

## Trinity United Church of Christ

October 16, 2022

10:45 a.m.

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Pentecost

In-Person Worship  
FB Live Streaming

**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 David Holland**

**Welcome (Pastor Jessica)**

**Opening Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"  
(white hymnal # 43)**

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

Sue Myers

One: Righteous One, you are ever listening.

**Many: We come boldly, lifting our praise to you,  
because we know you hear us.**

One: Bringer of Justice, you reveal truth to us.

**Many: You help us to see how things are and how they can  
be.**

One: Eternal God, you persist in love and justice.

**Many: We want to persist in love and justice too.**

### **Prayer of Confession**

Righteous One,

we are thankful that justice flows from you like a stream.

You bid us to come and experience the equity of your love.

We rejoice in knowing that justice is an aspect of your love  
and is without end.

Enable us to be steadfast in our hope in you

as we work alongside you to ensure

those who need justice receive it.

**Amen.**

### **Passing of the Peace**

**Children's Song: Yancy & Little Praise Party -  
"Praise the Lord Every Day"**

### **A Time for Discovery**

#### **Trinity Youth**

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

Adults: **The Lord be with you!**

Children: **And also with you!**

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

## WE PROCLAIM

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 31:27-34 Sue Myers

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 18:1-8 *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 Persistent and the Misjudged  
*Pastor Jessica*

**Special Music:**

**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*  
<https://www.trinityuccmanchester.org>.

**Invitation to Generosity**

**\*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**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Announcements (Pastor Jessica)**

**Hymn: "How Great Thou Art" (white hymnal # 32)  
(requested by Sandy Sanders)**

## WE GO FORTH

**\*Carrying the Light into the World**

**Closing Litany of Commitment**

**(inspired by Luke 18: 1-8)**

**(written by John Birch)**

One: Let us never give up praying  
for justice,

**All: or the oppressed in this world  
will one day ask us 'Why?'**

One: Let us never give up praying  
for fairness,

**All: or the hungry of this world  
will one day ask us 'Why?'**

One: Let us never give up praying  
for healing,

**All: or the sick in this world  
will one day ask us 'Why?'**

One: Let us never give up praying,  
**All: for to give up**

**is to deny our faith  
in a God who answers prayer.  
Amen.**

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

Instrumental music performed by David Holland

**Worship Notes and Resources:**

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## Leadership

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

**October 23, 2022 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

Scripture: Joel 2:23-32; Luke 18:9-14

### Scrip Gift Cards

Please consider taking part in this program.

Orders go in the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month.

See Sue Myers for more information, 443-375-6788 or

[wsmdem@comcast.net](mailto:wsmdem@comcast.net)

### Budget Information:

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

### **Giving for Last week: \$1,305.00**

Attendance: 17

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

November Newsletters - Monday, Oct. 24

## Meeting Dates Zoom

Worship Comm - Wednesday, Oct. 26 @ 6pm

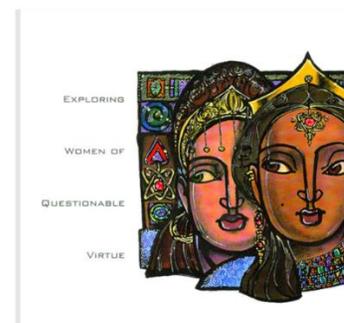
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## Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

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

## Bad Girls of the Bible Study

*Bible Study:*  
**BAD GIRLS  
OF THE BIBLE**  
BASED ON THE BOOK  
*by Barbara J. Essex*  
**TUESDAYS 7PM  
VIA ZOOM  
OCT 4-NOV 8**



### Going once, going twice: It's a Hymn Auction!

Do you have a favorite hymn you'd like to hear in worship?

This fall, you will have the opportunity to hear it. You are invited to a silent hymn "auction!"

Simply choose a hymn, gather a donation, and "bid" on a Sunday (first come, first served).

Cammeron and Pastor Jessica will work together to ensure you hear that hymn during worship on your selected Sunday.

An auction bid (sign-up) sheet is available in the narthex.

### **New Partnership with MES (Manchester Elementary School)**

Trinity UCC has begun a new monthly assistance program with MES to provide snacks for students who are on early or late lunch schedules. Students who have early lunch may need an afternoon snack and those students having late lunch may need a midmorning snack. Our program will provide boxes of snacks in 10 homerooms for students who may not have brought a snack from home. Many of these students are those who are on the FARM (Free and Reduced Meal) Program who could use our support.



### **Get Involved in Worship**

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!

### **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!**

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