

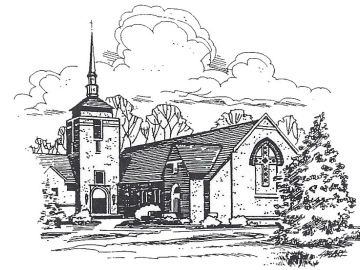
<p><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u> <u>Acolyte(s):</u> Jacob Houston <u>Cross Bearer:</u> David Setzer <u>Elder(s):</u> Greg Reitzel & Michael Lingle <u>Nursery Attendant:</u> Sonya Starnes <u>Treasurer Assistant today:</u> Sandy Lawrence</p>	<p><u>Ushers for March:</u> Shuford Abernethy's Class</p> <p><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u> <u>Liturgist:</u> Natalie Inman <u>Lay Reader:</u> Cindy Abel <u>Treasurer Assistant:</u> Natalie Inman <u>Flower Calendar:</u> Dawn Kilby</p>
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I would like to **THANK** everyone for their cards, calls, and thoughts/prayers during my surgery and recovery. I would like to especially thank Rev. Peggy for her kindness and time spent with me—and my sisters and brother for their love, time, and support. I feel very blessed to have such a wonderful and caring family and church family. - Love, Louise Sherrill

My brothers and I would like to pass along our many **THANKS** to the Trinity congregation for their prayers, cards, kind wishes, love and support of my family during our time of need with the passing of our sister, Chris "Dee" Boyd. In times such as these, it is a blessing to know so many people care and take the time to express their condolences. - Jody Sims

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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 1, 2020 - 10:30 A.M.

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

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE "Lenten Meditation" by Richard Blake/Marty Light, Organist

***PASTOR'S DECLARATION** Rev. Peggy Stout
Let us worship our Creator God and Loving Father—who has sought us in love, waited for us in patience, and welcomes us in joy.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise" #319 Blue Book

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Responsively)** Jerry Mallonee, Liturgist
Holy and Loving God, as we worship you today,
we long for your Spirit to both comfort and challenge us, to help us become more holy and more loving.
In a world that does not understand repentance,
we pray for new understanding, humility, patience, and discipline that will help us die to sin and live for Jesus. Amen.

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

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsively)** Jerry Mallonee, Liturgist
Most Merciful and Loving God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin,
we confess before you our sinfulness.
We have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil and we have doubted your power to protect us.
Forgive, O God, our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness.
Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. ***In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.***

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (responsively)** Rev. Peggy Stout
Friends, our God is just and merciful. He reproves our sinful ways, offers the grace of repentance, and frees us to live as His beloved children. In the

name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*PRAISE RESPONSE

“On Eagles’ Wings”

*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.*

(Please be seated.)

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Jessica Spain

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(Unison)*

Tommy Simmons, 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 32:1-5*

Tommy Simmons, Lay Reader

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

“Think of Me and Remember”

by Joel Raney/Chancel Choir

*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:1-11

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

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord” (vs 1 & 4)

#400 Blue Book

(Please be seated.)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(All who are confirmed or have made a public profession 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.)

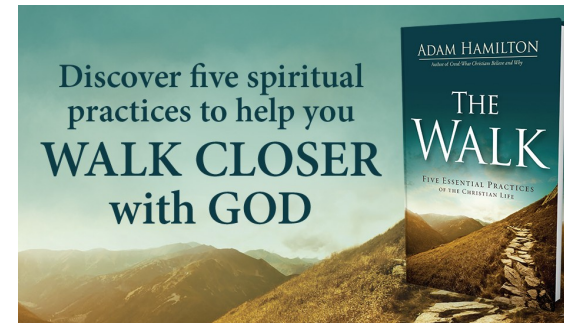
Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

- **TODAY, FOLLOWING WORSHIP:** **The Kidz Club** will be traveling to McDonald’s for lunch—and then to Bo’s Family Entertainment in Lenoir! Cost: \$12/per child (*plus lunch, if over \$5*).

- **The Consistory** will meet in the Parlor.
- **There will be NO “Faith Alive!” Services Tonight!**

LENTEN BOOK STUDY:



Beginning [THIS Wednesday, March 4th](#) from 11:30am—12:45pm and continuing on March 18th, and April 1st, Rev. Peggy will be leading a study on Adam Hamilton’s newest book, “The Walk”.

(At these lunch meetings we are asking everyone to bring a sandwich—drinks and chips will be provided—please meet in the church parlor.)

