



## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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[www.tlclandis.org](http://www.tlclandis.org)

*Pastor ~ Reverend Candice Carter*

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
September 15, 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 worshipping 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.

## Please Connect With Us!

-  [tlclandis.org](http://tlclandis.org)
-  [facebook.com/TrinityLandis](https://facebook.com/TrinityLandis)
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You may contact the church office at 704-857-2441 or contact Pastor Candice by email: [PastorCandiceCarter@gmail.com](mailto:PastorCandiceCarter@gmail.com)

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

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## Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude** "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" Peterson

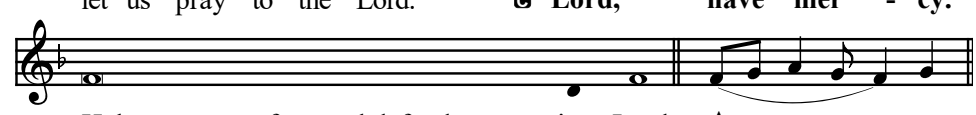
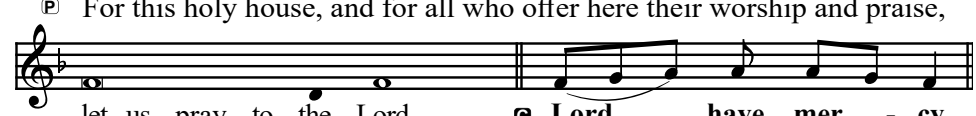
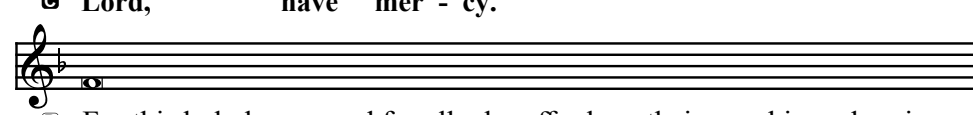
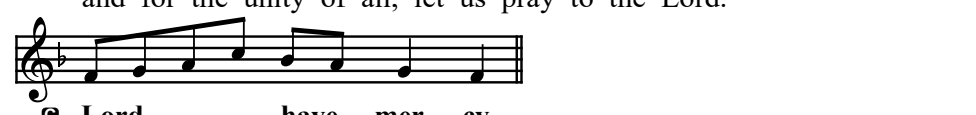
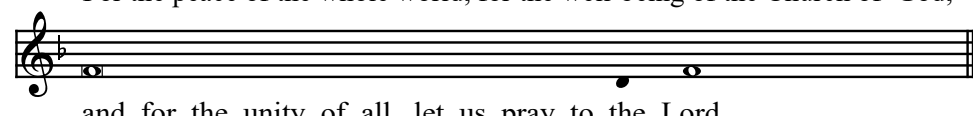
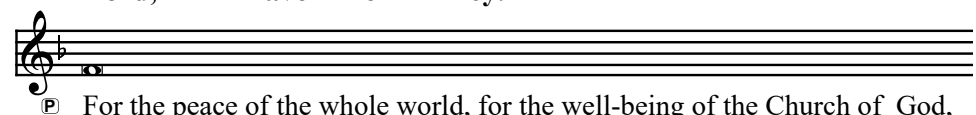
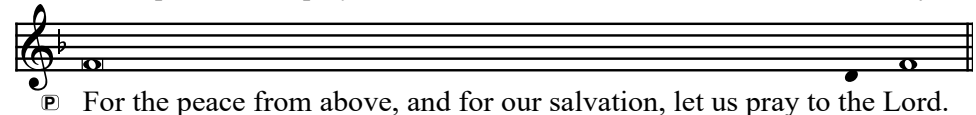
† **Confession and Forgiveness** LBW Page 56

† **Processional** "Lift High the Cross" LBW Hymn 377

† **The Greeting and Kyrie** LBW Page 57

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**



## † The Prayer of the Day

O Lord, help your people to avoid the infection of the evil one, and with pure hearts to follow you, our only Lord. 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 50: 4 -10

- <sup>4</sup> The Sovereign Lord has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.
- <sup>5</sup> The Sovereign Lord has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away.
- <sup>6</sup> I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting.
- <sup>7</sup> Because the Sovereign Lord helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame.
- <sup>8</sup> He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me!
- <sup>9</sup> It is the Sovereign Lord who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up.
- <sup>10</sup> Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the word of his servant? Let the one who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the Lord and rely on their God.

