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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 31, 2025 - 10:00 AM

Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob. Raise a song, sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp. . . .—Psalm 81:1-2

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

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Louis Vierne

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Sing aloud to God our strength;
shout for joy to the God of Jacob!
Raise a song, sound the tambourine,
play the sweet lyre with the harp!
With heart and voice, let us worship God.

***Hymn 611**

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of joy, you have created us to gratefully sing your praises. You've led us out of the wilderness and fed us with water and Spirit. But we are stubborn. We think we know best, and we fail to listen to your voice. We go our own way. Forgive us, we pray. Restore us and satisfy us with your steadfast love, so that we may again serve you faithfully and praise you in all we say and do. Amen.

Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response 583** Gloria, Gloria

Passing of the Peace

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 81:1-5, 10-16

Meditation

Ubi Caritas

Victor C. Johnson

(Anthem Lyrics) *"Where there is charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. And from a sincere heart let us love one another.*

A Prayer for Children

Old Testament Lesson	Psalm 81:1-5, 10-16	
Gospel Lesson	Luke 14:1, 7-14	
Sermon	Honey from the Rock	Dwight Christenbury
*Hymn 637	"O Sing to the Lord"	
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed	(Hymnal, p. 35)

Recognition of the Retirement of Stephen Klein, Music Director

Minute for Mission	Hunger Coalition	Jocelyn Tolleson
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Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to Giving & Five Cents a Meal

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 641	"When in Our Music God Is Glorified"
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***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude	Carillon	Louis Vierne
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**Please stand in body or spirit*

Worship Notes: *The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession are based on Psalm 81.*

LITURGIST(S): Jan Prichard	FLOWERS: Given by Glenn & Linda Walker in
PROJECTIONS: Russ Russell, Bud Weeks, Catherine Langsdorf	thanksgiving for our 55 years of marriage and
LIVESTREAM: Duane Johnson, Jim Kisner, Conrad Shannon, Jim Smelker, Paul Soltesz	the blessings God has bestowed upon our family.
	LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 153

WORSHIP TEAM

Transitional Pastor: Rev. David Garnett
Associate Pastor: Rev. Dwight Christenbury
Minister of Visitation: Sally Beghtol, C.P.
Music Director: Stephen Klein

TRINITY TEAM

Maintenance Facilitator: Jim Kisner
Treasurer: Bob Forsythe, Bev Luzadder
Financial Secretary: Diane Bowers
Bookkeeper: Lynne Meluch
Tellers: Sue Robinson, Robin Hodgson,
Pat Harter, Betty Lockwood

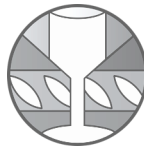
This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.



PC(USA)
June 10, 1983 -
our denomination



Presbytery of Western
North Carolina -
our regional leadership



More Light
Presbyterians -
LGBTQ+ affirming



an Earth Care
Congregation -
eco-stewardship



Fuente de Vida
Guatemala - global
partnership



a Matthew 25
Church - social
justice advocacy

SUNDAY - 5 CENTS A MEAL

9:15 Learning Hour

- Children's Sunday School

10:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

11:15 Retirement Celebration

in honor of Stephen Klein

5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

MONDAY - LABOR DAY (OFFICE CLOSED)

9:00 Finance Team

TUESDAY

9:30 Staff Meeting

10:00 Coffee Group

12:00 Dove Decorating Begins

4:00 Global Missions Ministry Mtg.

4:30 Special Choir Rehearsal

7:00 Zoom: Building and Grounds Mtg

WEDNESDAY

10:30 Friends in Christ - Hybrid

7:30 Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

9:30 Musicke Antiqua

11:00 Between the Lines Book Group

12:00 PW Bible Study Leaders' Mtg.

1:00 Technology Committee

4:00 Tai Chi

4:00 Zoom: Finance/Stewardship Ministry

6:30 Cub Scouts

FRIDAY

8:00 Toastmasters

SATURDAY

SUNDAY - COMMUNION & CONGREGATIONAL MTG.

