# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

"Knowing, Loving, and Sharing Christ"



18<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, September 22, 2024 | 11:00 am

## WELCOME

Welcome in the Name of our Lord Jesus! We are glad to have you here today to share in God's gifts to us in Word and Sacrament. If you are a visitor and would like more information about Holy Trinity, please see an usher or one of our clergy. We will be delighted to talk to you!

**Holy Communion** is offered to all the baptized who believe in Christ's real presence in the Sacrament. **Hearing assistance devices** are available ~ please see an usher.

## Parents of Young Children:

- We offer a staffed nursery for infants through children 5 years old, if you desire. Please see an usher for more information.
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#### PRELUDE

Matthew Noonan, Organist

Präludium und Füge in G, g, & a, BWV 557, 558, & 559, attr. Johann Tobias Krebs (1690-1762)

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

~ Please stand as able. The minister leads the congregation in the invocation. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism. ~

In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit **Amen**.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

~Please kneel as you are able~

~Silence for self-examination and reflection~

## Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.



# APOSTOLIC GREETING

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

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# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



## PRAYER OF THE DAY



Let us pray.

Direct our hearts, O Lord, by your merciful reign, because without your help it is impossible to please you. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Amen.

~ Please be seated ~

## WORD

## THE FIRST LESSON:

**JEREMIAH 11:18-20** 

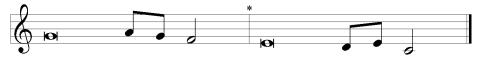
A reading from Jeremiah the eleventh chapter.

<sup>18</sup>The Lord made it known to me and I knew; then you showed me their deeds. <sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more." <sup>20</sup>But, O Lord of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: Psalm 54



<sup>1</sup>Save me, O God, | by your Name;\* in your might, de- | fend my cause.

<sup>2</sup>Hear my | prayer, O God;\*

give ear to the words | of my mouth.

<sup>3</sup>For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have | sought my life,\* those who have no re- | gard for God.

4Behold, God | is my helper;\*
it is the Lord who sus- | tains my life.

<sup>5</sup>Render evil to those who | spy on me;\* in your faithful- | ness, destroy them.

<sup>6</sup>I will offer you a | freewill sacrifice\* and praise your name, O Lord, for | it is good.

<sup>7</sup>For you have rescued me from | every trouble,\* and my eye has seen the ruin | of my foes.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the | Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, is now and will be fore - | ver. Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON:

James 3:13-4:10

A reading from James, the third and fourth chapters.

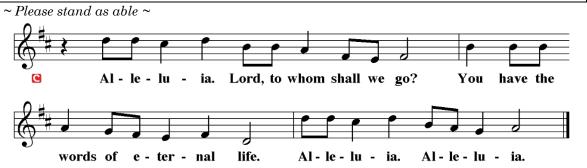
<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. <sup>16</sup>For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." 尽ubmit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁵Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁶Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ⅙Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## THE HOLY GOSPEL:

ST. MARK 9:30-37

The holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the nineth chapter.



<sup>30</sup>{Jesus and his disciples} went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him. <sup>33</sup>And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

The Gospel of the Lord.



THE SERMON

Pastor Ryan Henkel

The Hymn of the Day is an important feature of the Lutheran liturgical tradition. It captures the theme of the day and reinforces the readings. Sing boldly!



- 1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
- 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
- 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi sion, till your love's re veal-ing light



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed: still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead. in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a - lone, but heart; As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul, mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part. by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole. stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.

## THE CREED

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

~Please stand as able~

## **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

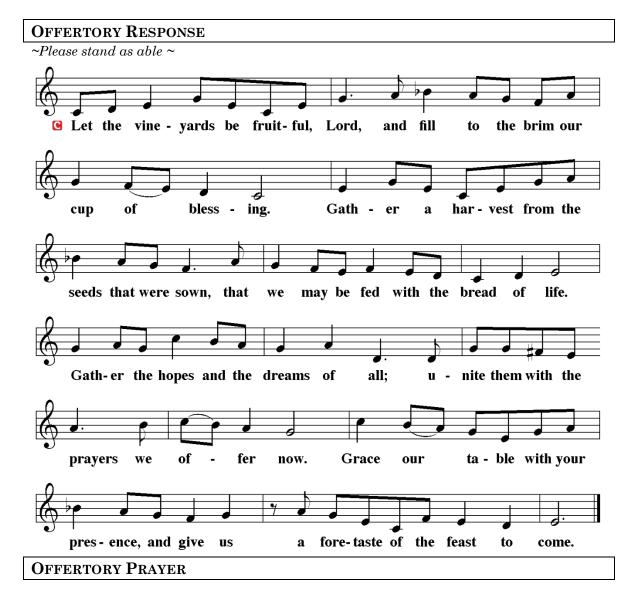
#### **OFFERING**

 $\sim$ Please be seated $\sim$ 

Disciples of Holy Trinity give generously and sacrificially of their first fruits to support the work of God in the world. Your offerings here allow the life-changing ministries of Holy Trinity to continue and grow. If you are a first-time guest today, you are not expected to contribute but you may do so if you desire.

