We will eat lunch at Cheddar’s in Gastonia and then head down to Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens to experience Dia de Muertos (Day of the Dead) with exhibitions, crafts, and more!

2:00pm—**Craft Bazaar** in the Fellowship Hall.
Come join us and pick-up something for the holiday season!
We will have vendors set-up with edible goods, wearable goods, jewelry, decorations, & more!
Prices will vary by vendor.



5:00pm—**Community BBQ Dinner** in the LEC. This will be our 70th Annual Dinner! Cost: \$10/adults & \$6/kids. Buffet-style dinner will include pork BBQ, sauce, coleslaw, French fries, baked apples, and more!

Sunday, November 3 will be All Saints’ Day at Trinity Reformed UCC. All Saints’ Day is the day we recognize and remember all those of our church family who have lived and died in the faith during the past year. *We will have a special time of remembrance of all our “saints” during the 10:30 am worship that day-- with music, a candle lit in the memory of each one who has died, and a rose on the altar for each one.* It is our hope that you will be able to attend this special service.



ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
October 06	10	112	18	140	58	\$ 4,644.00	
October 13	10	110	16	136	40	\$ 4,337.00	
October 20							
October 27							
TOTALS	20	222	34	276	98	\$ 8,981.00	

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

This Week

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:15am—S.S. Assembly

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship

3:00pm—*Eastern Catawba Hunger*

Walk, downtown Newton

*NO "Faith Alive!" Services Tonight!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

9:00am—Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.

6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

9:15am—S.S. Assembly

9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)

10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship

6:00pm—Fall Festival!

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Peggy Stout

*HYMN

"Victory in Jesus"

#82 Blue Book

OFFERING 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

*Offertory Prayer

(Please be seated.)

*HYMN

"To God Be the Glory"

#363 Blue Book

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Chancel Choir

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

Josh Herman



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given in Loving Honor of Cole's 22nd Birthday and in Loving Memory of Polly Reitzel, the best grandmother ever!

- Given by Greg & Carolyn Reitzel

The Trinity Foundation (Shuford Fund) will accept requests for funding of projects in 2020 beginning in October 2019 and ending on November 30, 2019. Projects will be evaluated and potentially funded based on merit and funding available from 2019 Foundation (Shuford Fund) investment earnings. Final decisions on projects will come in early 2020. Application forms can be obtained in the church office. Questions can be directed to Foundation Board Members: Don Patrick, JV Randall, Joann Simmons, Patsy Wells, or Greg Reitzel.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY to the family of Judy Weaver who passed away on October 14th. Judy was a faithful member of our Hugs & Stitches (prayer shawl) group and sister-in-law to Dianne Propst. A funeral service was held this past Thursday at Hickory Funeral Home Chapel. Memorials may be sent to: Carolina Caring, 3975 Robinson Rd, Newton, NC 28658.



OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 112:1-9*

¹ Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in his commandments. ² Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. ³ Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures for ever. ⁴ They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous. ⁵ It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice. ⁶ For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered for ever. ⁷ They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord. ⁸ Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes. ⁹ They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT READING *II Corinthians 8:1-15*

We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; ²for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, ⁴begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints— ⁵and this, not merely as we expected; they gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us, ⁶so that we might urge Titus that, as he had already made a beginning, so he should also complete this generous undertaking among you. ⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. ⁸ I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— ¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written, ‘The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.’

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

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>CV ASSISTED LIVING</u>
Mike Kilby Peggy Wright Sarah Hoffman Garland & Darlene Whittaker	Mary Crump—Room 114
<u>HOMEBOUND</u>	<u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u>
Peggy Miller Paul & Lula Towery Martha Sigmon Bobbie Whisenant	Charles Gantt Candy Laws Lawrence Warf Todd Hendrix Virginia Brown
<u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u>	
<u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u>	Donna Griffin Cox—health problems
Mabel Lawing—Room 1005 Mary Schell—Room 1013 Joan Williamson—Room 240 Mary Tuttle—Room 213	Debbie Spencer-Ahrens
<u>BRIAN CENTER REHAB (Tate Blvd)</u>	Martin Light, Sr.—Marty Light’s father
Wanda Sue Ammerman—Rm 503	Charles W Spencer, II—Debbie Spencer-Ahrens’ son (in Kuwait)
<u>TRINITY RIDGE</u>	
Odessa Whitmire—Room 807	



I would like to **THANK YOU**, Rev. Peggy Stout and the entire congregation for keeping me in your prayers and sending get-well cards. Thank you so much for the beautiful Hugs & Stitches shawl.
- Sincerely yours, Wayne Trotter

I am so grateful to all of you at Trinity Church for the beautiful shawl, the many cards, phone calls, and most of all—your prayers—as I struggle with my health problems. Pastor Peggy, **THANK YOU** for reaching out to me and giving me the support just when I needed it most. Please continue to remember me in prayer.
- Donna Griffin Cox

THANK YOU, Trinity Family, for your many prayers, cards, and calls during the last weeks. Knowing of your loving and prayerful support has helped me to support my son, Jerry. I am humbly grateful for your many acts of kindness, including the beautiful prayer shawl.
- Gratefully, Jane Bartholomew