



Trinity United Church of Christ

“Sixth Sunday after
Pentecost”

June 30, 2024
10:00 a.m.

In-Person Worship
FB Live Streaming

Revisioning: So All Shall Be Well!

Open and Affirming Sunday

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 Day “The fullness of Joy is to behold God in
everything.”~ Julian of Norwich~

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

*This is a Safe and Loving Place, a “Sanctuary” for
worship, praise, and reflection; and to remember that ‘No
Matter Who You Are or Where You Are on Life’s Journey,
You are Welcome Here!*

**Prelude: Instrumental Music Performed by
Hannah Matthews**

Words of Welcome Pastor Katie

Announcements, Joys and Concerns Pastor Katie

*Call to Community

MB Brainerd

One: A love that never ceases,

All: A creativity that designed the universe,

One: A hope that cannot be quenched,

All: A pursuit of reconciliation no matter the cost:

One: These are the things that are of God,

All: Then let us worship God.

*Passing of the Peace

One: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

All: And also with you

Pass a sign of God’s Peace to one another.

*Opening Hymn: “I Shall Not Leave From by Your Side”

Words by Chris Shelton

A Story for the Child in All of Us

Baptism of Clara Hart Hemlock

Introduction

One: Following the tradition of Jesus who welcomed children
into his community, we celebrate the presence of children within
this community of faith and offer to children the sacrament of
baptism. We invite Clara and her family to come forward today
and celebrate the sacrament of baptism. We affirm the love of
God made known in this child and the sacredness of the covenant
shared between this child, her family and this congregation to
support this child as she lives and grows in faith.

Invitation

One: We are here to praise God for the life of *Clara Hart
Hemlock*, our young friend, who in such a short time has brought
us so much joy. Through Clara we have experienced birth again
in a new and more conscious way; in her, God has created the
world again, opening us to wonder and possibility that we had

forgotten. We live not for ourselves alone, but toward God and for each other. Our lives are bound in a covenant of love with Clara, her family and one another.

We baptize Clara with our desire to show her a way of life that naturally displays love, respect, and justice. We baptize her with our intention to witness the unfolding of God's creation as she grows and changes. We baptize her with our desire to be in God's presence as we are in her presence. We baptize Clara with our desire to see her grow in spiritual maturity, in wisdom, and in soulful service to others, following in the spiritual footsteps of all the great mystics and spiritual teachers of the world.

Questions of the Parents/Family:

- ∞ Each of us here has a unique role in raising this beautiful child. Do you, her parents, commit yourselves to raising her in a manner that inspires faithfulness, compassion, and spiritual growth? If so, say, **We do**
- ∞ Will you encourage your child to learn from the wisdom of the prophets; doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with her God? If so, say, **We do.**
- ∞ Will you teach your child to honor the faith questions that belong to her throughout her life? If so, say, **We do**
- ∞ Will you journey with your child to discover the wonder of God's love made manifest here this day? If so, say, **We do**
- ∞ And do we, the family and friends of Clara commit ourselves to being a faithful community that will guide and support her through life? If so, let us say, **We do.**

Congregational Assent

One: Jesus calls us to welcome children into the full life of our community, opening our table and hearts to those most

vulnerable, offering the wisdom of the ages to all who hunger for truth. Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to this child being baptized as she lives and grows in this Christian community?

All: We promise our love support and care.

Baptismal Prayer

One: We thank you, God, for the gift of creation made known to us in water and word. Before the world had shape and form, your Spirit moved over the waters. Out of the waters of the deep, you formed the firmament and brought forth the earth to sustain all life. In the time of Moses, your people Israel passed through the Red Sea waters from slavery to freedom and crossed the flowing Jordan to enter the promised land. You have come to us through water in the stories of Jesus who was nurtured in the water of Mary's womb, baptized by John in the water of the Jordan, and became living water to a woman at the Samaritan well. Jesus washed the feet of the disciples and sent them forth to baptize with water and spirit. Bless by your Holy Spirit, gracious God, this water. Bless all who touch and taste this water that may be ever reminded of your abiding presence and claim on their lives. Amen. (UCC Book of Worship, adapted)

Act of Baptism

By what name will this child be called?

I baptize you with faith in the living God, Source, Servant and Guide.

May the Spirit be upon you, child of God, disciple of Christ, and member of the Christian church.

Prayer of Dedication

All: God of wonder and grace, we thank you for your love revealed here this day as this community, these parents, and this child come together making covenant promises. We pray that this community will have the grace to uphold the promises made here this day, providing a safe shelter of your love in which this child may grow and play. We pray that these parents may continue to feel the sweet wonder of your presence so transparent here today. We pray that this child will bask in your love as he makes his own journey through this life. Amen.

*Hymn of Welcome "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"
(#351 NCH)

Presentation of the Child

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

*Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading MB Brainerd
2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 (*The Message*)
David mourns Jonathan

Second Reading Pastor Katie
Mark 5:21-43 (*The Message*)
A Risk of Faith

The Message **Healing Touch** **Pastor Katie**

*Hymn of Grace: "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
(#42 NCH) (verses 1, 3, & 4)

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to Generosity

A Moment of Generosity Hannah Matthews

*Blessing Our Gifts.

All: For the blessings of this and all our days, we thank you, gracious God. Accept, we pray, not just these gifts but also our lives freely offered in gratitude for all you have done for us. Use them both, in this place and wherever you might take us. Amen

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

*Closing Hymn: "We Cannot Measure How You Heal"
Text by John L. Bell/Graham Maule

*Benediction

*Carrying the Light into the World

*Prelude to Service:
Instrumental music by Hannah Matthews

Worship Notes and Resources

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Leadership

Katie Penick	Pastor
Hannah Matthews	Director of Music
MB Brainerd	Lay Readers
Deb Persinger	Worship Committee
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Hannah Matthews	
MB Brainerd	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost – July 7, 2024

First Reading 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 (*The Message*)
David becomes King

Second Reading Mark 6:1-13 (*NRSV*)
Disciples sent out two-by-two

The Message **Building the Kingdom**

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
July/August Newsletters - Monday, June 24

Meeting Dates

Consistory – Wednesday, July 10 @ 7pm
Worship Comm – Third Thursday of each month @ 3:30.

Budget Information:

Amount needed from all sources each week to meet our budget: \$2,436.00.

Giving for last week: \$961.16 Attendance: 35

Building Fund/Fundraising:\$60.00

Please give in the various ways we offer for you to give your financial offerings to Trinity. We are lagging in our giving and hope that we can re-gain the generous level of giving we are accustomed to receiving.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concerns

Prayers are needed for our World at this difficult time and all those in need.

Prayer requests:

Jeff Brooks and family by Leslie Brooks
Mike Brooks, cousin of Jeff Brooks
Janie Dell, friend of Karen Price
Lisa Frederick
Eva Gebhardt, member of Trinity
Matt Goon, cousin of Karen Price
Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz
Pat Hanberry and family
Cindy McAllister, cousin of Shana Clark
Sam Van Nuys
Mary and George Pietsch
Leah, friend of Donna Alban
Carol Sheffler, friend of Belva LaMotte
Gina Tollini

The Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is returning **Saturday, July 13th at 10 am**

Each week, you will make new friends and learn about God with children and youth from different churches!

To register for the zoom link

email: trinitychristianeducation2727@gmail.com

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