OFFERTORY HTLC Choir

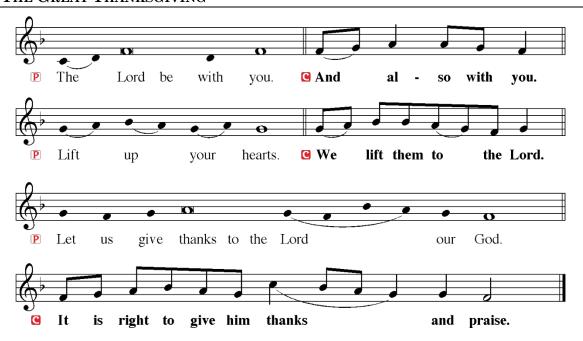
WOV 741 Thy Holy Wings



Let us pray. Merciful Father,

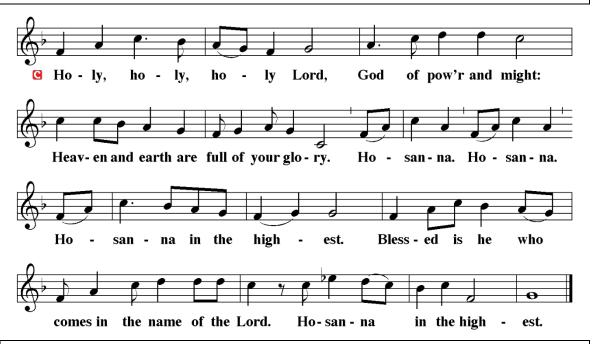
We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, and salutary... And so, with the Church on earth and the host of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **SANCTUS**



## **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

We praise and thank you, O God, for in your infinite goodness you have created us to receive and rejoice in your love and mercy. In the fullness of time and according to your purposes you sent your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born of Mary. He came to proclaim the Kingdom; He healed the sick and numbered Himself among sinners; He poured Himself out in death, giving His life as our ransom and our righteousness.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Holy Father, as we remember our Lord's life and passion, His resurrection and ascension, we give you our thanks and bless your holy name. Because your Son has made us His fellow-servants, a holy priesthood, a people set apart, we pray:

Send now His life-giving Spirit upon this Bread of Life and this Cup of Blessing, that we and all who partake of Christ's very body and blood may find our unity in Him and our lives defined by His cross, as we await His final coming as Lord of love.

Through Him, with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now boldly pray:

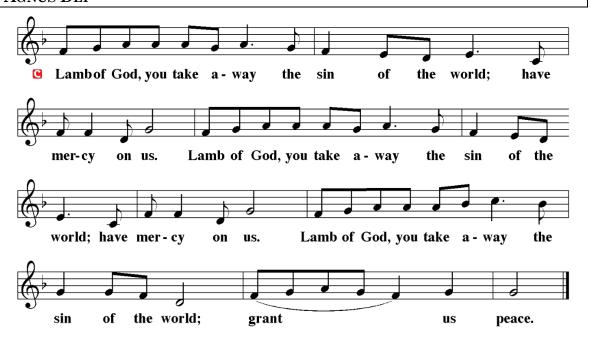
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## THE FRACTION

As the many grains of wheat were once scattered upon the hills, then become one in this Bread of Life.

gather your Church from every time and place into your reign of love.

# AGNUS DEI



# **Communion Hymn:**

## WOV 716 Word of God, Come Down to Earth



## THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us, and keep us in His grace. **Amen.** 

Let us pray: We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

## **BENEDICTION**



# **Recessional Hymn:**

# LBW 542 Sing Praise to God, The Highest Good



- 1 Sing praise to God, the high est good, the au-thor of cre-
- 2 What God's al might y pow'r has made, in mer cy he is
- 3 We sought the Lord in our dis-tress; O God, in mer-cy 4 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly name give God the praise and



tion. the God of love who un - der - stood our need for eve - ning shade, his eye is keep ing; by morn-ing glow or Our Sav - ior hear us. saw our help - less - ness and came with glo ry. Let all who know his pow'r pro - claim a - loud the



his tion. With heal-ing balm our souls sal - va nev er sleep ing; with - in the king - dom of and praise peace to cheer us. For this we thank won - drous sto Cast ev - 'ry i - dol from ry.



and ev - 'ry faith-less mur - mur stills: all things are just and good and right: to God all praise and glo - ry who is by one and all a - dored: for God is God, and he a - lone:

## Dismissal

Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord!

