# **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of Christians saved by God's grace to proclaim the good news to our community and to the world by word and action.

## THE SERVICE

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. September 22, 2024

#### **GATHERING**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Chorale Prelude On "Stuttgart" Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr.

\*The Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, (+) one God, who forgives all our sin whose mercy endures forever. **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.** 

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection. (We kneel.)

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of (+) Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.** 



# PSALM 54

(sung responsively)

Save me, O God, by your name;
in your might, de-fend my cause.

2Hear my prayer, O God;
give ear to the words of my mouth.

3For strangers 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.

5Render evil to those who spy on me;
in your faithful-iness, destroy them.

6I will offer you a freewill sacrifice
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

7For you have rescued me from every trouble,
and my eye looks down on my enemies.

\*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all) Alleluia. God has called us through the proclamation 'of good news, that we may obtain the glory of our Lord 'Jesus Christ. Alleluia. (2 Thessalonians 2:14)

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### **GIDEON SUNDAY**

We welcome today, Barry Patterson, who will be bringing us a message from the Gideons. You can support the work of the Gideons by making a financial contribution. Checks may be made out to "The Gideons." Following the worship service, Mr. Patterson will be in the Narthex to receive contributions.

# LOOKING AHEAD ONE-COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE WELCA SUNDAY - Worship Assistants

# September 29

10:00 a.m.
Katie Fischer
Jane Potter

October 2	TOPS (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.
October 5	Deutsches Fest (Fellowship Hall)	4:00-7:00 p.m.
October 6	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Children's Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Youth Sunday School Class	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
	Blessing of the Animals (Fellowship Hall parking lot)	5:00 p.m.
October 8	Katie's Ladies Circle Meeting (Office Conference Room)	2:00 p.m.
October 9	TOPS (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Family Fun Night (Fellowship Hall)	5:30 p.m.
October 10	Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.
October 12	WELCA Fall Conference	10:00 a.m. − 2:00 p.m.
October 13	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Children Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room - Education Buildi	ng) 10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
October 16	TOPS (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.
October 17	Luther's Ladies Circle Meeting (Office Conference Room)	6:00 p.m.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Worship Services – September 15 – 8:45 a.m. (56) 11:00 a.m. (51)

<u>OFFERINGS RECEIVED</u> <u>September 15</u> – Operating Fund \$4,756.55, Utilities Fund \$105.00, Lutheran Men In Mission \$100.00

(we stand) \*Hymn

# "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Hymn #781

\*The Greeting

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.** 

\*The Kyrie (sung responsively)
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the peace from above, and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

Help save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen.

\*Hymn of Praise (sung by all) (Refrain)

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. (Refrain)

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. (Refrain)

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. (Refrain)

\*The Prayer of the Day

O God, our teacher and guide, You draw us to Yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in Your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **WORD**

A Gideon Mission Moment	,	Barry Patterson
The Children's Sermon		
The First Lesson (Jeremiah 11:18-20)		Back Cover
Psalm 54		Inside Cover
The Second Lesson (James 3:13-4:3,7-8a)		Back Cover

\*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all) Alleluia. God has called us through the proclamation 'of good news, that we may obtain the glory of our Lord 'Jesus Christ. Alleluia. (2 Thessalonians 2:14)

The gospel is announced: The Holy Gospel according to Mark 9<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to You, O** Lord.

\*The Holy Gospel (Mark 9:30-37)

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Sermon "A CHILDREN'S SERMON"

\*The Hymn of the Month "Our Father, God In Heaven Above" Hymn #746

\*Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven He is seated at the right hand of the Father and he will come 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.

