

Trinity United Church of Christ Fourth Sunday After Pentecost Called to Believe July 6, 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: "Whenever you do a thing, act as if the whole world was watching." ~Thomas Jefferson~

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 MB Brainerd
 One: May a joyful sound to the Holy One. Let the earth rejoice.
 Many: How awesome are your works, O Sovereign!
 One: Creation groans under the pressure of war, environmental abuse, and communal disconnection.

Many: We cry out to you, Present God, and you hear and respond.

One: You turn our mourning into movement and stir our souls to action and to rest.

Many: Everlasting God, we will give thanks and praise you for you clothe us in joy and peace.

*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: "How Beautiful, Our Spacious Skies" #594 NCH

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Brokenness based on Luke 10, Galatians 6 and 2 Kings 5

One: O God, we know that Jesus sent out his disciples without purse, luggage, or sandals. All too often, we find ourselves clinging to possessions we don't need, looking for safety by avoiding risk, and bearing heavy burdens that slow us down. Forgive us for our reluctance to travel lightly and heal us of our pain and guilt.

Many: Forgive us and heal us, O God.

One: Holy One, the Apostle Paul encouraged the Galatians not to grow weary, but to use every opportunity to work for the good of all. And yet, hectic schedules, competing demands, cynicism, and doubt erode our commitment and leave us feeling burned out. Forgive us for any hollow excuses we are tempted to make and heal us of our exhaustion.

Many: Forgive us and heal us, O God.

One: O God, we confess that, like the warrior Naaman, we sometimes think you only perform great complicated acts in dramatic ways. We fail to see how you are at work in the simple tasks and ordinary experiences of everyday life. Forgive us for our misunderstanding and heal us of our sightlessness.

Many: Forgive us and heal us, O God.

~silence is kept~

Words of Blessing

One: There is no pain that God cannot heal. There is no wrong that God cannot forgive. Come, immerse yourselves in the healing waters of God's forgiveness. Come and be restored. Let God make you whole.

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Growing Disciples

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

*'Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

- First Reading2 Kings 5:1-14MB BrainerdNaaman is healed of leprosy
- Second Reading Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 Pastor Katie Jesus sends out the seventy

The Message Sent out in Discipleship Pastor Katie

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

*Choral Response:

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #7 NCH (verse 1)

*Blessing Our Gifts

All: We give thanks to you, O God, for you have blessed us with all we need to do your work. Empower and embolden us to use our gifts in your service. May our sharing be a sign of your coming realm and a source of healing and hope to a world in need. We pray this in the name of the One who sends us out, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

*Hymn of Preparation "Let Justice Flow like Streams" #588 NCH

Invitation One: God is with us! Many: We are not alone! One: Lift up your hearts. Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise The Story Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup One: The body of Christ, Many: the bread of life. One: The lifeblood of Christ, Many: the cup of blessing. One: The gifts of God for the people of God. Many: Thanks be to God!

The Meal

The Prayer

All: Thank you, O Christ, for this feast of life.
We are fed by your love;
we are strengthened by your life.
We are sent forth into this world to live into the visions God has laid on our hearts.
We are now commissioned to:

feed as we have been fed,
forgive as we have been forgiven,
love as we have been loved.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn: "For Freedom, Christ Has Set Us Free" Carolyn Winfrey Gillette Tune: #213 (Ellacombe)

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-4c-july-3/,

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<u>Leadership</u>

Katie Penick Hannah Matthews MB Brainerd Deb Persinger Sandy Sanders Hannah Matthews MB Brainerd Pastor Director of Music Lay Readers Worship Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week: July 13, 2025

First ReadingAmos 7;7-17God sets a plumb line among the people

Second Reading Luke 10:25-37 Parable of the merciful Samaritan

The Message Being Neighborly

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: 28

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 Kenneth Plummer, by Gloria Nethkin 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 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 443-974-6723 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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