9:15 Learning Hour

- Children's Sunday School

9:30 Choir rehearsal

10:00 Congregational Meeting to vote for
Pator Nominating Committee (PNC)

10:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

11:00 Special Meeting with the PNC

5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

**SUMMER HOURS CONTINUE FOR ONE MORE
WEEK – WORSHIP AT 10 AM ON SEP 7
THERE WILL BE A BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING BEFORE THE SERVICE**

Aug 31 - Sep 7

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PRAYERS, JOYS & CONCERNS: **Hospital:** Jeff Roller (Marty's brother); Bella Ward (Steve & Esther Hider's friend) **Rehab/Nursing:** Willene Davis (Life Care); Ted Bechtel (Aston Park); Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Art Wayboer (High Point); Nell Payne (Brooks-Howell); Neena Haskins (Sunnybrook); Jane Sugawara (Ohio); Jack Caylor (HHR); Don Widmayer (Florida); Julia Sellers (Durham); Jerry Miller (Indiana) **Home:** Kathy Orr (Neena Haskins' friend); Mark Stanley; Bob Miles; Harry Petersen; Bill Payne; Larry Wojcik; Joe Stafford (Carole Ball's neighbor); Peter & Nancy Williard; Elizabeth (Strange's neighbor); David & Nancy Butler (Zigovsky friends); Nancy Twitchen; Marina Hirschfield (Zigovsky daughter); John Kostlevy; Ben Moore; Brenda Nelson; Evelyn Christensen (Mary Louise & Betty's sister); Steve Kuykendoll; Martin Roller; Donnie Thompson (Kuykendoll's nephew); T.K. Owens (Dolly's son); Susan Kincaid; Paul Soltesz; Evans Thibodeau; Kim & Jason Ball; Julee Gray (Kuykendoll's friend); Barbara Nichols; Alice McCullough **Others:** immigrants and those who are fearful or in hiding; our partners in Madagascar, Malawi, and Guatemala, our sister church Fuente de Vida, the people of Israel and Gaza, Lebanon, Yemen, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine and Russia, those harmed by gun violence and anti-LGBTQ+ legislation, and all who have suffered due to Hurricane Helene.

CHOIR RETURNS! First rehearsal - Wed, Sep 3, 7:30 PM. We're hoping you're ready to get back to singing! If you know other folks that might like to join, bring them with you! Your trusty Section Leaders will be helping to lead the choir during this interim period as the Music Director Search Committee continues to receive and interview potential candidates. If you have any choir or music director-related questions, please feel free to reach out to Eric McAnallen.

CONGRATULATIONS, STEPHEN KLEIN! Join us after worship TODAY, August 31, at 12:15 PM for a party to celebrate and thank our very own music director, Stephen Klein, as he embarks on his next adventure of retirement.

HUNGER COALITION AGENCY TOUR UPDATE: The sign-ups for two tours are still on the card table in the narthex. Esther will lead the group tour of The StoreHouse on 9/3 and Tom will lead the tour of the Calvary Episcopal Food Pantry on 9/11. They are a great chance to see two of the agencies supported by our donations for the Hunger Walk. Hunger Walkers, register at hendersoncountyhungercoalition.org. to save time on the 20th. Don't forget to click on the dropdown menu and click to show you are part of the Trinity team! Finally---don't forget the Joel Helfand concert on Sunday 9/14 at 3:00

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Sun, Sep 7. We will have ONE service at 10AM (continuing the summer schedule) so we can be together to elect our new PNC (Pastoral Nominating Committee) - the next step in our search for a new pastor. Please join us to vote for the PNC team!

FALL SCHEDULE: We will recommence two Sunday Worship services at 8:30 & 11:00 with Learning Hour at 9:15 starting on Sept 14th.

HUNGER WALK UPDATE: Register to walk online at hendersoncountyhungercoalition.org to save time on Walk day 9/20. Click the drop down menu to choose the "Trinity team". You can donate/sponsor walkers in the narthex starting on Sunday August 31st.

SEASON OF CREATION - DOVES OF PEACE: The 2025 ecumenical "Season of Creation" will be celebrated throughout the month of Sept at Trinity and at churches around the world. This year's theme is "Peace with Creation". To celebrate God's wish for us to live mindfully, responsibly, and peaceably in this world, we will decorate our sanctuary with soaring origami "peace doves" made of REUSED & RECYCLED paper. ***IF YOU would like to join us in this meditative practice of folding our prayers for peace into each and every dove, please go to our web-site, click on the new little dove at the top of the page, and it will take you to a youtube tutorial for how to make your own paper doves.*** We need MANY, so all nimble fingers are much appreciated!! Please bring to church to display.