

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 19, 2026

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“Communion In Christ”

- Todd Kendall

*Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

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.**

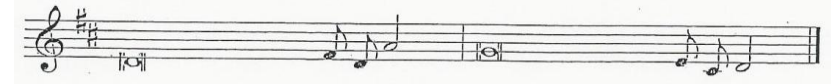
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins,
God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination. (we kneel)

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 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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 of the (+)
Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



PSALM 86 (sung responsively)

Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk | in your truth;
give me an undivided heart to re- | vere your name.
¹²**I will thank you, O Lord my God, with | all my heart,
and glorify your name for- | evermore.**
¹³For great is your | love toward me;
you have delivered me from the | pit of death.
¹⁴**The arrogant rise up against me, O God,
and a band of violent people | seeks my life;
they have not set you be- | fore their eyes.**
¹⁵But you, O Lord, are gracious and full | of compassion,
slow to anger, and full of kind- | ness and truth.
¹⁶**Turn to me and have mer- | cy on me;
give your strength to your servant,
and save the child | of your handmaid.**
¹⁷Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be | put to shame;
because you, LORD, have helped me and com- | forted me.

*Gospel Acclamation (sung by all)

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

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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.

SERVING YOU TODAY – July 19, 2026

Minister.....	Rev. J. Chris Fischer
Organist/Choir Director.....	Jill Helgeson
Acolytes.....	(E) Claude Calloway (L) Landen Moody
Lectors.....	(E) Matt Roehrs (L) Mike Metz
Assisting Ministers.....	(E) Suzie Bannister (L) Harry Coggins
Video/IT Engineer.....	Paul Wagner/Christopher Caldwell/Connor Caldwell
Tabulators.....	Chris & Anna 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
President	Rynde Dial
Vice-President.....	Mary Ann Hobbs
Treasurer.....	Diane Richardson
Council Secretary.....	Lauren Sayers

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK
July 19 – July 25

TODAY

8:45 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary) Early Choir Practice
10:00 a.m.	Children’s Sunday School (Pairs and Spares Room)
10:00 a.m.	Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary)

WED.

10:00 a.m.	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)
11:00 a.m.	The Lunch Bunch (Fellowship Hall)

THURS.

11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Fellowship Hall Reserved
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SAT.

9:45 a.m.	Saturday Servants (Fellowship Hall)
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The Lunch Bunch will be held on Wednesday, July 22nd at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Stephanie Yelder, the Dementia Care Specialist from the South Carolina Department on Aging. Come join us for this informative session on dementia and the resources available. Lunch will be provided.

(we stand)
*Hymn *“Word of God, Come Down On Earth”* Hymn #716

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, 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.**

*Canticle of Praise (sung by all) page 15
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor, glory and might to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb, the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Amen.

*Prayer of the Day
Faithful God, most merciful judge, You care for Your children with firmness and compassion. By Your Spirit nurture us who live in Your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

First Reading (Isaiah 44:6-8)

Psalm 86 (sung responsively)

Second Reading (Romans 8:12-25)

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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 13:24-30, 36-43)

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

Sermon

“DEALING WITH WEEDS”

*Hymn of the Month

“Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth”

Hymn #769

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of One Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven;
By the power of the Holy Spirit
He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered death and was buried.

LOOKING AHEAD

Worship Assistants
July 26, 2026

		8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolytes		Lucy Roehrs	Brady West
Lectors		Robert Allen	Sid Stokes
July 26	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.
July 28	Support Committee Meeting (Office Conference Room)		2:00 p.m.
	Service Committee (Office Conference Room)		10:00 a.m.
July 29	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spare Room)		10:00 a.m.
August 1	Fellowship Hall Reserved		8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
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 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.
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	Worship and Music Committee meeting after Late worship service		
	Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)		7:00 p.m.
August 12	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spare Room)		10:00 a.m.
	Family Fun Night (Fellowship Hall)		5:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Worship Services – July 12- 8:45 a.m. (64) – 11:00 a.m. (38)

OFFERINGS RECEIVED July 12 – Operating Fund \$5,317.00 Endowment Fund \$50.00, World Hunger Fund \$50.00, Saturday Servants Fund \$20.00

*The Communion Blessing Pastor Fischer

*The Post Communion Hymn (sung by all) page 40
**Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev’ryone what God has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ’s holy name.
Send us with your promises, O God, and lead us forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.**

*Prayer after Communion (The congregation responds with AMEN.)

