

# *Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

August 4, 2024

Prelude Christopher A. McCroskey  
*(As the Prelude begins, prayerfully prepare your hearts and minds for worship.)*

Greetings, Announcements & Prayer

\*Call to Worship  
As summer days pass,  
**We thank you God for rest.**  
As autumn days wait in the wings,  
**We thank you God for school and work.**  
As we gather this morning,  
**We thank you God for quiet time together.**  
As we gather this morning,  
**May we praise with our whole hearts  
our God of all time!**

\*Opening Hymn *"Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above"* 96

\*Opening Prayer  
**God of All Seasons,  
We thank you for gathering us once again to sing together and pray together and work to be your church. Fill us with the peace and healing only you can provide. Help us to feast on your Word and be nourished by your Spirit, for we gather in the name of the One who is the Bread of Life, Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

\*A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada 883

\*Gloria Patri 70  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Passing of the Peace: *Let us greet one another with love and peace.*

Old Testament Lesson 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a Page 280 (O.T.)

Anthem Choir

"Let the Children Come!"  
*(Those 3 years of age through 8 years of age may go to Children's Church.)*

Blessing of the Backpacks Insert

Scripture Lessons Ephesians 3:14-21 Page 183 (N.T.)  
John 6:24-35 Page 95 (N.T.)  
Sermon "Bread" Rev. Darlene L. Kelley

\*Hymn of Invitation *"I Surrender All"* vs. 1-3 354

Prayer of Confession Insert  
The Lord's Prayer

**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. Amen.**

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings  
Offertory Christopher A. McCroskey  
\*Doxology 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above  
ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Celebration of Holy Communion

\*Closing Hymn *"All Who Hunger"* TFWS 2126  
\*Dismissal With Benediction  
\*Benediction Response *"May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep You"* Choir & Congregation

\*Please Stand As You Are Able

## *Leading in Worship Today*

Pastor: *Darlene L. Kelley* Time Together: *Jack Stevens; Pam Turner*  
Music Director: *Christopher A. McCroskey* AV Director: *Marie Stiles*  
Liturgist: *Jeanette Hornsby* AV Assistant: *Chris Derrick*

**VISITORS ARE WELCOME** in the service of worship! Please make use of the visitor's tags (located in the pew backs) to help us better welcome you as a visitor to Trinity this morning. We ask that you also please fill in the pew pad as it passes to register your attendance with us. **Large print hymnals** are available from the ushers.

You may join as a member into the life and work of this congregation by Confession of Faith or by Transfer of Membership from another church. If you would be interested in becoming a member, please speak to the pastor.

*A GIFT TO TRINITY is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **Chuck Martin** on his birthday August 2<sup>nd</sup> and **George Hardee** on his birthday August 4<sup>th</sup>, by **Lynn Martin and family.***

**“AS MEMBERS OF THIS CONGREGATION, WE WILL FAITHFULLY PARTICIPATE IN ITS MINISTRIES BY OUR PRAYERS ...**

English Pearcy   Patsy Zeigler   Charlie Hooker   Kaye Floyd   Ruth Frady  
Patsy Shuler   John Ballentine   Jimmy Grahl   Latson Lewis   Becky Derrick

**Shut-Ins:** Esther Carter; Gillett Hipp; Linda Maloch; Jean Raynor

**Family and Friends:** *Ima Thibodeaux (friend of Christopher McCroskey); Keith Jordan (nephew of John & Kay Jordan); Deanne Summer (partner of Martha Cooke); Kelsey Molotsky (granddaughter of friend of Bob Strickland); Meg Sansbury; Mary Perry (friend of Marty Johnson); Chantel & Dave Griffin (sister and brother-in-law of Erin Derrick); Russell Eubanks (son-in-law of Jo Ann Heiting); Malcolm Skipper (grandfather of Matthew Skipper); Bryan Collard (brother-in-law of Mary Sue Lewis); ; Charlyn McNeill, Michael McNeill (sister & brother of Mary Sue Lewis); Lawrence Gilbert (friend of Becky Derrick); Bob Bohnstengel (spouse of Jo Ann Heiting's cousin); Missy Abrams (stepdaughter of Lissa Abrams); Mary Davis (daughter of Bob & Libby Strickland); Sandra Hornsby, Gloria Erd (friends of Lynn Martin); Pearl Geddens (mother of Tom Geddens); Ross Deal (grandson of Mary Kamoroff); Nancy Wilson (friend of Jeanette Hornsby); David Turner (brother of Pam Turner); Ernie & Betsey Hendrix, Chip Mixon (friends of Tommy Gleaton); Ron & Janet Walker (friends of Tommy & Chris Gleaton); Merit Takach (friend of Joyce and Brent Robinson); James Boggs (father of Claire Boggs); Bill Areheart (friend of Bonnie Ramsey); David Grandshaw (brother-in-law of Edwa Meek); Robert Bradley (Business Associate of Simon Ross); Gary Becton (friend of Mark Branham); Florence Lee Carter, Monnie Tiller (friends of Chris Derrick); Adrin & Linda Hargett (stepfather and stepmom of Christopher McCroskey); Haidee Baehr (friends of Ruth Frady); Denise Paul, Scott & Karen Nelson (cousins of Gale Frady); Dan Conner, Max Johnson (friends of Gale Frady); Bernardo Velasquez, Walt & Janet Beck (friends of Jo Ann Heiting); Adam Lavender (son of Phil Lavender)*

If you have a friend or family member on the Prayer List, we ask you to please keep us updated. If no word is received, we will trust that our prayers have been answered and remove the name. To update us, please call the office or e-mail us at [trinityumcwc@sc.rr.com](mailto:trinityumcwc@sc.rr.com).

