



**Trinity United  
Church  
of Christ  
First Sunday of  
Advent  
November 28, 2021  
10:45 a.m.  
In-Person Worship  
FB Live Streaming**

## **Bah! Humbug!**

**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 – Marge Bailey**

**Gathering Music – “To Him that Sits on The Throne”  
By: Debbye Graafsma**

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

### **\*Call to Worship**

Marge Bailey

L: Show us your mercy, O Lord,

**P: And grant us your salvation.**

L: Truth shall spring up from the earth,

**P: And righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

### **Opening Prayer**

*Pastor Jessica*

L: The Lord be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray.

God of Israel,

With expectant hearts

We your people await Christ’s coming.

As once he came in humility,

So now may he come in glory,

That he may make all things perfect

In your everlasting kingdom.

For he is Lord forever and ever.

**P: Amen.**

### **Lighting of the Advent Wreath     Amy Schultz and family**

*Reader 1:* Advent is a time of waiting.

We wait in anticipation of Christmas,

The celebration of Christ’s birth.

We wait in expectation and hope for the day when

Christ comes again.

*Reader 2:* Today, we light the candle of hope.

As we wait, let us be people of hope.

*(Light candle of Hope)*

**Hymn: “O Come, O Come Emmanuel”**

## 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:** Galatians 6:7-8                      Marge Bailey

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 20:1-16                      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:** Bah! Humbug!                      Pastor Jessica

**Special Music:** "There is a Name I Love to Hear"

**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

Hymn: "O Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

## WE GO FORTH

\*Carrying the Light into the World

\*Benediction

\*Postlude:

Instrumental music performed by Cammeron Williams

## Worship Notes and Resources:

The music in our worship today is reproduced via our CCLI License number: 2809801

## 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.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Worship Today**

#### **Budget Information:**

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

**Giving for last week: General: \$710.00**

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$80.00

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

January Newsletters - Monday, December 13

#### **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.

## Worship at Trinity UCC for the Next Week:

**December 5, 2021 – Second Sunday of Advent, 10:45 a.m.**

**Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:4, 31; Matthew 4:18-23**

**Theme: The Remembrance of Christmas Past  
\*Holy Communion\***

### **Meeting Dates Zoom**

Worship Committee – Monday, November 29, @ 6pm

Consistory – Wednesday, December 1, @ 7pm



### **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.

### **Food Bags for Backpacks**

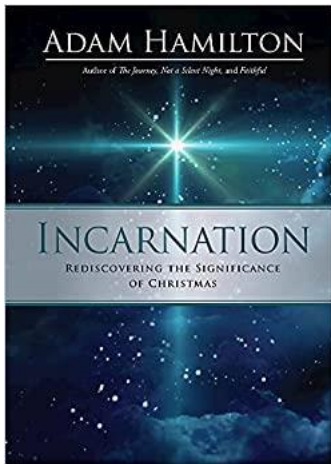
Trinity UCC has started our Food Bags for Backpacks donation program for Manchester Elementary School this September. Trying to be as careful as possible, we will once again just ask for Monetary Donations. Please mark "Food Bags" on any checks or giving envelopes that you wish to go to this program.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

## **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](mailto:wsmdem@comcast.net)



## **Advent Study: *Incarnation* by Adam Hamilton**

Join us Pastor Jessica on Zoom **December 2, 9, and 16<sup>th</sup>** for a brief Advent study of *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas*. We will gather at 7pm for three Thursdays to watch a short video and engage in discussion around the themes of the incarnation. If you would like to participate, please contact Pastor Jessica by e-mail or phone. A book is not necessary, but can be ordered if you prefer to follow along.

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