

Trinity United
Church
of Christ
Reign of Christ
November 21, 2021
10:45 a.m.
In-Person Worship
FB Live Streaming

Christ is King!

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 – Robert Miller

Gathering Music – "The Lord is King"
Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

*Call to Worship

Robert Miller

- L: "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."
- P: Blessing and honor and glory and might be unto the Lamb!
- L: Worthy is Christ who had redeemed all peoples, from every tribe and tongue and nation, and made his people a kingdom, and priests to our God.
- P: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!

Opening Prayer

Pastor Jessica

All-powerful God,
Your only son came to earth
in the form of a lowly infant
and is not enthroned at your right hand,
where he rules in glory.
as he reigns as King in our hearts,
may we rejoice in his peace,
glory in his justice,
and live in his love.
For with you and the Holy Spirit
he rules now and forever.

Amen.

Hymn: "Hallelujah Salvation and Glory"

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: Revelation 1:4b-8 Robert Miller

Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37 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: Don't Put it on the Bucket List! Pastor Jessica

Special Music: "He Reigns"

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 Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day when justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an every-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war anymore.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you and blessed is your son Jesus Christ, who came in your name as our king. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,

to proclaim release to the captives, and recovering sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

At his ascension you exalted him to sit and reign with you at your right hand.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pour out your holy spirit on us gathered here and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes again in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion

Prayer After Communion

You have given yourself to us, Lord.

Now we give ourselves for others.

Your love has made us new people.

As a people of love we will serve you with joy.

Your glory has filled our hearts.

Help us to glorify you in all things.

40-days of Prayer video

Hymn: "Peace I Leave with You, My Friends"

WE GO FORTH

*Carrying the Light into the World

*Benediction

May the God who is, who was, and who is to come, bless you and keep you.

Amen.

May Jesus Christ,

the faithful witness and ruler of all nations, make his face shine upon you.

Amen.

May the Holy Spirit, who guides us into all truth, grant you peace.

Amen.

Go in the strong name of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

*Postlude:

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

Worship Notes and Resources:

The music in our worship today is reproduced via our CCLI License number: <u>2809801</u>

Leadership

Jessica Townsley Pastor

Cammeron Williams Director of Music

Robert Miller 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 week of 11/7: General: \$1,305.00

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$60.00

Attendance: 30

Giving for last week: General: \$1,480.00

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$60.00

Attendance: 24

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 28, 2021 - First Sunday of Advent, 10:45 a.m.

Scripture: Galatians 6:7-8; Matthew 20:1-16

Theme: Bah! Humbug!

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 – 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.



Redemption of Scrooge Worship Series

Beginning November 28, join us each Sunday during Advent as we journey through the Charles Dickens' classic *A Christmas Carol*. We will discuss its how themes from this beloved Christmas story intersect with our own holy scriptures.

SCRIP GIFT CARDS

With the holidays approaching, what better time to support Trinity UCC! Use gift cards to make your on-line holiday purchases safer! Plus buy gift cards to give as presents to those that are hard-to-buy-for. With almost 300 retailers you shouldn't have a problem finding what you want.

For the holiday season we will be placing gift card orders on 11/30, 12/5, and 12/12.

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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