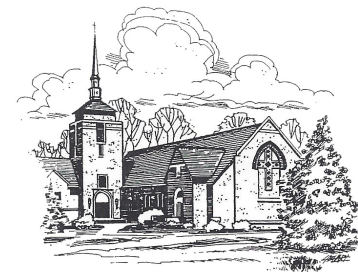


<p><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u></p> <p><u>Acolyte:</u> ?</p> <p><u>Cross Bearer (Sept):</u> Gina Setzer</p> <p><u>Cross Bearer (Oct):</u> Richard Bowers</p> <p><u>Elder(s) of the Month (Sept):</u> Dennis Falder & Kathy Alexander</p> <p><u>Elder(s) of the Month (Oct):</u> David Setzer & Jerry Mallonee</p> <p><u>Nursery Attendant:</u> Sonya Starnes</p>	<p><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u></p> <p><u>Liturgist:</u> Natalie Inman</p> <p><u>Lay Reader:</u> Jennifer Lingle</p> <p><u>Flower Calendar:</u> Jennifer Lingle</p>
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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 26, 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*)

Jerry Mallonee, Liturgist

Praise the Lord. All that is within me, praise His Holy Name. Remember all his kindness—in forgiving our sins, in curing our diseases, and in surrounding us with love.

Praise the Lord! All that is within me, praise His Holy Name!

HYMN

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

Choir Member(s)

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Jerry Mallonee, Liturgist

O God, our Creator and our Redeemer, we are so blessed by your love and mercy. Give us the spiritual insight to see the true needs of our fellow brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ and those outside the faith, and would you also give us the loving desire and strength to flavor the world and make a difference. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PIANO INTROIT

Marty Light

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone—

Forgive us, O God!

For the times we have failed to seek your guidance and your will—

Forgive us, O God!

For the times we have made our decisions by our wisdom alone, only to be upset with you when things went wrong—



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Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader
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Forgive us, O God!

For the times we have failed to reach out and care for one another when we could have done so—

Have mercy on us, O God, and teach us to pray as you taught your disciples: 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 “O How He Loves You and Me” Choir Member(s)
*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 Kathleen Shuford, Lay Reader
O Holy Spirit, as the scriptures are read, fill us with wisdom and understanding. May our hearts and minds be open to receive all that leads to life and holiness. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 19:7-11* Kathleen Shuford, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC Marty Light

GOSPEL READING *Mark 9:38-42, 50* 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 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine” Choir Member(s)



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](#)—TODAY, immediately following worship. 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.



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 *Psalm 19:7-11*

⁷The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. ⁸The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. ⁹The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. ¹⁰They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. ¹¹By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING *Mark 9:38-42, 50*

³⁸“Teacher,” said John, “we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us.” ³⁹“Do not stop him,” Jesus said. “For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, ⁴⁰for whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward. ⁴²“If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea.

⁵⁰“Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves, and be at peace with each other.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

HOSPITALIZATIONS

Jeanne Whitmire—CVMC (154)
Pat Roark—Charlotte Nursing & Rehab Center (Room 107-A)

RECUPERATING AT HOME

Peggy Wright
Virginia Brown
David Epley
Donna Griffin Cox
Sarah Hoffman
Marjorie Reaves

HOMEBOUND

Martha Sigmon
Diane Loftin
Bobbie Whisenant
Paul & Lula Towery
Wanda Sue Ammerman

IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES

ABERNETHY LAURELS

Joan Williamson—Room 240
Joe Schell—Apt 205

CV ASSISTED LIVING at Rock Barn

Mary Crump—Room 114

BAYVIEW NURSING (New Bern, NC)

Jackie Kanipe—Room 28

ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:

Jeff Whisenant
Rev. Earle Potts
Randy Steelmon

*Michael Gantt (Charles & Brenda Gantt's son) - 1890 Knolls Dr—Newton, NC 28658

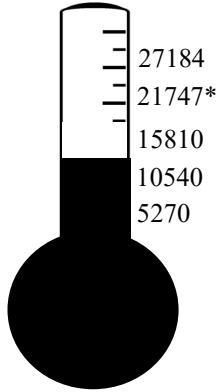
*Terrell Pope (Larry Pope's brother) - in hospital in Lincolnton with COVID

*Jay Sasfai & Menefee Bagnal (cousins of Carole Cross)



CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY to Alicia Deal & Family in the loss of her brother, William Blake Comby on September 18th. A private graveside service will be planned at a later date.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY to Jeanette Bitz & Family in the loss of her brother, Henry Edward Helton in Virginia. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.



<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	—	100	—	100		\$ 3,670.00
September 26						
TOTALS	—	262	—	262	—	\$ 12,901.37

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

This Week

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
 9:00am—Volunteers to ECCCM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
 6:00pm—Youth Confirmation

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
 7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
 6:00pm—Sweet Adelines’

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2
 9:00am—Sweet Adelines’

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Neighbors in Need Offering received
 9:30am—Sunday School (adults)
 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
 10:30am—Radio Broadcast (90.5FM—
 in the parking lot)
 11:30am—Consistory Meeting

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Peggy Stout

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Testimony

Jayne Abernethy

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

Ministry of Intercessory Prayer

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**

“He Lives”

Choir Member(s)

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Peggy Stout

***CHIMES**

***POSTLUDE**

Marty Light




THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given in Loving Memory of my husband, J. Fred Propst and our son, Jeffrey Propst. They are also given in Loving Honor of our daughter, Jacqueline Propst Robertson.
 - Given by Yvonne Propst

From the Board of Property:

The new **SECURITY SYSTEM will be activated in full on October 6th** — at that point, the old keys will no longer work to gain access into the building.





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)