#### SERVING YOU TODAY – September 22, 2024

Minister	
Organist/Choir Director	Jill Helgeson
Acolytes	(E) Jay Bannister (L) Brady West
	(E) Matt Roehrs (L) Bobbi Metz
Video/IT Engineer	Paul Wagner/Christopher Caldwell/Connor Caldwell
(L) Mike Oates - Captain,	Leslie Cox, Suzie Bannister, Robert Allen, Olin Bell, Tom Adrian Dave Korn, Sandi Jordan, Cherie Brown, Kristie Evans, Chad Evans
	Pat Ross
	Beth Cribbe
	Rynde Dial
Treasurer	Diane Richardson
Council Secretary	Lauren Guthre

## CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK September 22 – September 28

	September 22 September 20
<b>TODAY</b>	
8:45 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary) GIDEON SUNDAY
	Early Choir Practice
10:00 a.m.	Children's Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)
10:00 a.m.	Youth Sunday School (Youth Room - Education Building)
10:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary) GIDEON SUNDAY
MON.	
6:00 p.m.	Lutheran Men in Mission Supper Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
TUE.	
6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Pairs and Spares)
WED.	
10:00 a.m.	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)
6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
SAT,	
10:00 a.m.	Quilters (Quilting Room)



# HOPE AND HYGIENE DRIVE Today Is the Final Day

This is the last Sunday we are accepting donations of toiletries and personal hygiene items to support two incredible organizations: **Clean Start and Haven of Rest Men's and Women's Ministries.** Clean Start serves the homeless, poor and marginalized in our community by providing facilities for them to shower, launder their clothing, access mail and phone, and to help direct them toward the availability of other services they may need. Haven of Rest Men's and Women's Ministries is a non-profit Bible based discipleship program and ministry designed to rescue, restore, and release men and women facing destructive, life-dominating behaviors.

#### Please join us in making a difference by donating items from the following list:

Laundry detergent Paper Towels Toilet Tissues

Wash cloths Deodorants Trash bags (13 and 30 gal.)

Tooth brushes Tooth Pastes Dental Floss

Body Wash Full-size Shampoos Full-size Conditioners

Disposable Razors Brushes Combs Socks Men's White T-shirts up to size 4x

Collection Bins are in the room off the Narthex. Collected items will be divided and distributed to Clean Start and Haven of Rest.

Together, we can bring a fresh start and a renewed sense of hope to many in our community!

Thank you for your generosity and support!
The Service Committee

\*The Peace Is Shared The Offering is Received

The Offertory Anthems

(8:45 a.m.) *"O God In Heaven"* 

- adapt. Elena G. Maquiso

O God in heaven, grant to your children Mercy and blessing, songs never ceasing, Grace to invite us, peace to unite us O God in heaven, author of love.

Jesus, Redeemer, help us remember Your pain and passion, Your resurrection, Your call to follow, Your love tomorrow Jesus, Redeemer, Savior and friend.

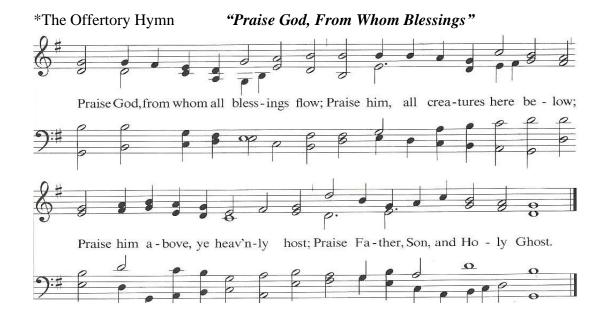
Spirit unending, give us your blessing: Strength for the weary, help for the needy, Hope for the scornful, peace for the mournful Spirit unending, comfort and guide.

(11:00 a.m.) "My Jesus Is My Lasting Joy" - D. B

- D. Buxtehude/Roberta Bitgood

My Jesus makes my heart rejoice, His child am I alway; A shepherd kind and gracious He, within His house I'd stay. His constant love to me He shows, my very name He knows; Whate'er betide, His love will guide, and keep all harm away; Whate'er betide, His love will guide, and keep all harm away.

