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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 3, 2021—10:30 A.M.

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

COMING BEFORE GOD

Due to a lack of attendance, the Young Adult Sunday School (taught by Tommy Simmons, upstairs) is no longer meeting.

We have three other adult Sunday School classes (in Rev. Peggy's Office, in the Chapel, and in the Parlor) if you would like to join another class.



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THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
All Church Members, Ministers
Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor
Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE Marty Light, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP Natalie Inman, Liturgist
Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music.

HYMN "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Natalie Inman, Liturgist
O Gracious and Sovereign God, we offer you our collective praise, the joy of our lips, and the gratitude of our hearts. Grant, O Lord, that the splendor of our communion with you this day may transform us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PIANO INTROIT Marty Light

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER 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. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, O God, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be—that we may walk in your ways and glorify your name. 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 “Morning Has Broken” (vs 3) Chancel Choir
*Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, Praise every morning,
God’s recreation Of the new day!*

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Jennifer Lingle, Lay Reader
Holy and Loving God, as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit.
Softener 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 (#1) *Psalm 71:1-8* Jennifer Lingle, Lay Reader
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC “You Are My All in All”
Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

OLD TESTAMENT READING (#2) *Job 1:1, 2:1-10* Rev. Peggy Stout
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

ORGAN MEDITATION (*Communion*) Marty Light

Attention Trinity Members:

Please return your **pledge cards** by next Friday, October 15th—as the Board of Finance needs them to project next year’s budget. You may drop them in the offering plate or bring them by the church office. Thank you for your generous and gracious support of our church and its ministries!

The Consistory will meet in the Chapel TODAY,
immediately following Worship.

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.



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, Stromboli’s, calzones, sandwiches, & more.

Eastern Catawba County HUNGER WALK:

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)

You can participate in multiple ways: walk or sponsor. To walk you can register, donate, become a sponsor, join or create a team. A \$25 donation is required to receive an event t-shirt. Please visit www.ecccm.org for more info.



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!



OLD TESTAMENT READING (#1)

Psalm 71:1-8

¹In you, LORD, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame. ²In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn your ear to me and save me. ³Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. ⁴Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel. ⁵For you have been my hope, Sovereign LORD, my confidence since my youth. ⁶From birth I have relied on you; you brought me forth from my mother’s womb. I will ever praise you. ⁷I have become a sign to many; you are my strong refuge. ⁸My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

OLD TESTAMENT READING (#2)

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

¹In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil.

²On another day the angels^[a] came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came with them to present himself before him. ²And the LORD said to Satan, “Where have you come from?” Satan answered the LORD, “From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it.” ³Then the LORD said to Satan, “Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil. And he still maintains his integrity, though you incited me against him to ruin him without any reason.” ⁴“Skin for skin!” Satan replied. “A man will give all he has for his own life. ⁵But now stretch out your hand and strike his flesh and bones, and he will surely curse you to your face.” ⁶The LORD said to Satan, “Very well, then, he is in your hands; but you must spare his life.” ⁷So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD and afflicted Job with painful sores from the soles of his feet to the crown of his head. ⁸Then Job took a piece of broken pottery and scraped himself with it as he sat among the ashes. ⁹His wife said to him, “Are you still maintaining your integrity? Curse God and die!” ¹⁰He replied, “You are talking like a foolish^[b] woman. Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?” In all this, Job did not sin in what he said.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

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

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

CHARLOTTE NURSING & REHAB

Pat Roark—Room 107-A

HICKORY FALLS (Granite Falls, NC)

Jeanne Whitmire (Room 104)

ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:

Rick Helton Becky Setzer
Jeff Whisenant Jacob Houston
Rev. Earle Potts Randy Steelmon

*Michael Gantt (Charles & Brenda Gantt’s son)

*Terrell Pope (Larry Pope’s brother)

*Alvin Arrowood (Amanda Houston’s father)

*John & Brenda Anderson (Sherry Eckard’s sister & her husband)

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

*Christina Blackburn (Sister-in-law of Tamara McCarter) - COVID

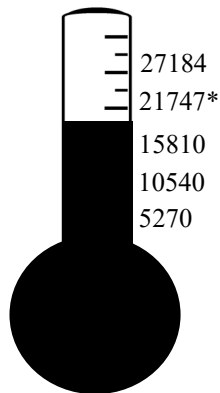
UPDATED PHONE NUMBER

Becky Setzer
980-525-1512



Our **Bereavement Meal Ministry** provides a home-cooked meal for family and friends who have lost a loved one. The meal is served by family request.

Our teams work on a rotating basis. There are volunteer opportunities available to donate a dish or help serve the meal. If you would like to help us in this ministry, please sign-up at the back of the Sanctuary or contact Tamara in the Church Office.



| <u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER</u> | | | | | | |
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| | 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 | — | 92 | — | 92 | — | \$ 3,219.00 |
| TOTALS | — | 354 | — | 354 | — | \$ 16,120.37 |

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

This Week

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Security System Activated in Full!

7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

6:00pm—Sweet Adelines'

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

4:00pm—Wedding Rehearsal
 (Holly Adams & Jason Sechang)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

4:00pm—Wedding Ceremony

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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

THANK YOU so much for the beautiful shawl. I really appreciate this, and thank you for the cards and calls that helped brighten each day. - Larry Pope

Dear Hugs & Stitches, **THANK YOU** for the beautiful prayer shawl. Your thoughtfulness always touches my heart. Just saying thank you will never be enough! I'm humbled and grateful to be part of such a wonderful church family.
 - With love, Jennifer Lingle

My Church Family, **THANK YOU** for all the love and kindness you have given me.
 - Love & Grace, Jeanette Bitz

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Peggy Stout

Invitation
The Words of Institution
The Prayer of Consecration
Communion
Sharing of the Bread
Sharing of the Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, at this table, you have confirmed your Presence with us. We have been embraced by your love and strengthened by your Holy Spirit. Now, bind us to you, and send us into the world to love and care for all people. Amen.

HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Chancel Choir

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

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**

"I Stand Amazed"

Chancel Choir

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Peggy Stout

***CHIMES**

***POSTLUDE**

Marty Light



THE FLOWERS on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Honor of Michael & Jennifer Lingle's 20th Wedding Anniversary on October 6th.

- Given by Jennifer Lingle