



Trinity United Church of Christ

“Seventh Sunday after
Pentecost”

July 7, 2024

10:00 a.m.

In-Person Worship
FB Live Streaming

I Love to Tell the Story

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 Love is not consolation, it is light.
~Simone Weil~

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: Come, let us come into the House of the Holy One with
song and dance.

All: **We have come to worship our God, the Creator of
heaven and earth, seas and rivers, and all that dwells
within.**

One: The Lord of the Dance beckons us to join in this time of
celebration and joy...

All: **That we might know that we are gathered in God’s
holy place.**

One: We join the psalmist with songs of the glory of the God of
Hosts.

All: **We seek to know God’s faithfulness and wisdom.**

One: Let us enter God’s rhythm of life and follow in the ways of
the Word. God will bring us home where dancing and joy will
never end!

*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: “Lord of the Dance” (Sydney Carter)

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Brokenness

All: **Holy God, we confess that too often we have not been
open to the rhythms of life you offer to us. We let ourselves
be put off your pace and allow ourselves to wander off into
our own songs. Too often the melodies of the world confuse
us. We have led ourselves and others to paths that are not
according to your loving pace and direction.**

Help us pay attention with all of our senses. Make our dancing faithful; help us take the risks that are part of letting you lead. Pull us back into your rhythms. Clean our hearts, purify our hands and steady our feet that we might know and share your blessings.

~silence is kept~

Words of Blessing

A Story for the Child in All of Us

Children are Dismissed for Children's Church

*Gloria, Gloria (Taizé)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading MB Brainerd

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

Second Reading Pastor Katie

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

The Message Building the Kingdom *Pastor Katie*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to Generosity

*Choral Response: "We Sing to You, O God"
(The Glory of the Triune God) (verse 1)

*Blessing Our Gifts.

All: God of all bounty and blessing, receive our lives and our gifts to be bounty and blessings to you, our church, and the world. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

One: When Jesus sat at tables and broke bread with tax collectors, lawyers, rich leaders, and poor peasants, he proclaimed that God's gracious love and abiding presence know no bounds. Through these occasions of sharing food, women and men experienced God, and shared in God's Beloved Community. A Community where: all are welcome, worthy, and invited; lives are transformed and empowered; and the fruits of God's gentle justice bloom throughout all Creation.

All: All people, including each of us, are invited to share in this sacred meal of celebration, and be strengthened by the presence of God in this place.

*Hymn of Preparation - "An Upper Room with Evening Lamps Ashine" (#428 Chalice) (verses 1, 2, 4)

Prayer of Remembrance

One: We remember that Jesus fed 5,000 hungry people with five loaves of bread and two fish. At this miraculous meal, there was such an abundance of food that everyone ate until they were full – and there were even twelve baskets of food left over.

All: Holy God, we celebrate Your abundant care and solidarity, revealed in this meal.

One: We remember that Jesus joined a great banquet with Levi, the despised tax collector. And despite the complaints of some, Jesus welcomed Levi, and invited him to repent and enjoy a fresh beginning at life.

All: Holy God, we celebrate Your transforming presence, revealed in this meal.

One: We remember that while sharing a meal with Pharisees, Jesus welcomed a woman viewed as an outsider. As the woman anointed his feet with oil, Jesus declared her dignity before everyone at the meal.

All: Holy God, we celebrate Your gracious inclusiveness, revealed in this meal.

At these meals, Jesus, and the women and men disciples resisted the divisions, injustice, and violence of society. They lived out a new – the Beloved Community of God – a place of love, justice, and mutuality. Today we celebrate these meals and ministries and seek signs of this Community in our midst...Despite the divisions, violence, and injustice in the world, God continually brings forth renewed hope for love, justice, and mutuality to and through each of us.

The Blessing

One: Gracious God, may this meal, for us, be an “Emmaus meal,” where we encounter your presence in the sharing of this food, as the disciples did at their meal in Emmaus.

May the sharing of this food also be a taste of your Beloved Community, Holy God, so we may be strengthened to be your joyful and hopeful disciples. And may we share in your Beloved Community of love, justice, and mutuality with those around us. Amen!

All: Holy God, bless each of us, and the meal we will share, so we may be: opened to your abiding presence; nourished by your gracious love; and strengthened by your resurrection power. Amen!

One: Come taste and see and know God is present with us here.

The Meal

The Lord’s Prayer

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

***Closing Hymn: “Go to the World!”**
(The Gospel in The Christian Life)

***Benediction**

***Carrying the Light into the World**

***Prelude to Service:**
Instrumental music by Hannah Matthews

Worship Notes and Resources

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***The Improvement Fund offering
will be next week!***

Leadership

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Pastor
Director of Music
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost – July 14, 2024

First Reading 2 Samuel 6:1-7, 12-19 (*The Message*)
David brings the Ark to Jerusalem

Second Reading Mark 6:14-29 (*The Message*)
John is beheaded

The Message The Dance

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: \$2,276.06 Attendance: 42

Building Fund/Fundraising:\$45.00

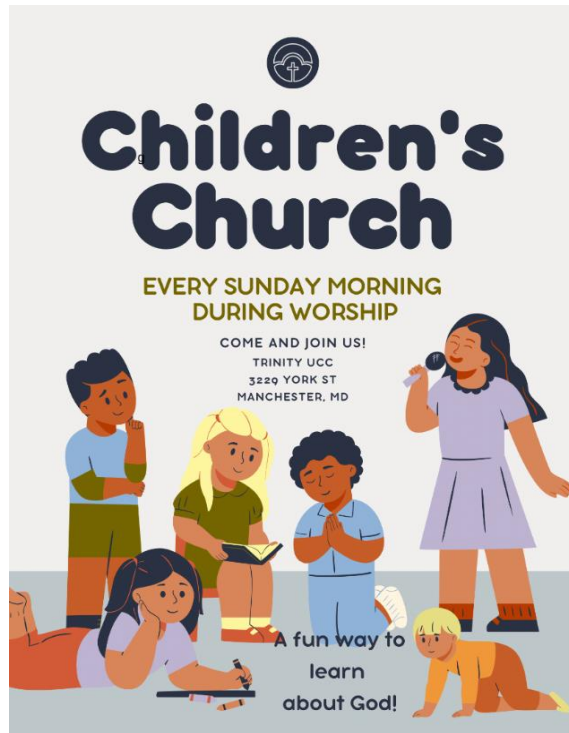
Please give in the various ways we offer for you to give your financial offerings to Trinity. We are lagging in our giving and hope that we can re-gain the generous level of giving we are accustomed to receiving.

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
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



Hymn Requests

We are collecting hymn requests for Sunday's worship. Please pick up a form at the rear of the sanctuary and then place it in the box.

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Vice President – Sandy Sanders

Secretary – Leslie Brooks

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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