My Jesus is my lasting joy, in peace I go and come; His richest treasure He hath giv'n, and to His arms I come. When life is done, with God's own Son in faith I shall abide; He reigns above, and in His love will keep me at His side, He reigns above, and in His love will keep me at His side.



# The Prayers of Intercession

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. (We kneel.)

The Minister concludes each petition with "Lord In Your Mercy," and the response is, "Hear our Prayer."

The Lord's Prayer (we remain kneeling)

L. Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach 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 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.

#### **SENDING**

The Blessing

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

\*The Recessional Hymn "Praise The One Who Breaks The Darkness" Hymn #843

(Silence is observed for meditation as candles are extinguished.)

\*The Dismissal

Minister: Go in peace, serve the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God!

Postlude "Lift Eve

"Lift Every Voice And Sing"

-J. Rosamond Johnson

(\*) "Indicates congregation to stand

<u>THE ALTAR FLOWERS</u> are provided by Lawson & Leigh Freeman to the Honor and Glory of God and in honor of their families.

**ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES** are now available in the Sound Room. Please see an usher to inquire about their use.

Holy Trinity celebrates the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays of the month and all major festivals of the church.

**WARM GREETINGS AND LOVE IN CHRIST** are extended to all members and visitors. We trust that you will experience the warmth of Christian fellowship and the inspiration of God's presence here today. Prayer Request Cards (yellow cards) are located in the pews. Please place these in the offering plate. Names will be listed in next week's bulletin.

# 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY WORSHIP WELCA SUNDAY

NEXT SUNDAY, September 29

# ONE - COMBINED WORSHIP 10:00 a.m. FOLLOWED BY A POTLUCK MEAL. PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE.

In July, 4 of our youth and 2 adult leaders from Holy Trinity were privileged to attend the ELCA's National Youth Gathering. This event was meaningful for all. Please join us as the youth and adult leaders present the congregation with highlights of this wonderful event. The presentation will be given during the covered dish luncheon. All are welcome!

# JUST LOVE GOD'S CHILDREN FALL FOOTHILLS CONFERENCE MEETING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> 2024



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 5010E. CRESWELL AVENUE GREENWOOD, SC 29646

The women of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Greenwood SC are excited to host the Fall Conference for the Foothills region on Saturday, October 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. A light lunch will be served.

Please plan to join us as we gather together to celebrate and act boldly on our faith in Jesus Christ. Being called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are called to rejoin our faith with deeds. As His disciples, we are called to serve and love all of God's children in our community, our state, and the world; especially those that are with struggling food and housing insecurities.

Our guest speaker will be Mrs. Mary Ann Stroup, Coordinator of **Immanuel's Children.** This nonprofit organization's mission is to work in conjunction with District 50 school district to identify children struggling with food and/or housing insecurity. Once identified, various local organizations come together to assist in providing food and housing needs to these children in a dignified and confidential manner so that they can learn and grow in a safe, secure and healthy environment.

If you are planning to attend, please contact Beth Fischer by Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup> @ (864) 933-7446 or email: <a href="mailto:fischerfive@att.net">fischerfive@att.net</a>

#### SAVE THE DATE



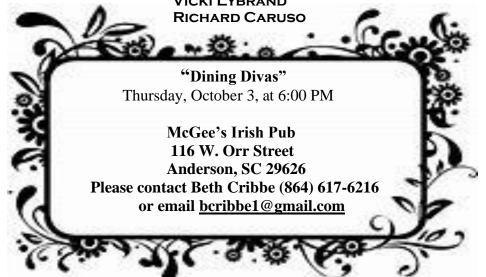
On Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, from 4-7 p.m. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will host its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Deutsches Fest, a German festival to celebrate our Lutheran heritage. We will again be inviting Abiding Savior Lutheran Church to join us. We will gather in our Fellowship Hall and dine on German foods like bratwurst, roast chicken and German side dishes. Beer, wine and softer beverages will be served. We will have German music, dancing and Gemütlichkeit, which does not have a direct English translation but describes an atmosphere which is comfortable and enjoyable.

