

**Trinity United
Church of Christ**
16th Sunday after
Pentecost
Sept. 12, 2021
10:45 a.m.
**In-Person Worship
FB Live Streaming**

“Words Matter”

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 – Jackie Nave

Gathering Music – “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

By Edwin Hatch

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

***Call to Worship**

Jackie Nave

L: Just as the heavens burst forth in praise to God.....

P: We celebrate God’s abundant and powerful love.

L: Day by day, and night by night.....

P: God watches over us, loving and healing us.

L: Come, celebrate with joy the love of God.

**P: Open our hearts and spirits, Lord, and teach us your
ways. AMEN**

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Pastor Jessica

**Lord, we have come this day to hear your words of
healing love and hope. Enter our hearts and our
spirits and teach us to follow you. Give us courage
and strength to be your faithful disciples. AMEN.**

Hymn: “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” (kids)

By: Unknown

<https://youtu.be/sEL0WpeH088>

We Invite the Children to Participate in Children’s Time

Children may come forward

WE PROCLAIM

First Reading: James 3:1-12

Jackie Nave

Gospel Reading: Mark 8:27-38

Pastor Jessica

One: For the Word of God in Scripture

For the Word of God among us

For the Word of God within us

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Wicked Words."

Pastor Jessica

Special Music: "I Will Follow"

By Cammeron Williams

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

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**

Blessing of the Backpacks

***The Lord's Prayer (in unison):**

**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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Hymn: "Nearer, My God, to Thee"

By: Sarah F. Adams

<https://youtu.be/WyxXGdG3-lo>

WE GO FORTH

***Carrying the Light into the World**

***Benediction**

***Postlude:**

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

Worship Notes and Resources:

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Leadership

Jessica Townsley

Pastor

Cammeron Williams

Director of Music

Jackie Nave

Lay Reader

MB Brainerd

Worship Committee

Deb Persinger

Sandy Sanders

Trinity UCC Covid Protocol

With Covid-19 cases on the rise, primarily due to the new Delta variant, in order to protect the most vulnerable among us, including children who cannot yet be vaccinated and those who are immunocompromised, we strongly urge everyone to wear a mask inside the building at all times. We appreciate everyone's understanding, and thank you, as we try to safely navigate through these uncertain and unpredictable times due to this pandemic.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Today

Budget Information:

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

Giving for last week: General: \$1,115.00

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$60.00

Attendance: 23

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 – Wednesday

October Newsletters - Monday, September 20

Worship at Trinity UCC for the Next Week:

September 19, 2021 – 17th Sunday after

Pentecost 10:45 a.m.

Scripture: Psalm 1, Mark 9:30-37

Theme: First in Caring

Announcement:

Join Pastor Jessica on “Facebook LIVE” each **Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a.m.** for a short devotional or thought for the day and prayer time together.

Meeting Dates Zoom

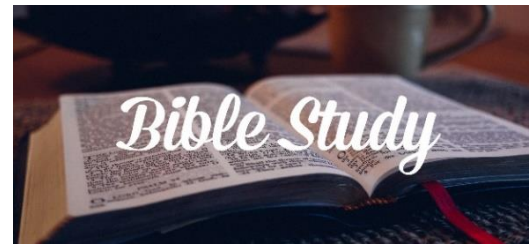
PPR – Wednesday, Sept. 15 @ 7pm

Worship Committee – Tuesday, Sept. 28 6pm

Consistory – Wednesday, Oct. 6 @ 7pm

Food Bags for Backpacks

Trinity UCC will restart our Food Bags for Backpacks donation program for Manchester Elementary School this September. Trying to be as careful as possible, we will once again just ask for Monetary Donations. Please mark “Food Bags” on any checks or giving envelopes that you wish to go to this program. Thank you, your support is greatly appreciated.



Pastor Jessica would like to invite all who are interested to join her on **September 22nd** for a *LISTEN UP! Bible Study* of *1 Corinthians*. The *LISTEN UP! Bible Study* series is not just about learning information about the Bible, but also, about listening for the voice of the Still Speaking God in our sacred scriptures. This study will prompt us to listen to the Bible, to our own questions and responses, and to honest sharing between members of our group. Please contact Pastor Jessica if you need more information or have questions. Looking forward to seeing you there!

SCRIP GIFT CARDS

Support Trinity UCC! Use gift cards to turn everyday shopping into earnings. Pay with gift cards and support Trinity at the same time. Physical gift cards and eGift cards can be used for gas, groceries, eating out, clothes, travel, movies, etc. It's easy and it's rewarding!

Orders will be submitted the 2nd Sunday of the month and you'll receive your cards the 3rd Sunday. If you haven't participated in the program and would like more information please contact Sue Myers, 443-375-6788, wsmdem@comcast.net.

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