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20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 15, 2023

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

We welcome children to be a part of worship. A nursery is also provided for those attending to the needs of infants and small children.

*(Please stand when indicated by *)*

Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) green hymnal

With One Voice (WOV) blue hymnal

P=Pastor, C=Congregation, L=Lay Reader

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Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (Callahan)

GATHERING

* Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness

LBW p. 56

1. *The minister leads the congregation in the invocation. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

Kneel/Stand

2. *Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P 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**

3. *The minister stands and addresses the congregation.*

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.

* Hymn: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

LBW# 456

The King of Love My Shepherd Is


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1 The King of love my shep-herd is, Whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, My ran-somed
3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With thee, dear



fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
soul he lead-eth And, where the ver-dant
love he sought me, And on his shoul-der
Lord, be-side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am his And he is mine for-ev-er.
pas-tures grow, With food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
gent-ly laid, And home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
com-fort still; Thy cross be-fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever.

* Greeting

LBW p. 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.**

* Kyrie (*Hymn of Praise is omitted this week.*)

LBW p. 57-58

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen**

* Salutation

LBW p. 62

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you**

* Prayer of the Day

P O Lord, sustain your Church with your perpetual mercy. Without you, in our weakness we will surely fail. Therefore, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

WORD

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the LORD God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

L Here ends the reading.

Psalm 23 *read responsively*

L ¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C ²**He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

L ³He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

C ⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

L ⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C ⁶**Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

New Testament Lesson: Philippians 4:4-13

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me — practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

L Here ends the reading.

Presentation of Certificates

* Gospel Acclamation (“*Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go...*”)

LBW p. 62

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 22nd chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

* Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

¹Again Jesus spoke to { the chief priests and the Pharisees } in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: *Be My Guest!*

Pastor Heidi Punt

HOLY COMMUNION

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Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord
2 Saved by that bod - y, hal - lowed by that blood,
3 Sal - va - tion's giv - er, Christ, the on - ly Son,
4 Of - fered was he for great - est and for least,

And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured.
Where - by re - freshed, we ren - der thanks to God.
By his dear cross and blood the vic - t'ry won.
Him - self the vic - tim and him - self the priest.

- 5 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
- 6 He who his saints in this world rules and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields,
- 7 With heav'nly bread makes those who hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.
- 8 The judge eternal, unto whom shall bow
All nations at the last, is with us now.

P Let us profess our faith by speaking the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C **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**

* *Or*, He descended to the dead.

***Or*, the holy Christian Church,

* Prayer of the Church & Sharing of the Peace

LBW p. 65-66

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

To Follow Our Shepherd

O Shepherding God, grant that we would hear your voice and follow you, trusting in your protection and leading in our lives. Give us the ability to discern your voice amidst all the other voices in the world that seek to lure us away from you and your flock. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For First Responders

God of life, we ask for your care and watchful eye on all those who are first responders. Give them the ability to think quickly and act adeptly as they rescue those in danger. Protect them from harm as they serve those in need. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For Bold Witness in the World

God our ever-present help, our rock and our salvation, deepen our faith in your promise of salvation. May your grace have free reign among us that we might be emboldened to witness to your saving grace in our homes, our communities, and to all nations. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For Healing and Comfort

God you are our shield and our strength. Be our protector in all the uncertainty and tragedy of life. Pour out your healing upon all who are sick or suffering [particularly ...]. Keep us mindful that no evil can win the day for through the cross of your dear Son, Jesus, the kingdom is ours forever. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

* Sharing of the Peace

LBW p. 66

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Offering The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Building & Repair Fund. During the month of October, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on Lutheran Services Carolinas. Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.