Tickets will be \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children (12 and younger) and will be available from a Church Council member or through the church office beginning September 15<sup>th</sup>. Tickets need to be purchased in advance to help us with the planning of the food. The deadline to purchase tickets is Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. All funds will be given to Meals On Wheels of Anderson.

If you'd be interested in making a German dish, if we provide you with a recipe, please contact Virgil Hobbs. Mark your calendars now as we look forward to a wonderful afternoon/evening of fellowship for our congregation.

Council Members are:

BETH CRIBBE
RYNDE DIAL
CHRIS CALDWELL
LAUREN GUTHRE
SUZIE BANNISTER
CLAUDE CALLOWAY
ROBERT ALLEN
REV. STEPHEN ROEHRS
JOSHUA FISCHER
JANE CAHALY
VICKI LYBRAND



#### **ADVISORY BALLOT**

#### **Church Constitution and Bylaws:**

"The Nominating Committee shall present to the congregation, at the Annual Meeting, the names of two persons for each Congregation Council term to be filled, both expired and unexpired terms without distinction. Those receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for a full term. All nominees shall be involved in all phases of the work and ministry of the congregation. The Nominating Committee shall not present the name of any member of the committee nor shall it select as a nominee more than one member of an immediate family or someone who has a member of his/her immediate family already serving on the Congregation Council.

The Nominating Committee, using an advisory ballot, shall give members of the congregation the opportunity to suggest persons for consideration as nominees. Each voting member may submit the name of one person for each vacancy to be filled."

THEREFORE, an ADVISORY BALLOT is provided below for your use in submitting names of individuals you would like the Nominating Committee to consider as nominees.

The following are <u>ineligible</u> for nomination either because they are currently members of the Nominating Committee, the Church Council, spouses of current Council members or they have served on Council within the past two years: Connor Caldwell, Bobbi Metz, Jane Potter, Bobby Wagner, Robert Allen, Suzie Bannister, Claude Calloway, Joshua Fischer, Richard and Omaira Caruso, Beth and Terry Cribbe, Vicki and John Lybrand, Rev. Stephen and Anita Roehrs, Lauren Guthre, Rynde and Bill Dial, Chris and Anna Caldwell, Jane and Phil Cahaly.

### **COUNCIL ADVISORY BALLOT - 2025**

The following are suggested for consideration as nominees for Congregation.			
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Please deposit your Advisory Ballot in the box in the Sacristy, Narthex. Today is the last day to do this.

# DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER WE ARE COLLECTING NEEDED

**ITEMS FOR A.I.M. - ITEMS INCLUDE:** Peanut Butter, rice, dried beans, pasta, canned meat, canned fruit, canned soup, oatmeal, grits, flour, sugar, cereal, cooking oil—cleaning/personal hygiene list: bath soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet tissue, laundry soap, bleach, cleaning solutions (Lysol, Mr. Clean for example). Please note: perishables are not included.



Please join us for choir practice! Choir meets every Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. to rehearse for the 11:00 a.m. service. The 8:45 a.m. choir meets after the Early Service every Sunday morning before the worship service and then after the service, in preparation or the following week. No auditions required; all ages welcome! See Jill for more information.



#### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

You are invited to join us on Sunday evening, October 6<sup>th</sup> for a Service of the Blessing of Animals. We will gather in the back parking lot at 5:00 p.m. behind Fellowship Hall. Bring your pets – dogs, cats, birds, snakes, turtles, fish, gerbils, lizards or anything else you consider to be a family pet.

# **FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

We continue our monthly gatherings in Fellowship Hall for a time of **Food, Fun & Fellowship** around a Biblical theme. Adults and Kids of all ages are invited to join us! There will be crafts, games, and song. The meal will be provided.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 9th 5:30 -7:00 p.m.

