



**Trinity United  
Church of Christ  
4th Sunday of Easter  
April 25, 2021  
10:45 a.m.  
In-Person Worship  
FB Live Streaming**

**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 Townsley**

**Gathering Music:** “Anointing Fall On Me”

**\*Call to Worship – Sue Myers**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad!**

Leader: In the brightness of this season,

**People: Our hope has been restored.**

Leader: Jesus, the Good Shepherd is risen!

**People: Alleluia!**

Leader: Come along as we learn to follow where our Good Shepherd leads.

**All: Let us worship God!**

**Hymn:** “Safe In His Arms”

**Prayer of Renewal - Pastor Jessica**

O Good Shepherd,  
Who desires to lead all people  
into safety, renewal, hope, and peace.  
We come to this sacred space this morning  
asking you to meet us here today,  
Fill us with your love,  
that we may gaze lovingly into the world you have created,  
welcome all people extravagantly,  
and offer ourselves in service generously  
as members of your beloved community.  
In gratitude through Christ we pray. 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.

For the children’s time today, we will listen together to two songs that help capture the messages in our two Bible readings of the day. The music is set to fun cartoon animation.

## Special Children's Music:

### 1. The Baa Baa Song

<https://youtu.be/PGPQX3vQtU8>

### 2. Love One Another (1 John 3:16-24)

<https://youtu.be/47Kf90d7Tf8>

## WE PROCLAIM

**Scripture Readings:** 1 John 3:16-24 & John 10:11-18

**Sermon:** "What's Love Got to Do with It?"

Pastor Jessica

**Hymn:** "The Lord is My Shepherd" by Cissy

## 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

\***Postlude:** Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

**Worship Notes and Resources:** The liturgy for today is adapted by Pastor Jessica from various sources of Progressive Church liturgy materials.

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

## Welcome

Today we would like to welcome Rev. Jessica Townsley to Trinity UCC. She will be leading our worship service today, followed by a congregational meeting to vote on and discuss her candidacy as our next called pastor.

**Budget Information:**

Amount needed from all sources each week to meet our budget: \$2,436.00.

**Giving for last week: General:** \$1,597.64

Building Fund: \$60.00      Attendance: 22

OGHS: \$125.64

*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.*

**Leadership**

Jessica Townsley

Guest Pastor

Cammeron Williams

Director of Music

Sue Myers

Lay Reader

MB Brainerd

Worship Committee

Deb Persinger

Sandy Sanders

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

THIS EXTENDED SECTION OF THE BULLETIN serves as our weekly newsletter until we create a new monthly newsletter.

**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 26 @ 5  
Racial Justice Group – continued study of Emmanuel Acho’s  
book: Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man. April 26  
@ 7 PM

Choir – Thurs., April 29, 2021 @ 3 p.m.

**Worship at Trinity UCC for the Next Two Weeks:**

**May 2, 2021 -- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

Scripture: John 15:1-11

Sermon: “COUNT IT ALL JOY...THE JOY OF THE HARVEST: Two  
Brothers and Their Barns” Pastor Hanberry

Sacrament of Holy Communion

**May 9, 2021 -- 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

Scriptures: Philippians 4:4-7 & John 15:9-17

Sermon: “Count it ALL as JOY –

Seeking and Sustaining Community” Pastor Hanberry

Service of Release for the Rev. Dr. Gerry C. Hanberry, Interim  
Pastor

**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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