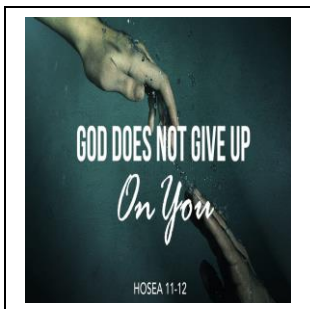




**Trinity United Church
of Christ
The Season after
Pentecost
My Love Colors Outside
the Lines
October 11, 2026
10:30 am**

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 “We must not only learn to tolerate our differences. We must welcome them as the richness and diversity which can lead to true intelligence.” ~Albert Einstein~

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: In the midst of fear and anger; mayhem and destruction, God calls us..

Many: With everything else going on, who has time for a feast? We're busy, we'll get around to eating eventually.

One: When we wander, God seeks us. When we falter, God forgives us. When we feel unworthy, God invites us

Many: When we are overwhelmed, we are tempted to just grab a sandwich between errands, a snack we can eat while driving, or checking messages.

One: The feast is spread! All are invited and everyone is welcomed with open arms!

Many: We are invited. We are welcome. We are worthy. How will we respond?

***Prayer of Peace**

One: God of mercy, let Your peace settle upon us—steady our breath, softening our fear, strengthening our courage.

All: Speak peace into wounded places, into weary communities, into every heart longing for rest.

One: Make us instruments of Your healing and bearers of Your compassion.

All: Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

One: May the Peace of Christ always be with you.

Many: And also with you

Pass a sign of God's Peace to one another

***Opening Hymn: “You, God, Are My Firmament”**
#279 (Voices United)

Modern Testimony Cindy Piazza

Song for Autumn, by Mary Oliver

Don't you imagine the leaves dream now
how comfortable it will be to touch
the earth instead of the
nothingness of the air and the endless
freshets of wind? And don't you think
the trees, especially those with
mossy hollows, are beginning to look for

the fires that will come—six, a dozen—to sleep
inside their bodies? And don't you hear
the goldenrod whispering goodbye,
the everlasting being crowned with the first
tuffets of snow? The pond
stiffens and the white field over which
the fox runs so quickly brings out
its long blue shadows. The wind wags
its many tails. And in the evening
the piled firewood shifts a little,
longing to be on its way.

~silence is kept~

Moment of Affirmation Lucy Brady

Hymn of Affirmation

“The Jesus In Me Loves the Jesus in You”

Growing Disciples

Blessing for Mission Trip

Blessing Prayer Shawls

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

***Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)'**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of the Day

One: Holy One, open our hearts to your Word that calls us
home. May we remember that your table is wide and your
welcome is real. Amen.

Ancient Testimony Exodus 32:1-14 Cindy Piazza
The golden calf

***Choral Response “Thy Word”** Amy Grant sing through 3x
#326 (Chalice)

Ancient Testimony Matthew 22:1-14 Pastor Katie
The parable of the unwelcome guest

Message *the God who refuses to give up* Pastor Katie

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

***Choral Response of Thanksgiving: Doxology** #778

***Blessing Our Gifts**

**All: God of All Creation, you invite us to your table with
abundance and joy. Receive these gifts and use them to
widen your welcome, strengthen your justice, and bless
your world. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn: "I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord"**
#51 (Living Church) (repeat)

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

Sending Forth

One: Go now into God's world as people invited, forgiven,
and beloved.

**Many: May our lives reflect the welcome you have
received, our hands extend the mercy you have
known, and our hearts rejoice in the feast God sets
before you.**

One: Go in peace, to love and to serve.

All: Amen.

Prelude to Service

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

Worship Notes and Resources

Adapted from <http://sermonizing.wordpress.com/> Song for
Autumn poem - Mary Oliver/[www.ucc.org/what-we-do/justice-
local-church-ministries/local-church/worship-resources/worship-
ways-](http://www.ucc.org/what-we-do/justice-local-church-ministries/local-church/worship-resources/worship-ways-)

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Sandy Sanders
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MB Brainerd

Pastor
Director of Music
Lay Reader
Worship Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for October 18, 2026

Ancient Testimony Exodus 33:12-23
God's glory revealed to Moses

Ancient Testimony Matthew 22:15-22
A teaching about the emperor and God

Message ***show me your glory!***

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 26

Meeting Dates by Zoom

Consistory – Wednesday, November 4 @ 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: \$825.90 Attendance: 25

Care Fund/Building: \$35.00

***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:

Hazel Burkhead
Carolyn Brooks
Keith Fredrick, friend of Donna Alban
Owen Garber
Donna Geiman
George Harman, nephew of Karen Price
Robert Miller
Ash Van Nuys
Jennifer Penick
Gordon Persinger
George Pietsch
Marc Pulido
Leah, friend of Donna Alban
Margaret Mary Shine, niece of Lucy Brady
Jean Simmons
Becky & Willy Smith, niece of Karen Price
Dan and Terry Smith
Rae Smith
Finley Maven Snyder, granddaughter of Karen Price
Gina Tollini
Nora Renee Winters
Shirley Wood

**Please join us for Harvest Home on October 18,
with fellowship to follow worship.**



Bible Study **Thursday's at 6:30 PM** and will be alternate Thursday's meeting both in person and remotely.
Exploring Scripture, Welcome, and New Beginnings

📖 Upcoming Bible Study: *UnClobber* by Colby Martin

Exploring Scripture, Welcome, and New Beginnings

On **September 20th at 9:30**, we began a six part Bible study rooted in Colby Martin's book *UnClobber*

Please let Pastor Katie know if you need a copy of the book.

Yoga is back!

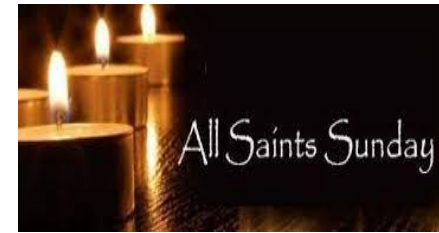
Join us on the following Saturday mornings at 10 AM.

Oct 17 & 24 Nov 7 & 21

December 5 & 12

Bring your mat or enjoy the chair adaptation.

A \$5 donation is appreciated.



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.

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