

Trinity United Church of Christ Third Sunday of Easter May 1, 2022 10:45 a.m. In-Person Worship FB Live Streaming

"Breakfast at the Beach"

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

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

Gathering Music: "To God Be the Glory" vs. 1&3 (Living Church hymnal)

*Call to Worship Based on Psalm 30 Marge Bailey Leader: Sing praises to God, you faithful, give thanks to God's holy name!

People: Weeping may linger for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

Leader: You turn our weeping to dancing God; you remove the garments of mourning and clothe us in gladness.

All: May we praise you and not be silent! We will give thanks to you, O God, forever!

Prayer of Confession

Call to Confession

Marge Bailey

Let us confess in silence those things which separate us from our God, and from one another,

Silence for Private Confession

Confessing as a Community God of all mercy,

Marge Bailey

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry and humbly ask your forgiveness. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Lucy Brady

Children's Hymn: Yancy and the Praise Party

Children and youth may come forward to hear An Amazing Story Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

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

Adults: The Lord be with you! Youth: And also with you!

All of our young people are now invited to go to Trinity Youth

time!

WE PROCLAIM

Gospel Reading: John 20: 20:19-31 Lucy Brady

Sermon: "Breakfast at the Beach" *Lucy Brady*

Special Music: "Sing Hallelujah" Ken Medema

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 (sung)

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 One, who's heart abounds with gifts, receive this offering as a sign of our intention to live surrounded by your mercy, inspired by your spirit, open to the joy of your presence, hospitable to one another, and generous to your world. **Amen.**

Celebration of Holy Communion

Invitation to Communion

Pastor: Come to the deep place in your life that Christ shows

you.

People: We come to fish for what nurtures our lives.

Pastor: Come to the daybreak of hope.

People: We come to recognize love on the shore even when it seems like we are drowning.

Pastor: Come to the charcoal fire of community.

People: We come to a place of warmth and caring.

Pastor: Come and have breakfast.

All: We join profound sacrament to a simple meal.

Words of Remembrance and Consecration

Pastor:

On this May Day morning

we remember that Jesus of Nazareth

ate breakfast at his mother Mary's table, and never forgot that receiving

a meal that is given is a holy way to begin every day.

We remember that Jesus taught

at a table while Mary of Bethany listened,

and that Mary of Magdala provided

from the depths of gratefulness and generosity for the meals of all the followers.

We remember a rhythm in tambourine Miriam gave to every Passover, and that Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, broke the unleavened bread of that old commemoration of freedom, and offered a cup of new covenant,

poured out for everyone in the upper room, and for everyone wading through sorrows or dancing for freedom who is willing to eat and drink now in his name for the life-giving of the world.

All: Holy God, you give us what we need, a simple breakfast or a feast, the strength just to go on, or the outlet for our great joy.

(Holding your hands over your bread and cup)
Send your Spirit upon this bread to be sacred, in memory
and in truth, and on this cup that we may drink your living
presence. Amen.

Sharing of the Elements

Pastor: You hold the Bread of Heaven, consecrated by your

touch and taste.

Unison: We taste peace for the past and hope for

tomorrow.

Pastor: You hold the Cup of Blessing,

consecrated by deep remembrance and resurrection faith.

Unison: We drink in Alleluia.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God, we give you thanks for filling our nets, serving us life and love, and meeting us not only at this table but at all our tables. We accept your call to feed the spirits, minds, and bodies of all your people, young as lambs or older as sheep, safe in the flock or wandering on distant hills, through Christ our Savior. Amen

Announcements

Hymn: "In the Midst of New Dimensions" vs. 1&4 (NCH) #391

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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"Sing Hallelujah" by Ken Medema https://voutu.be/LQGn1R81oCA

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Leadership

Jessica Ashcroft-Townsley Pastor

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Deb Persinger Worship Committee

Sandy Sanders

ANNOUCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

May 8, 2022 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Theme – Mothering God

Scripture: Isaiah 66:12-13; John 10:22-30

Budget Information:

Amount needed from all sources each week to meet our

budget: \$2,436.00.

Giving for last week: General: \$945.50

Attendance: 42

Building Fund/Fundraising: \$60.00

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.

Submission Dates for Bulletins/Newsletter

Sunday Worship bulletin – Wednesday May Newsletters - Monday, April 25

Meeting Dates Zoom

Consistory – Wednesday, May 4, @ 7pm Worship Committee – Tuesday, May 10 @ 6pm PPR – Wednesday, May 11, @ 7pm

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

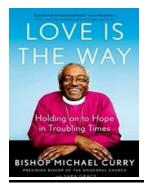
Prayers are needed for our country at this difficult time and all those in need.

Food Bags for Backpacks

Trinity UCC continues our Food Bags for Backpacks donation program for Manchester Elementary School. 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.

Trinity UCC Covid Protocol

- While masks are no longer required, we strongly recommend that you wear a mask while inside the building, particularly if you are unvaccinated or immunocompromised.
- You are welcome to sing in worship, however, we ask that family groups remain socially distanced from one another in order to limit exposure. We appreciate everyone's understanding these last two years of pandemic and joyfully look forward to what's to come!



Church-Wide Read!

There's still time to join our church-wide read! <u>Easy as A-B-C</u>:

- a. A new book each quarter.
- b. Read at our own pace.
- Attend one Zoom session to discuss what we loved/learned/wondered about as we read our selected book.

Current book:

Bishop Michael Curry's Love is the Way: Holding onto Hope in Troubling Times

We will meet on May 5th at 7pm to discuss the book via Zoom.

Please let Pastor Jessica know if you need the link! Next book will be announced at this meeting.

Christian Education Fund Raiser SAVE THE DATE Community Shred Event

The community shred event hosted by Manchester Trinity United Church of Christ is on **Thursday, May 12 from 5-7 pm** at the church.



As COVID numbers continue to decline and we feel safer in worship, we are seeking more volunteers to serve in various roles.

If you are interested in serving as a **lay reader**, **media operator**, **greeter**, **usher**, **or helping with children's church**, please let Pastor Jessica know.

Even if you are unable to make it to worship in person, there are ways you can **serve as a reader from home**. Many hands make much lighter work for everyone!

Rock Garden

It's time to get creative!

We are running low on kindness rocks in our rock garden. Please take a rock or two (found downstairs by the front door) to paint and add to our popular rock garden.



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