



**Trinity United Church
of Christ
Tenth Sunday
After Pentecost
Called to Believe
August 17, 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: “Be who God meant you to be and
you will set the world on fire.” ~ St. Catherine of Siena~

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**

Jackie Kulp

One: In a world uprooted at every turn, come beloved of God for
replanting.

**Many: Our hope and weariness are mixed together, yet we
come, trusting ancient promises.**

One: The Holy One who led the people out of Egypt, yearns to
lead us, too.

**Many: God will not rest until all are rerooted, restored, and
renewed for rejoicing.**

One: Let us be joined to God’s song of justice, bearing beauty
into the life of the world.

**Many: May our lives be formed for faithfulness by the One
who is always faithful.**

***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: “It Only Takes a Spark” #484 LC**

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

**All: Gardener God, You plant us in a gifted place, but often
we return sour grapes. In the midst of Your
abundance, we complain of not having enough or
being enough. Your call “to give justice to the weak
and the orphan; to maintain the right of the lowly and
the destitute” is easily overlooked or ignored. We are
uprooted by our own inaction, selfishness, and fear.
Re-root our hearts, our minds, and our lives in the soil
of Your forgiving love. Bear up in us a boldness to sing
a song strange to the world but known by You. Let it
be the song of shalom, the chorus of Christ-love, a**

hallelujah rising as the world is mended by our consent to You. Yes, plant this anew in us today.

Silence is Kept

Words of Blessing

Growing Disciples

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

***Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Jackie Kulp
The faith of the Hebrews

Second Reading Luke 12:49-56 Pastor Katie
Jesus brings fire on earth

The Message baptism by fire *Pastor Katie*

***Hymn of Grace "O Day of God, Draw Near"**
#611 NCH (verses 1-3 & 5)

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

***Choral Response: "Grant Us, God, the Grace"**
#746 (Voices Together)

***Blessing Our Gifts**

All: We thank you, Loving God, that sourness gives way to sweetness when we answer Your call to be generous. Multiply these gifts and Your spirit in us, that the world may know your life-giving will and way. Amen

Meditation with Ashby

The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn: "Faith of the Martyrs" #381 NCH**

MOVING TOWARDS PEACE ON EARTH!

***Benediction**

One: May you remember, God has planted Your life and given you a song to sing into the world. May it be a song of healing and hope, of justice and joy.

All: May we discover ourselves blessed again and again.

One: May you find yourself joined on the journey with Jesus. Blessings on you, beloved children of God.

***Carrying the Light into the World**

Prelude to Service: Instrumental music

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

Worship Notes and Resources

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Leadership

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

Pastor
Director of Music
Lay Reader
Worship Committee

Please Join us for Fellowship downstairs following Worship today

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week: August 24, 2025

First Reading Psalm 71:1-6
You have been my strength

Second Reading Hebrews 12:18-29
Coming to the city of the living God

Third Reading Luke 13:10-17
Jesus heals on the sabbath

The Message **God's Dream**

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 – September 3 @ 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 August 3: \$1095.00 Care Fund/Building: \$35.00

Attendance: 28

Giving for Last Week: \$1,486.37 Attendance: 25

Care Fund/Building: \$105.00

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

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

Gordon Persinger

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

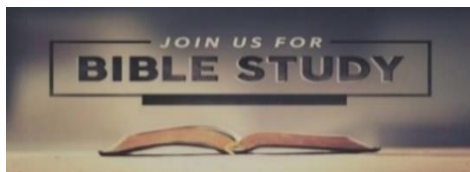
Shirley Wood

DROP IN YOGA

Saturdays at 10:30 am (1 hour class)

At Trinity UCC – \$5 per class

August 23, September 6



Young Adult Bible Study

“The Gospel According to the Simpsons”

bible study will meet on

August 24 after worship

Receive a Blessing

On **August 31st** we will bless backpacks for the upcoming year. All students and anyone who works with children (principals, school bus drivers...) are encouraged to bring their school bags for a special blessing

Upcoming Events

Grief Support Group

You Are Not Alone

Every Thursday, beginning September 4, 2025 through

October 9, 2025 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Registration is required!

A light meal will be available from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm.

Pick up a registration form in the narthex and a flyer for more information.

Eat to support Trinity’s Fundraiser

honeygrow in Westminster offers wholesome and simple foods including stir-fry, salads, honeybars and a kid’s menu. On **September 20th** they will give Trinity 20% of all orders placed with our promo code. Use the code **GIVE153** at kiosk in the restaurant or online at **honeygrow.com**. Please check out their menu at honeygrow.com

When: Saturday, September 20th 10:30AM-10:00PM

Where: honeygrow 255 Baltimore Blvd. Westminster
(on 140 across from the mall)

Promo Code: **GIVE153**

Flyers are available in the lower narthex or you may contact Sandy Sanders with questions at 443.974.6723

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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