

Trinity United Church of Christ

18th Sunday after
Pentecost
Sept. 26, 2021
10:45 a.m.
In-Person Worship
FB Live Streaming

"Prayer in Community"

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 – Marge Bailey

Gathering Music – "Let Us Enter God's Own Dwelling"

By Benjamin Schmolck

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

*Call to Worship

Marge Bailey

L: If it had not been God who was on our side,

P: the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole.

L: If it had not been God who was on our side,

P: the sorrows of our times would have swept us away.

L: Are any among us suffering?

P: Come and pray.

L: Are any among us cheerful?

P: Come sing songs of praise.

L: Are any among us sick?

P: Come and ask for healing.

L: Our help is in our God,

P: the One who made heaven and earth.

L: Call upon God, creator and rescuer. God is on our side.

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Pastor Jessica

Eternal God, you create us and you rescue us. Be here with us now. Help us know how much we need you. Teach us that no other power can support us like your power. As you share your power with us, teach us to be Christ to the world, proclaiming your reign for all people. As you lavish your love upon us, help us receive that love and offer it to the world, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn: "Standing in the Need of Prayer"

Negro Spiritual

We Invite the Children to Participate in Children's Time *Children may come forward*

WE PROCLAIM

First Reading: James 5:13-20 Marge Bailey

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:38-50 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: Another Voice Speaking into the Silence

Pastor Jessica

Special Music: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

By Thomas Dorsey

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

*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: "A Praying Spirit" By Twinkie Clark

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 Marge Bailey 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.

ANNOUCEMENTS

Worship Today

Budget Information:

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

Giving for last week: General: \$1,145.00

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$60.00

Attendance: 17

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 November Newsletters - Monday, October 18

Worship at Trinity UCC for the Next Week:

October 3, 2021 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost 10:45 a.m. Scripture: Job 1:2, 2:1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12;

Mark 10:2-16

Sermon by: Rev. Lucy Bracy

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

Worship Committee – Tuesday, Sept. 28 @ 6pm Consistory – Wednesday, Oct. 6 @ 7pm PPR – Monday, October 20 @ 7pm Worship Committee – Tuesday, October 26, @ 6pm

Food Bags for Backpacks

Trinity UCC has started 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 **October 13 and 27** 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

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In 2021, Neighbors in Need "Unfailing Love" offering is focused on supporting organizations and projects that are serving homeless and immigrant neighbors or communities. One-third of NIN funds support the **Council for American Indian Ministry**. Two-thirds is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to provide funding grants to UCC churches and organizations leading justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects in their communities. **Most churches collect the offering on October 3, 2021,** as part of World Communion Sunday, but contributions can be made at any time.

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