

Trinity United Church
of Christ
Seventh Sunday
After Pentecost
Called to Believe
July 27, 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: "May God break my heart so completely that the whole world falls in." ~Saint Teresa of Avila~

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 based on Psalm 1 Jackie Kulp

One: With joy and delight we gather to praise our Holy God! With reverence and awe, we approach our Gracious God.

Many: We give thanks that God understands us, and does not want us to be that which we were never created to become!

One: Creating God, you call us to worship you as your children, made in your image, with a divine spark within each of us.

Many: We give thanks that God understands us, and encourages us to grow in our knowledge of God's awesome holiness.

One; Glorious God, you invite us to sink our roots deep into your love and holiness, and to grow stronger each day in our faith in you.

Many: We give thanks that God understands us, and that the fruits we bear are consistent with what God created us to become. We gather to worship and praise our supporting and caring God. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

One: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

Many: And also with you

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

*Opening Hymn: "Sweet Hour of Prayer" #505 NCH

Litany of Hope: Lord Teach Us to Pray

One: Lord, teach us to pray.

So we might awaken to the wonder of your presence

So we might feel gratitude for your gift of life today

So we might discover your kingdom as revealed in our siblings

So we might find safety beneath the shelter of your wings

So we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Many: Lord, teach us to pray

One: So we might forgive those who have wronged us

So we might lead free from pretense and hypocrisy

So we might trust your perfect plans and not replace them with our own

So we might love you with our whole hearts, and love our neighbors as ourselves

So we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Many: Lord, teach us to pray

One: So diverse hearts might harmonize as many voices become one

So our bodies might praise you in bowed heads and raised hands

So a spirit of criticism is replaced with an offering of sacrifice

So we consider others more important than ourselves

So we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Many: Lord, teach us to pray

One: So the truth of your Word resonates in what we say and sing So we might prepare a way through the wilderness of chaos and pain

So our eyes are alert and our souls awake to your movement in our midst

So our good work is fruitful in the reign of your kingdom So we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Many: Lord, teach us to pray

One: So our voices bring a pleasing sound to your ear So the notes of our instruments rise sweetly to your throne

So our singing is a light in the darkness, drawing nations to your grace

So our songs vibrate with the voice of the Lamb who was slain So we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Many: Lord, teach us to pray

One: So the lonely and hopeless find comfort in your abundant presence

So those in war and famine find the everlasting peace of your Spirit

So we are not indifferent to the suffering of the world around us

So our songs help to make us look more like you

So we might declare your glory as we gather together:

Many: Lord, teach us to pray

Growing Disciples

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

*'Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading Colossians 2:6-15 Jackie Kulp *Buried with Christ in baptism*

Second Reading Luke 11:1-13 Pastor Katie *Jesus teaches us to pray*

The Message Lord Teach Us to Pray Pastor Katie

*Hymn of Grace: "I Need You Every Hour" #517 NCH

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

*Choral Response:

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #7 NCH (verse 4)

*Blessing Our Gifts

All: God our Companion, receive these gifts as seeds to be nurtured and grown into new abundance, more possibilities, and magnifying gifts for your kingdom on earth.

The Lord's Prayer: New Zealand Prayer

One: Our creator God, Ancient of Days,
Holy Mother of all worlds and living souls:
Your arms, that once flung galaxies of stars
like grains of sand, are open wide,
and close enough to carry each of us
like a father cradles his child next to his heart.
May your sacred name be praised!
May your realm extend,
a commonwealth of mercy, peace and justice.
Your love knits all created nature into one whole.
Your will for us always is love; and so we pray:

Many: May your love be done on earth, in time, as it is in eternity.

Give all of us each day the bread we need, and hope to all who hunger for your life.

And as we share our bread along the way, pardon us the times we've broken faith.

Forgive our lack of loyalty and love; and move us quickly to forgiveness when wrongs are done to us.

Do not abandon us in the time of hard testing. Save us from evil's every incarnation, From the powers that possess our spirits and our structures.

Forever bind us to your liberating joy!
For you alone are God of grace and glory, and Rock of our Redemption.
Let it be so, God, let it be so.
Amen.

*Closing Hymn: "When Peace Like a River" #438 NCH

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 https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/pentecost-7c-july-24/, https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/04/call-to-worship-litany-psalm-1.html, https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2018/08/prayer-litany-lord-teach-us-to-

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Leadership

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week: August 3, 2025

First Reading Hosea 11:1-11

God loves Israel like a Mother

Second Reading Luke 12:13-21

Be rich toward God who is our treasure

The Message Broken-hearted 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 September Newsletters - Monday, August 25

Meeting Dates by Zoom

Consistory – August 6 @ 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: \$TBA Attendance: 27

Care Fund/Building: \$TBA

We offer various ways to give – cash, checks, or on-line at our website <u>www.trinityuccmanchester.org</u>. 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 Leah, friend of Donna Alban Michael & Pat Robinette, (son & Mom) by Gloria Nethkin 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



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

DROP IN YOGA

Saturdays at 10:30 am (1 hour class)
At Trinity UCC – \$5 per class
August 9 and 23, September 6

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.

Upcoming Events

Trinity is taking a group to this mission trip.

Disaster Recovery Trip

Tioga County, Pennsylvania

October 5-10, 2025

Pick up a flyer in the narthex.

If interested contact Pastor Katie for more information.

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