



**Trinity United Church
of Christ
The Season after
Pentecost
Walking with Purpose
July 12, 2026
10:30 am**

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: "Small things done with great love
will change the world." ~St. Teresa of Calcutta~

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.

Congregation stands when you see an asterisk

Words of Welcome Pastor Katie

Prelude: Instrumental Music

***Call to Community**

Pastor Katie

One: Holy One, You meet us in the stories of our ancestors:
in families that struggled, in choices that shaped
generations, in the messy, ordinary places where
blessing takes root.

**Many: Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our
path.**

One: You scatter seeds of grace with extravagant hope.
Some fall on rocky places, some among thorns, some
into the good soil of our hearts.

**Many: Let us be soil that welcomes your word, soil that
nourishes justice,
soil that bears compassion in abundance.**

One: Come, Spirit of Life. Gather us, ground us, grow us.

**Many: We come to you with open hands and open
hearts.**

***Prayer of Peace**

One: Holy One, in these tumultuous times, steady our
hearts. Where fear rises, plant courage. Where anger
burns, sow compassion. Where the world feels broken,
breathe Your healing peace.

Make us instruments of your justice, bearers of your mercy,
and signs of your unshakeable hope. Amen.

***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: “Joys are Flowing like a River”
#375 (Voices Together)**

Modern Testimony based on Psalm 119 Sue Myers

One: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

**All: Light our way, Loving God, so we may travel in
your way.**

One: I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to observe
your righteous ordinances.

**All: Keep us faithful to the promises we have made and
forgive us when we fall short.**

One: I am severely afflicted; give me life, O Lord, according
to your word.

All: Hear us and heal us, God, for we need you today.

One: Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord, and teach me
your ordinances.

**All: We seek your acceptance and your wisdom, Holy
One.**

One: I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not
forget your law.

**All: Even in times of trouble, we turn to you because
you are faithful, God.**

One: The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not
stray from your precepts.

**All: With the support of this faith community, we do not
walk alone no matter what.**

One: Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the
joy of my heart.

**All: We are thankful for our ancestors in the faith who
lived their faith.**

One: I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to
the end.

**All: Give us the strength to remain faithful for you are
faithful, Loving God.**

~silence is kept~

Growing Disciples

Blessing the Prayer Shawls

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

***Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of the Day

One: God of wind and whisper, open our ears to your voice,
our hearts to your presence, and our lives to your
transforming love. Amen.

Ancient Testimony Genesis 25:19-34 Sue Myers
Esau sells his birthright to Jacob

Ancient Testimony Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 Pastor Katie
The parable of the sower and the seed

Message *The Harvest Begins Small* Pastor Katie

***Hymn of Grace “Come Forth, O Love Divine” #289 NCH**

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

***Choral Response of Thanksgiving
“All Creatures, Worship God Most High” (verse 4)
#81 (Voices Together)**

***Blessing Our Gifts**

All: Holy Giver, bless these gifts and bless our lives. Let what we offer become seeds of justice, hope, and healing in Your world. Amen.

Meditation with Ashby

Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn: "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
#42 NCH**

MOVING TOWARDS PEACE ON EARTH!

Sending Forth

One: Go now as people rooted in grace. Let love be your soil, courage your sunlight, and compassion the fruit you bear. The Spirit goes with you— always ahead of you, always within you, always calling you toward life.

Many: Amen

Prelude to Service

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

PLEASE NOTE OUR EMAIL ADDRESS HAS CHANGED TO:
officetuccmd@gmail.com

Worship Notes and Resources

Adapted from /www.ucc.org/what-we-do/justice-local-church-ministries/local-church/worship-resources/worship-ways-2/,
Litany on Psalm 119:105-112 – Tea and Theology
The music in our worship is reproduced via our One License number: A-725765.

Leadership

Katie Penick
Hannah Matthews
Sue Myers

Pastor
Director of Music
Lay Reader

Deb Persinger
Sandy Sanders
Hannah Matthews
MB Brainerd

Worship Committee

Fellowship Next Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for July 19, 2026

Ancient Testimony Genesis 28:10-19a
Jacob's ladder

Ancient Testimony Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (MSG)
The parable of the weeds

Message *Climbing the Ladder*

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
wsmдем@comcast.net

Submission Dates for Bulletins/Newsletter

Sunday Worship bulletin – Wednesday
September Newsletters – Monday, August 24

Meeting Dates by Zoom

Consistory – Wednesday August 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
Care Fund/Building: \$TBA**

Attendance: 26

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:

Carolyn Brooks
Keith Fredrick, friend of Donna Alban
Eva Gebhardt, member of Trinity
George Harman, nephew of Karen Price
Jerry Krebs, friend of Deb Persinger
Gloria Nethkin
Ash Van Nuys
Jennifer Penick
Gordon Persinger
George Pietsch
Marc Pulido
Leah, friend of Donna Alban
Beth Robert
Jean Simmons
Becky & Willy Smith, niece of Karen Price
Dan and Terry Smith
Rae Smith
Finley Maven Snyder, granddaughter of Karen Price
Gina Tollini
Rev. Debra Wilcox
Josie Wilson
Nora Renee Winters
Shirley Wood

DROP IN YOGA

July 18th August 8th Saturdays @ 9 a.m.
See the flyer for more information



Bible Study **Thursday's at 6:30 PM** and will be alternate Thursday's meeting both in person and remotely. Sunday Morning Bible Study resumes on **July 12th at 9:30 am**. We continue to discuss *Bad Girls of the Bible* by Barbara Essex. Our final session will be August 9th.

Our next study will be a discussion of *Unclobbered* by Colby Martin. Please let Pastor Katie know if you are interested.

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