



# Trinity United Church of Christ

October 30, 2022

10:45 a.m.

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after  
Pentecost

In-Person Worship  
FB Live Streaming

## Theme: God in the Struggle

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: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"  
(NCH #403)

\*Call to Worship (Based on Luke 19) Robert Miller

One: Come from every direction: north, south, east, and west.

Many: **Let us welcome and worship Jesus in this sacred place!**

One: Come bearing all your gifts: behind-the-scenes, quirky, unique, and more.

Many: **Let us welcome and worship Jesus with zealous authenticity!**

One: Come with all your identities: race, gender, sexuality, and all.

Many: **Let us welcome and worship Jesus with our whole selves!**

Prayer of Transformation & Words of Grace: *Pastor Jessica*  
(based on Luke 19)

**We crowd each other out, clamoring for glimpses of and glances from Jesus. We get caught up in the hype, buzzing with the energy of and adrenaline from the crowds. Who wouldn't? However, in so doing, we neglect the quiet opportunities to welcome Jesus into our homes and lives.**

<silence>

Passing of the Peace

Children's Song: Follow On

A Time for Discovery

### WE PROCLAIM

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Robert Miller

Gospel Reading: Luke 19:1-10 *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** God Meets Us There *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 Offering**

**\*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**

**Dedication of Chancel Rail**

**Announcements (Pastor Jessica)**

**Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation" (NCH # 386)  
(requested by Sue Myers)**

## **WE GO FORTH**

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

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

Instrumental music performed by David Holland

**Worship Notes and Resources:**

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

**Leadership**

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:**

**November 6 – All Saints Sunday/22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

Scripture: Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31

\*Communion will be celebrated.

**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: \$845.50**

Attendance: 18

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

December Newsletters - Monday, Nov. 28

### **Meeting Dates Zoom**

Consistory – Wednesday, Nov. 2 @ 7pm

Worship Comm - Wednesday, Nov. 22 @ 6pm

PPR – TBA

### **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern**

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



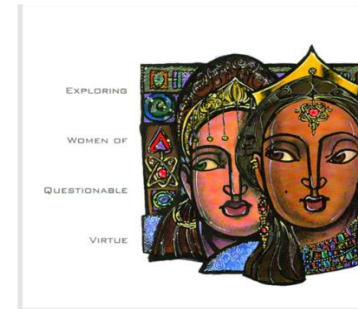
**Don't forget to change your clocks**  
**Saturday, November 5th**

### **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**



**\*Final weeks: November 1 & 8\***

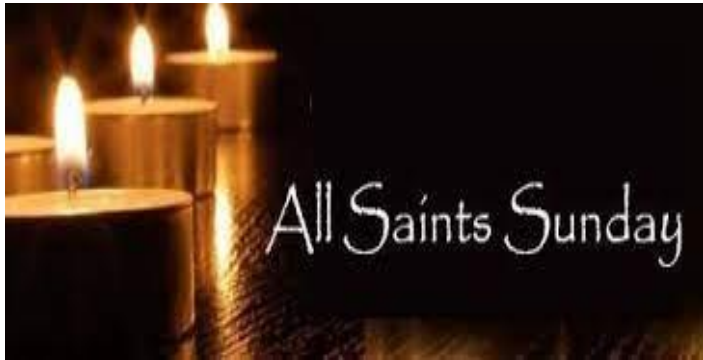
### **Going once, going twice: It's a Hymn Auction!**

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.



## **Calling All the Saints!**

Sunday, **November 6**, is All Saints Sunday. In memory of those Saints in our lives who have gone on before us, we are calling for everyone to **email [trinityuccmanchester@comcast.net](mailto:trinityuccmanchester@comcast.net) or bring in a photo of a loved one** so that we can remember them during worship. A special “All Saints” prayer will be said during worship with a time for lifting up the names of those pictured.



On **November 13, 2022**, during worship, we will take some time to honor our present and former service members. You are invited to send or bring in a photo of a loved one who serves to be displayed in the sanctuary. Join us as we recognize the extraordinary work of those men and women who have volunteered to serve our country so sacrificially. Trinity UCC thanks you!

## **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!**



### **Faithful Five**

Each Thursday, be on the lookout for Pastor Jessica's weekly "Faithful Five" devotional time to be shared via our Facebook page: [\\_www.facebook.com/ManchesterUCC](https://www.facebook.com/ManchesterUCC)

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