



**Trinity United Church
of Christ
Trinity Sunday
Father's Day
Called to Believe
June 15, 2025
10:30 a.m.**

**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.***

Meditation of the Week: "Our faithfulness will depend on our willingness to go where there is brokenness, loneliness, and human need. If the church has a future it is a future with the poor in whatever form." ~Henri J.M. Nouwen~

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Gathering

Feel the Spirit of the community. Worship is a time of both shared community and private conversation with God. Let us all come to this sacred space to enjoy both the loving fellowship of our common faith and the prayerful quiet that will allow us all to draw closer to God.

Prelude: Instrumental Music

Words of Welcome MB Brainerd

Announcements, Joys and Concerns MB Brainerd

***Call to Community**

MB Brainerd

One: Let us worship the Triune God.

**All: Let us worship the One
who spoke in the beginning
and created something out of nothing.**

One: Let us worship the Triune God.

**All: Let us worship the One
who took on the clothing of humanity
to set those who were oppressed free.**

One: Let us worship the Triune God.

**All: Let us worship the One
whose Spirit rests continually upon us,
calling us from sorrow-filled endings
to bright new beginnings.**

***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.

***Opening Hymn: "Spirit" #249 (Chalice)**

Litany of Recognition and Honor for Father's Day

One: On this day we recognize our fathers and stepfathers,
those who have nurtured and guided us in our lives.

**All: We thank You, O God, for those who have been
fathers to us.**

One: We honor our grandfathers, our uncles and brothers,
those who have demonstrated love and care to us in our
lives.

**All: We thank You, O God, for those who have been like
fathers to us.**

One: We appreciate our teachers, leaders and pastors, who have been both male and female, but we especially honor those who have extended fatherly tenderness and love in our lives in our past and present.

All: We thank You, O God, for those who have fulfilled a fatherly role in our lives.

One: Loving God, You have been both Mother and Father to us. Abba, Father, we remember how Jesus called out to You on earth, recognizing that You are closer to us than our earthly parents. Your love and care for us are felt in the ways we are loved and cared for by others. We thank You for all the male figures in our lives who have shared Your love with us. We ask that You guide and nurture new fathers and fathers-to-be. We seek Your forgiveness for fathers who have fallen short, for models of fatherhood that were limiting rather than embracing, for that is not Your model. You are our ever-loving Parent, Father of us all. Grant Your wisdom to all fathers and fatherly figures to love their children as You have loved Your children.

All: We thank You, O God, for fatherhood and motherhood, for the blessing of parents in our lives.

One: Abba, Father, we pray with those who are mourning the loss of fathers today, and for those whose fathers were absent or abusive. Ease their pain on this day, loving God. May they know Your embrace, and that You are more than Father or Mother to us— You are the all-loving, all-caring Parent, Creator of heaven and earth, who knows the hairs on our heads.

All: We thank You, O God, that You are always with us, that You will never leave us or forsake us.

One: We thank You for this day, and ask that You bless all of Your children with Your love, as a wonderful father loves their child.

All: Amen.

~silence is kept~

A Story for the Child in All of Us

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

***Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 MB Brainerd
Wisdom rejoices in the creation

Second Reading John 16:12-15
Pastor Sheresa Simpson-Rice
The Spirit will guide you into the truth

The Message **Calling Voices**
Pastor Sheresa Simpson-Rice

***Hymn of Grace: "Faith of Our Fathers" #206 (LC)**
(verses 1, 2, & 4)

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

One: Beloved Siblings, the Spirit of truth is with us! Each week we take time to acknowledge the many ways that God continues to bless us with good gifts.

All: We then share what we have with joy and thanksgiving, returning to God a portion of what God has given us.

***Choral Response "Spirit of the Living God"**
#283 NCH (sing 2x)

***Blessing Our Gifts**

All: We give thanks, O God, for all that you have given us. Pour out your blessing on these tithes and offerings, that they might be a source of blessing in our church, in our community, and in our world. Through this act of sharing, may we counter fear with hope and

transform scarcity through generosity. We offer this prayer in the name of Abba, Christ and Spirit. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn: "Praise Him, Praise Him"
#100 (Voices Together)

MOVING TOWARDS PEACE ON EARTH!

*Benediction

*Carrying the Light into the World

Prelude to Service: Instrumental music

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

Worship Notes and Resources

Adapted from **Worship Ways** page of the **United Church of Christ** website. http://www.ucc.org/worship_worship-ways, Rev. Mindi, and posted on the **Rev-o-lution** blog. <http://rev-o-lution.org>/The music in our worship is reproduced via our One License number: A-725765.

"Today's hymns purposely reflect the three persons of the Trinity, God the Father, God the Son (Jesus Christ), and God the Holy Spirit"

Leadership

Sheresa Simpson-Rice	Guest Pastor
Katie Penick	Pastor
Hannah Matthews	Director of Music
MB Brainerd	Lay Readers
Deb Persinger	Worship Committee
Sandy Sanders	
Hannah Matthews	
MB Brainerd	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

June 22, 2025

First Reading Psalm 42 & 43

Second Reading 1 Kings 19:1-15
Elijah meets God

Third Reading Luke 8:26-39

Jesus heals the possessed man of the Garasenes

The Message Our Surprising God

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
July/August Newsletters - Monday, June 23

Meeting Dates by Zoom

Consistory – July 2 @ 6 pm
Worship Comm – Third Thursday of each month @ 3:30.

Pastor Katie Sabbath Day will be on Fridays! She will not be available on that day. If there is an emergency text, her @ 240-418-8028

Budget Information:

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

Giving for Last Week: \$1,263.77

Attendance: 32

Care Fund/Building: \$135.00

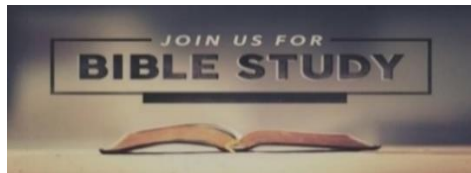
We offer various ways to give – cash, checks, or on-line at our website www.trinityuccmanchester.org. Your generous giving allows us to continue our ministries.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concerns

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

Prayer requests:

Hailey Begley, cousin of Shana Clark
Jason Brackenridge, cousin of Shana Clark
Mike Brooks, cousin of Jeff Brooks
Pastor Katie
Joanna Garber
Eva Gebhardt, member of Trinity
Meg Grim, daughter of Pastor Katie
Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz
Ash Van Nuys
Jennifer Penick
Leah, friend of Donna Alban
Wendi Saltsman, friend of Belva LaMotte
Jean Simmons
Becky Smith, niece of Karen Price
Gina Tollini
Ronnie Williams
Nora Renee Winters
Shirley Wood



Young Adult Bible Study
“The Gospel According to the Simpsons”
bible study will meet on
June 15, 29,
July 13 and 27 after worship

DROP IN YOGA

Saturdays at 10:30 am (1 hour class)

At Trinity UCC - \$5 per class

June 21, July 12 and 26,

August 9 and 23, September 6

July Food Drive

Food donations drop off during the summer months. We will be collecting non-perishable food items during the month of July for those in our community who depend on the services of NESAP. Please feel free to place your contributions in either of the white wicker baskets located in the lower narthex at the main entrance to the church.

Thank you in advance and please contact Sandy Sanders at 443.074.6723 with questions.

Altar Flowers

A local florist, Manchester Florists, is available to fill our altar vases. The cost is \$15 per vase and there is no delivery fee. Please contract Sandy Sanders (443-974-6723) if you are interested in sponsoring fresh flowers in memory or in honor of someone or some special occasion, A single vase can also be filled which we will place on the organ.

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