



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Pastor ~ Reverend Candice Carter
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 23, 2026

Welcome Visitors!

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.

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

† 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 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see you

I want to see you *Repeat*

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of your glory

Pour out your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see you

I want to see you *Repeat*

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To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of your glory
Pour out your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy

Holy, Holy, Holy
Holy, Holy, Holy
Holy, Holy, Holy
I want to see you
(Repeat 2x)

P: Let us pray.

† The Prayer of the Day

P: Care for your Church, O Lord, with perpetual mercy. Since we totter and are sure to fall without your grace, remove what will harm us and arrange what will make us whole. 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.

Children's Chat

FIRST READING

Isaiah 51:1-6

- ¹ “Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness and who seek the Lord: Look to the rock from which you were cut and to the quarry from which you were hewn;
- ² look to Abraham, your father, and to Sarah, who gave you birth. When I called him he was only one man, and I blessed him and made him many.
- ³ The Lord will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; he will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the Lord. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing.
- ⁴ “Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: Instruction will go out from me; my justice will become a light to the nations.
- ⁵ My righteousness draws near speedily, my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations. The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm.
- ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath; the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138:1-7

L: I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart; before the “gods” I will sing your praise.

C: I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness, for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame.

L: When I called, you answered me; you greatly emboldened me.

C: May all the kings of the earth praise you, Lord, when they hear what you have decreed.

L: May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great.

C: Though the Lord is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly; though lofty, he sees them from afar.

L: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life. You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes; with your right hand you save me.

SECOND READING

Romans 11:33-12:8

- ³³ Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and[a] knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!
- ³⁴ “Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?”[b]
- ³⁵ “Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?”[c]
- ³⁶ For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.
- ¹ Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.
- ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.
- ³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.
- ⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function,
- ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.
- ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your[d] faith;
- ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach;
- ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead,[e] do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† **Scripture Response** “Thy Word”

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet

And a light unto my path

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet

And a light unto my path

† **Response before the Gospel**

P: The Holy Gospel according to the 16th Chapter of Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

† **Holy Gospel**

Matthew 16:13-20

13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

14 They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

15 “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

16 Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

17 Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.

18 And I tell you that you are Peter,[a] and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades[b] will not overcome it.

19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be[c] bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be[d] loosed in heaven.”

20 Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

† **Response following the Gospel**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“Who Do You Say I Am?”

† **Sermon Hymn**

“Heart of Worship”

When the music fades, All is stripped away

And I simply come, Longing just to bring

Something that’s of worth, That will bless your heart

I’ll bring you more than a song, For a song in itself

Is not what you have required, You search much deeper within

Through the way things appear, You’re looking into my heart

Chorus:

I’m coming back to the heart of worship

And it’s all about you,

It’s all about you, Jesus

I’m sorry, Lord, for the thing I’ve made it

When it’s all about you,

It’s all about you, Jesus

King of endless worth, No one could express

How much you deserve, Though I’m weak and poor

All I have is yours, Every single breath

I’ll bring you more than a song, For a song in itself

Is not what you have required, You search much deeper within

Through the way things appear, You’re looking into my heart

Chorus x

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† **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.

† **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.

† **Offertory Dialogue**

P: May we offer with joy and thanksgiving what we have first been given,

C: For everything we have belongs to God.

† **Offering Anthem** “Order My Steps” 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** “I’ll Fly Away”

Verse 1: Some glad morning when this life is o’er, I’ll fly away
To a home on God’s celestial shore, I’ll fly away

Chorus:

I’ll fly away, oh glory, I’ll fly away
When I die, Hallelujah by and by, I’ll fly away

Verse 2: When the shadows of this life have grown, I’ll fly away
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I’ll fly away

Chorus

Verse 3: Just a few more weary days and then, I’ll fly away
To a land where joys shall never end, I’ll fly away

Chorus

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† **The Dismissal**

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† **Postlude**

Messages to the Congregation

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Amy Talbert in honor of Steve and Brenda’s 60th Wedding Anniversary on August 28. They were married at Trinity all those years ago and have remained church members ever since.



