



**Trinity United Church
of Christ
Eighth Sunday
After Pentecost
Called to Believe
August 3, 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: "In the broken places, the light shines through." ~Leonard Cohen~

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** (*Inspired by Psalm 107*) MB Brainerd

One: Hallelujah! Give thanks! Give thanks to God!

Many: For the Holy One redeemed us and sustained us through the time of trouble.

One: Give thanks to the Holy One, for God is good!

Many: For the Compassionate One heard our cry and sustained us through the time of trouble.

One: Give thanks to the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

Many: Hallelujah! Give thanks! Give thanks to God!

***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: "Together" #496 (Chalice) (repeat)**

Prayer to Our Mothering God (*inspired by Hosea 11:1-11*)

One: Maternal God

you conceive us

give birth to us

nurse us

smile at us every day

protect us

feed us

give us words to say

show us how to walk

cheer for us in our successes

wipe our tears when we fail

encourage us

dream big for us

and love us for who we are.

**Many: Thank you that you
do not give up on us
when we
don't call home
forget to visit
disappoint you
neglect what you've done for us
and think we did it by ourselves.**

One: Open our eyes
to see those
who need the embrace
of your mothering love
who need
someone to be their champion,
someone to always give
the cup of cold water
and a second mile.

**Many: Help us to take your love to heart
and embody it
like Jesus
deeply and tenderly.
Amen**

**Give all of us each day the bread we need,
For you alone are God of grace and glory,
and Rock of our Redemption.
Let it be so, God, let it be so.
Amen.**

Growing Disciples

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

***Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading Hosea 11:1-11 MB Brainerd
God loves Israel like a Mother

Second Reading Luke 12:13-21 Pastor Katie
Be rich toward God who is our treasure

The Message **Broken-hearted God** *Pastor Katie*

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

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

***Blessing Our Gifts**

**All: Holy One, bless these offerings, prosper the work of
our hands, and the gifts we bring. We dedicate them to your
kingdom forever and ever. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

One: Come to the table!
Jesus invites you here as part of the people of God.
Come to the table,
not because you have earned a place here,
but because you need mercy and help.
Come because you love God, and want to love God more.
Come because Jesus first loved us, and gave himself for us.
Come because you want to be filled with the Holy Spirit.
Come because you want to experience the mystery of God's
grace.

***Hymn of Preparation “Community of Christ” #314 NCH**

The Story

One: On the night he was handed over,
Jesus had a meal with his friends.
He took a loaf of bread
and after giving thanks to God,
he broke it and gave it to his disciples.

**Many: He said, “Take, eat;
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”**

One: After supper Jesus took the cup of wine;
and after giving thanks,
gave it to them and said,

**Many: “Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, remember me.”**

One: Let us pray:

**All: God our Creator,
thank you for the gift of your son Jesus Christ,
whose love pursues us our whole life long.
Thank you, Jesus, for giving your life to us in word and
deed,
even unto death, even death on a cross.
Come Holy Spirit, feed us with your love
that we may be filled with power
to love God with all our hearts and souls and
minds. Amen.**

The Meal Share

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**All: We have come to the Lord’s table,
we have eaten the bread of heaven.
God is the one who will transform us
so that we can see with Jesus’ eyes,
hear with Jesus’ ears, speak with Jesus’ mouth;
so that we can be the body of Christ in the world,
proclaiming the good news of God’s reign.
Come Lord Jesus! Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer

MOVING TOWARDS PEACE ON EARTH!

***Closing Hymn: “Take My Life” #609 (Chalice)
(verses 1-3 & 6)**

***Benediction**

***Carrying the Light into the World**

Prelude to Service: Instrumental music

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

Worship Notes and Resources

Adapted from **After Pentecost - 8C - United Church of Christ**, <http://carolpenner.typepad.com/leadinginworship/>,
"Come to the Table" Communion Service - leadinginworship

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

Leadership

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week: August 10, 2025

First Reading **Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

The faith of Abraham

Second Reading **Luke 12:32-40**

The treasure of the Kingdom

The Message **Faith and Hope**

Improvement Fund will be taken August 10, 2025

Fellowship will be August 17, 2025

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: \$778.37

Attendance: 25

Care Fund/Building: \$95.00

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

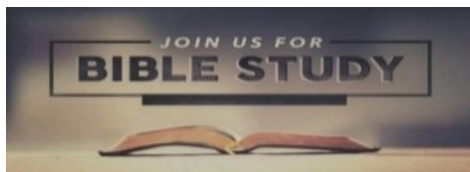
Shirley Wood

DROP IN YOGA

Saturdays at 10:30 am (1 hour class)

At Trinity UCC – \$5 per class

August 9 and 23, September 6



Young Adult Bible Study

“The Gospel According to the Simpsons”

bible study will meet on

August 10 after worship

Thrivent FAITH NIGHT

Saturday, August 16th.

Gates @ 5PM Game @6PM

Please see the flyer in the Narthex

Contact Sandy Sanders if interested

(443-974-6723)

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

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

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.

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.

Trinity U.C.C. Contact Information

Pastor: the Rev. Katie Penick Cell: 240-418-8028

E-mail: pastorkt143@gmail.com

Church Office 410-374-2727

Church e-mail – trinityuccmanchester@comcast.net

Website – www.trinityuccmanchester.org

Facebook - www.facebook.com/ManchesterUCC

President – Sandy Sanders

Vice President – Hannah Matthews

Secretary – Shana Clark

Treasurer – Sue Myers