## Thanks be to God!

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# Matthew Noonan, Organist

Präludium und Füge in B, BWV 560, attr. Johann Tobias Krebs (1690-1762)

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Pastor Ryan and his family, Cody, Matthew, and our church family by Jerry and LaRae Campbell

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

- The family of Gary Diebler, brother of Denny Diebler, at his death on 9/16/24
- Paul Kaiser, for his health
- Ann Corbell, recovery and healing from back surgery on 9/17/24
- The family and friends of Jerry Alexander, brother-in-law of Ray & Nancy Sparks and cousin of Bruce and Betty Blalock, at his death on 9/13/24
- The family of Jim Kelly, at his death on 9/11/24
- Jill McGlohon and the family of Artie McGlohon, at his death on 9/12/24
- The family of Billy Karagias, close family friend of Rick & Pepie Jones and son of Marilyn Dean, who passed away on 9/15/24
- Jann Green-Webb, daughter of James and Janet Green, praise for continued healing from extensive back surgery
- Brenda Jenkins, now at home, for continued recovery after knee surgery and other health issues
- Katrina Hinds, still in pain from knee replacement on 5/29
- For friends and family dealing with cancer: Dennis Christman, Betsy Greene, Maria Brimmer, Pastor Kristen Phillips, Walter Martin, Barbara Zinke, Rebecca Cloninger, Alex Melvin, Ed Bridges, Dean Lawson, Melanie Henry, Beth Rudin, Julie Hill, Marilyn Lateulade, Jim Siedel, Teresa Hartman, Kelly Powell, Octavia Glenn, Margo Schopper,

LeaAnn Buckwell, Bob Burleson, Tina Heracklis, Braxton Morris, Pastor Bill White

- Homebound: Caroline Banker, Pinkney Froneberger, Paul Kaiser, Janie Norton, Kathy Wallace, Iris Work
- Family and friends actively serving in the military: Braeden Lawing, Brett Boyd, Logan Cape, Mae Dodd, Josh Holland, Andrew Lambert, Luke Saylors, Liam Overby, Ryan Wallace, Jacob Lawing
- For healthcare workers and first responders: William Niemeyer, Chuck and Bridget Niemeyer, Beth Michaels, Melodie Garrison, Kailey Hinds, Cindy Isenhour, Lynn Ledbetter, Anna Murphy, Reggie Parlier, Jennifer Sutley, Jon Michael Brackett
- Robin Simmons, for her health
- All the persecuted, including Leah Sharibu
- All missionaries, including the Thorstad family and the Voice of the Martyrs
- For those outside the Church, that they may be brought to faith in Christ Jesus
- For the youth and children of Holy Trinity, for the Holy Spirit to guide them
- For our ministry partner, Displaced Roses, and for the Holy Spirit to stir us up to serve our neighbors in need
- For the North American Lutheran Seminary System and for an increase in vocations to the ministry
- For our Bishop, Dan, our dean, Steven, and for all clergy and people of the Carolinas Mission Region

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next 125th Anniversary Meeting - Sunday, September 22nd at 3:30pm The next meeting for those working on the 125th Anniversary Celebration is this afternoon (Sunday, 9/22) at 3:30pm.

HTLC Young(ish) Adults Outing/Parents Night Out Join your HTLC friends on 9/28/24 from 6:00pm-10:00pm for a night out, while the kiddos have a great night in! The HTLC and friends young(ish) adults will be headed to Optimist Hall in

Charlotte for dinner and fellowship. (This group is for singles and couples and generally ranges from twenties to forty0somethings). While the adults are out on the town, childcare for ages infant through middle school will be provided for those who need it with our monthly Parents Night Out. You get a night out, the kids get a night full of games, crafts, food, and fun! It's a win-win. Contact <a href="mailto:cody@holytrinitygastonia.org">cody@holytrinitygastonia.org</a> for more. Carpooling is available.

**Vespers (Evening Prayer) - St. Michael and All Angels** This festival on 9/29/24 at 6:30pm lifts our eyes to the unseen realm where God's holy angels work tirelessly to protect and serve us. After a time of worship, we will gather for Gemütlichkeit (fellowship) and food.

Ancient Christianity Sunday School Series Join us for Sunday School as we look at Hillsdale College's video series, "Ancient Christianity". The class is in the hall-side of the sanctuary and is the first one. Contact Debbie Long (longsonwoodlake@gmail.com) for more!

