



Trinity United Church of Christ

“Palm Sunday”

March 24, 2024

10:45 a.m.

In-Person Worship

FB Live Streaming

Repairing: For Such a Time as This Redemption

**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 Day “When it rains on your parade, look up not down. Without rain there would be no rainbow.” ~Gilbert K. Chesterton~

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: “Fanfare I” by Paul Fey
Performed by Hannah Matthews

Words of Welcome **Pastor Katie**

Announcements, Joys and Concerns **Pastor Katie**

***Call to Community**

MB Brainerd

~inspired by Jeremiah 31:31-34

One: People of God, do not be afraid, for your Savior is coming,

All: **riding on a donkey, daring to raise the branches of liberation.**

One: Shout your hosannas in the street and in the sanctuary.

All: **Hosanna in the highest! Our Savior has come to set us free!**

One: Palm branches and praise mark this day with hope.

All: **Hosanna, come and save us!**

***Passing of the Peace**

One: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

All: **And also with you**

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

“to promote healthy practices, please greet one another from your pew”

***Opening Hymn: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* (#213 NCH)**

Litany of the Palms

One: The streets were crowded.

All: **A parade mood filled the air.**

One: Shouts came from deep in the heart.

All: **Hosanna. Save us.**

One: Save us from lukewarm faith.

All: **Hosanna. Save us.**

One: Save us from callous indifference.

All: **Hosanna. Save us.**

One: Save us from paltry hopes and petty dreams.

All: Hosanna. Save us.

One: Save us from unquenchable greed.

All: Hosanna. Save us.

One: Save us from lazy habits and faithless commitments.

All: Hosanna. Save us.

One: Save us from soft-mindedness and hard-heartedness.

All: Hosanna. Save us.

One: We cry from the depth of our hearts and the very pit of our souls.

All: Hosanna. Save us. Save us now.

~silence is kept~

A Story for the Child in All of Us

Blessing of the Palms

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading Psalm 118:1-4, 14-17, 21-24 MB Brainerd

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices

Second Reading Mark 11:1-11 Pastor Katie

The hour has come

The Message *Welcome to the Palm Parade*

Pastor Katie

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response: *All Glory, Laud and Honor* (#216 NCH)

Invitation to Generosity

Blessing of Foodbags and Snack Bags

***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**

All: O Holy One, Bless these gifts so that the world may know your love

even when we are silent. Amen.

Third Reading Mark 15:1-39

The death of Jesus

Prayer of Confession

One: On this Sunday, O God, we remember how quickly we change. How fickle we are, how we pledge our devotion one moment and turn our backs the next. We go from shouting "Hosanna! Save Us!" to "Crucify Him."

All: We declare that we love our neighbors and then we turn our backs on the homeless and hungry in our communities.

One: We speak up for change and justice in one breath, and then continue unjust practices in daily lives by what we consume and the needs we ignore.

All: Forgive us, O God, for we are half-hearted believers. Forgive us, O God, for we are partial justice warriors. Forgive us, O God, for we tire easily, and we forget, and we grow weary.

Forgive us, restore us, and renew us for the journey of faith, so that we might become whole people who live wholly into Your vision of new life.

In the name of Christ, who lived into the fullness of humanity, and whom we follow. Amen.

You are invited to come forward and lay your palms in front of the cross as we seek reconciliation

The Lord's Prayer

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

*Closing Hymn: *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* (#149 LC)

*Benediction

*Carrying the Light into the World

*Prelude to Service:
Instrumental music by Hannah Matthews

Worship Notes and Resources: Sources: adapted from -
<http://www.theopenchurchmd.org/1/archives/03-2012/1.html>,
<http://rev-o-lution.org/> Palm/Passion Sunday B – March 24 -
United Church of Christ (ucc.org)

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Leadership

Katie Penick
Hannah Matthews
MB Brainerd
Deb Persinger
Sandy Sanders
Hannah Matthews
MB Brainerd

Pastor
Director of Music
Lay Reader
Worship Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

March 28 – Maundy Thursday @ 6:30 p.m.
A Tenebrae Service

March 31 – Easter Sunday

Renewing: Is Anything Too Wonderful for Our God? Faith
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 John 20:1-18

Message – *Who Will Roll The Stone Away?*

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

Submission Dates for Bulletins/Newsletter

Sunday Worship bulletin – Wednesday

May Newsletters - Monday, April 22

Meeting Dates

Consistory – Wednesday, April 3 @ 7pm

Worship Comm – Third Thursday of each month @ 3:30.

