

## **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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Pastor ~ Reverend Candice Carter

First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2024

## Welcome Visitors!

We are both excited and honored that you've joined us for worship today! Please fill out the connection information via the QR code below, and let us know how we might be able to serve and pray for you.

We hope you'll join us again next week at 10:30 for worship. Our Sunday School classes start at 9:30 am if you would like to join in on those.

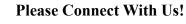


If you have a smartphone, use your phone's camera or code scanner to scan the code.

**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 worshiping in the sanctuary, or attending Children's Church, which begins after the Children's Chat.

If you have more questions about any of the above items or if you have questions about anything else, 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

"King of Kings"

Elizabeth Rodgers

**†** Confession and Forgiveness

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**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 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** "Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel" LBW Hymn 34

### **†** Prayer of the Day

**P:** Štir up your power, O Lord, and come, that by your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by your mighty deliverance; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Children's Chat

### **First Reading**

- Jeremiah 33: 14-16
- <sup>14</sup> "'The days are coming,' declares the Lord, 'when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.
- <sup>15</sup> "'In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land.

<sup>16</sup> In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it[a] will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior.'

#### Psalm 25: 1-10

- L: In you, Lord my God, I put my trust.
- C: I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- L: No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame, but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.
- C: Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths.
- L: Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.
- C: Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.
- L: Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you, Lord, are good.
- C: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.
- L: He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

# C: All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.

#### **Second Reading**

1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13

Luke 21: 25-36

- <sup>9</sup> How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?
- <sup>10</sup> Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith.
- <sup>11</sup> Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you.
- <sup>12</sup> May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.
- <sup>13</sup> May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

**†** Scripture Response "Light One Candle" WOV Hymn 630

## **†** Response before the Gospel

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 21st Chapter. **C:** Glory to you, O Lord.

## **†** Holy Gospel

<sup>25</sup> "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea.

- <sup>26</sup> People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken.
- <sup>27</sup> At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
- <sup>28</sup> When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."
- <sup>29</sup> He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees.
- <sup>30</sup> When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near.
- <sup>31</sup> Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.
- <sup>32</sup> "Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened.
- <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.
- <sup>34</sup> "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap.
- <sup>35</sup> For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth.
- <sup>36</sup> Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."

## **†** Response following the Gospel

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"A New Beginning is Near"

**†** Hymn of the Day "Come Just as You Are" Celebration Hymn Insert

## **†** 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.

**† Offering Anthem** "A Little Child Will Come to Lead Us" Choir Accompaniment: Thomas Bost (Flute)

#### **†** Presentation of the Offering

**† Offertory Response** "Lord, Prepare Us to be a Sanctuary" Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary Pure and holy, tried and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for You

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**†** Prayers of the People

**†** The Lord's Prayer

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**†** Benediction

**† Sending Hymn** "Prepare the Royal Highway" LBW Hymn 26

Dismissal
P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

**†** Postlude

Karen McKnight

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God.

**Prayer Concerns**: Elizabeth Nahouse, Emma Sloop, Doris Pless, Duane Ellis, Nancy Kneeburg - Billie Bollinger's Aunt, Ron Beaver, Juanita Alexander, Frances Staton, Jan Dixon, MD McKnight, and Linda Reavis.

If you would like to offer **Special Music** during worship services, please let Karen McKnight know. We welcome anyone that would like to share their talents.



## The 2024 Congregational Christmas Meal has been brought to you

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New **Thrivent Action Project** to complete 100 Health Kits by December 12th:

**Sunday, December 1:** Donate 1 or more **deodorants** of any brand for men or women. We still need 100.

**Sunday, December 9**: Check the **gift registry** to see what is still needed and help fill in the gaps!



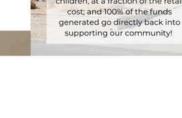
We look forward to hearing the musical stylings of the Carson Choir December, 8th.



Support our youth by joining us for the Christmas Play on December, 22nd.



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WHEN: DEC. 14TH 5:00-8:00 PM WHERE: HANNA PARK CHINA GROVE

Join us for a magical evening at Christmas in the Grove! Main Street Marketplace & Meeting Place will light up Hanna Park in downtown China Grove.

Honor or in Memory of a Loved One: Purchase a luminary for just \$5.00.

+ 60% of proceeds support recovery efforts in Western NC # 40% helps our local community market

Illuminate the night and make a difference!



You can Purchase your luminaries online or at MSMP starting today the evening of Dec. 14th!

**A LUMINARY** 





## \$10 ADULTS \$5 KIDS **DINE IN or TAKE OUT**

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Mark your calendars: Events and Meetings Happening This Week			
Sunday	Sunday School - 9:30 am *Christmas Play Practice		
	Worship Service - 10:30 am		
	Congregational Christmas Meal & Silent Auction - Following		
	Worship		
	Handbells - 4:00 pm		
	Choir - 4:45 pm		
Monday	Girl Scouts - 6-7:00pm		
	Zumba - 6:30 pm		
Tuesday			
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Wednesday	Town of Landis - 12-1:00 pm		
	Pack-A-Thon - 6-8:00 pm		
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			



Christmas ... The Journey and the Celebration

> December 8, 2024 6:00 p.m. Concordia Lutheran Church

Featuring Voices From: Concordia Lutheran Church, Fieldstone Presbyterian Church Prospect Presbyterian Church, Trinity Lutheran Church, Vanderburg United Methodist Church

> Director: Eddie Karriker





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#### Giving Report for November 24, 2024

	Attendance	Received	Need Each Week
Worship Service	109	\$3,582	\$4,337.44
Sunday School	50	\$12.00	
Building Fund		\$00.00	
Other Funds		\$552.00	

#### **Those Serving Today**

The People of God
Pastor Candice Carter
Karen McKnight
Kathy Patrick
Maggie Deal & Claire Stirewalt
Molly Cherry
Susan Blume
*Christmas Play Practice*
Adrian Parker
John McKnight & Ava Blume

Ministers Pastor Music Lector Acolytes Advent Banner Children's Church K-5 Sunday School HS Sunday School Nursery

#### **Those Serving Next Week**

The People of God
Pastor Candice Carter
Karen McKnight
Kathy Patrick
Mason Rodgers & CJ McKnight
Vera Parker
Adrian Parker
*Christmas Play Practice*
Rebecca Clark
Judy Matthews & Elizabeth Rodgers

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