

Trinity United Church of Christ

“Eighteenth Sunday
after Pentecost”

September 22, 2024

10:30 a.m.

In-Person Worship

FB Live Streaming

Faith and Democracy Sunday National Day of Praise and Worship A Season of Peace

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 "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?." ~Martin Luther King, Jr

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

Welcome Video from the Central Atlantic Conference

***Call to Community MB Brainerd**

One: How might God be speaking to us today?

People: Let us listen and discern.

One: What might Jesus want us to learn about justice, peace, and possibility?

People: Let us be open to the Holy One’s calling on our lives.

One: When the Holy Spirit empowers us to help build a world where all are cared for and none go hungry, how will we respond?

People: We invite the Spirit to inspire us in this hour of worship and move us to greater love and action for all of God’s creation.

***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: “Great is Your Faithfulness” (#423 NCH)**

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Brokenness

All: Holy One, we know that you want us to choose love, but instead we choose greed. We know that you ask us to care for creation, but instead we choose that which is cheap and easy. We know that you show us how to work for the flourishing of all our neighbors, but instead we let division, judgment, and fear get in the way. We hope for so much more for our communities, our nation, our world, and ourselves. Forgive us when we choose anything less than love, anything that doesn’t lead to justice, and anything that turns

us away from you or each other. Transform our indifference, apathy, and despair into action, gratitude, and a renewed commitment to do the work to which you call us, knowing that when we falter, you will be there to once again pick us up, dust us off, and challenge us to live what we say we believe. Amen.

~silence is kept~

Words of Blessing

A Story for the Child in All of Us

*Gloria (*Children are Dismissed for Children's Church*)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading Psalm 1 MB Brainerd
The way of righteousness

Second Reading Mark 8:30-37 Pastor Katie
Extravagant Welcome

The Message "Our Still-Speaking God" *Pastor Katie*

*Hymn of Grace "Community of Christ" (#314 NCH)

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to Generosity

Moment of Generosity

*Choral Response Doxology (#778 NCH)

*Blessing Our Gifts.

All: God of Justice, accept these offerings of our time and treasure. You call us to be repairers of the breach and to be the beloved community for all people. Use our hands and feet

to create your beloved community of love and compassion. Use our donations to further your care for the most vulnerable. We offer our best for the healing of the world. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

*Closing Hymn: "He Lives" (#158 LC)
(requested by Gordon Persinger)

*Benediction

*Carrying the Light into the World

*Prelude to Service:
Instrumental music by Hannah Matthews

Worship Notes and Resources

Adapted from *CAC Faith & Democracy 2024 Packet - Google Docs*

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Leadership

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

Pastor
Director of Music
Lay Readers
Worship Committee

Join us for the youth meeting after worship today.
For anyone interested in forming a youth group.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost – September 29, 2024

Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

Theme “Whoever is not against us is for us”

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

October Newsletters - Monday, September 23

Meeting Dates by Zoom

Consistory – October 2 @ 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: \$1,485.09 Attendance: 29

Building Fund/Fundraising:\$56.13

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:

Carolyn Brooks, Jeff Brooks mom

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

Meg Grim, daughter of Pastor Katie

Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz

John Hansen

Sam Van Nuys

Kathy Peters and family

Mary and George Pietsch

Leah, friend of Donna Alban

Wendi Saltsman, friend of Belva LaMotte

Mark Seal, son of Deb and Robert Miller

Carol Sheffler, friend of Belva LaMotte

Jean Simmons

Becky Smith, niece of Karen Price

Gina Tollini

Shirley Wood

Pastor Katie Sabbath Day will be on Tuesdays! She will not be available on that day. If there is an emergency text, her @ 240-418-8028

*Neighbors
in Need*

October 6, 2024 we will be collecting offering for
Neighbors in Need



TRINITY T-SHIRT ORDERS


We are taking orders for our newly designed t-shirts!

Contact Sandy Sanders to place an order or with any questions @ 443-974-6723

SIZING: Adult Sizes: S M L XL XXL Youth Sizes: S M L XL




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