**September is USO Month** The center is especially in need of the following: individual snacks, pop tarts, juice boxes, individual oatmeal, capri suns, and travel-size toothpaste. All donations are greatly appreciated. Contact Charlene Linsenmayer (<a href="mailto:zestylady2@gmail.com">zestylady2@gmail.com</a>) for more.

Calling All Voices! Choir is back and will be on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. This year, we will sing choral works that are familiar and new, including works by John Rutter, Audrey Snyder and others. While Wednesday evening attendance is strongly encouraged to learn the music, Matthew will use a webpage to post all the music with recordings. Please go to <a href="www.mwnoonan.com/choir">www.mwnoonan.com/choir</a> or use your phone or iPad to capture the QR code for more. Please reach out to Matthew with any questions: <a href="matthew@holytrinitygastonia.org">matthew@holytrinitygastonia.org</a>.



**Girls' Night Out**: October 1, 2024 at 6:30pm. HT female disciples and friends are encouraged to gather at Milano's, 904 S. New Hope Rd., for food and fellowship. No reservation needed. Dutch treat.

# SAVE THE DATE - SONshiners Day Trip to Rutherfordton and Hendersonville on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>





The SONshiners have planned a day trip for the congregation on Tuesday, October 8th, leaving from the church parking lot at 8:30 am. The first stop will be the Glass Chapel (The Preserve at Maple Creek) in Rutherfordton for a tour of the property, then to downtown Hendersonville with lunch at Mikes on Main (with some free time after lunch to visit the Mast General Store and other shops on Main Street). Then we will head to Grandads Apple Orchard and, if time permits, visit another apple orchard before returning home. Please contact Betty Blalock (704-865-3337/betblalock@att.net) by October 6 if you plan to attend. There are nine seats available on the church van to those who respond first. Otherwise, please plan to drive your own vehicle and join the HT caravan.

Carolinas Lutheran Women's Convocation Join us on October 19, 2024. Contact LaVerne Davis (kclaydavis@gmail.com) for more!

125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service Project: Flood Buckets During our 125th Anniversary celebration, we are going to pack Flood Buckets for the NALC Disaster Response Team as a way to "give back" in thanksgiving for all God has given Holy Trinity. We will invite other congregations to join us in this effort / celebration. Packing day will be Saturday, October 26th. We will begin at 11am and lunch will be provided. To prepare for the event, we will be collecting the following items in the hallway on the table:

- 5-gallon buckets with lids
- ½ gallon (or smaller) containers of bleach
- Large trash bags (Contractor 3 mil)
- · Rolls of paper towels
- Rags
- Comet or scouring cleansers
- Pine Sol or liquid cleaners

- Scrub Brushes
- Reusable rubber gloves (dishwashing type large preferred)
- Leather gloves (large preferred)
- Cotton gloves (large preferred)
- · All types of Bibles (new or used) and prayer books

Save the dates! A celebration commemorating Holy Trinity's 125th Anniversary will be held **October 26-27, 2024**, with events on Saturday and combined service on Reformation Sunday. More details to come!

Holy Trinity will hold its next blood drive on Monday, October 28th from 2:00-6:30. Our theme is "Carve out a new tradition." Please contact Charlotte Sautner @ 704-860-3399 to set up an appointment and be a part of our tradition. We will also be taking appointments before both services and before and after the early service. Thank you so much.

**Regular Days Off:** Cody – off on Tuesdays and Pastor Ryan – off on Fridays.

**Staff Meetings** By way of reminder, HTLC staff meet on Mondays at 9am, unless they are rescheduled. View our full list of weekly happenings here: holytrinitygastonia.org/weeklyhappenings

**Upcoming birthdays to celebrate:** Bryson Rupp (9/23), Sam DeFreitas (9/25), Amy East (9/27), Michelle Lanier (9/27), LaRae Campbell (9/28), Liam Luksa (9/28), Brenda Biddle (9/29), Susan Black (9/29), and Richard Waits (9/29). **Happy birthday to you all!** 

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday: Job 40:1–24; Acts 15:36—16:5; John 11:55—12:8;

Psalms 57 & 145 (AM); Psalms 85 & 47 (PM)

Tuesday: Job 40:1; 41:1–11; Acts 16:6–15; John 12:9–19;

Psalms 54 & 146 (AM); Psalms 28 & 99 (PM)

Wednesday: Job 42:1–17; Acts 16:16–24; John 12:20–26;

Psalms 65 & 147:1–12 (AM); Psalms 125 & 91 (PM)

Thursday: Job 28:1–28; Acts 16:25–40; John 12:27–36a;

Psalms 143 & 147:13–21 (AM); Psalms 81 & 116 (PM)

Friday: Esther 1:1–4, 10–19; Acts 17:1–15; John 12:36b–43;

Psalms 88 & 148 (AM); Psalms 6 & 20 (PM)