## Psalm 116: 1 - 9

L: I love the Lord, for he heard my voice;  
he heard my cry for mercy.

**C: Because he turned his ear to me,  
I will call on him as long as I live.**

L: The cords of death entangled me,  
the anguish of the grave came over me;  
I was overcome by distress and sorrow.

**C: Then I called on the name of the Lord:  
“Lord, save me!”**

L: The Lord is gracious and righteous;  
our God is full of compassion.

**C: The Lord protects the unwary;  
when I was brought low, he saved me.**

L: Return to your rest, my soul,  
for the Lord has been good to you.

**C: For you, Lord, have delivered me from death,  
my eyes from tears,  
my feet from stumbling,**

L: that I may walk before the Lord  
in the land of the living.

## Second Reading

James 3: 1 - 12

- <sup>1</sup> Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly.
- <sup>2</sup> We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.
- <sup>3</sup> When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal.
- <sup>4</sup> Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go.
- <sup>5</sup> Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark.
- <sup>6</sup> The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one’s life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.
- <sup>7</sup> All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind,
- <sup>8</sup> but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.
- <sup>9</sup> With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God’s likeness.
- <sup>10</sup> Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be.
- <sup>11</sup> Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring?
- <sup>12</sup> My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

## † Scripture Response

LBW Page 62

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

† **Response before the Gospel**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 9th Chapter.



† **Holy Gospel**

Mark 9: 14 - 29

<sup>14</sup> When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them.

<sup>15</sup> As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him.

<sup>16</sup> “What are you arguing with them about?” he asked.

<sup>17</sup> A man in the crowd answered, “Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech.

<sup>18</sup> Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not.”

<sup>19</sup> “You unbelieving generation,” Jesus replied, “how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me.”

<sup>20</sup> So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.

<sup>21</sup> Jesus asked the boy’s father, “How long has he been like this?”

“From childhood,” he answered.

<sup>22</sup> “It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us.”

<sup>23</sup> ““If you can?”” said Jesus. “Everything is possible for one who believes.”

<sup>24</sup> Immediately the boy’s father exclaimed, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!”

<sup>25</sup> When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. “You deaf and mute spirit,” he said, “I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”

<sup>26</sup> The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, “He’s dead.”

<sup>27</sup> But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.

<sup>28</sup> After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, “Why couldn’t we drive it out?”

<sup>29</sup> He replied, “This kind can come out only by prayer.[a]”

† **Response following the Gospel**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon

“Receiving God’s Best”

† **Hymn of the Day**

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

WOV Hymn 738

† **Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

† **Prayers of the People**

(respond: “Hear our prayer”)

† **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**

“If You Truly Believe”

Choir

† **Presentation of the Offering**

† Offertory Response “Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God” WOV Hymn 732

† Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving

Ⓟ The Lord be with you. Ⓞ And al - so with you.

Ⓟ Lift up your hearts. Ⓞ We lift them to the Lord.

Ⓟ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Ⓞ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ⓞ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san- na. Ho- san- na.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san- na in the high - est.

† Word's of Institution

LBW Page 69

† The Lord's Prayer

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

† Distribution

“Lamb of God”  
“Let Us Break Bread Together”  
“Bound for the Promised Land”

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Traditional Spiritual  
Livingston

† Post Communion Cantic

LBW Page 73

† Benediction

Amen - Sung

† Recessional Hymn “What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine”

WOV Hymn 780

† Dismissal

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† Postlude

“Praise Him With Trumpets”

Harris

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

Prayer Concerns: Patty Williams' family, Elizabeth Nahouse, Emma Sloop, Doris Pless, Duane Ellis, Lisa Dunlow, Nancy Kneeburg - Billie Bollinger's aunt, Ray Ritchie - Robert Ritchie's brother, David Rodgers, M.D. McKnight, Jimmie Weaver, Wayne Chandler, Ron Beaver, Wes Bell and Juanita Alexander.

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.



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH**  
**4-6PM**  
**PINES POOL**  
**9055 CALDWELL RD.**  
**MT. ULLA, NC 28125**



**BRING A TOWEL!**  
**OPEN SWIM 4:00-5:30**  
**DINNER & DEVOTIONS 5:30-6:00**

**pool party**

Join us on Wednesday September 18th at 6:30pm in the sanctuary for time of worship with our friends from Rice & Beans Ministries, Costa Rica. Special music from Johny Mendoza that will bless your soul. Come join us and bring a friend.




TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
*Homecoming*  
**SEPTEMBER 22, 2024**

**JOIN US FOR HOMECOMING  
AS WE CELEBRATE 115  
YEARS OF TRINITY!**

**WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:30 AM  
WITH LUNCH DIRECTLY FOLLOWING.**

**108 WEST RICE ST. LANDIS  
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**

**COMMUNITY EVENT WITH THE AUTHOR**

**SEPTEMBER 19**  
**3:30 MEET & GREET**  
**4:00 EVENT WITH THE AUTHOR**

**HOOD THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY  
AYMER CENTER**  
**1610 LUTHERAN SYNOD DR.**  
**SALISBURY, NC 28144**



Main Street Marketplace & Meeting Place is thrilled to host author Dr. Seth Kaplan for an inspiring discussion on his book, "Fragile Neighborhoods".

Join us for an intimate conversation about "Fragile Neighborhoods" and explore how we, as a community, can help our neighborhoods and towns thrive!



**ABOUT THE BOOK**

In *Fragile Neighborhoods*, fragile states expert Seth D. Kaplan offers a bold new vision for addressing social decline in America, one zip code at a time.

By revitalizing our local institutions – and the social ties that knit them together – we can all turn our neighborhoods into places where people and families can thrive.

**This is a FREE event, but we ask that you strongly consider giving to our organization to continue the work within our community.**

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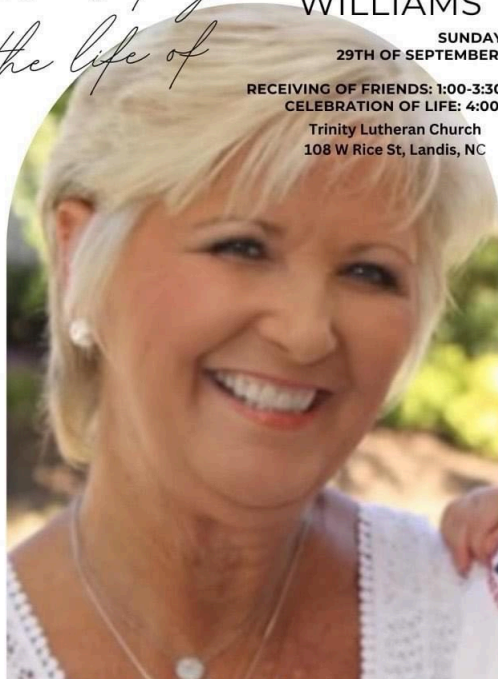
You can stop by Main Street Marketplace to get your own copy of "Fragile Neighborhoods" for a suggested donation of \$25.

*Celebrating  
the life of* **PATTY PLESS  
WILLIAMS**

**SUNDAY  
29TH OF SEPTEMBER**

**RECEIVING OF FRIENDS: 1:00-3:30**  
**CELEBRATION OF LIFE: 4:00**

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**Mark your calendars: Events and Meetings Happening This Week**

Sunday	Breakfast/ Move Up Sunday - 9:15 am Sunday School - 9:30 am Worship Service - 10:30 am Pines Pool Party - 4:00 - 6:00 pm Choir Practice - 4:45 pm
Monday	Zumba - 6:30 pm
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Rice & Beans - 6:30 pm
Thursday	Hood Theological Seminary - 3:30 pm
Friday	
Saturday	

**Giving Report for September 8, 2024**

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Need Each Week</u>
Worship Service	83	\$ 3,121.48	\$ 4,337.44
Sunday School	32	\$ 3.00	
Building Fund		\$ 150.00	
Other Funds	Frank Found./Misc.	\$ 27,739.2	

**Those Serving Today**

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Braxton East	Pastor
Lou Finger	Music
Eric McKnight	Lector
Quinn Parker & Maggie Deal	Acolytes
Addison Sloop & Claire Stirewalt	Torch Bearers
Nick Cherry	Crucifer
Molly Cherry & Vera Parker	Banner Bearers
Ava Blume	Children's Church
Jessica Sloop	K-5 Sunday School
Kathy Patrick	HS Sunday School
Heather Ramseur & Jacob Sloop	Nursery

**Those Serving Next Week**

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Karen McKnight	Music
Meredith & Terry Spry	Lector
Mason Rodgers & Claire Stirewalt	Acolytes
Elizabeth Rodgers	Children's Church
Ashley Cherry	K-5 Sunday School
Rebecca Clark	HS Sunday School
Lindsey Parker & John McKnight	Nursery

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