**OUR PRESENCE ...**

Attendance 07/28 SS: 9      Worship: 44

**OUR GIFTS ...**

General Fund 07/28 \$ 3,318.36

**OUR SERVICE...**

**OUR WITNESS.”**

**Upcoming Events**

08/07 Choir, 6 p.m.

08/09 Office Closed

**Readings for August 11**

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Psalm 130

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

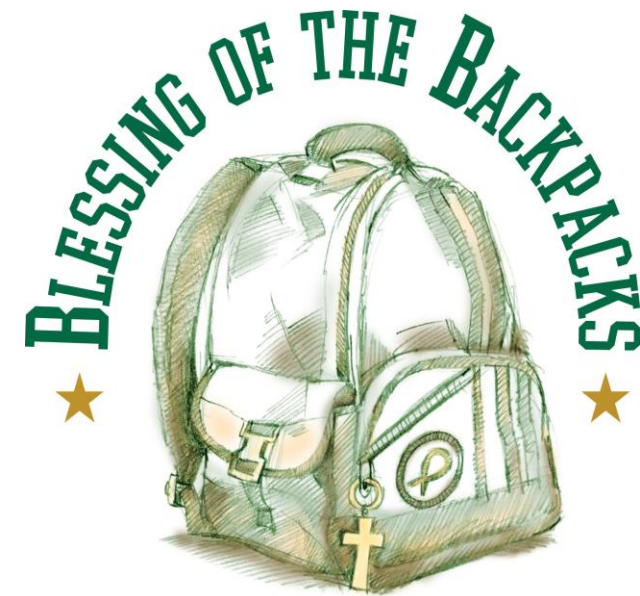


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***Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.***

***Our vision is to Connect, Nurture, Inspire and Transform***



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**Laura's Tea Room  
Saturday, August 10**

The Trinity Ladies Group will go to Laura's Tea Room in Ridgeway on Saturday, August 10. Reservations are for 11:30 a.m. Contact Marie Stiles at (803) 463-9706 if you are interested in being added to the group email and text for notification.



**Grieving with God  
Tuesday, August 13**

All who are on the journey of grief are invited to join us each second Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Conference Room of the church. We are using the book "Good Grief" by Granger E. Westberg. Copies are available each session and in the church office. Retired Hospice and Palliative Care Chaplain from Richland Hospital, Jerry Fonte, facilitates discussion.



A sign-up sheet for Liturgists (Lay Readers) is on the round table in the Gathering Area. The readings can be found beside it. If you would be willing to read one of the listed scriptures, please list your name and indicate which reading you have chosen.



Marie Stiles has provided new name tags. Please remember to wear the name tags so Pastor Darlene Kelley and her husband, Craig, can learn our names.

Also, please remember to keep them on during Time Together and Taste of Trinity. A basket will be provided for you to put them in as you leave.

**T.a.G. Group**

The T.a.G. Group **will not meet in August**. They will resume meeting on Wednesday, September 4, at 7 p.m.

**Exercise Class**

The Exercise Class **will not meet in August**. They will resume classes on Thursday, September 5.

# Blessing

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## Backpacks

Gracious God, we lift to you today, all the students in our church and community. We ask your blessing and guiding hand on all as they learn and grow throughout the year.

**Further, we ask your blessing on backpacks in our community, O God. They will hold the school work of each student and will be carried from home to school and back again. As students carry their backpacks, may they be reminded of the love and care of this congregation that surrounds them each school day.**

We pray as well for the teachers and administrators in our schools. May they also be sustained by your blessing.

**May they be reminded that this congregation embraces their call to teaching and learning and surrounds them with love and care as well. We pray in the name of Jesus who we seek to follow day by day. Amen.**

*(Prayer adapted from umcdiscipleship.org)*

Scripture Lesson Proverbs 2:1-5

Prayer

**Eternal and Gracious God,**

**Help us to be curious about the world around us. Help us to be prepared for the challenges we face each day. Help us to be open to difficult tasks. Help us to be determined to complete our work. Help us to be responsible in all we do. Help us to be kind and caring, accepting of people's differences, and able always to work and play well with others. Amen**

Prayers for our Teachers and School Staff

## Prayer of Confession

**Creator of the universe,**

**we stand amazed at your power and glory.**

**We are eager to worship you and offer our praise, but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear you calling our name.**

**In the sanctuary, we may sing songs we learned in our youth, but we forget to remain students of life, learning and growing always as we follow the promptings of your Holy Spirit.**

**Forgive us when we forget your promise**

**to be with us always, O God. Renew us with**

**the power of your ever-present love, and strengthen us to proclaim your justice throughout the world. Amen.**

*Silent Prayer*

Words of Assurance

*(Isaiah 43:1)*

Hear the words of our creator,  
spoken through the prophet Isaiah:  
"I have called you by name.  
You are mine. Do not fear,  
for I have redeemed you."

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

**In the name of Jesus Christ,  
you are forgiven. Glory to God.**

**Amen**