



**Trinity United Church  
of Christ**

**“Twenty-Fifth Sunday  
after Pentecost”**

**Consecration Sunday**

**November 10, 2024**

**10:30 a.m.**

**In-Person Worship**

**FB Live Streaming**

**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* “As followers of Jesus, we must persist in speaking truth in love. We are called to be active expressions of God's love in the world.” ~ Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia A. Thompson, President and General Minister, UCC~

**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**

Sue Myers

One: God has gathered us to this place,

All: **where we hear those stories, which show us what the kingdom of God is like.**

One: God summons us to this place,

All: **where we can learn how to serve our God without reservation, or hesitation.**

One: God will send us from this place,

All: **to tell others of God's hopes and dreams, so they, too, can choose to follow 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: “Won’t You Let Me Be Your Servant”  
(#539 NCH)**

**Litany of Covenant Renewal**

One: Every day we journey on this earth is a day in which we make choices: left or right, up or down, in or out, yes or no? Some choices are simple, and some are very complex, but one choice informs all the others: Who will be our God?

Who will we trust to see us through this journey?

All: **Who has been with us from before the beginning, bringing us into existence? Who has loved us and blessed us and sent us on our way? Who has pointed us toward the path and posted the signs we need to find our way? Who has been at our side when the road has been smooth and gently curving? Who has kept with us through hairpin turns and construction zones and potholes and detours?**

**Who will celebrate with us when we complete our course and seek the comfort of eternity?**

One: Only One. The One and Only.

**All: Holy One. The One and Holy.**

One: Will you choose this day to stay faithful to the One who is faithful to us?

**All: Count us in.**

One: Will you choose this day to place your whole trust in the One who is trustworthy?

**All: Count us in.**

One: Will you choose this day to commit your talents and your resources to the One who first endowed them?

**All: Count us in.**

One: Will you choose this day to love the One who loved us first?

**All: Count us in.**

One: Let us pray together:

**All: We devote ourselves to you by renewing the covenant—the promise you made to humanity so long ago. because you are our God, we will be your people.**

**Enlarge our faithfulness, our trust, our commitment and our love so that we may graciously uphold our side of the deal. Help us always to recognize your presence and your blessings throughout our journey.**

**Keep us in your care. Amen.**

**A Story for the Child in All of Us**

*There will be no Children's Church Today*

**Invitation to Generosity**

**Blessing of the Prayer Shawls**

**\*Choral Response "Sanctuary" #482 (Worship & Rejoice)  
(REPEAT)**

**\*Blessing Our Gifts.**

**All: God of abundance, sometimes we have to learn how to have faith in the in-between. When there doesn't seem to be enough, show us how your people take care of each other. When we fear to share what we have, show us the grace of receiving an unexpected gift. When we hang on tight for later, just in case, show us that you are in this very moment. In these ways, teach us to give, to share, to offer ourselves for your kingdom work. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

***WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD***

**First Reading** Micah 6:6-8 Sue Myers  
*What does God require of you?*

**Second Reading** Colossians 3:12-17 Pastor Katie  
*Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts*

**The Message** Prayer Station *Pastor Katie*

**\*Hymn of Grace: "Sweet Hour of Prayer" (#505 NCH)  
(requested by Karen Haines)**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn: "I Am Yours, O Lord" (#455 NCH)**

***GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!***

**\*Benediction**

**\*Carrying the Light into the World**

**\*Prelude to Service:**

**Instrumental music by Hannah Matthews**

**Worship Notes and Resources**

Adapted from <https://www.fccog.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/1.14.2024.pdf>; Rev. Christine Sobania Johnson on her blog, **Freshly Squeezed Liturgy**. <http://freshlysqueezedliturgy.blogspot.com/> Microsoft Word - Offertory Prayers.docx (commonword.ca)

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**Leadership**

Katie Penick	Pastor
Hannah Matthews	Director of Music
Sue Myers	Lay Reader
Deb Persinger	Worship Committee
Sandy Sanders	
Hannah Matthews	
MB Brainerd	

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:**

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost – November 10, 2024**

Nov. 17 - A Service of Poetry and Song, guided by the work of Mary Oliver  
Psalm 42: 1-7, 10  
Philippians 4:4-9

**Scrip Gift Cards**

Please consider taking part in this program.  
Orders go in the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month.  
See Sue Myers for more information, 443-375-6788 or

[wsmdem@comcast.net](mailto:wsmdem@comcast.net)

**Submission Dates for Bulletins/Newsletter**

Sunday Worship bulletin – Wednesday  
December Newsletters - Monday, November 18

**Meeting Dates by Zoom**

Consistory – December 4 @ 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: \$939.03      Attendance: 32**

**Care Fund/Building: \$35.00**

***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**

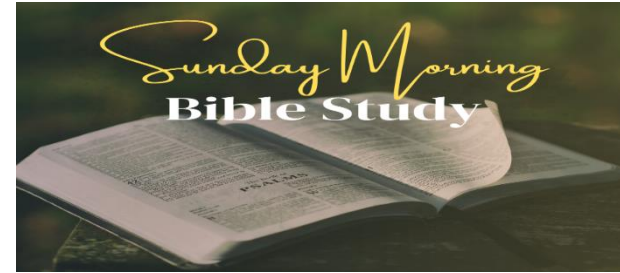
Prayers are needed for our World at this difficult time and all those in need.

**Prayer requests:**

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  
Meg Grim, daughter of Pastor Katie  
Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz  
John Hansen  
Ash Van Nuys  
Freeman Palmer, CAC Conference Minister  
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  
Ken Plummer  
Jean Simmons  
Becky Smith, niece of Karen Price  
Gina Tollini  
Rev. Debra Wilcox  
Family of Judi Wilcox  
Shirley Wood

**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**



**Adult Sunday School 9:15 a.m.  
@Trinity and by Zoom**

Studies that combine scripture and poetry  
**November** – “Wendell Berry and the Poetry of Sabbath”  
**December** - “The Poetry of Advent: An Advent Companion to Mary Oliver’s ‘Devotions.’”  
**Zoom links are available for all Bible Study**



**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**



**Tuesday Bible Study at 10 am – focus on Proverbs:  
the Beginning of Knowledge  
In person and zoom**

**Hurricane Relief – we are continuing to accept donations for Hurricane Relief through the month of November.**



## Book Club returns for Advent!

We will read *Heaven and Earth: Advent and the Incarnation* by Will Willimon

From the book cover: “*In Advent, we celebrate and anticipate the earth-shaking, life transforming good news that God is coming to us. Watch out. Get ready. God is on the way!*”

Please let Pastor Katie know if you are interested.

## Please pick up the flyers for Decorating for Christmas and Reverse Advent Calendar in the Narthex.



## Trinity UCC Christmas Giving Tree

The holiday season is fast approaching; Tucc has plans to assist with help for families again this year. NESAP will be providing us with the needs of at least one family with younger children. Once we receive the information, we will have gift tags available for our congregation beginning **Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>** with gift ideas for you to purchase, wrap and bring into church. NESAP recommends the cost of each gift should be around \$30.00. Please return wrapped gifts by **December 15<sup>th</sup>**. Place the gift tag you removed from the tree on the gift.

Tucc is a small and mighty church, and our congregation always finds a way to help families in need and for that we are blessed and thankful for bringing smiles and comfort to others during the Thanksgiving and Christmas Season. God Bless and thank you once again for your support. Contact Sandy Sanders with questions 443-974-6723.

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