SENDING

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

*Closing Hymn ***“I Received The Living God”*** Hymn #700

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

*The Dismissal
Go in peace, serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude ***“Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast”*** - John Cawood/J. Day

(*) Indicates congregation to stand

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Bob & Susan Straup to the honor and glory of God and in loving memory of their grandparents and parents.

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.

**On the third day He rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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 Leader concludes each petition with “Lord In Your Mercy,” and the response is, “Hear our Prayer.”*
The Minister concludes the prayers with these words: “Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” Amen.

(we stand)
*The Peace is Shared
The Offering is Received

Anthem ***"As The Grains Of Wheat"*** -Marty Haugen
As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread;
So may all Your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in You.

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst, may we share the presence of Your love.

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread;
So may all Your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in You.

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come when all creation shares this feast with You.

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread;
So may all Your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in You.

MEAL

*Offertory page 21
“Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful”

Let the vineyards be fruitful Lord, fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

*The Prayer and Response
L. Let us pray. Merciful God,
C. We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us - ourselves, 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 (spoken responsively)
L. The Lord be with you.
C. And also with you.
L. Lift up your hearts.
C. We lift them to the Lord.
L. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Preface of the Day
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise (Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding) ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus (sung by all) page 22
Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed, Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution page 23
Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 for the 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 for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

*The Lord’s Prayer
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.

*The Communion Hymn (sung by all) page 25
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy on us, have mercy. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us, have mercy. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

The Communion (Continuous Method- Please follow directions of the ushers)
Invited to commune at this altar are all baptized believers. Children not yet receiving Holy Communion are invited to come with their families to receive a blessing. On the way up, you are to pick up a cup and bring it to the altar. Prefilled cups in the center of the tray contain grape juice; otherwise wine will be dispensed at the altar into empty cups. Gluten free wafers are available as needed. Please notify the Pastor. To have the elements brought to you for communion, please notify an Usher. It would be helpful if you would sit on the front pew or on the aisle. As you go to the altar for communion, you are invited to dip your fingers into the water of the Baptismal Font and make a sign of the cross on your forehead in remembrance of your baptism.

LONG TERM PRAYERS

Bill Rummage
Sherri Bryant
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

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Paul Wagner
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Brenda McGowan
The Stokes Family
Marisa Adrian
The Stokes Family
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Brenda McGowan
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PRAYER LIST

7/12 Lynn Ziemba
7/12 Nick Korn
7/12 Tina Cantrell
7/12 The Family of Ralph E. Wulfjen, Jr. “BUBBA”
7/12 The Family of Judy Jarrett
7/5 Brenda McGowan
6/28 Ann Blair
6/28 The Cavedo Family
6/28 Christopher Gates
6/28 Amy Goodson
6/28 The Family of Janice Davenport
6/28 The Family of Brenda Welborn
6/21 The Family of Pat Long
6/21 The Family of Matt Zimmerman
6/14 Barbara Thomas
6/14 Becky Murr
6/14 Betty Smith
6/14 The Family of Cheryl Gaines
6/7 Travis & Family
6/7 Ann Marie Armstrong
6/7 Sherry Partain
6/7 The Family of Marilou Swenson
5/24 Kathi Davis
5/24 Ruth Cromer, Robin and Julie
5/24 Lamar Cromer
5/24 Trey and Maggie Hagerty
5/24 Jack Hicks
5/24 Denise McCormick
5/31 Angie Baughman
5/31 Meryn Rawl
5/31 Cassina Metz
5/31 Kenneth & June Hunter

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Bill & Rynde Dial
Bob Vinson

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.