

All All Day Day All Saints United Church of Christ 24th Sunday after Pentecost November 7, 2021 All Saints Sunday 10:45 a.m. In-Person Worship FB Live Streaming

A Service for All the Saints

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!**

Prelude: Instrumental Music Performed by Cammeron Williams

Welcome and Announcements – Belva LaMotte

Gathering Music – "The Church's One Foundation" by: Samuel John Stone Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

*Call to Worship

Belva LaMotte

- One: Hallelujah! Sing to God a brand-new song!
- All: Praise God in the company of those who love Him!
- One: Let God's people celebrate their Sovereign Creator, and praise His name with music and dance!
- All: For God is here among us, and He delights to hear our praise!

Prayer of Confession (written by Moira Laidlaw) Pastor Jessica

Leader: Jesus, lover and friend, you showed us holiness in action through the way you lived your life. You gave away your power in the service of others and turned our understanding of blessedness on its head.

All: We confess the difficulties we experience in living as you lived and loving as you loved

We confess how easy it is to concentrate on our own pleasures - taking note of the plight of many in the world only as the news momentarily grabs our attention.

We confess our capacity to be so consumed by our own agendas that our concern for the needs of others shrinks all too rapidly.

We confess our failure to act when we see around us weakness, pain, suffering and powerlessness.

(A time of silent confession)

We confess our reluctance to love our enemies and to do good to those who dislike or even hate us.

We confess the ease with which we become conformed to the world's standards rather than facing the challenge of conforming to those of Christ. Leader: Stir up your Spirit in us, Lord, that we may experience the happiness and blessing of being your disciples in more than name only.

Strengthen us to be people who sing and live your song of love; who willingly serve our neighbors—even those we don't especially like; who seek justice and mercy for all and who truly repent of what is past and look with anticipation for what is yet to come. This we pray in your name and for your sake. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: "In Christ... when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, you also were marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people." (Ephesians 1: 13, 14)

Hear again the word of truth: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **People: Thanks be to God!**

Hymn: "Remember Me" https://youtu.be/BHHi6hTSNOU

A Time for Discovery

Children may come forward

Children's Church

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:Acts 4:32-37Belva LaMotte

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:16-20 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: "Saint Bob" Pastor Jessica

Special Music: "Total Praise" by Richard Smallwood

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 (<u>https//:www.trinityuccmanchester.org</u>).

*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

Holy Communion (liturgy written by the Rev. Scott A.

Ressman, Pastor of the United Church of Rockville Centre, Rockville Center, New York.)

INVITATION

The invitation is simple: come and eat of the feast. Not a meal to nourish the body, but to feed the soul. We receive the bread and wine connected to the ages: to the saint of old who felt unworthy, to the seeker eager to know God, to the teenager who wonders what it's all about, to the child who eats with unburdened faith. Woven into this time, the hopes and tears of generations. There is great joy here. No one is turned away for God is the host!

PRAYER

Pastor: God is in this place.
People: And in our hearts.
Pastor: Open yourself to the nudging God.
People: We feel the breath of the Spirit.
Pastor: Remember God made flesh.
People: Jesus, who taught us a new way.

Tender, transforming God, you have invited us to gather at this table,

To taste the feast,

the same abundant promises offered to our ancestors in faith.

Time and time again you've offered your grace,

Even as we have stepped away,

You continue to call us to be your people.

You have never left us.

We praise you for second, third, and fourth chances.

You are ever-patient, always faithful.

We give thanks for this time of celebration.

For the One this meal remembers.

For the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. With those who have gone before us, Whose hands touched the bread, Whose lips embraced the cup, We worship you. We glorify you.

REMEMBERING

We remember those who have died in the past year. We celebrate their lives, even as we continue to grieve.

We remember: NAME (bell tolls) NAME (bell tolls) (After all the names are read:)

And we remember all those who have gone before us. *(bell tolls)*

This is the mystery of our faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

BREAKING BREAD AND POURING WINE

Gathered with his friends, Jesus took bread, broke it and said:

"This is my body, broken for you. Take and eat." And pouring the wine:

"This is my blood, spilled out for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

God of all, send your Spirit to this place so that those gathered here, in this sacred moment, may know your presence.

As we eat the bread and drink of the cup,

make us one with the saints,

and with our sisters, siblings and brothers in faith around the world.

Be with us God, not only here but in every moment of our lives.

Help us

To know you,

To be guided by the Holy Spirit,

And to live Christ.

Now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO THE FEAST This is the feast prepared for you. Come and share for all is ready.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Creative, connecting God, you have sent your Spirit and made us the body of Christ; From child-like faith, to youthful energy, from middle-aged mindfulness, to elder's wisdom.. We thank you for this time, this remembrance.

Hymn: "God, We Thank You for Our People" by Ruth Duck

WE GO FORTH

*Carrying the Light into the World

*Benediction

Increase our faith. Boldly! Help us to love. Boldly! Encourage us to act. Boldly! In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

*Postlude:

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

Worship Notes and Resources:

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Leadership

Jessica Townsley Cammeron Williams Belva LaMotte MB Brainerd Deb Persinger Sandy Sanders Pastor Director of Music Lay Reader Worship Committee

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: \$815.00

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$60.00 Attendance: 22

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 December Newsletters - Monday, November 22

Worship at Trinity UCC for the Next Week:

November 14, 2021 – 25th Sunday after Pentecost 10:45 a.m. Week 6 - What's the UCC Got to Say? Scripture: Hebrews 4:12-16; John 17: 20-25

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.

<u>Meeting Dates Zoom</u> Worship Committee – Monday, November 29, @ 6pm Consistory – Wednesday, December 1, @ 7pm

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 those interested to join her for our final few sessions on **November 10 and 17** via Zoom at 7pm. We are working through the *LISTEN UP! Bible Study* of *1 Corinthians*. There's still time to get involved even if you have missed the other sessions. Please contact Pastor Jessica if you need more information or have questions. Looking forward to seeing you there!

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