

Trinity United Church of Christ Holy Communion August 7, 2022 10:00 a.m. In-Person Worship FB Live Streaming

"Healing a Broken World"

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

Welcome (Pastor Jessica)

Opening Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You (NCH #4)

*Call to Worship (based on Genesis 1, 2) Sue Myers

- One: God is with us, right here and now.
- All: We open our lives to our creator.
- One: God cares for us and all that God has created.
- All: We open our hearts to our creator.
- One: God appoints us partners in care for creation.
- All: We dedicate ourselves to our creator.

Opening Prayer: (in unison) Pastor Jessica

Gracious Lord,

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You know us too well.

You know how easy it is for us to come to you proclaiming our faith boldly when all is going well. But when the waters get rough and the waves threaten to overwhelm us, we cry out in fear and worry. We are sure that these waves will destroy us. We turn away from our neighbors, from our call to be good stewards of your creation, from the path Jesus laid out before us, from the mission to which we are called.

Yet, over the wind and the waves you call to us, again and again, to place our trust in you. Help us take our focus off the wind and the waves, that we might plant our gaze firmly on you. Remind us to orient our hearts and our lives to hear your call and to respond in faith. Let us live fully into the call to be the church, helping guide your rudderless people in a world awash in high waves and strong winds. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. AMEN.

Passing of the Peace

Children's Song: How Far I'll Go (Moana) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cPAbx5kgCJo

A Time for Discovery

WE PROCLAIM

First Reading:	1 Cor.10:23-26	Sue Myers

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:24-34 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: The Line Where the Sky Meets the Sea Pastor Jessica

Special Music: HEALING RIVER -

Fran Minkoff & Fred Hellerman/Arr. Mark Hayes <u>HEALING RIVER - Fran Minkoff & Fred Hellerman/Arr. Mark</u> <u>Hayes</u>

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

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>).

Invitation to Offering

*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 (liturgy adapted from the Uniting Church in Australia, Synod of Victoria and Tasmania)

- L: The Creator be with you and all creation.
- P: And also with you.
- L: Open your hearts.
- P: We open them to our Creator.
- L: Let us give thanks to our Creator.
- P: It is right to join creation in thanking God.
- L: It is right to give you thanks, loving Creator...

Therefore with the whole company of heaven, ancient voices in the forest, high voices from the sky, deep voices from the sea and the whole company of creation, we proclaim your presence among us:

All: Holy, holy, holy, God of all life, Earth and sea and sky are full of your presence and glorify your name. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

L: On the night in which he gave himself up for us...

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.

P: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Invitation

- L: Come, for all things are now ready. Come to the table with all your kin and share with all in need: the gift of healing for those in pain, the gift of forgiveness for those in sin, the gift of assurance for those in doubt, and the gift of hope for those in tears.
- P: May we who share these gifts, share Christ with one another and all our kin.

Thanksgiving

- L: Let us give thanks for this meal.
- All: We thank you Christ, for the meal we have celebrated with you and we pray that through your body and blood we may be healed and become agents of healing for Earth. Amen.

Announcements (Pastor Jessica)

Closing Hymn: All People that on Earth Do Dwell (NCH #7)

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: <u>2809801</u>

<u>Leadership</u>

Jessica Ashcroft-Townsley Cammeron Williams Sue Myers Deb Persinger Sandy Sanders Pastor Director of Music Lay Reader Worship Committee

ANNOUCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

August 14, 2022 – 10th Sunday After Pentecost Movie: Beauty and the Beast Theme: Don't Judge a Book by its Cover

Scripture: Romans 2:1-7; Luke 6:27-38

Budget Information:

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

Giving for last week: General: \$TBA

Attendance:37

Building Fund/Fundraising:

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 September Newsletters - Monday, August 22

Meeting Dates Zoom

Worship Comm- Tuesday, August 16 @ 6pm

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

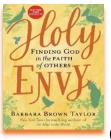
Prayers are needed for our country at this difficult time and all those in need

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!

Our current book selection is *Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others* by Barbara Brown Taylor. In a world divided down religious and political divides, this book helps us explore how we might find commonality across lines of religious difference so that the distance between us and "the other" might not be so wide.

Please read the book this summer at your own pace.

We will meet in early September to discuss.

Please let Pastor Jessica know if you need help getting a copy of the book!



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!



Join Trinity Youth Club for a 5K walk/run at Cape Horn Park August 13 at 9am (rain date August 20). Donate or raise \$25 to participate. Here's the sign up link to register: https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/Indianapolis/GlobalMinistries

The TUCC Team name is "Nature Walkers TUCC". Be sure to register as part of the team!

Funds raised will support UCC Global Ministries' Creation Care Efforts around the world.

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