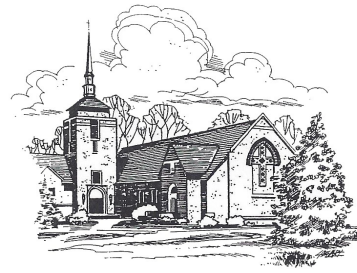


<p><b><u>IN THE LORD'S SERVICE</u></b>  <b><u>Acolyte(s):</u></b> Addyson Lingle  <b><u>Cross Bearer:</u></b> Joye Lane  <b><u>Elder(s):</u></b> Tony Wells &amp; Dawn Kilby  <b><u>Nursery Attendant:</u></b> Sonya Starnes  <b><u>Treasurer Assistant today:</u></b>  Linda Hill</p>	<p><b><u>REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:</u></b>  <b><u>Liturgist:</u></b> David Setzer  <b><u>Lay Reader:</u></b> Deb Hill  <b><u>Treasurer Assistant:</u></b>  Sandy Lawrence  <b><u>Flower Calendar:</u></b>  Marty &amp; Dawn Wilson</p>
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*Trinity Reformed*  
**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPHIPHANY  
FEBRUARY 24, 2019 - 10:30A.M.**

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

**COMING BEFORE GOD**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Peggy Stout

**PRELUDE**

"Aria"

by Franz Josef Haydn/arr by Edward Broughton  
Marty Light, Organist

**\*PASTOR'S DECLARATION**

Rev. Peggy Stout

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

**\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (*responsively*)

Gloria Hill, Liturgist

Almighty God, you created us, know us best and love us most.

***So today, we humbly come hoping to learn more about what it means to trust in you and to wait patiently for you to act.***

Enlighten us by your Spirit, we pray, and build up our determination to follow the way of Jesus—the way of trust, patience, and obedience.

***Amen.***

**\*CHORAL INTROIT**

Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*responsively*)

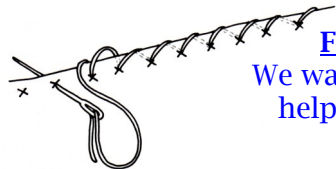
Gloria Hill, Liturgist

Creator God, we plan our lives day by day thinking we are in control of our own futures. Too often, Lord, we fail to even ask for your guidance as we make our plans for life.

***Forgive us, O Lord! Grant us a willingness to accept that you are truly God and you hold the destiny of all people and nations in your Almighty Hands.***

Transform our thinking and our ways by your Spirit into the likeness 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***



**From our Hugs & Stitches Ministry:**

We want our congregation to know that any of us are able to help you if you need a prayer shawl and/or blanket for a family member or dear friend.

Please see one of our group members: Terra West, Dianne Propst, Jane Hamilton, Carole Cross, Alicia Deal, Kathleen Shuford, Sandy Lawrence, or Judy Weaver.

***We are anxious to grow our group and would love to have anyone at any stage of knowledge to join us!*** We meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month in the Parlor (from 9am-12pm).

<p><b><u>THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH</u></b>  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  Tamara McCarter, Church Secretary</p>
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*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**                    “Spirit of the Living God”                    #155 Blue Book  
*Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me,  
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.*

*(Please be seated.)*

**LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** *(Unison)*                    Kathy Winters, Lay Reader  
*Holy God, illumine us through the power of your Spirit. Set your path clearly before us and lead us to follow you willingly for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Genesis 45:3-11, 15*    Kathy Winters, Lay Reader  
The Word of the Lord.  
***Thanks be to God!***

**ANTHEM**                    “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”                    arr by Joel Raney  
Chancel Choir

**\*GOSPEL READING**                    *Luke 6:27-32, 35-36*                    Rev. Peggy Stout  
The Gospel of the Risen Christ.  
***All praise to you, Christ our Lord!***

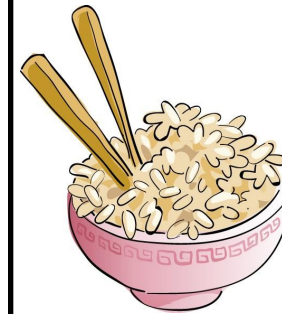
**SERMON**                    Rev. Peggy Stout

**RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

**\*HYMN**                    “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”                    #98 Blue Book  
*(Please be seated.)*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**                    Rev. Peggy Stout

**ORGAN INTERLUDE**                    Marty Light



**Please join us, TODAY, immediately following Worship—  
for our Lahu sponsored Fundraiser Lunch!**

*Featuring: Asian-style cuisine—egg rolls, fried rice,  
beef, chicken, and vegetables!*

Cost: Donations Only.

*All proceeds will go toward our Youth/Adult Mission Trip for  
Disaster Relief along the Carolina Coast!*

**Singles:** Meeting—**TOMORROW at 6:00pm.** We will be heading to Julia’s Talley House in Troutman. Julia’s offers Traditional Southern favorites, but their fried chicken is amazing! *Everyone needs to bring money for meal and van gas. We will be planning April, May, & June events during dinner!*

**“Coffee, Conversation, and Prayer Time” with the Pastor**  
THIS Wednesday, February 27th at 10:00am in the Pastor’s Study.  
*If you would like to share a concern, a prayer request, or  
just talk about something on your heart and mind,  
please join Rev. Peggy for coffee or hot tea.*



**Next Sunday:** We will hold our Youth Confirmation Ceremony during 10:30am Traditional Worship! After worship, lunch will be provided for all confirmands, mentors, and parents!