Organ Offertory: *The King of Love* (Stallsmith)

MEAL

* Offertory ("*Let the Vineyards be fruitful Lord...*")

LBW p. 66

C **Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us
a foretaste of the feast to come.**

* Offertory Prayer

LBW p. 67

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

* Great Thanksgiving

LBW p. 68

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary . . . (*Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or season, concluding:*) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

* Sanctus (*"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord..."*)

LBW p. 69

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

* Words of Institution

LBW p. 69

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

* Lord's Prayer

LBW p. 71

**C 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 and ever. Amen**

Lamb of God (*"Lamb of God, you take away..."*)

LBW p. 72

**C Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Distribution of Communion

At Union Lutheran Church the Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper are invited to commune. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Gluten Free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request. Please fill out the communion card in the pew and hand to the Usher while following their directions to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

* Blessing

LBW p. 72

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen**

* Post-Communion Canticle (*"Thank the Lord..."*)

LBW p. 72-73

C **Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done.**

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.

He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

* Post-Communion Prayer

LBW p. 74

A Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

SENDING

* Benediction

LBW p. 74

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C **Amen**

O Master, Let Me Walk with You

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

* Sending

P You have been nurtured in Word and Sacrament now go therefore and make disciples of all nations

C **Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

P Union Lutheran Church you are sent!

C **Amen, amen, amen**



Postlude: *O Master Let Me Walk with You* (Cassler)

*The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Marvin and Phoebe Nunn as they celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary.*

Mark Your Calendars and Consider how You can participate in:

Drive Thru Live Nativity

Saturday, December 16

2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Christmas Program in large fellowship hall

Sunday, December 17

6:30 p.m.

Contact: Susan Knight

Those Serving in October

Acolytes: Morgan Deaton, Dusty Morgan Jr. & Adam Thompson

Altar Guild: Sonya Mulkey & Janet Overcash

Communion Assistants: Kevin Huffman, Sonya Mulkey & Doris Shepherd

Lay Readers: Ashley & Morgan Deaton, Doris Shepherd

Ushers: Phil Cauble, Matt Miller, Addison Queen & Ron Vellines

Offering Counters: Tara Davis, Cathy Painter & Ron Vellines

If you are unable to serve on a Sunday scheduled, please find a replacement and contact the church office by the Wednesday before with the name.

In the weekly bulletin & news, names are listed of those serving because it's a gentle reminder and helps connect names and faces!

Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 1 (p. 56-76)

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Union News

Sunday, October 15

9:15 a.m. Kids Choir (5th grade and younger)

9:35 a.m. Sunday School

His Father's House ~ Luke 2:41-52

"[Jesus said.] Did you not know that I must be in my Father's House?" Luke 2:49

Adult Sunday School Class: Works and Faith ~ Galatians 2:1-21

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion and Recognition of 90 Days Participants

Isaiah 25:6-9, Psalm 23:1-6, Philippians 4:4-13, Matthew 22:1-14

Sermon: *Be My Guest!*

Presentation of Completed Certificates: Genevieve Baker, Evonne Batten, Judy Boyd, Elaine Bowles, Caylea Cline, Jennifer Curlee, Scott Curlee, Don Davis, Tara Davis, Sarah Holshouser, Brad Huffman, Jan Huffman, Pat Kluttz, John Knight, Susan Knight, Betty Sue Lowder, Patsy Lyerly, Gladys Morgan, Jesse Morgan, Jr., Lisa Morgan, Pete Nguyen, Nikki Nguyen, Micah Nguyen, Sam Nguyen, Cathy Painter, Doris Shepherd, Vivian Sprinkle, and Bailey Wilhelm.

Presentation of Participation Certificates: Avery Cline, Ruth Goodman, Deena Lanning, and Pat Wiles

1:30 p.m. Executive Committee

2:00 p.m. Church Council

Middle & High School Youth and Parents will be returning home from Wilmington.

This Weeks' Activities:

Wednesday, Oct. 18

4:00 p.m. Lay Ministers

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

6:30 p.m. Belles & Beaus

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, Oct. 19

6:00 p.m. Finance Committee

Friday, Oct. 20

4:30 p.m. Haiti Pastors Bible Study (online)

Sunday, October 22

9:15 a.m. Kids Choir (5th grade and younger)

Parents of Kid's Choir: Your young person is singing in church next Sunday,

October 22 and the morning rehearsal is MOST important.