Saturday: Esther 2:5–8, 15–23; Acts 17:16–34; John 12:44–50;

Psalms 122 & 149 (AM); Psalms 125 & 90 (PM)

## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters: Steve & Marsha McLamb

Ushers: Dennis Christman, Dale Christman

Lector: James Green
Prayer Leader: Richard DeFreitas

Communion Assistants: Carla McMahan, Betty Blalock

Church Offering: Steve McLamb, Kristen Parsons-Rupp

Altar Flower Delivery: Anita Stiles

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#### CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 54

- <sup>1</sup> Save me, O God, | by your Name;\* in your might, de- | fend my cause.
- <sup>2</sup> Hear my | prayer, O God;\* give ear to the words | of my mouth.
- <sup>3</sup> For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have | sought my life,\* those who have no re- | gard for God.
- <sup>4</sup> Behold, God | is my helper;\* it is the Lord who sus- | tains my life.
- <sup>5</sup> Render evil to those who | spy on me;\* in your faithful- | ness, destroy them.
- <sup>6</sup> I will offer you a | freewill sacrifice\* and praise your name, O Lord, for | it is good.
- <sup>7</sup> For you have rescued me from | every trouble,\* and my eye has seen the ruin | of my foes.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the | Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, is now and will be fore - | ver. Amen.

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Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

~Silence for self-examination and reflection~

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

## PRAISE SONG

## "10,000 Reasons"

#### **Chorus:**

Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul Worship His Holy name Sing like never before Oh my soul I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes

#### Chorus

You're rich in love And You're slow to anger Your name is great And Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons For my heart to find

#### Chorus

And on that day
When my strength is failing
The end draws near
And my time has come
Still my soul will
Sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore
Forevermore

#### Chorus

#### Chorus

Worship Your Holy name Lord I'll worship Your Holy name

## PRAISE SONG

"Let Us Be Known By Our Love"

Let us be known by our love In every word, in every deed honor the Son Let our light shine in every eye Let us be known by our love

For the glory of the Father For the glory of the Son For the glory of the Spirit Let us be known by our love

Let us be known by our joy In every home, in every heart sing to the Lord Let our life show goodness and hope Let us be known by our joy

For the glory of the Father For the glory of the Son For the glory of the Spirit Let us be known by our joy

Let us be known by our peace In every town, in every tribe Jesus is King Let us go forth, heal and restore Let us be known by our peace

For the glory of the Father For the glory of the Son For the glory of the Spirit Let us be known by our peace

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray.

Direct our hearts, O Lord, by your merciful reign, because without your help it is impossible to please you. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

~ Please be seated ~

#### WORD

## THE FIRST LESSON:

**JEREMIAH 11:18-20** 

A reading from Jeremiah, the eleventh chapter.

<sup>18</sup> Then the LORD told me about the plots my enemies were making against me. <sup>19</sup> I was like a lamb being led to the slaughter. I had no idea that they were planning to kill me! "Let's destroy this man and all his words," they said. "Let's cut him down, so his name will be forgotten forever."

<sup>20</sup> O LORD of Heaven's Armies, you make righteous judgments, and you examine the deepest thoughts and secrets. Let me see your vengeance against them, for I have committed my cause to you.

#### THE SECOND LESSON:

James 3:13-4:10

A reading from James, the third & fourth chapters.

<sup>13</sup> If you are wise and understand God's ways, prove it by living an honorable life, doing good works with the humility that comes from wisdom. <sup>14</sup> But if you are bitterly jealous and there is selfish ambition in your heart, don't cover up the truth with boasting and lying. <sup>15</sup> For jealousy and selfishness are not God's kind of wisdom. Such things are earthly, unspiritual, and demonic. <sup>16</sup> For wherever there is jealousy and selfish ambition, there you will find disorder and evil of every kind.

<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere. <sup>18</sup> And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.

4 What is causing the quarrels and fights among you? Don't they come from the evil desires at war within you? <sup>2</sup> You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can't get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them. Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it. <sup>3</sup> And even when you ask, you don't get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure.

<sup>4</sup> You adulterers!<sup>b</sup> Don't you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup> Do you think the Scriptures have no meaning? They say that God is passionate that the spirit he has placed within us should be faithful to him.<sup>[6]</sup> <sup>6</sup> And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say,

"God opposes the proud

but gives grace to the humble."

<sup>7</sup>So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. <sup>9</sup>Let there be tears for what you have done. Let there be sorrow and deep grief. Let there be sadness instead of laughter, and gloom instead of joy. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up in honor.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL:

ST. MARK 9:30-37

The holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>30</sup> Leaving that region, they traveled through Galilee. Jesus didn't want anyone to know he was there, <sup>31</sup> for he wanted to spend more time with his disciples and teach them. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of his enemies. He will be killed, but three days later he will rise from the dead." <sup>32</sup> They didn't understand what he was saying, however, and they were afraid to ask him what he meant.