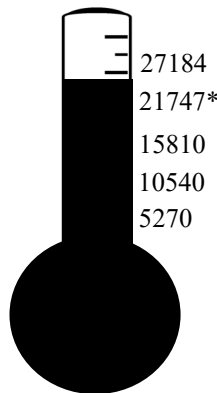
THIS Saturday, March 7: **WNCA will hold its Annual Education Day** from 9:00am-3:00pm at Abernethy Laurels in Newton. The theme this year is “Becoming WISE: Understanding and Supporting Mental Health.” A registration fee will be required.

Next Sunday,
March 8:

- **Daylight Savings Time begins**—SPRING FORWARD one hour! Don’t forget!
- 9:30am—Sunday School Classes (for all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 5:00pm—Faith Alive! Music, Worship & Refreshments

“Coffee, Conversation, and Prayer Time with the Pastor” will begin NEXT Wednesday, March 11th from 10-11am OR 6:30-7:30pm in the Pastor’s Study. *This will be a time to pray, have a short devotional and share concerns (whether those concerns be individual or of the church). All members and visitors are welcome to attend!*





<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY</u>							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
February 02	14	126	—	140	51	\$ 9,514.33	
February 09	20	121	—	141	—	\$ 5,203.50	
February 16	32	148	18	198	62	\$ 3,736.50	
February 23	22	110	—	132	—	\$ 4,896.00	
TOTALS	88	505	18	611	113	\$ 23,350.33	

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

This Week

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

First Sunday in Lent/Communion

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
- 11:45am—Consistory Meeting
- 11:45am—Kidz Club Outing (Bo's)
- *NO "Faith Alive!" Services Tonight!

MONDAY, MARCH 2

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

- 10:00am—LINC Ministers' Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

- 9:00am—Preschool Field Trip to Rescue Ranch
- 11:30am—Lenten Book Study
- 7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

- 6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

- 9:00am—Annual WNCA Education Day at Abernethy Laurels

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

Second Sunday in Lent/Daylight Savings Time (Spring Forward 1 hour!)

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

The Words of Institution
The Prayer of Consecration
The Sharing

Sharing of the Bread
Sharing of the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*Responsively*):

God of Love, it is because of your love for us that you stooped to be our servant and willingly suffered to give us eternal life—

For that love, O Lord, we give you thanks. Help us now to show that love in our care of your creation, in the care of this community, this church, and your global world. Amen.

ORGAN MEDITATION

Marty Light

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Greg Reitzel

Offertory

"Elegy—from Opus 34 No. 2"

by Frederic Chopin/arr by Lani Smith

*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

"Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"

#107 Blue Book

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Chancel Choir

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

"Faith Eternal"

by Edward Broughton/Marty Light



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given to the
Glory of God and in Loving Honor of Marty's
Birthday on March 4th!

- Given by Dawn Wilson

GOOD



TIMERS

UPCOMING: Good Timers' Luncheon at the church

Thursday, March 19th—11:45am

Menu: Chicken Pie, Vegetables, Rolls, Desserts/Guest Speaker:
Kristi Biggar from Habitat for Humanity—Cost: \$6/per person.
Please sign-up at the back of the Sanctuary, contact Tamara in the church office, or Dianne Propst (828-256-5803).



OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 32:1-5*

¹ Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. ² Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. ³ While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. ⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD', and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL READING** *Matthew 4:1-11*

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' ⁴But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' ⁷Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' ¹⁰Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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>
Virginia Brown Sarah Hoffman Wanda Sue Ammerman Bobbie Whisenant Garland & Darlene Whittaker	Tim Lail Lawrence Warf Jo Ann Simmons
<u>HOMEBOUND</u>	Dotty Shuford
Paul & Lula Towery Martha Sigmon Joyce Potts Peggy Wright	Diane Loftin Eric Kanipe Luke Wilkinson—Nathan & Addyson Lingle's cousin
<u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u>	Bill Comby—Alicia Deal's father
<u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u>	Gretchen Greiner—Rehab @ Abernethy Laurels (North Manor)
Joan Williamson—Room 240 Mary Tuttle—Memory Care Peggy Hollis—Apt 219 Joe Schell—Apt 205	
<u>CONOVER NURSING & REHAB</u>	
Mike Kilby—Room 404	
<u>TRINITY RIDGE</u>	
Odessa Whitmire—Room 807	
<u>CAROLINA REHAB CTR OF BURKE</u>	
Peggy Miller—Room 110	
<u>CV ASSISTED LIVING at Rock Barn</u>	
Mary Crump—Room 114	

Singles:

Saturday, March 14: Outing to Old Salem; 9:30am
Every Saturday, Old Salem offers two unique programs—
"Quilting Frolic Day" & "Winkler Bake Day." Please bring
money for your ticket (*approximately \$20*), your lunch,
and/or souvenirs. Please contact Mark Dickerson at
828-234-4513 for questions or more information.