

Trinity United Church
of Christ
Eleventh Sunday
After Pentecost
Called to Believe
August 24, 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**: "Love is or it ain't. Thin love ain't love at all." **~Toni Morrison, Beloved~** 

#### 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 We may be thirsty and parched, like an unwatered garden, so we come into God's presence:

Many: The Divine One is a spring of water!

One: We may be weary from worry and work so we come into God's presence:

Many: The Holy One offers us Sabbath rest!

One: We may be lost or confused so we come into God's presence:

Many: The Wise One offers us welcome and guidance!

One: We may be bent over with struggle or pain So we come

into God's presence:

Many: The Healing One empowers us to stand strong!

\*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.

**Moment of Affirmation** 

**Gloria Nethkin** 

\*Opening Hymn: "Lead On, Eternal" #573 NCH

First Reading Psalm 71:1-6 Shana Clark/Sylvia Calabrese

You have been my strength

One: In you, God, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

Many: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.

One: Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

Many: Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

One: For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

Many: From my birth I have leaned upon you, my protector since my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you. 
~Silence is Kept~

# **Growing Disciples**

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

**Second Reading** Hebrews 12:18-29

Shana Clark/Sylvia Calabrese

Coming to the city of the living God

**Third Reading** Luke 13:10-17 Pastor Katie

Jesus heals on the sabbath

The Message God's Dream Pastor Katie

\*Hymn of Grace "When Peace, Like a River" #438 NCH

# WE RESPOND IN LOVE

**Invitation to Generosity** 

\*Choral Response: Doxology #778 NCH

\*Blessing Our Gifts

All: Fount of Every Blessing, receive these gifts in the joy in which we bring them. May they bless your church universally, our community and our world. May none suffer lack and may we always give from generous hearts. May we always take joy in being blessed to give and to share with you and each other. Amen.

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn: "O Mighty God" #35 NCH

#### MOVING TOWARDS PEACE ON EARTH!

#### \*Benediction

One: As you depart from this sacred space, do so fearlessly for God's word is in you. Go and build beloved community wherever you roam and plant seeds of love, faith, and hope.

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen

\*Carrying the Light into the World

**Prelude to Service: Instrumental music** 

#### GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

### **Worship Notes and Resources**

**Adapted from** After Pentecost C - August 21, 2022 - United Church of Christ

The music in our worship is reproduced via our One License number: A-725765.

## Leadership

Katie Penick Pastor

Hannah Matthews Director of Music Shana Clark/Sylvia Calabrese Lay Readers

Deb Persinger Worship Committee

Sandy Sanders Hannah Matthews

MB Brainerd

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week: August 31, 2025

First Reading Psalm 81:1, 10-16

**Second Reading** Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

God is with us

Third Reading Luke 14:1, 7-14

Invite the poor to your banquet

The Message God's Promises

# **Scrip Gift Cards**

Please consider taking part in this program.

Orders go in the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Last Week: \$TBA Attendance: 23

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 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



Young Adult Bible Study
"The Gospel According to the Simpsons"
bible study will meet on
August 24 after worship

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

# **DROP IN YOGA**

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

# **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 20**<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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.



# **Immanuel**

Lutheran Church 3184 Church Street



**Trinity** 

UCC 3229 York Street

3184 Church Street Manchester, MD 21102 3229 York Street Manchester, MD 21102

# Saturday September 6, 2025

~ Rain or Shine ~ 8am - 1pm



For more information, contact:

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