<sup>33</sup> After they arrived at Capernaum and settled in a house, Jesus asked his disciples, "What were you discussing out on the road?" <sup>34</sup> But they didn't answer, because they

had been arguing about which of them was the greatest. <sup>35</sup> He sat down, called the twelve disciples over to him, and said, "Whoever wants to be first must take last place and be the servant of everyone else."

<sup>36</sup> Then he put a little child among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup> "Anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf<sup>[a]</sup> welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not only me but also my Father who sent me.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ

THE SERMON

PASTOR RYAN HENKEL, STS

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

#### **Chorus:**

On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils his lovely face I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil

## Chorus

His oath, his covenant, his blood Support me in the 'whelming flood When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay

# Chorus

When He shall come with trumpet sound Oh may I then in Him be found Dressed in his righteousness alone Faultless to stand before the throne

# Chorus

#### Chorus

#### THE CREED

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

#### **PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth, and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name, and join their unending hymn:

# **SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might; Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We praise and thank you, O God, for in your infinite goodness you have created us to receive and rejoice in your love and mercy. In the fullness of time and according to your purposes you sent your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born of Mary. He came to proclaim the Kingdom; He healed the sick and numbered Himself among sinners; He poured Himself out in death, giving His life as our ransom and our righteousness.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Holy Father, as we remember our Lord's life and passion, His resurrection and ascension, we give you our thanks and bless your holy name. Because your Son has made us His fellow-servants, a holy priesthood, a people set apart, we pray: Send now His life-giving Spirit upon this Bread of Life and this Cup of Blessing, that we and all who partake of Christ's very body and blood may find our unity in Him and our lives defined by His cross, as we await His final coming as Lord of love. Through Him, with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now boldly 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# THE FRACTION

As the many grains of wheat were once scattered upon the hills, then become one in this Bread of Life, gather your Church from every time and place into your reign of love.

### AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

### **COMMUNION SONG**

"Trust and Obey - 'Tis So Sweet"

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His word What a glory He sheds on our way While we do His good will, He abides with us still And with all who will trust and obey

# Chorus:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies But His smile quickly drives it away Not a doubt nor a fear, not a sigh nor a tear Can abide while we trust and obey

### Chorus

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet Or we'll walk by His side in the way What He says we will do, where He sends we will go Never fear, only trust and obey

### Chorus

# Chorus

And 'tis so sweet to trust in Jesus Just to take Him at His word Just to rest upon His promise Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord"

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him How I've proved Him o'er and o'er Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus Oh, for grace to trust Him more

Lord, oh, for grace to trust You more

# THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in His grace. **Amen.** 

Let us pray: We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# THE BLESSING - TRINITARIAN

Almighty God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever. Amen.

# SENDING SONG

# "One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)"

Higher than the mountains that I face Stronger than the power of the grave Constant through the trial and the change One thing remains, this one thing remains

# Chorus:

Your love never fails
It never gives up
It never runs out on me

# Chorus (repeat 1 more time)

And on and on, and on, and on it goes Before it overwhelms and satisfies my soul And I never, ever, have to be afraid Cause this one thing remains

# Chorus

In death, in life
I'm confident and covered by
The power of your great love
My debt is paid
There's nothing that can separate
My heart from your great love

# Chorus (repeat 1 more time)

And on and on, and on, and on it goes Before it overwhelms and satisfies my soul And I never, ever, have to be afraid Cause this one thing remains

# Chorus (repeat 2 more times)

It's your love. God, I know Your love is never ending Your love is never failing It's Your love, Your love

#### DISMISSAL

Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!

# ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Nancy Sparks' birthday (September 18) by her family

# PLEASE PRAY FOR...

- The family of Gary Diebler, brother of Denny Diebler, at his death on 9/16/24
- Paul Kaiser, for his health
- Ann Corbell, recovery and healing from back surgery on 9/17/24
- The family and friends of Jerry Alexander, brother-in-law of Ray & Nancy Sparks and cousin of Bruce and Betty Blalock, at his death on 9/13/24
- The family of Jim Kelly, at his death on 9/11/24
- Jill McGlohon and the family of Artie McGlohon, at his death on 9/12/24
- **The family of Billy Karagias,** close family friend of Rick & Pepie Jones and son of Marilyn Dean, who passed away on 9/15/24
- **Jann Green-Webb**, daughter of James and Janet Green, praise for continued healing from extensive back surgery
- **Brenda Jenkins,** now at home, for continued recovery after knee surgery and other health issues
- Katrina Hinds, still in pain from knee replacement on 5/29
- For friends and family dealing with cancer: Dennis Christman, Betsy Greene, Maria Brimmer, Pastor Kristen Phillips, Walter Martin, Barbara Zinke, Rebecca Cloninger, Alex Melvin, Ed Bridges, Dean Lawson, Melanie Henry, Beth Rudin, Julie Hill, Marilyn Lateulade, Jim Siedel, Teresa Hartman, Kelly Powell, Octavia Glenn, Margo Schopper, LeaAnn Buckwell, Bob Burleson, Tina Heracklis, Braxton Morris, Pastor Bill White
- **Homebound:** Caroline Banker, Pinkney Froneberger, Paul Kaiser, Janie Norton, Kathy Wallace, Iris Work
- Family and friends actively serving in the military: Braeden Lawing, Brett Boyd, Logan Cape, Mae Dodd, Josh Holland, Andrew Lambert, Luke Saylors, Liam Overby, Ryan Wallace, Jacob Lawing

- For healthcare workers and first responders: William Niemeyer, Chuck and Bridget Niemeyer, Beth Michaels, Melodie Garrison, Kailey Hinds, Cindy Isenhour, Lynn Ledbetter, Anna Murphy, Reggie Parlier, Jennifer Sutley, Jon Michael Brackett
- Robin Simmons, for her health
- All the persecuted, including Leah Sharibu
- All missionaries, including the Thorstad family and the Voice of the Martyrs
- For those outside the Church, that they may be brought to faith in Christ Jesus
- For the youth and children of Holy Trinity, for the Holy Spirit to guide them
- For our ministry partner, Displaced Roses, and for the Holy Spirit to stir us up to serve our neighbors in need
- For the North American Lutheran Seminary System and for an increase in vocations to the ministry
- For our Bishop, Dan, our dean, Steven, and for all clergy and people of the Carolinas Mission Region

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next 125th Anniversary Meeting - Sunday, September 22nd at 3:30pm The next meeting for those working on the 125th Anniversary Celebration is this afternoon (Sunday, 9/22) at 3:30pm.

HTLC Young(ish) Adults Outing/Parents Night Out Join your HTLC friends on 9/28/24 from 6:00pm-10:00pm for a night out, while the kiddos have a great night in! The HTLC and friends young(ish) adults will be headed to Optimist Hall in Charlotte for dinner and fellowship. (This group is for singles and couples and generally ranges from twenties to forty0somethings). While the adults are out on the town, childcare for ages infant through middle school will be provided for those who need it with our monthly Parents Night Out. You get a night out, the kids get a night full of games, crafts, food, and fun! It's a win-win. Contact <a href="mailto:cody@holytrinitygastonia.org">cody@holytrinitygastonia.org</a> for more. Carpooling is available.

**Vespers (Evening Prayer) - St. Michael and All Angels** This festival on 9/29/24 at 6:30pm lifts our eyes to the unseen realm where God's holy angels work tirelessly to protect and serve us. After a time of worship, we will gather for Gemütlichkeit (fellowship) and food.

Ancient Christianity Sunday School Series Join us for Sunday School as we look at Hillsdale College's video series, "Ancient Christianity". The class is in the hall-side of the sanctuary and is the first one. Contact Debbie Long (longsonwoodlake@gmail.com) for more!

**September is USO Month** The center is especially in need of the following: individual snacks, pop tarts, juice boxes, individual oatmeal, capri suns, and travel-size toothpaste. All donations are greatly appreciated. Contact Charlene Linsenmayer (zestylady2@gmail.com) for more.

**Girls' Night Out**: October 1, 2024 at 6:30pm. HT female disciples and friends are encouraged to gather at Milano's, 904 S. New Hope Rd., for food and fellowship. No reservation needed. Dutch treat.

# SAVE THE DATE - SONshiners Day Trip to Rutherfordton and Hendersonville on Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>





The SONshiners have planned a day trip for the congregation on Tuesday, October 8th, leaving from the church parking lot at 8:30 am. The first stop will be the Glass Chapel (The Preserve at Maple Creek) in Rutherfordton for a tour of the property, then to downtown Hendersonville with lunch at Mikes on Main (with some free time after lunch to visit the Mast General Store and other shops on Main Street). Then we will head to Grandads Apple Orchard and, if time permits, visit another apple orchard before returning home. Please contact Betty Blalock (704-865-3337/betblalock@att.net) by October 6 if you plan to attend. There are nine seats available on the church van to those who respond first. Otherwise, please plan to drive your own vehicle and join the HT caravan.

Carolinas Lutheran Women's Convocation Join us on October 19, 2024. Contact LaVerne Davis (<a href="kclavdavis@gmail.com">kclavdavis@gmail.com</a>) for more!

