

### **Trinity United Church of Christ**

2nd Sunday of Advent December 6, 2020 – 10:45 a.m.

Theme: "The Good News Gift of Advent: COMFORT & PEACE"

The Mission of Trinity United Church of Christ: **We exist to Love people where they are and encourage them** 

to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

TODAY: If you're doing your worship in a quiet personal setting with this bulletin, then let's worship on as the people of God on the 2nd Sunday of Advent.

Welcome to This "at home" personal worship bulletin.

Maybe, you'd like to light a candle as you worship with this bulletin...especially if you have gathered your family with you.

Our worship today is over Zoom.com.

Topic: Sunday Worship at Trinity UCC, Manchester, MD

Time: Dec 6, 2020 10:45 AM

10:45 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Sun, until Dec 27, 2020, 4 occurrence(s)

Dec 6, 2020 10:45 AM

Dec 13, 2020 10:45 AM

Dec 20, 2020 10:45 AM

Dec 27, 2020 10:45 AM

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#### **WE GATHER**

During this worship, we encourage you to know and to remember that you have created a **Quiet Meditative Space**, that this is a **Safe and Loving Place**,

a "Sanctuary" for worship, praise and reflection; and to remember that 'No Matter Who You Are or Where You Are on Life's Journey, You are Welcome Here!

#### Welcome and Announcements Pastor Hanberry

Gathering Music: "In the Presence of Jehovah"

<a href="https://youtu.be/utCYpNY7cJ0">https://youtu.be/utCYpNY7cJ0</a> Trinity UCC Choir

(Live instrumental music played by Cammeron Williams, Director of Music)

#### **Advent Call to Worship**

Leader: We light this candle as a visible sign that you come among us; as this season of "sparkle and bright" unfolds around us,

ALL: the silent prayers of PEACE lie like stars hidden in a clouded night.

Leader: May we touch it to our lives that in every place of stress, frustration, or fear, we might feel the presence of PEACE & COMFORT easing our hearts and transforming our lives.

ALL: And may we share its healing power with our children,

Leader: that they might become the inspiration

ALL: through which PEACE makes its way to new life.

### The Family of Don, Izzy and Nick Garmer will light and share their Advent Candle

Leader: Indeed, as we light the candle of Peace, we find comfort in our peace

ALL: Let us be the PEACE we want for the world. Amen

**Hymn**: "Comfort, Comfort, O my People" Trinity UCC Choir <a href="https://youtu.be/V2wKFZBYUjg">https://youtu.be/V2wKFZBYUjg</a>
Cammeron Williams, Director of Music

#### Litany of Renewal and Peace – Pastor Gerry

Pastor: In all the ways we might pray, let us pray for peace.

ALL: O God, who can be approached in a thousand ways, may the form of prayer we choose contribute to our sense of peace:

Pastor: In all the ways we might pray, let us pray for peace.

ALL: Peace within families, peace in all the places children live in harm's way, peace in the whole world.

Pastor: May it help us to affirm ourselves and other people and to open our lives to your love, O God,

ALL: and to open our lives to each other. Amen.

#### **WE ENGAGE WITH THE CHILDREN**

You know the names of our children. Indeed, I SEE YOU:
Adriana and Mason Alex, Elijah, Gavin and Lexi, Lane, Laci,
Lily, Livi, O'Neil & Nathan, Fynn & Benjamin & Nick and
Elizabeth. As well as Sam and Jasmine, children of Cammeron
Williams. who would normally gather with Pastor Gerry for a
time of conversation. Stop and think of each one of them and
smile and find delight in them.

#### **WE PROCLAIM**

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 40:1-11& Mark 1:1-18

Continuing Text: "I've always liked 'the lion will lie down with the lamb', but the lamb won't get much sleep." – Woody Allen

**Sermon:** "Be the Peace to Others You Want for Yourself" Pastor Hanberry

**Special Music:** "You Are my Hiding Place" Trinity UCC Choir <a href="https://youtu.be/">https://youtu.be/</a> QoaXcWJcLM
Cammeron Williams, Director of Music

**Joys and Concerns** 

#### **Brief Order of the Sacrament of Holy Communion**

As Communion is served please before worship gather pieces of bread and something to drink (whatever you have, juice, lemonade, etc.) and place it near you before our service begins.

Invitation to the Table

Communion Prayer and Prayer of Our Savior

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Blessing the Consecrated Bread and Pouring the Cup

Receiving the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### **Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory:** Please remember to send in your offering by mail, or give to our on-line giving button on the website <a href="https://www.trinityuccmanchester.org">(https://www.trinityuccmanchester.org</a>).

#### Doxology as a Reading

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

#### **WE GO FORTH**

#### **Gratitude Prayer**

#### Benediction

<u>Worship Notes and Resources</u>: The liturgy for today is adapted by Pastor Hanberry from various sources of Progressive Church liturgy materials.