Please make sure your child is ready to sing and play his/her instrument by 9:15 a.m.

The choir will rehearse in the Sanctuary.

9:35 a.m. Sunday School

The Pointing Prophet ~ Matthew 3; John 1:29-34

Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world! John 1:29

Adult Sunday School Class: Spirit and Flesh ~ Ephesians 1:3-14, Galatians 3:1-18

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Exodus 18:18-24, 1 John 2:1-6, Matthew 8:18-22

Sermon: *Come and Follow*

2:30 p.m. Union & Salem Youth

4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Luther League for at Organ Lutheran Church

Linda Kesler has reserved the Altar Flowers for October 22.

November Messenger Articles deadline.

Deadline to turn in supplies for Flood Buckets.

Upcoming Activities:

Tuesdays, October 24-November 28

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation (small fellowship hall)

In order to encourage you to be more intentional in living out the Great Commission, ULC will be engaging in a Faith Formation experience. An important part of this engaging is everyone in learning how to have discipling conversations with others in ways that are faithful and natural. Faith Formation however, is about more than simply learning techniques or offering conversation starters. Though we can teach someone how to proclaim the Good News of Jesus, we cannot implant the desire to share the Gospel with Others. Only the Holy Spirit can do that. For this reason, the study is intended to be an experience rather than a course. Yes, it will engage the mind in sound learning but the ultimate goals are to change hearts and implant a deep desire to live out the Great Commission in our personal and congregational lives.

Wednesdays, October 25-November 29

10:30 a.m. Faith Formation (small fellowship hall)

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

6:30 p.m. Belles & Beaus

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 26

7:30 p.m. Union & Salem Youth setup for Trunk or Treat event

Friday, October 27

4:30 p.m. Haiti Pastors Bible Study online

6:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat

The entire community is invited on **Friday, October 27**, at **6:00 p.m.** for **Union Lutheran Church's Trunk or Treat**. On Friday, October 27, our parking lot will be turned into the BEST PLACE to Trick or Treat in Salisbury! Come on by and walk from car to car to get great candy, hotdogs (while they last!), car trunks decorated for the holiday and just all around good, safe fun! The event is FREE! Volunteers are needed to prepare trunks and for the event! Contact Person: Dusty Morgan, Sr.

Saturday, October 28

10:30 a.m. NALC Disaster Relief Flood Buckets

to be assembled at Holy Trinity, Troutman.

Can you volunteer to help assemble? Please contact the church office.

Reformation Sunday, October 29

On this anniversary of the nailing of the 95 theses on the Castle Church door in Wittenberg, Germany, we remember the firestorm created by a young monk named Martin Luther. Focusing on the Word of God in its purity, Luther challenged the Church of his day to return to the Lord and to forsake manmade pieties that only caused believers to doubt their salvation and carry a heavy burden of guilt.

9:15 a.m. Kids Choir (5th grade and younger)

9:35 a.m. Sunday School

A Temple Cleansing ~ John 2:13-22

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Colossians 3:16

Adult Sunday School Class:

Freedom as an Heir ~ Genesis 12:1-9, Galatians 3:19-4:7

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Genesis 1:26-31, Psalm 46:1-11, Romans 3:19-28, Matthew 28:18-20

Sermon: *Go!*

We are excited to have ASU Brass with us to worship on Reformation Sunday.

4:00 p.m. Union & Salem Youth (Union)

Time change: 5:00 p.m. Union & Salem Youth at Pastor Heidi's Cabin
(207 Mr. Henry Road, Mocksville, NC 27028)

Altar Flowers are open for reservations for Reformation Sunday, October 29.