***The Consistory will also meet after church next Sunday.***

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- Tuesday, March 5: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper; 6pm
- Wednesday, March 6: Ash Wednesday Service; 6:30pm
- Sunday, March 10: Daylight Savings Time Begins (Spring Forward)!
- Sunday, March 31: Spring Congregational Meeting; 11:45am



**OLD TESTAMENT READING**      *Genesis 45:3-11, 15*

<sup>3</sup>Joseph said to his brothers, ‘I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?’ But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. <sup>4</sup>Then Joseph said to his brothers, ‘Come closer to me.’ And they came closer. He said, ‘I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt.’<sup>5</sup>And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup>For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. <sup>7</sup>God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. <sup>8</sup>So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. <sup>9</sup>Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, “Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. <sup>10</sup>You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup>I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.”

<sup>15</sup>And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God!*

**\*GOSPEL READING**      *Luke 6:27-32, 35-36*

<sup>27</sup> ‘But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.<sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you. <sup>32</sup> ‘If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.

<sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

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

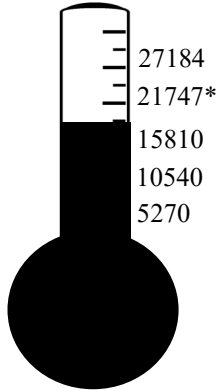
**Congregational CARE NOTES today!** There are notebooks provided at the end of each pew. Please take a moment to write a note of care, thought, or appreciation to someone on the church prayer list. *Please write their name on the top of the paper.* We will take the notes up after the service and mail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

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits**

<p><b><u>RECUPERATING AT HOME</u></b>          Don Patrick          Martha Null          RJ York          Mary Schell          Sarah Hoffman          Garland &amp; Darlene Whittaker</p> <p><b><u>HOMEBOUND</u></b>          Peggy Miller          Odessa Whitmire          Paul &amp; Lula Towery          Mary Tuttle          Martha Sigmon          Bobbie Whisenant          Wanda Sue Ammerman</p> <p><b><u>IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES</u></b>  <b><u>ABERNETHY LAURELS</u></b>          Joan Williamson—Rm 240          Peggy Hollis</p> <p><b><u>ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:</u></b>          Mike Kilby</p>	<p>Mary Crump          Jackie Kanipe          Wally Davis          Virginia Brown</p>
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**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY** to Debbie Rockette & Family on the loss of her mother, Peggy Smith on February 18th. A funeral service was held this past Thursday. *Memorials may be made to: Trinity Reformed UCC—217 2nd Ave NE—Conover, NC 28613 or to Carolina Caring—3975 Robinson Rd—Newton, NC 28658.*



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY</u>							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
February 03	13	123	—	136	46	\$ 5,589.70	
February 10	—	140	—	140	—	\$ 4,503.00	
February 17	—	121	32	153	32	\$ 6,648.00	
February 24							
<b>TOTALS</b>	13	384	32	429	78	\$ 16,740.70	

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

**OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

**Invitation** Rev. Peggy Stout  
**Ministry of Intercessory Prayer**  
**Offertory** "Melodia Semplice" 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** "He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought" #606 Blue Book  
**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Peggy Stout  
**\*CHORAL RESPONSE** Chancel Choir  
**\*CHIMES**  
**\*POSTLUDE** "Recessional" by Rex Koury/Marty Light

*This Week*

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24**  
**Seventh Sunday after Epiphany**  
 9:15am—S.S. Assembly  
 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)  
 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship  
 11:45am—Lahu sponsored Fundraiser  
 Lunch for Youth Mission Trip  
 5:00pm—"Faith Alive!" Worship

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25**  
 8:00am—Helpers needed @ ECCCM  
 6:00pm—Singles Outing

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

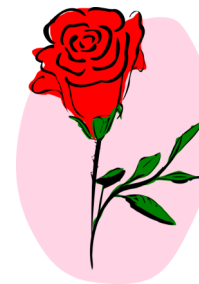
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27**  
 10:00am—"Coffee, Conversation, & Prayer Time" with the Pastor  
 7:00pm—Choir Practice

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28**  
 9:00am—Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.  
 6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

**FRIDAY, MARCH 1**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 2**  
 9:00am—WNCA Meeting @ Abernethy  
 Laurels

**SUNDAY, MARCH 3**  
**Last Sunday after Epiphany/  
 Transfiguration Sunday**  
 9:15am—S.S. Assembly  
 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)  
 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship  
*(Youth Confirmation Ceremony)*  
 11:45am—Consistory Meeting  
 11:45am—Lunch for Youth  
 Confirmands, Mentors, & Parents  
 \*NO Faith Alive! Services Tonight!



**THE FLOWERS** on the altar today are given in Loving Honor of the Trinity Church Staff and my Church Family.  
 - Given by Rev. Peggy Stout

**The ROSE** on the altar is given in Love and in Honor of Kathy Winters' 50th Birthday today! Happy Birthday!  
 - Given by Duane Alexander

**WNCA Education Day**—"Stuff Happens! The Church @ Ground Zero"  
 March 2, 2019 from 9am-3pm at Abernethy Laurels  
*\*This rich day of training will include—a panel discussion about disaster and disaster response, six workshop opportunities in two tracks, and engaging worship. Morning refreshments and lunch will be provided. A small fee will cover food and program expenses—\$10. To register, please visit [www.wnca-soc.org](http://www.wnca-soc.org).*