



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Pastor ~ Reverend Candice Carter
Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026

Welcome Visitors!

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We are both excited and honored that you've joined us for worship today! We hope you'll join us again next week at 9:30am for Sunday School and 10:30 for worship.



If you have a smartphone, use your phone's camera or code scanner to electronically submit your **church connection card**. Let us know how we might be able to serve and pray for you.

Restrooms: Located downstairs under the Sanctuary, the back hallway behind the Sanctuary or in the lobby connector with the Fellowship Hall.

Families with Children: If you wish, a staffed nursery for children aged 0-4 is located in the lower level of the building below the sanctuary. Children also have the option of worshipping in the sanctuary, or attending Children's Church, which begins after the Children's Chat.

Food & Drinks: To help keep our worship space clean and reverent, no food is permitted in the sanctuary. Water bottles or enclosed cups are welcome. Thank for your cooperation.

Question: If you have any questions, please feel free to ask an usher.

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✝ Please stand as you are able where denoted during the worship service.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Special Music

† Confession and Forgiveness*

LBW Pg 56

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the pastor begins)

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: 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.

Most Merciful God:

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

† Opening Hymn

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

WOV Hymn 651

† The Prayer of the Day

P: O King of Glory and Lord of countless angels, in triumph you ascended to the highest heaven. Abandon us not to be orphans, but keep your Father's promise to send your Spirit of truth. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Graduates

FIRST READING

Acts 1:12-26

- ¹² Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk[a] from the city.
- ¹³ When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James.
- ¹⁴ They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.
- ¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty)
- ¹⁶ and said, "Brothers and sisters,[b] the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus.
- ¹⁷ He was one of our number and shared in our ministry."
- ¹⁸ (With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out.
- ¹⁹ Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.
- ²⁰ "For," said Peter, "it is written in the Book of Psalms: "'May his place be deserted; let there be no one to dwell in it,'[c] and, "'May another take his place of leadership.'"[d]
- ²¹ Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us,
- ²² beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection."
- ²³ So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias.
- ²⁴ Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen
- ²⁵ to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs."
- ²⁶ Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

PSALM 68:1-10

- L: May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; may his foes flee before him.
- C: May you blow them away like smoke—as wax melts before the fire, may the wicked perish before God.**
- L: But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful.
- C: Sing to God, sing in praise of his name, extol him who rides on the clouds[b]; rejoice before him—his name is the Lord.**

L: A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.

C: God sets the lonely in families,[c] he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.

L: When you, God, went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,[d]

C: the earth shook, the heavens poured down rain, before God, the One of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.

L: You gave abundant showers, O God; you refreshed your weary inheritance.

C: Your people settled in it, and from your bounty, God, you provided for the poor.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

- ¹² Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.
- ¹³ But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.
- ¹⁴ If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.
- ¹⁵ If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler.
- ¹⁶ However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name.
- ¹⁷ For it is time for judgment to begin with God's household; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God?
- ¹⁸ And, "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"[a]
- ¹⁹ So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.
- ⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.
- ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.
- ⁸ Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.
- ⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.
- ¹⁰ And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.
- ¹¹ To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

† **Response before the Gospel**

P: The Holy Gospel according to the 17th Chapter of John.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

† **Holy Gospel**

John 17:1-11

- 1 After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:
“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you.
- 2 For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him.
- 3 Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.
- 4 I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.
- 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.
- 6 “I have revealed you[a] to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word.
- 7 Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you.
- 8 For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me.
- 9 I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours.
- 10 All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them.
- 11 I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of[b] your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.

† **Response following the Gospel**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

“True North”

† **Sermon Hymn**

“Here I Am, Lord”

WOV Hymn 752

† **Confirmation Vows & Blessings**

† **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us share the peace of Christ.

† **Offering Anthem**

“Lift Me Up”

Choir

† **Presentation of the Offering**

† **Offertory Response** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

LBW Hymn 565

† **Prayers of the People**

(respond: “Hear our prayer”)

† **The Lord’s Prayer**

† **Benediction**

† **Sending Hymn** “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” WOVS Hymn

721

† **The Dismissal**

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

† **Postlude**

Special Music

Messages to the Congregation

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Martha Deal; given by the Deal Family.



Prayer Concerns: Sandy Preston (Sister of Judy Padgett), Macy Baggs, Nancy Kneeburg (Aunt of B.Bollinger), Diane & David McKnight, Elizabeth Nahouse, Brad Blume, Noah Finger, Lorine Snow, Nancy Nahouse, Bob Dixon, Jimmie Weaver, and the family of Martha Deal.

Shut-In & Care Facility Members: Ron Beaver, Tommy Beaver, Doris Pless, Judy Taylor, Billie Bollinger, & Jimmie Weaver.

Bulletin/Announcements: In order to make sure any important news is displayed in the coming Sunday's bulletin, please message the office no later than Wednesday evening. Thank you!

Mark your calendars: Events and Meetings Happening This Week

Sunday, 5/17	Sunday School - 9:30am Worship Service - 10:30am Women's Circle - 2:00pm VBS meeting - 3:00pm Faith Hike - 3:30pm - 6:30pm Choir Practice - 4:45pm
Mon, 5/18	Zumba - 6:30pm
Tues, 5/19	
Wed, 5/20	
Thurs, 5/21	
Fri. 5/22	
Sat. 5/23	

Altar Flowers

Please help us enhance our worship space by signing up for flowers each Sunday!

There is a physical list by the mail boxes or you can email the office. List as (T) for taking home or (L) leave for next Sunday!

Thank you!



Meeting Reminders

SUNDAY, 5/17



2:00 pm

3:00 pm



Young At  Heart
with Pastor Candice

Wednesday, 5/27:
11:30am @ Family
House

*Give Thanks
with a
Grateful Heart*

Faith Hike

@ Circle D Farm

Sunday, May 17

3:30 - 6:30

Meet at Concordia church at 3:30
Pick up at 6:30 at Concordia church.

*Close-toed shoes
recommended for hikers!*

save
the date



July 19 - July 22



GRADUATING SENIOR



Miles Carden

Graduating from: South Rowan High School.

Plans to continue the Heating and Air program over the next two years at Rowan Cabarrus.

Aspires to one day own and operate his own heating and air company.



Molly Cherry

Isaiah 60:22: A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the Lord will hasten it in his time.



Guy Deal

Romans 15:13: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

CONFIRMANDS



Grayson Carter

Joshua 1:9: Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.



Vera Parker: Galatians 3:28: There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Quinn Parker: Luke 12:6-7: Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Giving Report for May 10, 2026

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Need Each Week</u>
Worship Service	105	\$4,178	\$4,751.94
Sunday School	33		
Building Fund		\$150	
Other Funds		\$423.12	
Tithely		\$120	

Those Serving Today (5/17)

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Alexandra Ong	Music Director
Karen McKnight	Music
Jessica Sloop	Lector
C.J. McKnight & Addison Sloop	Acolytes
Sherilee Deal	K-5 Sunday School
Susan Blume	Children's Church
Judy Matthews & Dennis Spry	Nursery
Barbara Atwell	Breakfast Assistants

Those Serving Next Week (5/24)

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Alexandra Ong	Music Director
Karen McKnight	Music
Jessica Sloop	Lector
Mason Rodgers & Maggie Deal	Acolytes
Molly Cherry & Vera Parker	Banner Bearers
Miles Carden	Crucifer
Brooks Rodgers & Jake Ramage	Torch Bearers
John McKnight	K-5 Sunday School
Adrian Parker	Children's Church
Heather Ramseur & Lindsey Parker	Nursery
TBD	Breakfast Assistant *last before summer

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