

**Trinity United Church
of Christ
Third Sunday
After Pentecost
Called to Believe
June 29, 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: Do not allow people to dim your shine because they are blinded. Tell them to put on some sunglasses, because we were born this way." – Lady Gaga

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 Pastor Katie

Announcements, Joys and Concerns Pastor Katie

***Call to Community** Shana Clark/Sylvia Calabrese

One: Come, bless the Lord,
in whom we find our refuge and safety.

All: **You are our God;
all the good things come from You alone.**

One: Come, bless the Lord,
who gives us a rich inheritance,
and surrounds us with abundance.

All: **You are our God;
our lives are in your hands.**

One: Come, bless the Lord,
who guides us on the path to eternal life,
whose presence strengthens and sustains us.

All: **You are our God;
we will not be shaken.**

***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: "Put Peace into Each Other's Hands"
#485 (Voices Together)**

Litany of the Called

Voice 1 (Male): "Come follow me," he said as he walked
towards us.
"Leave the nets behind. Become nets yourself.
We have an adventure to be part of."
And so we left with him not knowing what lay in front of us.

Voice 2: (Female): In front of me was a crowd of Pharisees: all
of them hypocrites.
They knew what I had done and done it mainly with them,
yet they were ready to stone me for it.

Jesus called out,
“Let him who is without sin cast the first stone,”
and there was silence
and one by one they left me with him
who called me to go and find my humanity again,
and so I went more alive than ever before.

Voice 3 (Female): She was more alive than every before, my daughter.
When her father left her to find Jesus
he knew he'd never see her again, my poor daughter,
not able to make it to womanhood.
But Jesus never gave up hope.
We left him with her
and after what seemed an eternity he called for food,
“Your daughter is alive and hungry”
and so we threw our sadness into celebration
that she had been called back to life.

Voice 4 (Male): I was called back to life.
I was once dead,
not the death of eternity, worse than that,
the death of the living.
I am a tax-collector.
My death was the silence and hatred of others
until I climbed a tree,
and was invited back into my own home by Jesus
for a meal through which I was reborn,
a new person now called a friend of God.
I was on my way.

Voice 1 (Male): We were on our way, ten of us,
unclean with bandaged limbs,
dirty rags covering our hands and feet
that leprosy was eating away.
Everyone avoided us except Jesus who touched us,

befriended us and called us back into community,
clean once more and acceptable.
I ran back to Jesus to thank him,
it was all I could do.

Voice 2 (Female): It was all I could do to say ‘Yes!’
Yes to God asking me to be his handmaid:
mother of a child who would be the salvation of the world,
who harboured hope enough
to bring down the oppressor and the tyrant
and lift up the poor and hungry.
I was called to be the mother of God
and I said ‘Yes!’

Voice 3 (Female): I said ‘yes’
but it wasn’t in some biblical story.
It was now.
I said ‘yes!’ to God’s justice today,
God’s hope now,
God’s intent in me,
to call out the life in me,
and set it free in the world,
to be a follower of adventures,
a follower of dreams,
a follower of love.

Voice 4 (Male): Be a follower of love,
and join the fishermen and the sinners,
the women and the children,
the sick and the poor,
the needy and the hopeful:
called to be fully alive in this world,
called to be the hands and feet of heaven,
called to be all we can be,
called to follow.

~silence is kept~

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
September Newsletters - Monday, August 25

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 June 15: \$913.37 Attendance: 23

Giving for Last Week: \$1,254.13 Attendance: 30

Care Fund/Building: \$35.00

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

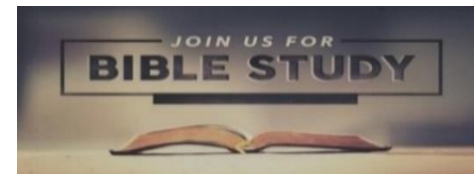
Prayers are needed for our World at this difficult time and all those in need.

Prayer requests:

Hailey Begley, cousin of Shana Clark
Jason Brackenridge, cousin of Shana Clark
Mike Brooks, cousin of Jeff Brooks
Joanna Garber
Eva Gebhardt, member of Trinity

Meg Grim, daughter of Pastor Katie
Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz
Sandy Hall, sister of Deb Miller
Robert Miller, husband of Debbi Miller
Ash Van Nuys
Jennifer Penick
Kenneth Plummer, by Gloria Nethkin
Leah, friend of Donna Alban
Wendi Saltsman, friend of Belva LaMotte
Jean Simmons
Becky Smith, niece of Karen Price
Kathleen Stevens
Gina Tollini
Ronnie Williams
Nora Renee Winters
Shirley Wood

Prayers are needed for Deb Persinger and family. Deb's sister Linda Decker, entered into God's Kingdom last week.



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

DROP IN YOGA
Saturdays at 10:30 am (1 hour class)
At Trinity UCC - \$5 per class
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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