Budget Information:

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

Giving for last week: \$ TBA Attendance: 31

Building Fund/Fundraising:\$ TBA

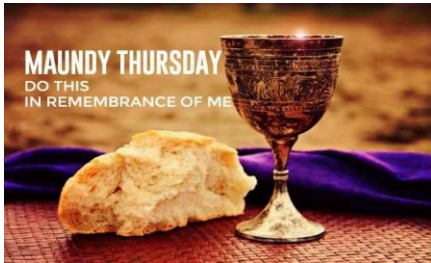
Please give in the various ways we offer for you to give your financial offerings to Trinity. We are lagging in our giving and hope that we can re-gain the generous level of giving we are accustomed to receiving.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concerns

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

Prayer requests:

Jeff Brooks and family by Leslie Brooks
Mike Brooks, cousin of Jeff Brooks
Lisa Frederick
Eva Gebhardt, member of Trinity
Matt Goon, cousin of Karen Price
Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz
James Penick, Pastor Katie's father
Mary and George Pietsch
Paula Myers, friend of Jean Simmons
Ken Plummer, brother of Gloria Nethkin
Leah, friend of Donna Alban
Andrew Readyoff
Pat Robinette, sister of Gloria Nethkin
Carol Sheffler, friend of Belva LaMotte
Martha Tallent, Pastor Katie's Godmother
Claire Vey, member of Trinity
Robert Yeoman, friend of Pastor Katie



**Maundy Thursday
March 28, 2024**

**Soup and bread @ 6:00p.m
Worship Service @ 6:30p.m.**

Good Friday March 29, 2024

The sanctuary will be open on **Good Friday at 10 am** for private meditation and you are invited to join us for the ecumenical cross walk at **11 am at Grace Lutheran Church**. The walk will conclude at Church of the Ascension.

**GOOD FRIDAY
ECUMENICAL
CROSS WALK**
11AM FRIDAY, MARCH 29

"Blessed are the Peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God."

Begins 11am:	Ends Noon Service:
Grace Lutheran Church	Church of the Ascension
21 Carroll Street	23 N Court Street
Westminster, MD	Westminster, MD

You are welcome to join us at the beginning of the walk, along the way, or for the noon service.

A special love offering accepted in support of The Shepherd's Staff.

Sponsored by the Westminster Ecumenical Ministerium Group

For more information contact



Save the date!

Sunday **April 21, 2024** there will be a luncheon following church and then at 3:00p.m. we will have the installation service for Pastor Katie. Please plan to join us for this special day.

The Shepherd's Staff

Beloved Ministerium Fellowship:

Just want to highlight The Shepherd's Staff upcoming lent ministries and the flyers that Brenda Meadows sent out last week:

1) **Empty Bowls**, Sunday April 7 -- Shepherd's Staff main annual fundraiser, is scheduled for April 7 this year and tickets to the event and sponsorships of the event are both open. (Please see the attached flyer.)

2) Collecting baskets to be made up into Easter Baskets and "stuff" to fill the baskets with as well. Information regarding such including appointments and distribution the two weeks before Easter is on the attached flyer. Also attached are "check off" tags to place on the baskets, should your congregation decide to put together baskets on their own.

Please let Brenda Meadows know if you have any questions. 410-857-

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Trinity United Church of Christ
with Downtown Yoga, Barre, & Cycle

 Yoga
Class

SATURDAYS at 10 am

April 6

April 13

April 20

April 27

May 4

Where: Trinity United Church of Christ
3229 York St, Manchester, MD 21102

FREE! Bring your mat and join us.

All levels - Chair adaptations offered

trinityuccmanchester.org & westminsterdowntownyoga.com