



**Trinity United
Church of Christ**
19th Sunday after
Pentecost
October 3, 2021
10:45 a.m.
**In-Person Worship
FB Live Streaming**

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**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 – Sue Myers

Gathering Music – “For Such a Time as This”

by Wayne Watson

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

***Call to Worship**

Sue Myers

From Prayer Book of South India

L: Praise God in his holy place,

P: Praise God in the sky our tent,

P: Praise God in the earth our mother;

L: Praise God for his mighty works,

P: Praise God for his marvelous power.

L: Praise God with the beating of drums,

P: Praise God with the flute and cymbals;

L: Praise God in the rhythm the dance,

P: Praise God in the clapping of the hands;

L: Praise God in the stamping of the feet,

P: Praise God with the gushing of our great rivers,

L: Praise God with the music of the wind;

P: Praise God with the swaying of tall trees,

L: Praise God with the singing of the sea.

**All: Praise God, the one on whom we lean and do not fall;
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! AMEN!**

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Pastor Lucy

Morning Prayer from New Zealand

Let us pray,

Loving God,

help us to live respectfully on these lands, seeking justice and peace.

Help us to pray to you in faith, to sing to you with gratitude, and to listen to your word with eagerness; so that we might follow Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn: “Remember Not, O God”

**Prayer of Confession
from a service at GreenBelt, United Kingdom**

L: God,
You ask for our courage to protect the powerless
but we prefer to remain safe, preserving ourselves for future
challenges.

**P: You ask us to speak out for justice but we whisper, in
case we are heard.**

L: You ask us to stand up for what is right, but we would rather
blend into the crowd

**P: You ask us to have faith,
when doubting seems so much easier.**

L: Lord forgive our calculated efforts to follow you, only when it is
convenient to do so, only in those places where it is safe to do
so, only with those who make it easy to do so. Together we pray

**All: God forgive us and renew us; Inspire us and challenge
us so that we might risk the journey, to your kingdom with
you,
Amen**

**Words of Assurance
From the South African Prayer Book**

ALMIGHTY God have mercy upon you; forgive you all your sins
and deliver you from all evil; confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness; and bring you to everlasting life. *Amen.*

Hymn: Music by Cammeron

We Invite the Children to Participate in Children's Time

Children may come forward

Pastor: Now receive the blessing from your church family
who loves you:

Congregation: The Lord be with you...

Children: And also with you.

Children are invited to go to Christian Education Classroom

WE PROCLAIM

First Reading: Esther 4:14-17 Sue Myers

Gospel Reading: Matthew 26:26-28 Pastor Lucy

Sermon: "Remembering for Times Like This"
Pastor Lucy

Special Music: Music by Cammeron

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

We Welcome the Children Back to the Sanctuary

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**

A Morning Prayer from Ireland (adapted)

Morning Offering

Father in heaven,
I give you today,
all that I think and do and say. And I unite it with all that was
done,
by Jesus Christ, your dear Son in whose name we offer our
financial gifts. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Jesus' gospel is a gospel of love and we who follow him are called to live out that love. Jesus invites us to a meal, a simple meal of bread and wine.

"Come" he says, Come to this table, not because you must but because you may, not because you are strong but because you are weak. Come, not because any goodness of your own gives you the right, but because you need mercy and help. **COME**

The Great Thanksgiving

We thank you Holy One for your gift of creation. We thank you for creating us in your image and declaring that we are good. We bless you that when we turn away from you, you seek us out and offer us the gift of forgiveness. Then you set us on a new path of life and hope.

We remember and give thanks for all the saints: our Mothers and Fathers of faith who shared the gospel with us, The Prophets, Apostles, and martyrs who gave their lives for the gospel.

We thank you that in time, you sent Jesus to live as one of us. He was obedient to your law and your word even to death on a cross. We bless you that death was not the final word for Jesus. You rose him from the grave and he ascended into heaven to remain with you.

We are thankful that you did not abandon us, but that you sent us your Holy Spirit to be our comfort and guide.

And so, we praise you saying,

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Glory be to you, O God Most High"

We remember and tell the story

On the night when Jesus was betrayed, he sat at table with his friends. He took bread blessed it, broke it and gave it to them saying,

"This is my body which is broken for you. Do this as often as you need in remembrance of me."

In the same way after supper, he took a cup and after giving thanks, said,

"This cup is the new covenant which is written in my blood poured out for you and for many. Drink this cup in remembrance of me.

For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim my life, death, and resurrection until I come again."

Therefore, we are bold to say thyme mystery of our faith,

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Blessing the Elements

Place your hands over the bread and cup and say, this or other prayer:

We thank you O God for the simple gifts of bread and wine. May they nourish our bodies and renew our spirits to serve you until we sit at the heavenly banquet prepared for all your saints.

Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught his disciples.

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. Let us not need to temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

These are the Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance of Christ and feed on them in your heart with thanksgiving.

You may eat the bread and drink the cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving after the Meal

Gracious God,

we thank you that in this sacrament

you assure us of your goodness and love.

Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and help us to grow in love and obedience, that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table where all your saints feast with you forever.

Hymn: "Give Thanks" by Henry Smith

WE GO FORTH

***Carrying the Light into the World**

***Benediction**

Let these words from Mexico bless your day.

May the hand of our God,
be always with you
giving you warm protection.
May the eyes of Christ our brother,
be always with you
teaching you to see horizons ever more distant.
May the clear voice of the Holy Spirit,
be always with you
giving you the spirit to continue fighting.
-Pastor Karina Garcia Carmona
Translation: Katie Fiegenbaum

***Postlude:**

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

Worship Notes and Resources:

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Leadership

Lucy Brady	Guest Pastor
Cammeron Williams	Director of Music
Sue Myers	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: \$730.00

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$60.00

Attendance: 25

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 10, 2021 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost 10:45 a.m.

Week 1 – Creator of Heaven and Earth

Scripture: Genesis 1:1-5; 1 John 4:7-13; Matthew 6:25-34

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

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.

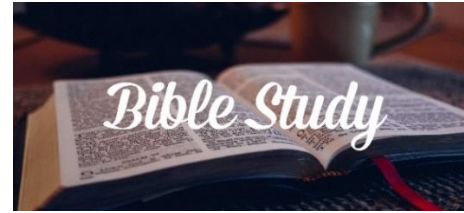


The Blessing of the Pets

Blessing Our Animals!

Sunday, October 10, we will celebrate the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi with a Blessing of the Animals to take place from **2pm-3pm** in the parking lot at Trinity. Bring your furry (and non-furry) loved ones to receive a special blessing!

Though this is not limited to furry pets, please avoid bringing your aquatic friends as we do not wish to harm animals of any kind, especially our beloved fishies.



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 information or have questions. Looking forward to seeing you there!

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