TOPIC: THE REFORMATION

PRAYER LIST	<b>SPONSORS</b>
9/15 The Family of David Lane	Congregation
9/15 Georgia Lou Huff	Congregation
9/15 Nancy Scalf	Congregation
9/15 Ina Reynolds	Beth Fischer
9/8 The Family of Hewitt Dickerson	Brenda McGowan
9/1 Michael Oates	Congregation
9/1 Bill & Charlee Goodwin	Sid & Rette Stokes
9/1 The Family of Virginia McDaniel	Sid & Rette Stokes
9/1 John Stricker	Congregation
9/1 Whitney Capps	Mike & Bobbi Metz
9/1 The Catalfomo Family	Virgil & Mary Ann Hobbs
9/1 Jamie Sharpenberg	Mike & Leslie Cox
8/25 The Family of Jimmy Yonce	The Fischer Family
8/25 The Family of Mary Lee McIntosh	Jill Helgeson
8/18 Joan Johnson	Bob & Susan Straup
8/18 Shelley Carroll	Claude Calloway
8/18 Barry Holcombe	Amy Goodson
8/18 Barbara Trent	John Trent
8/18 Marlys Hittner	Congregation
8/18 Mike Jones	Mike & Bobbi Metz
8/18 The Family of Zack Jones	Mike Oates
8/11The Family of Bill Ebert	Congregation
8/11 The Family of Judy Womer	Congregation
8/11 The Family of Bobby Watt	Michael Oates
8/4 The Family of Kathy Weeks	Congregation
8/4 The Family of Richard Benedict	Dave & Sue Rasche
7/21 The Family of Dr. Bob Austin	Jill Helgeson
7/21 Sandy Addis	Bob & Susan Straup
7/21 The Family of Chris Price	Shelley Carroll
7/21 Bea Bates	Mike & Lynn Ziemba
7/21 Linda Hill	Kim Hill
7/14 Becky Smoak	Bob Vinson
7/14 Jeanette Thoms	Ernie Thoms
7/14 The Family of Debbie Dorn	The Stokes Family
7/14 Connie Herring	Jane Potter
7/6 The Family of Charlene Kelly	Congregation
7/6 Matthew Vinson	Bob & Jean Vinson
7/6 Phyllis Barnett	Congregation
7/6 Hervie Thomas	Congregation
7/6 Emily Richey	Michael & Amber Oates
7/6 Ryan Bond	Michael & Amber Oates

6/30 Beth Miller The Stokes Family 6/30 Chase Patterson Barbara Thomas

# LONG TERM PRAYERS

**SPONSORS** Eric Rasche Dave & Sue Rasche Edmond Pop The Fischer Family Ed Hartshorn Pat Ross Warren Lutz Bonnie Lutz Elanor Dean The Stokes Family Mike Borron Paul Wagner Henri Holmes Adair Baker The Stokes Family Gabrielle Godfrey Brenda McGowan Carolyn Culbreath The Stokes Family Abby Barrett & Family Jay & Suzie Bannister Chris Goodwin The Fischer Family Buddy & Lesley Taylor Marisa Adrian Jean Vinson **Bob Vinson** Judy Jarrett The Fischer Family Ross King Cherie Brown Willy E. Johnson The Stokes Family Michael Morrison Jill Helgeson **Bob Vinson Pruitt Martin** Joan Stinson Brenda McGowan Susan Socha Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt Robert Scribner Jan House Danny Rouse Brenda McGowan Laura Wagner Paul Wagner Sue Walthall Bob & Susan Straup Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt David Lane Nina & Larry Sherman Jill Helgeson



Gretchen Fant

We extend our Christian sympathy to Cheryl Lane and family upon the death of her husband, David, who entered the Church Triumphant on September 18th. May God's promises of grace and eternal life give their families peace and comfort in their time of grief.

Jill Helgeson