Tuesdays October 31

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation (small fellowship hall)

Wednesday, November 1

10:30 a.m. Faith Formation (small fellowship hall)

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

6:30 p.m. Belles & Beaus

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, November 3

4:30 p.m. Haiti Pastors Bible Study online

Saturday, November 4

12 noon Snider Family Reunion has reserved the small fellowship hall

Pastor Heidi Punt will travel to South Africa on Saturday, November 4,
and return home on November 18.

While Pastor Heidi is out of the country Rev. Dr. Jarrod Lanning, Lay Ministers, and church office will be available to assist with any concerns that arise.

Don't forget to set your clock back an hour
on Saturday, November 4, before going to bed.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...Nursing Home Residents – Brenda Mahaley, Ruth Monroe & Jean Ray (Autumn Care) **Homebound Members** – Arnold Cauble, Rachel Earnhardt, Tommy Kerns, Jean Kluttz, Frances Norris, Billy Waller & Michael Walton **Sick/Surgery/Recovery** – Larry Barringer, Brenda Cauble, Ashley Deaton, Duane Eagle, Nancy Kesler, Joan Kerns, John Knight, Sharon Moore, William & Doris Page, Doug Peeler, Sylvia Peeler, Effie Vellines & Wayne Vellines **Continual Prayer** – Braxton (grandson of the Blue Waters Roseman Family), Jim Baker (Genevieve Baker’s uncle), Evonne Batten, Nancy Ballew (Kat Clifton’s mother), Pr. George Bradshaw (Junior Morgan’s Pastor Friend), Bill Broadway, Glenn Eagle, Earleene Goodman (Tommy Goodman’s mother), Amy Harrison & Jesse Morgan, Jr., Nickie Hedrick (Cathy Painter’s friend & co-worker), Terry Holt (Frank & Dawn Merrell’s friend), Pat Kluttz, Glenn & Betty Sue Lowder, David Mitchell (Pete Nguyen’s friend), Della Morgan (Pam Vellines’ mother), Nguyen Duc Nguyen (Pete Nguyen’s father), Tim Shue (Larry & Karen Barringer’s friend), Susan and Ben Smith (Cathy Painter’s sister and brother in law), Scotty “Smiley” Trexler (Pete Nguyen’s co-worker), Union Fire Department #76, Global Missions (Congo, Slovakia, and Haiti), & those affected by natural or political disasters especially the people in Hawaii **Confirmands:** Caylea Cline, Mallory Eagle, Landon Kesler, and Noah Trexler)

Stewardship Update

<i>Sunday School (10/8)</i>	44
<i>Worship & Holy Communion (10/8)</i>	95
<i>Current Fund Offering (10/8)</i>	\$2,917.00
<i>2023 Weekly offering needed to meet our Ministry Support plan</i>	\$6,482.37

How Can You Serve in October?

Two opportunities during the month of October to serve!

The **Sunday School Classes** invites the congregation to serve the W.G. (Bill) Hefner Salisbury Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Items needed are listed around the church. Please place items in the Service Project Supply Closet in the small fellowship hall.

The Social Ministry Committee invites the congregation in October to donate items to replenish **FLOOD BUCKETS** for the **Disaster Response** at Holy Trinity, Troutman, on Saturday, October 28, at 10:30 a.m. **Flood Buckets items** needed: five-gallon bucket with lid, 1 jug bleach (1/2 gal. or smaller), 2 large trash bags (Contractor 3 mil), 1 roll paper towels, 2 rags, Comet or scouring cleanser, Pine Sol or liquid cleaner, scrub brush, gloves: 1 pair each, size L preferred • rubber (reusable, i.e. Platex, dishwashing type) • leather • cotton. **Deadline to turn in the supplies for the Disaster Response is Sunday, October 22.**

*Section 2: Service of the Word ~ Salutation (...is a special greeting between pastor and people.) The **Salutation** is a special greeting between the congregation and its pastor. It announces the Lord’s coming to us in the readings that follow and makes us aware that important things are about to happen. “The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.” (2 Timothy 4:22)*

