



**Trinity United Church
of Christ**

**“Seventh Sunday
after Epiphany”**

February 23, 2025

10:30 a.m.

“The Light Has Come”

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 Day “The only thing we should scream into
the world is love.” ~Jill Telford~

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

Words of Welcome Pastor Katie

Announcements, Joys and Concerns Pastor Katie

***Call to Community**

MB Brainerd

One: Where do we find you, Holy One, and how do we follow?

Find me at your table,

All: share your food.

One: Find me in your riches,

All: share your resources.

One: Find me in your power,

All: share your mercy.

One: Find me in your pain,

All: share your forgiveness

One: Find me in your generosity,

All: share all, and expect nothing in return

One: In community,

All: seek my holiness, shown in love, in generosity, in joy

One: In the world, share my wish for:

All: justice, mercy, peace for all.

***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: “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”**

#528 (Church Hymnary)

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 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 MB Brainerd
The mystery of the resurrection

Second Reading Luke 6:27-38 Pastor Katie
Love your enemies

The Message Radical Love Pastor Katie

***Hymn of Grace: "O for a World" #575 NCH**

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Invitation to Generosity

***Choral Response**
"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"
#565 NCH (verse 4)

***Blessing Our Gifts**
All: Accept these gifts, we humbly pray, O God. Let them give you honor and glory as we serve the needs of your people and let the called and redeemed of God say, Amen

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn: "Help Us Accept Each Other" #388 NCH**
(tune: Aurelia #386)

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

***Benediction**

***Carrying the Light into the World**

Prelude to Service: Instrumental music

Worship Notes and Resources Adapted from Epiphany 7C-February 20 - United Church of Christ, Jeff Shrowder 2000.. <http://thebillabong.info/>
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Leadership

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

Pick up the Easter Flower form in the Narthex to order your flowers! Deadline March 2.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship at Trinity UCC for next week:

Transfiguration Sunday March 2, 2025

The Light Has Come

First Reading Exodus 34::29-35

Moses' face shines!

Second Reading Luke 9:28-43a

Jesus is transfigured

The Message ONA Panel Discussion

Special Guests: Ayden Almoney, Jennifer Fuss, Judy Gaver, Calvin Livingston

Fellowship March 2, following worship

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
March Newsletters - Monday, February 17

Meeting Dates by Zoom

Consistory – March 6 @ 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: \$TBA Attendance:31

Care Fund/Building: \$TBA

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:

Mike Brooks, cousin of Jeff Brooks
Eva Gebhardt, member of Trinity
Meg Grim, daughter of Pastor Katie
Bonnie and Norman Greenholtz
Ash Van Nuys
Leah, friend of Donna Alban

Wendi Saltsman, friend of Belva LaMotte
Jean Simmons
Becky Smith, niece of Karen Price
Gina Tollini
Shirley Wood



Trinity UCC is having a Bowling Party at Greenmount Bowl **Sunday February 23 Noon** after church. Each person gets two games, shoes, a piece of pizza and a soda. If you are planning to attend, please text Lucy Brady 410-746-6189



Shrove Tuesday

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Please join us for our Shrove Tuesday Pancake/Sausage Dinner on **March 4, 2025** from 5-7 p.m. The menu also includes doughnuts, applesauce, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. Hope to see you there.

Lenten Challenge

Lent for 2025 starts on Ash Wednesday, Wednesday, March 5th and ends on Holy Saturday, April 19th. This period represents the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness and is a time for us to reflect, fast, and give penance as we prepare for the resurrection of Christ on Easter morning, April 20th.

Here is our challenge. Each day during Lent, remove one item from your closet that you no longer wear or need and put it in a trash bag.* At the end of Lent, bring your bag(s) of items to church to donate to someone who can really use them. The donations will be taken to NESAP.

*There will be bags available at the front entrance to the church beginning February 23rd. You may use your own bag(s) but please nothing larger than the 13 gallon size. Please contact Sandy Sanders with any questions. 443.974.6723 Thank you!

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!



Ash Wednesday

Join us Ash Wednesday, **March 5, 2025** service at 6:30 p.m.



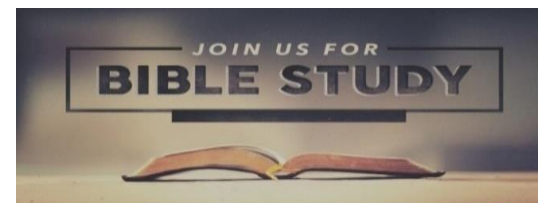
TRINITY T-SHIRT ORDERS

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



“the stories of our faith.”

Tuesday Bible Study at 10 am

They walked with God! Biblical characters
who inspire us

Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

Exploring the Heart of Jesus

@Trinity and by Zoom

Zoom links are available for all Bible Study

For Lent, we will take a break from Tuesday bible study and have book club on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm. We will read *Meeting Jesus at the Table* by Cynthia M Campbel and Christine Coy Fohr, This will be hybrid. Those who gather in-person will have a shared meal.



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Treasurer – Sue Myers



Inclement Weather

In the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen emergencies, the decision to close the church will be made two hours before worship/meetings/workday begin. You can find out whether or not the building will be open in the following possible ways:

1. Calling the church at 410 374-2727 (The voice mail message will reflect the decision to close or remain open.)
2. Checking your email. (Those with email will receive a message.)
3. Receiving a call through the phone tree