125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service Project: Flood Buckets During our 125th Anniversary celebration, we are going to pack Flood Buckets for the NALC Disaster Response Team as a way to "give back" in thanksgiving for all God has given Holy Trinity. We will invite other congregations to join us in this effort / celebration. Packing day will be Saturday, October 26th. We will begin at 11am and lunch will be provided. To prepare for the event, we will be collecting the following items in the hallway on the table:

- 5-gallon buckets with lids
- ½ gallon (or smaller) containers of bleach
- Large trash bags (Contractor 3 mil)
- Rolls of paper towels
- Rags
- Comet or scouring cleansers
- Pine Sol or liquid cleaners
- Scrub Brushes
- Reusable rubber gloves (dishwashing type large preferred)
- Leather gloves (large preferred)
- Cotton gloves (large preferred)
- All types of Bibles (new or used) and prayer books

Save the dates! A celebration commemorating Holy Trinity's 125th Anniversary will be held **October 26-27, 2024**, with events on Saturday and combined service on Reformation Sunday. More details to come!

Holy Trinity will hold its next blood drive on Monday, October 28th from 2:00-6:30. Our theme is "Carve out a new tradition." Please contact Charlotte Sautner @ 704-860-3399 to set up an appointment and be a part of our tradition. We will also be taking appointments before both services and before and after the early service. Thank you so much.

Regular Days Off: Cody – off on Tuesdays and Pastor Ryan – off on Fridays.

**Staff Meetings** By way of reminder, HTLC staff meet on Mondays at 9am, unless they are rescheduled. View our full list of weekly happenings here: holytrinitygastonia.org/weeklyhappenings

**Upcoming birthdays to celebrate:** Bryson Rupp (9/23), Sam DeFreitas (9/25), Amy East (9/27), Michelle Lanier (9/27), LaRae Campbell (9/28), Liam Luksa (9/28), Brenda Biddle (9/29), Susan Black (9/29), and Richard Waits (9/29). **Happy birthday to you all!** 

# THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday: Job 40:1–24; Acts 15:36—16:5; John 11:55—12:8;

Psalms 57 & 145 (AM); Psalms 85 & 47 (PM)

Tuesday: Job 40:1; 41:1–11; Acts 16:6–15; John 12:9–19;

Psalms 54 & 146 (AM); Psalms 28 & 99 (PM)

Wednesday: Job 42:1-17; Acts 16:16-24; John 12:20-26;

Psalms 65 & 147:1–12 (AM); Psalms 125 & 91 (PM)

Thursday: Job 28:1–28; Acts 16:25–40; John 12:27–36a;

Psalms 143 & 147:13–21 (AM); Psalms 81 & 116 (PM)

Friday: Esther 1:1–4, 10–19; Acts 17:1–15; John 12:36b–43;

Psalms 88 & 148 (AM); Psalms 6 & 20 (PM)

Saturday: Esther 2:5–8, 15–23; Acts 17:16–34; John 12:44–50;

Psalms 122 & 149 (AM); Psalms 125 & 90 (PM)

# SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters John & Sarah Waldrop

Ushers John & Charlotte Sautner

Lector Heather Peoples
Prayer Leader Marilyn Kosak
Communion Assistants Frank Garrison

Offering Steve McLamb, Kristen Parsons-Rupp

Altar Flower Delivery Anita Stiles

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Custodian

# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Gastonia is celebrating 125 years!

Celebrate with us by collecting items for disaster relief and packing flood buckets. We will have a hamburger/hot dog lunch and short service after packing.

# Saturday, October 26th at 10:30am

NALC Disaster Response

# STUFF the TRUCK!



#### Cleaning Buckets

- 1 five-gallon bucket with lid
- o 1 jug bleach (1/2 gal. or smaller)
- o 2 large trash bags (Contractor 3 mil)
- o 1 roll paper towels
- o 2 rags
- Comet or scouring cleanser
- o Pine Sol or liquid cleaner
- o scrub brush
- o gloves, 1 pair each, size L preferred
  - rubber (reusable, i.e. Platex, dishwashing type)
  - leather
  - cotton

# <u>Bibles</u>

(We encourage you to write messages of hope in the front pages of donated Bibles)

- o new or used (highlighted & underlined text is acceptable)
- o child, teen or adult
- o Bible stories for children
- o Spanish, or any language
- o large print
- o prayer books

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# WE'RE HIRING

# MUSIC DIRECTOR

The Music Director is a part-time role with the potential of becoming full-time at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The position is vital for enhancing worship experiences, fostering spiritual growth, and building community through music. We are seeking a candidate who can help grow our music program and enhance our worship experience.



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