

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 (With One Voice Hymnal, setting 4)
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
July 26, 2026

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements
Prelude "Sun of My Soul" -Garrett Parker
*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness page 10
In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

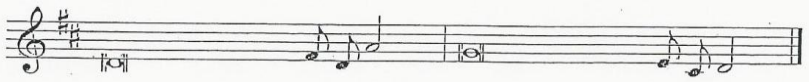
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (we kneel)

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Gracious God, have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

(we stand)



PSALM 119

(sung responsively)

Your de- | crees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with | all my heart.
130 When your word is opened | it gives light;
it gives understanding | to the simple.
131 I open my | mouth and pant
because I long for | your commandments.
132 Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,
as you always do to those who | love your name.
133 Order my footsteps | in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion | over me.
134 Rescue me from those | who oppress me,
and I will keep | your commandments.
135 Let your face shine up- | on your servant
and teach | me your statutes.
136 My eyes shed | streams of tears,
because people do not | keep your teaching.

*Gospel
Acclamation (sung by all) page 17
Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

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Dining Divas

Thursday, August 6
Master's Wok
(2104 North Main St., Anderson)

Please RSVP
Beth Cribbe (call or text 864-617-6216 or
email bcribbe1@gmail.com)

DURING THE MONTH OF JULY 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.

<u>LOOKING AHEAD</u> Worship Assistants August 2, 2026		
	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolytes	Cathy Rudisill	Kathleen Burroughs
Lectors	Beth Cribbe	Sandi Dickson
Assisting Ministers	Beth Cribbe	Sandi Dickson
August 2	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Children’s Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
August 4	Personnel Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	7:00 p.m.
August 5	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spare Room)	10:00 a.m.
August 6	Dining Divas (Master’s Wok , 2104 North Main St., Anderson)	6:00 p.m.
August 8	Crafty Ladies (Fellowship Hall)	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
August 9	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Children’s Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
August 10	Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE
Worship Services – July 19 - 8:45 a.m. (44) – 11:00 a.m. (40)

OFFERINGS RECEIVED July 19 – Operating Fund \$3,026.55, Utilities Fund \$105.00, Endowment Fund \$75.00

CRAFTY LADIES
If you are a creative person who enjoys doing crafts, this group is for you. If you are a knitter, cross stitcher, scrapbooker, painter, quilter, writer, etc. or anything else you have started and would like to make time to work on your projects, this group is for you. We are meeting once a month on a Saturday to do our crafts and socialize. You bring your projects; we will provide the space and fellowship.

**Our next Creative Day is Saturday, August 8
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

Contact Beth Fischer (fischerfive@att.net) or (864-933-7446) for more information.
Come when you can and stay as long as would you like.

*Hymn *“Here In This Place”* Hymn #718

WE OFFER PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING
*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) pages 12-13
In peace, 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 well-being 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) page 14
(Refrain)
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, 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)**

*Prayer of the Day
Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of Your Son You bring us into Your kingdom of justice and mercy. By Your Spirit, give us Your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

First Reading (1 Kings 3:5-12)

Psalm 119 (sung responsively)

Second Reading (Romans 8:26-39)

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*Gospel Acclamation (sung by all)

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The gospel is announced: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 13th chapter.
Glory to You, O Lord.

*Gospel (Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52)

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After the reading: The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

“FINDING TREASURE”

*Hymn of the Month

“Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth”

Hymn #769

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***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.

SERVING YOU TODAY – July 26, 2026

Minister..... Rev. J. Chris Fischer

Organist/Choir Director.....Jill Helgeson

Acolytes.....(E) Lucy Roehrs (L) Brady West

Lectors.....(E) Robert Allen (L) Sid Stokes

Video/IT Engineer.....Paul Wagner/Christopher Caldwell/Connor Caldwell

Tabulators.....Christopher & Rachel Caldwell

Ushers: (E) Susan Straup - Captain, Skip Knight, Beth Cribbe, Claude Calloway

Suzie Bannister

(L) Sid Stokes - Captain, John Lybrand, Harry Coggins, Robert O’Connor

Church Secretary.....Pat Ross

PresidentRynde Dial

Vice-President.....Mary Ann Hobbs

Treasurer.....Diane Richardson

Council Secretary.....Lauren Sayers

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK
July 26 – August 1

TODAY

8:45 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Early Choir Practice

10:00 a.m. Children’s Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)

10:00 a.m. Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)

11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

2:00 p.m. Support Committee Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

MON.

7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting (Office Conference Room)

TUE.

10:30 a.m. Service Committee Meeting (Office Conference Room)

7:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

WED.

