

Trinity United Church of Christ August 27, 2023 10:00 a.m. Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost In-Person Worship FB Live Streaming

"To Be Transformed"

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: "Trust God that you are where you are meant to be" ~St. Teresa of Avila

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, Joys and Concerns Pastor Katie *Call to Community ~ based on Psalm 124 Moriah Marr

L: We gather together in praise and worship of our Faithful God, because our help and hope rests always in our God.

P: We bring our praises and thankful responses to our Saving God.

L: Blessed be the Lord our God, who is our security and home, and whose mercy and grace frees us from all that traps us.

P: Blessings, reverent honor and glory be to the Lord our God.

L: We come together to praise worship our all-Powerful God, because we are confident of God's generous care over us.

P: Our eternal trust is in the name of the Lord our God, who is our Maker, our Savior, and our timeless Home.

*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.

*Opening Hymn: "The Church of Christ in Every Age" (#306 NCH)

A Litany of Faith

When Jesus came to Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

They replied: "Some say John the Baptist, some say Elijah, and others say Jeremiah or one of the other prophets." Then he asked them, "But you-who do you say I am?"

You are the Bread of Life, which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

You are the Good Shepherd, who lays down His own life for the sheep in His care.

You are the Way, the Truth, and the Life, the path by which we come to know God the Creator.

You are the Light of the World, illuminating the way for all who walk in darkness.

You are the Resurrection and the Life, the source of eternal life for all who believe.

You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God, and our Redeemer.

A Story for the Child in All of Us

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading:Exodus 1:8-2:10Moriah MarrThe birth of Moses

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:13-20 Pastor Katie Peter proclaims Jesus as the Messiah

The Message Building Our Foundation Pastor Katie

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response "Take My Life and Let It Be" (#385 white hymnal)

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 God, you provide for our needs and come to us when we need you most. We dedicate to your service our lives and these gifts from your blessing and our labor. Work in us and through us to extend your love and care, here and around the world. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

*Closing Hymn "Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer" (#18 NCH)

*Carrying the Light into the World

* Benediction

*Postlude: Instrumental music by Hannah Matthews

Worship Notes and Resources:

Adapted https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/after-pentecost-13a-august27

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Leadership

Katie Penick Hannah Matthews Moriah Marr Deb Persinger Sandy Sanders Pastor Pianist Lay Reader Worship Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

September 3, 2023 – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Scriptures: Exodus 3:1-15 Matthew 16:21-28

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: August 13, 2023 \$711.00 Building: \$60.00

Giving for last week: \$1,960.50

Attendance:24 Building Fund/Fundraising: \$111.50 *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.*

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

Submission Dates for Bulletins/Newsletter

Sunday Worship bulletin – Wednesday September Newsletters - Monday, August 21

Meeting Dates

Consistory – Wednesday, Sept. 6 @7pm (zoom) CrossRoads – Saturday, Sept. 9 @ 10-12:30 and Saturday, Sept. 23 @ 10-noon (both zoom) Worship Comm – TBA PPR – TBA

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concerns

Prayers are needed for our country at this difficult time. Please give Pastor Katie or Secretary Diane names of all those in need.

Prayer requests:

Leah, friend of Donna Alban Matt Goon, cousin of Karen Price. Jeff Brooks and family by Leslie Brooks Carolyn Brooks, by Leslie Brooks Martha Tallent, Pastor Katie's Godmother James Penick, Pastor Katie's father



Return to 10:45 am Worship

Beginning **September 10**, we will return to Worship at 10:45 am.

Children's church 10:00 am. <u>Every Sunday</u> Communion is the first Sunday of each month.

Get Involved 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 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!



Sunday, Sept 10th is Rally Day and Rejoice in the Welcome Sunday.

We hope that you will invite your friends to join us! We will hold a potluck dinner after worship. A true potluck means you bring whatever you want to share with others, so let's all bring our favorite dishes! I am sure we will have plenty of food and fellowship to enjoy.

The Fellowship Committee will be hosting a Fellowship the Third Sunday of each month,

We are open to any suggestions or ideas about the kinds of foods you would like to see served.

We always appreciate your help and donations.

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