

Trinity United Church
of Christ
Nineteenth Sunday
After Pentecost
Children's Sabbath
You Are Welcome Here!
October 19, 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.

Description of Children's Sabbath_

"Sponsored by the Children's Defense Fund, the National Observance of Children's Sabbaths weekend unites faith communities of every religious tradition across the nation to:

- Raise awareness of problems facing children and families in our nation (such as poverty, gun violence, and lack of health care)
- Explore the texts and teachings in religious traditions that call us to nurture and protect children with love and justice
- Engage people of faith in immediate and long-term action to nurture, protect, and seek justice for children

By participating in this multi-faith, nationwide celebration, people of faith gain the inspiration of participating in a larger movement for children and help amplify the voice of our faith communities calling for justice."

Meditation of the Week: "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character." ~Martin Luther King, Jr.~

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

Sue Myers

One: We have gathered in this space

Many: Welcomed like a prodigal child back into our warm, safe home.

One: We have gathered in this space

Many: Embraced like children greeted by Jesus when others turned us away.

One: We have gathered in this space.

Many: Let us worship God as beloved children, heirs to God's beloved community of 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: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #506 NCH

First Reading Psalm 121 Sue Myers

I lift my eyes to the hills

One: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come:

Many: My help comes from God, the Maker of heaven and earth.

One: God will not let your foot be moved, and the God who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Many: Behold God who watches over Israel shall never slumber or sleep

One: It is God who watches over you and is your shade by your right hand.

Many: So that the sun will not strike you by day nor the moon by night.

One: God will preserve you from all evil. It is God who shall keep you safe.

Many: God shall watch your going out and coming in from this day forward and forever more.

~silence is kept~

Growing Disciples

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

*'Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Second Reading Jeremiah 31:27-34 Sue Myers

Promise of a new covenant

Third Reading Luke 18:1-8 Pastor Katie

A widow begs for justice

The Message O God Hear Our Prayers Pastor Katie

Song of Affirmation: "Perfect" by Pink (sung by Shana Clark)

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

*Choral Response: Doxology; words by Matt Nutter

(Tune: #780)

*Blessing Our Gifts

All: May these gifts we give be a blessing to you, O God, just as these animals have been a blessing in our lives. May these blessings be shared so that the love of Christ is made known to in a world that God has created and called good.

The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn: "Here I Am, Lord" #452 (Chalice)

Moving Towards Peace on Earth!

*Benediction

*Carrying the Light into the World

Prelude to Service: Instrumental music

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

The flowers on the altar are in memory of Elinor Frock from her loving family.

Please join us downstairs for Fellowship following Worship today!

Worship Notes and Resources

Adapted from https://justiceunbound.org/childrens-sabbath-liturgy/

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

Leadership

Katie Penick Pastor

Hannah Matthews Director of Music Sue Myers Lay Reader

Deb Persinger Worship Committee

Sandy Sanders Hannah Matthews

MB Brainerd

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week: October 26, 2025

First Reading Joel 2:23-32

In those days I will pour out my Spirit

Second Reading Luke 18:9-14

A Pharisee and a tax collector pray

The Message Gathering the Harvest



We will be celebrating **Harvest Home** on **Sunday**, **October 26th.** Please bring in nonperishable food items to be blessed and donated to NESAP. You may bring in your donation anytime during the month of October.

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on **November 23rd** in preparation to welcome guests on Black Friday.

Please plan to stay after the worship service on November 23rd to assist. There is something for everyone to do.

Light snacks will be available to nourish you while we work.

Remember- Many hands make light work.

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 November Newsletters - Monday, October 27

Meeting Dates by Zoom

Consistory – November 5 @ 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: 24

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:

Joanna Garber

Eva Gebhardt, member of Trinity

Shannon Gettman, daughter of Diane

Meg Grim, daughter of Pastor Katie

Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz

Sandy Hall, sister of Deb Miller

Jerry Krebs, friend of Deb Persinger

Rosie Kundin

Ash Van Nuys

Jennifer Penick

Gordon Persinger

George Pietsch

Marc Pulido

Leah, friend of Donna Alban

Michael & Pat Robinette, (son & Mom) by Gloria Nethkin

Jean Simmons

Becky Smith, niece of Karen Price

Joey Stanford

Kathleen Stevens

Gina Tollini

Ronnie Williams

Nora Renee Winters

Shirley Wood

Media Help Wanted

The media team is looking for persons to assist with the live stream of our Sunday services on the church's Facebook page.

You do not need to commit to every Sunday. Our current operators, Karen & Elwin will provide training and support. Please see Sandy Sanders, Karen Haines or Elwin Wagner for more information.

Thank you in advance for considering to help with this valuable piece of our worship service.

Calling All the Saints!

Sunday, **November 1** is All Saints Sunday. In memory of those saints in our lives who have gone on before us. Please give your names to Pastor Katie or Diane. More information to follow.

MEET & GREET WITH SANTA

Where: Trinity

When: Saturday December 6, 2025

Time: 1pm-3pm

Santa will meet and greet children.

See the flyers in the newsletter for more information.

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