



**Trinity United  
Church of Christ**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**April 11, 2021**  
**10:45 a.m.**

## **We Are Witnesses Too**

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.***

### **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:** Make Me A Channel of Your Peace <https://youtu.be/2svZhZT6Pro>

### **\*Call to Worship – Jackie Nave**

Leader; Come! Rejoice! For the Risen One is here!

**People: We stand on holy ground...seeking to be witnesses of our faith.**

Leader: Come, children of God! Just as you are. Receive God’s grace, hope, courage, and sustaining love.

**People: We come to be nourished by the stories of Jesus’ appearances to the disciples...and to us even this day.**

Leader: Come! Listen. For God is still speaking.

**People: We come to hear more about how to be witnesses of our faith in the world.**

Leader: Come! As Jesus our teacher came: with wounded hands and feet; open to making us witnesses to his resurrection.

**People: We come with rejoicing. To love and to serve wherever God calls us.**

Leader: Come! Let us sing our praises.

**Hymn:** Perfect Peace

<https://youtu.be/6wufGVeaRA>

### **Prayer of Renewal - Pastor Gerry**

**You call us. O God, to be your voices in this world and we stay silent. You call us to be your hands in this world and we keep them hidden. You call us to be your feet and we go our own way. You call us to show what love really looks like and we stay “locked down.” You call us to stand up for our faith and we sometimes prefer to deny you. You call us to defend our friends and neighbors and we turn away. When we meet those, who are doubting and say nothing, forgive us. When we meet those, who need your touch and we turn away, forgive us. When we are called to take up your cross and follow your way and carry nothing, forgive us. Calm our fears and strengthen our resolve to be the post-resurrection witnesses you call us to be this day. Amen.**

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

You know the names of our children. Indeed, I SEE YOU: Adriana and Mason Alex, Elijah, Lane, Laci, Lily, Livi, O’Neil & Nathan, Fynn & Benjamin & Nick, and Elizabeth. As well as Nathan and Marissa Schultz and 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:** 1 John 1:1-2:2 & John 20:19-31

**Sermon: 'The Words Jesus Says -- The Words We Need to Hear More Than Ever.'** Pastor Hanberry

**Special Music:** Jesus Loves Me by Chris Tomlin  
<https://youtu.be/c8gKXu6J2wE>

**Joys and Concerns – Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Invitation to Offering**

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

### **\*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

**\*Carrying the Light into the World**

**\*Benediction**

**Worship Notes and Resources:** 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

### Leadership

Gerry C. Hanberry	Interim Pastor
Cammeron Williams	Director of Music
Jackie Nave	Lay Reader
MB Brainerd	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:** \$1,924.00  
Building Fund: \$60.00      Attendance: 39

***Please give in the various ways we offer for you to give your financial offerings to Trinity. We are lagging in our giving and hope that we can re-gain the generous level of giving we are accustomed to receiving.***

### 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**

Pastor Gerry and Cammeron Williams staff, Mon, April 12 @ 5

Worship Committee – Mon., April 12 @ 6 pm

Racial Justice Group – continued study of Emmanuel Acho's book: Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man. April 12 @ 7 PM

Choir – Thurs., April 15, 2021 @ 3 p.m.

### **Worship at Trinity UCC for the Next TWO Weeks:**

April 18, 2021 -- Third Sunday of Easter

Acts; & Luke 24:13-35

Sermon: "On the Road to Emmaus -- What About Social Distancing?" Pastor Hanberry

April 25, 2021 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

1 John 3:16-24 & John 10:11-18

Sermon: "Resurrection Witnesses: Then Feed my Sheep"  
Pastor Hanberry

### **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.

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