10:00 a.m. T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

We will gather 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, August 12 - 5:30 p.m.
WHO: THE DISCIPLE – James the Less

Pat Kennedy
Ben & Mary Ann Blanks
Jan House
Ron McDowell
Tom Weeks
Ashley Booker Addison
Katrina Sellars
Jaron Thompson
Phillip Roehrs
Betty Williams
Ben Taylor
Robert Cahaly
Edmond Pop
Ed Hartshorn
Elanor Dean
Mike Borron
Henri Holmes Adair Baker
Gabrielle Godfrey
Carolyn Culbreath
Buddy & Lesley Taylor
Willy E. Johnson
Susan Socha
Danny Rouse
Nina & Larry Sherman
Gretchen Fant

Jeff Kennedy
 Bob Vinson
 Steven House
 Beth Cribbe
 Congregation
 Jill Helgeson
 Jill Helgeson
 Kati Smith
 Rev. Stephen & Anita Roehrs
 Connie Adams
 Jill Helgeson
 Phil & Jane Cahaly
 The Fischer Family
 Pat Ross
 The Stokes Family
 Paul Wagner
 The Stokes Family
 Brenda McGowan
 The Stokes Family
 Marisa Adrian
 The Stokes Family
 Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt
 Brenda McGowan
 Jill Helgeson
 Jill Helgeson

We extend our Christian sympathy to Paul Rummage and family upon the death of his brother, Bill Rummage, who entered the Church Triumphant on July 16st. May God's promises of grace and eternal life give the family peace and comfort in their time of grief.

EARLY REMINDER!!!!!!!!!!

Committee Chairs are requested to submit 2027 Budget recommendations on or before Monday, August 10, 2026. The worksheets may be placed in Diane's folder in the church office and labeled "2027 Budget Recommendations" or emailed to ddrich73@gmail.com. Please make every effort to meet this deadline. Thank you.

- **Karen Lafferty**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise him, all crea-tures here be - low;

Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Leader concludes each petition with “Lord In Your Mercy,” and the response is, “Hear our Prayer.”

The Lord’s Prayer
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.**

Blessing
Almighty God, Father, (+) Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

*Recessional Hymn	<i>“O Christ The Same”</i>	Hymn #726
(Silence is observed for meditation as candles are extinguished.)		
*Dismissal	<i>“The Word Of God Is Source and Seed”</i>	- David Hurd
Postlude		

(*) Indicates congregation to stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Jill Helgeson to the honor and glory of God and in loving memory of her sister, Ann Blair.

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.

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

MAGNIFYING TABLETS
For those who might benefit using a larger print on Sunday mornings, we now have available rechargeable 5X Magnifying Tablets to assist in reading. These are large bright full-page magnifiers with LED dimmable lights. Please see an usher to borrow one of these on Sunday mornings. There are also 3X magnifying rulers in the back pocket of each ELW (red hymnal). These may be used as needed during worship. Please return them to the back pocket of the hymnal at the end of the service.

<u>PRAYER LIST</u>	<u>SPONSORS</u>
7/19 Sid Stokes	Rette Stokes
7/19 The Family of Bill Rummage	Congregation
7/19 The Family of Ann Blair	Congregation
7/19 Mary	Carter Boucher & Diana James
7/19 Whitney Capps	Mike & Bobbi Metz
7/19 James Jester	Paula Boller
7/19 Francis Jester	Paula Boller
7/12 Lynn Ziemba	Michael Ziemba
7/12 Nick Korn	Dave & Nancy Korn
7/12 Tina Cantrell	Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt
7/12 The Family of Ralph E.Wulfjen, Jr. “BUBBA”	The Stokes Family
7/12 The Family of Judy Jarrett	The Fischer Family
7/5 Nick Korn	Dave & Nancy Korn
7/5 Brenda McGowan	Bonnie Emanuel
6/28 The Cavedo Family	Jill Helgeson
6/28 Christopher Gates	Amy Goodson
6/28 Amy Goodson	Congregation
6/28 The Family of Janice Davenport	Congregation
6/28 Lynn Ziemba	Michael Ziemba
6/28 The Family of Brenda Welborn	Congregation
6/21 The Family of Pat Long	Jill Helgeson
6/21 The Family of Matt Zimmerman	Jill Helgeson
6/14 Barbara Thomas	Congregation
6/14 Becky Murr	Brenda McGowan
6/14 Betty Smith	Andy & Sharon Christmas
6/14 The Family of Cheryl Gaines	Ben & Bonnie Emanuel
6/7 Travis & Family	Jay & Suzie Bannister
6/7 Ann Marie Armstrong	Jay & Suzie Bannister
6/7 Sherry Partain	Jay & Suzie Bannister
6/7 The Family of Marilou Swenson	Congregation
5/31 Angie Baughman	Randy & Dale Rish
5/31 Meryn Rawl	Randy & Dale Rish
5/31 Cassina Metz	Bill & Rynde Dial
5/31 Kenneth & June Hunter	Bob Vinson
5/24 Kathi Davis	Jill Helgeson
5/24 Ruth Cromer, Robin and Julie	Jill Helgeson
5/24 Lamar Cromer	Jill Helgeson
5/24 Trey and Maggie Hagerty	Jill Helgeson
5/24 Jack Hicks	Mike & Bobbi Metz
5/24 Denise McCormick	Mike & Bobbi Metz