



**Trinity United Church  
of Christ  
Seventeenth Sunday  
After Pentecost**

**You Are Welcome Here!  
World Communion Sunday  
October 5, 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: "The encounter with Christ in  
communion transforms us into bearers of peace and hope."  
Archbishop Desmond Tutu*

**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

*Written by Rev. Taisaku OBATA (Minister, Ube Church, United  
Church of Christ in Japan) Translated by Mr. David  
McIntosh (Overseas Liaison, United Church of Christ in  
Japan)*

One: In a world that remains divided and in conflict, God is  
inviting us, to make us one.

**Many: Today we gather around one table, in answer to  
God's will.**

One: What do we find at today's table?

**Many: God's love, which endures all things and connects  
all things.**

One: What is not at today's table?

**Many: The many powers of the world, which seek to  
stand over others.**

One: Let us repent, and give thanks to God's power to bring  
salvation to all who believe.

**Many: Thanks be to God! Make us witnesses of Your  
love.**

**All: Let us worship together the true God, who makes us  
one.**

**\*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: "Christ Be Our Light" Bernadette Farrell**

**Commissioning Service for Mission Trip**

## Growing Disciples

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

**\*Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'**

### ***WE HEAR GOD'S WORD***

**First Reading**    1 Corinthians 12:12–27    MB Brainerd  
*Gifts of the Spirit*

**Second Reading**    John 17:21-23    Pastor Katie  
*That they all may be one*

**The Message**      **Prayer Stations**      *Pastor Katie*

### ***WE RESPOND IN LOVE***

## Invitation to Generosity

**\*Choral Response: Doxology**; words by Matt Nutter  
(Tune: #780)

## **\*Blessing Our Gifts**

**All:** Gracious God we thank you for the opportunity to give  
our time, talent, and treasure for the building of your  
Kingdom on earth. Bless every gift, tithe, and offering  
that's deposited into your Kingdom today; we offer this  
prayer in your mighty name. Amen

### ***SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION***

## Invitation

## **\*Hymn of Preparation "Christ Be With Us"**

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (tune: Hyfrydol #257 NCH)

## Litany: What do you bring?

One:      What do you bring to Christ's table?

**Many:**      **We bring bread,  
made by many people's work  
from an unjust world  
where some have plenty  
and most go hungry.**

One:      At this table, all are fed  
and no one turned away.

**Many:**      **Thanks be to God**

One:      What do you bring to Christ's table?

**Many:** **We bring wine,  
made by many people's work  
from an unjust world  
where some have leisure  
and most struggle to survive**

One:      At this table, all share the cup  
of pain and celebration  
And no one is denied.

**Many:**      **Thanks be to God**

One:      These gifts shall be for us  
the body and blood of Christ,  
Our witness against hunger,  
our cry against injustice,  
And our hope for a world  
where God is fully known  
And every child is fed.

**Many:**      **Thanks be to God**

## **Sharing the Meal**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**All:** We thank you, generous God, for the nourishment of this table and the living presence of Christ among us. We thank you for the gift of growth and grace in this life-renewing feast. We thank you for the company of your great cloud of witnesses, here in this place, in every land, and throughout the generations. Take your gathered people and scatter us again into the world—renewed, invigorated, and committed—that, so nourished, we may take root and bear life-giving fruit to feed, heal, clothe, and comfort, in Jesus' name. Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

**\*Closing Hymn: "In Christ There Is No East or West"**  
**#687 (Chalice)**

## ***MOVING TOWARDS PEACE ON EARTH!***

## **\*Benediction**

*Written by Rev. Dr. Ian Alexander, Church of Scotland.*

One: We have been guests of Jesus Christ. We have received God's good gifts. Now we go out in the energy of the Spirit to our homes, to our neighborhoods, to our workplaces ready to put Jesus' words and being into action: to be the salt of the earth, to be light to the world, to seek justice, to make peace, to preserve the creation, to gain life for all.

The Blessing of the God we know as Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit be upon us all, today and every day.

**All: Amen.**

## **\*Carrying the Light into the World**

**Prelude to Service: Instrumental music**

***GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!***

## **Worship Notes and Resources**

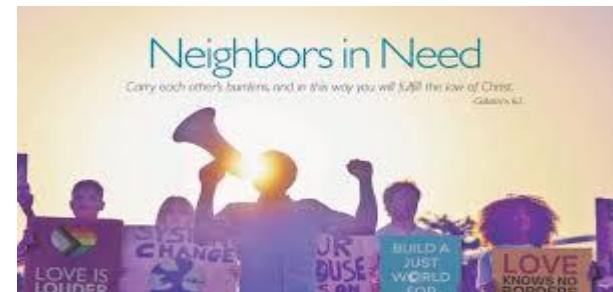
**Adapted from** <https://www.globalministries.org/resource/world-communion-sunday-resources/>, <https://www.faithward.org/short-term-mission-trip-planning-toolkit/mission-trip-commissioning-litany/> <http://www.christianaid.org.uk/>

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## **Leadership**

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

Pastor  
Director of Music  
Lay Reader  
Worship Committee



## **Collecting today for NIH**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Worship at Trinity UCC for next week: October 12, 2025**

**First Reading** Psalm 148 *Praise God!*

**Second Reading** Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14 *A letter of hope*

**The Message** Building Hope

### **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](mailto: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: \$1,431.72      Attendance:23**

**Care Fund/Building: \$35.00**

***We offer various ways to give – cash, checks, or on-line at our website [www.trinityuccmanchester.org](http://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:**

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.



### **Bible Study at 9:15**

The curriculum is called Sojourn: Flourishing on Earth, Yearning for Heaven

*Join us for Sojourn: Flourishing on Earth, Yearning for Heaven which focuses on faithful living. In this study we trace the thread of exiles throughout the Bible, exploring the narratives of those who have gone before us. Together, we will discover how to live faithfully in the here and now while longing for our true heavenly home. Along the way, we'll explore Scripture with thought-provoking questions and seek opportunities to apply the truths we find to our actual lives. Join us in this pursuit of Faithful Living as exiles!*

### **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.

### **Trinity U.C.C. Contact Information**

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