

# Trinity United Church of Christ 5th Sunday After Epiphany

February 7, 2021 – 10:45 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Communion

Theme: Come and See – Seeing in the Dark

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 1st Sunday after Epiphany. 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.

<u>Topic: Sunday Morning Worship -- Trinity UCC,</u>

Manchester, MD

<u>Time: Feb 7, 2021 10:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)</u> Every week on Sun, until Apr 25, 2021, 12

occurrence(s)

Feb 7, 2021 10:30 AM

Feb 14, 2021 10:30 AM

Feb 21, 2021 10:30 AM

Feb 28, 2021 10:30 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

## Theme Interpretation:

- Song "Go Light Your World" Kathy Troccoli
- https://youtu.be/yJ6EamTF05s
- Opening Words -- Pastor Gerry

## **Call to Worship – Marge Bailey**

Leader: Good people of the church, lift up your eyes and see.

All: Have you not seen? Have you not heard? Our God greets us here.

Leader: Good disciples of the One we call Jesus, open your ears to hear.

All: Have you not seen? Have you not heard? Our God meets us here.

Leader: Good children of the light open your hearts and know what it means to delight in God.

All: For we have seen, heard, and known from the beginning to the end, our God...is: the LIGHT we want to BE.

**Hymn**: Let Us Talents and Tongue Employ pg 347

https://youtu.be/nYnF86ZzHH8

**Prayer of Renewal – Pastor Gerry** 

Pastor: What do we hold and treasure most?

All: The promises of God love and light, revealed to us in Jesus Christ.

Pastor: What captivates our attention and energy most?

All: The grace—abundant grace--of God, revealed to us in Jesus Christ.

Pastor: God of mercy and grace, hear our confession:

All: We are vulnerable people who sometimes ignore the vulnerable. We are broken people who don't always pay attention to the world's brokenness.

Pastor: Heal us, O God, to make us better healers. Mend our rifts, that we might be better builders. Cleanse our hearts, so we can clear out the damage of hurt and oppression.

All: We are yours, loving God. Help us to live and to know this better.

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Pastor: Have you known? Have you heard?
Our God lifts us up on eagle's wings, strengthening us so that we won't be weary. The burden of sin is but a far and distant memory for, through Christ, our sins – all of them – are forgiven.

All: God is great in strength, mighty in power, and full of endless love for us all.

## **Invitation to Offering**

#### 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 40:21-31 & Mark 1:29-39

Sermon: "Jesus Praying in the Dark" Pastor Hanberry

Special Music: "Take My Yoke Upon You"

https://youtu.be/bDXcf62SkNw

## **Joys and Concerns**

## **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**

## **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

## **WE GO FORTH**

#### **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
Cammeron Williams
Marge Bailey
Pat Hanberry
MB Brainerd
Director of Music
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: \$810.00

Building Fund: \$60.00 Attendance: 33 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**

Lenten Study – Sermon on the Mount -- Wed Feb. 10 @ 7 pm Choir – Thurs., Feb. 11 @ 3 pm Racial Justice Group – Mon. Feb. 15 @ 7 pm Pastoral Search Committee – Feb. 16 @ 7 pm Worship Committee – Thurs., Feb 25 @ 6 pm

## Worship at Trinity UCC via ZOOM.com for the next Three Weeks:

## <u>The Season of Epiphany – 2021</u>

"Come and See: Seeing in the Dark" A Five-Sunday Sermon Series about Living In Dark Days and Nights of Our Lives

## <u>February 14, 2021 -- The Epiphany Season:</u> <u>"Come and See - Seeing in the Dark"</u>

Theme: Working With Darkness -- Transformed by the Lightness

and the Darkness

Scriptures: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 & Mark 9:2-9 Sermon: "What I Learned from the Dark"

TUCC Worship Series - Lent and Easter 2021

February 17 – April 4, 2021 "The Blessings of Lent"

**Lent** is an early-church practice meant to prepare followers of Jesus for celebrating Easter. It remains a life-giving tradition that has the potential to transform the weeks leading up to Easter from a time of busy chaos into a season of beautiful commitment to Jesus. Lent has taken many shapes and forms throughout history. There's no one way to do it. This year of surging pandemic we search for new ways that deepen our faith.

The Lenten Bible stories are powerful and inspiring. They are even richer still when paired with some selected Beatitudes from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5. In pairing the Beatitudes with these ancient stories about Jesus—and the people Jesus encounters along the way—we will discover a richer source of blessings during this Lenten season. We are tempted. We receive gifts of grace, abundant grace. Our spiritual thirstiness is often quenched. In being open to new spiritual insights, we are renewed and inspired for a better life.

## Worship Schedule - Lent 2021

February 17 Ash Wednesday – 7:00 pm via Zoom

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Isaiah 58:1-12; & Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 Sacrament of Communion; Imposition of Ashes; & Homily by Pastor Hanberry

## February 21 -- Lent 1:

Blessed are the Poor in Spirit & the Baptism of Jesus

Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; & Mark 1:9-15 Sermon: 'The Blessing of the Kingdom of Heaven"

February 28 – Lent 2: Blessed are the Meek & Jesus' Call to Disciples to Take Up Their Cross...

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Rom 4:13-15;

Mark 8:31-38

Sermon: "...For the Sake of the Gospel"

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

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## **Food Bag Contributions**

The Trinity "Food Bags for Backpacks" program with Manchester Elementary School has restarted. Since it will be very difficult to have a written sign-up sheet each month, we are asking that anyone wishing to contribute to this project helps with a monetary gift. If you send a check, please write "Food Bags" on the memo line.

