

# Trinity United Church of Christ

August 13, 2023 10:00 a.m. Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost In-Person Worship FB Live Streaming

## "The Storms of Life"

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.

Meditation of the Week: "Don't tell God how big your storm is, tell the storm how big your God is. ~unknown ~

#### WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

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** 

**Hannah Matthews** 

Words of Welcome Pastor Katie

Announcements Pastor Katie

\*Call to Community (based on 1 Corinthians 13)

**MB** Brainerd

L: Love is patient and kind,

P: Love is not jealous, arrogant or rude.

L: Love does not insist on its own way,

P: Love does not celebrate wrong, but rejoices in the truth.

L: Love bears all things, believes all things,

P: Love hopes all things, and endures all things and never ends.

L: Faith, hope and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

P: Let us worship our God of love, of hope, and of faith.

\*Opening Hymn: "Be Thou My Vision" (#344 white hymnal)

Prayer of Brokenness

O Source of All Blessing, bring calm to the storms that batter us and blow us off course. We do not need to walk on water; we need only walk through our lives as whole and holy children who recognize that your love unites us like a Mother, buoys us like a Father, and carries us forward as a family to face miraculous challenges in a complex world. Help us to see through the clutter of daily existence in order to focus on what is most important: love, compassion, faith, and connection. Amen

~time of silence!

Words of Blessing

**Passing of the Peace** 

Leader: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Pass a sign of God's Peace to one another.

A Story for the Child in All of Us

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 MB Brainerd

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:22-33 Pastor Katie

The Message When All Seems Lost! Pastor Katie

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn of Response "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (#293 NCH)

**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.

Blessing Our Gifts

Holy One, we thank you for revealing yourself to us in ways both big and small, in ways both ordinary and miraculous. Use our gifts to further your loving justice and peace in our communities near and far. Amen.

**Joys and Concerns** 

**Prayers of the People** 

The Lord's Prayer

## GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

\*Closing Hymn "How Great Thou Art" (#32 white hymnal)

\*Carrying the Light into the World

\*Postlude: Instrumental music by Hannah Matthews

## **Worship Notes and Resources:**

Adapted from https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/after-pentecost-11a-august13/

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

#### **Leadership**

Katie Penick Pastor Hannah Matthews Pianist MB Brainerd Lay Reader

Deb Persinger Worship Committee

Sandy Sanders

Following worship today we will meet in the fellowship hall. The congregation is encouraged to participate in a visioning as part of the Crossroads program. Light refreshments will be offered.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

August 20, 2023 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Scriptures: Genesis 45:1-15 Matthew 15:10-28

<sup>\*</sup> Benediction

## **Prayer List**

Please fill out the blue prayer card found in the pew for anyone who is in need of prayer. Include the person's name, your name and the date. Give to Pastor Katie or Secretary Diane

#### **Scrip Gift Cards**

Please consider taking part in this program.

Orders go in the 1st Sunday of the month.

See Sue Myers for more information, 443-375-6788 or wsmdem@comcast.net

#### **Budget Information:**

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

## Giving for last week: \$1,745.69

Attendance:27 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 September Newsletters - Monday, August 21

## **Meeting Dates Some by Zoom**

Consistory – Wednesday, September 6 @ 7pm Worship Comm – TBA PPR – TBA

## **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concerns**

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



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 Worship Committee 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!

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