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

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

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!

Nazareth's Monthly Donations

August: Toothpaste



September: Shampoo & Conditioner



Women's Circle Outreach

Instead of collecting shoeboxes, the Women's Circle will support Nazareth Children's Home & Main Street Market Place.

- **Nazareth:** Children will pack string bags for Nazareth children with similar items that were in the shoeboxes like school supplies & hygiene supplies. Since these are older kids, we probably won't have toys.
- **Main Street Market Place's Christmas Sale:** We will collect shoes for MSMP in November. However, with back to school sales we wanted you to be aware now!



Young At ♥ Heart
with Pastor Candice

Wednesday, 8/26:

- 10:00am - Christian trip Dec. Preview in Sanctuary.
- 11:30am @ China Buffet (Kannapolis)



*Give Thanks
with a
Grateful Heart*

Mark your calendars: Events and Meetings Happening This Week

Sun, 8/23	Sunday School - 9:30am Worship Service - 10:30am Choir Practice - 4:45pm
Mon, 8/24	Zumba - 6:30pm
Tues, 8/25	Bible Study - 10:30am
Wed, 8/26	Christian Tours Myrtle Beach Review (Sanctuary): 10:00am Young at Heart (China Buffet) - 11:30am
Thurs, 8/27	
Fri. 8/28	
Sat. 8/29	



Donate a Meal for Getting Ahead

A shared meal can be the beginning of lasting change.

At Main Street Marketplace & Meeting Place, we believe community grows when neighbors show up for one another. That is why meals are such an important part of our Getting Ahead program.

Before each class, participants gather around the table to share a meal provided by community volunteers. It may seem like a simple act, but it offers so much more than food. It creates a welcoming space where people feel supported, relationships begin to grow, and participants can focus on building the skills and resources needed for a more stable future.

You can be part of that lasting impact by providing a meal for an upcoming class. Whether you contribute as an individual, family, church, business, or community group, your generosity helps remind every participant that they are valued and that their community is walking alongside them.



Sign up to donate a meal



Getting Ahead
North Meal Signup



Getting Ahead
South Meal Signup

Questions? Email Mandy at mandy@marketandmeeting.org

Love is Brewing



JOIN US FOR A JACK AND JILL SHOWER
HONORING
ANDREA TENA & AUSTIN BELL
A perfect blend before the Bells

📅 Saturday, September 19, 2026
🕒 Drop-in Shower: 3:00 - 5:00pm
📍 Location: 318 North Beaver Street
Landis, NC 28088

The happy couple is registered at
<https://www.zola.com/registry/tenabellwedding>



Given by: The Beaver Street Crew

We are looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to help shape the next generation of faith. No prior teaching experience is required—just a willing heart. Materials are fully provided by Sola Publishing for K-5 **Sunday School** and **Children's Church**. Background Check required.

Contact the Office to join!





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Giving Report for August 16, 2026

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Need Each Week</u>
Worship Service	115	\$4,736	\$4,751.94
Sunday School	42		
Building Fund		\$75	
Other Funds		\$971	
Tithely/Thrivent		\$62	

Those Serving Today (8/23)

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Alexandra Ong	Music Director
Michael Hiskey	Music
Guy Deal	Lector
Maggie Deal & Claire Stirewalt	Acolytes
Sherilee Deal	K-5 Sunday School
Adrian Parker	Children's Church
Barbara Atwell & TBD	Nursery
Barbara Atwell	SS Breakfast

Those Serving Next Week (8/30)

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Alexandra Ong	Music Director
Jana Thomas	Music
Guy Deal	Lector
Mason Rodgers & Addison Sloop	Acolytes
John McKnight	K-5 Sunday School
Elizabeth Rodgers	Children's Church
TBD	Nursery
TBD	SS Breakfast

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