The music in our worship today is reproduced via our CCLI License number: 2809801

#### **Worship Leadership**

Gerry C. Hanberry Interim Pastor
Cammeron Williams Director of Music

Leslie Brooks
Pat Hanberry
MB Brainerd
Lay Reader
Zoom Associate
Worship Committee

Deb Persinger Sandy Sanders

#### **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

FOR AS LONG AS WE ARE NOT MEETING IN THE CHURCH FACILITIES, WE WILL GIVE YOU NEWS (normally posted in our monthly Newsletter) IN THIS EXTENDED SECTION OF THE BULLETIN...(for the time being we will not publish a regular monthly newsletter).

#### **Budget Information:**

Amount needed from all sources each week to meet our

budget: \$2,436.00.

Giving for last week: General: \$1,290.00

Building Fund: \$70.00 Attendance: 39 by zoom

#### **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern**

Prayers are needed for our country at this difficult time and all those in need.

#### **Submission Dates for Bulletins/Newsletter**

Sunday Worship bulletin and Weekly Newsletter – Wednesday

#### **Meeting Dates Zoom**

Pastoral Search Committee – Mon. Dec. 7 @ 7 pm Pastor Gerry and Cammeron Williams meet Dec. 7 @ 8:30pm Bible Study – Book of Acts – Wed. Dec. 9 @ 7pm Choir – Thurs., Dec 10 @ 7 pm location/format TBA

## Worship at Trinity UCC via ZOOM.com for the Next TWO Weeks:

<u>ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS – 2020 – SEE BROCHURE</u> SEE ADVENT WORSHIP BROCHURE – Zoom

## The Good News of Advent When There Seems to be NO GOOD NEWS...

#### November 29-December 27, 2020

Come, join us as we walk with God and deepen the spiritual connections within ourselves, with each other and with our community and the world during this Advent and Christmas Season. Invite a friend to make this journey with you.

Some recent headlines in the news: �� Cases of Covid 19 approach over 90,000 per day; �� Covid 19 has killed over 225,000 Americans; �� Another Black man killed by police �� 3 dead in apparent terrorist attack in Nice, France �� Walmart puts guns back on display cases. Indeed, "we sure could use a little good news today." To be honest, there are not many 'good news headlines; they are overwhelmed by the 'bad news.'

#### December 13 – Third Sunday of Advent – 10:45 a.m.

Theme: "The Good News Gift of Advent: JOY!"
Scriptures: Is. 6:1-4; 8-11; Luke 1:46b-55; John 1:6-8' 19-28
Sermon: "Be the JOY to Others You Want for Yourself'
Advent Candle: JOY \*\*

#### December 20 - Fourth Sunday of Advent - 10:45 a.m.

Theme: "The Good News Gift of Advent: COURAGE" Scriptures: Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 1:26-38 Sermon: "Courage that Overcomes Fear" or

"Sometimes Courage is All We Have"

Advent Candle: LOVE and COURAGE \*\*

#### **Trinity Christmas Giving Tree**

With great joy NESAP has provided us with information on a local family, a single mother with 4 children under the age of 10 in need of support during this holiday season.

Due to Covid instead of setting up the Giving Tree at Church we are asking for monetary donation to the Care Fund to purchase gifts. If you wish to buy a gift and wrap it, please contact me 443-487-1843 for a gift selection. If making a monetary donation please make the check out to Trinity UCC and note on the bottom of your check for Care Fund Holiday Gifts.

Through work and commitment from our small church community we will give light and bright smiles to these little faces Christmas morning. God Bless and thank you once again for your support.

Debbi Miller

# <u>December 24 – Christmas Eve 6:30 p.m.</u> BROADCAST ONLY ON FB LIVE AND YOUTUBE No In-Person Worship – NOT ZOOM WORSHIP EITHER

Theme: "The Good News Gift of Christmas"

Service of Candles and Carols
 Scriptures: Isaiah 62:6-12; Ps 97; Titus 3:4-7; & Luke 2:1-20
 Sermon: "The Good News Night of the Our Lives"

Lots of traditional Christmas Eve Singing

Zoom Christmas Eve "parties" and gatherings after the

Broadcast of the Christmas Eve Service

#### **Trinity U.C.C. Contact Information**

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# Trinity United Church of Christ Invites you to our Zoom

### "Longest Night - Blue Xmas" Service

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.



Isaiah 9:2

December 20, 2020 6:30 p.m.

Someone I loved once gave me a box full of darkness.

It took me years to understand that this, too, was a gift."

— Mary Oliver (from *Thirst*, Beacon Press, Boston, 2006)

For many people the holiday season is one filled with loneliness and grief, confusion and worry. We hope the service will acknowledge the need for healing and give hope when grief, illness, sadness and/or loss are present during Christmas. We hope this is a reminder of the Christ light that shines, even in the midst of darkness.



#### **Christmas Eve**

**Trinity United Church of Christ** 

#### "The Good News Gift of Christmas"

Service of Carols and Candles

6:30pm

**FaceBook Live Steaming at** 

www.facebook.com/ManchesterUCC/

(No In-Person Worship)

A Pre-recorded Service of Carols and the Word (If you miss the service Christmas Eve Night you may watch it later on FB)

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