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GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT: Helping Hands Offering

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O God, you called us by name to come, and we respond with delight and gladness

All: In joyful obedience,

we come to worship our God.

One: Rising out of the depths of despair,

we gratefully gather for worship.

All: In joyful hope,

we come to worship our loving God.

One: Our God has given us a new song

of praise to sing to our Awesome God!

All: In joyful trust,

we come to worship our God. Amen.

*ANTHEM: "We Come to Worship You" (Lee/Arr. Clydesdale)
Soloist – Nichole Witman

INVOCATION

One: O God, you have singled us out.

Our ears have been pierced by your call,

Our bodies are made like polished arrows to serve you,

Our voices to sing your praises.

We acknowledge that you have chosen us.

Meeting you here on this day in this time,

We will listen and walk with you,

As we worship together in the beauty of holiness.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you!

*SPECIAL MUSIC: "Mary Did You Know" Bell Choir

A MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN AND EVERYONE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God, we confess that you have sung to us, but we have not heard your voice.
You have played the flute for us, but we have refused to dance.
You have chosen us to pierce the darkness, and we have hidden our lights.
Help us to accept our calling, to find strength and grace in your constant presence and encouragement.
May we be eager to serve, to fill your quiver, to be your bright arrows in the work of praise and reconciliation.
We pray in the name of the one who came to show us who we really are, Jesus Christ. Amen.

TIME FOR SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: God who is faithful and ever present, sets us on right paths, and sings a new song through us. Can you not hear the song vibrating in your very being? Join in the harmony of creation to sing God's song, knowing that we are forgiven, loved, renewed and restored. Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE (remain seated) "Seek Ye First" (Blue Songbook p. 9)

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Eileen Scion (Lay Reader)

One: Steadfast God, you have enriched and enlightened us by the revelation of your eternal Christ. Comfort us in our mortality and strengthen us to walk the path of your desire, so that by word and deed we may manifest the gracious. Listen for God's still speaking voice. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Eileen Scion (Lay Reader)

Isaiah 49:1-5 Psalms 40: 1-5 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

John 1:29-42

One: God is still speaking.

All: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURES: Charlie Miller

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

PRAYER RESPONSE

All: Lord, listen to Your children praying, Lord, send Your spirit in this place; Lord, listen to Your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!

CALL TO OFFERING: Eileen Scion (Lay Reader)

One: Generous God, you have already given us all that we need.

Help us trust your continued care, that we may share with others
the abundance of your blessings. Strengthen us for service
and remind us of the great joy that awaits those who answer your call.

Accept our gifts and give us new songs of praise as we celebrate the
opportunity to be in ministry, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

All: Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Small and large gifts, we give back to you,
O Lord of All Given Things.
May they be blessed.
May we use them to keep our promises to you,
Promises given from us who are given,
uniquely designed for your calling.

*CLOSING HYMN: "Knowing You" (Songbook p.46)

*BENEDICTION

One: As we leave this place, remember:
God, who chose you before your birth,
who calls you and knows you by name,
now sends you out into the world—
to bring light to those in darkness,
comfort to those who grieve,
hope to those who despair.

And may the blessing of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit be among you and within you as you seek to do God's will. Amen.

*SUNG BENEDICTION (See inside back of hymnal)

*GO TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND ALL PEOPLE

*POSTLUDE

* Indicates an invitation to stand either in body or in spirit.

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here to explore your faith, to meet new people, and to strengthen your personal relationship with God. If you are a guest here today, please sign our guest book. If you would like to be included on our mailing list, please fill out the Welcome Card in the pews and put it in the offering plate.

Sunday Bulletins - Trinity offers a Children's Bulletin and a Large Print Bulletin along with the Regular Sunday Bulletin. We also have adjustable audio devices for better hearing. Each can be found in the narthex.

2016 Annual Reports — Reports are due from all Church Leaders, Committee chairs, Ministry Leaders and Staff. Reports can be emailed to Eileen Littell at trucc@mountvilletrinityucc.org or dropped in the church office mailbox.

Rummage Sale—Friday, January 20, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon). Instead of charging a set price per item all sales will be by donation.

Frozen quarts and pints of homemade soups are available for sale. Spread the word. Donations are greatly appreciated. **NO FURNITURE ACCEPTED.** We need volunteers to help set-up in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, January 18th and during the sale. Sign-up sheets in the narthex.

Friend/Fundraising Meeting is scheduled for January 21st 9:00 am in the sanctuary. The meeting will focus on finalizing the calendar and start planning major friend/fundraising events. All are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions please feel free to see or contact Charlie Miller at iamff4@aol.com.

Welcome Team Meeting – Sunday, January 22nd to follow the worship service.

Bible Discussion Schedule – All sessions run from 1:00 – 2:30 pm. The next session will be January 22 and January 29

Today is Sunday, January 15, 2017

10:00 am Trinity Café

10:30 am Worship - Helping Hands Offering

1:00 pm No Bible Discussion
3:00 pm LIC Group Meeting

Monday, January 16 8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, January 17

1:30 pm Interfaith Coalition @TRUCC

8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, January 18

9:00 am Rummage Sale set-up

6:30 pm Bell Choir

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 19 No Activities Scheduled

Friday, January 20

8:00 am Rummage Sale

Saturday, January 21

8:00 am Fundraiser Meeting (sanctuary)

8:00 am Rummage Sale

2:00 pm PCC Focus Group Meeting

Sunday, January 22

9:30 am Elder Meeting 10:00 am Trinity Café 10:30 am Worship

Welcome Team Meeting to follow service

1:00 pm Bible Discussion
3:00 pm LIC Group Meeting

Sunday mornings couldn't happen without the many disciples here at TRUCC. Volunteers are appreciated and needed. If you're interested in serving please see the volunteer sign-up sheets in the narthex.

January 22nd Volunteers

Trinity Café: Gladys Drybred

Greeters:

Head Usher: Tom Robinson

Lay Reader: Bridgette Hancock

Children's Christian Education: Christine Macready, Jenny Hooper & Esther Markey

Counter:

Altar Flowers: Bobbie Poteau

Attendance
January 10, 201667
January 8, 201768

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Charlie Miller Lay Reader: Eileen Scion

Ministry of Music

Music Director, Chancel Choir Shannon Edwards

Bell Choir Director: Daniel Molkenthin

Sound Technician

Mark Cote and Charlie Miller

Ministry of Service

Trinity Café: Gladys Drybred Head Usher: Tom Robinson

Greeters: Counter:

Children's Christian Education: Nancy Henry, Fred Hooper & Dee Koller

Floral Arrangement donated by Charlie & Laura Miller in memory of Kate Dodds

January Greeting Cards: Gladys Drybred

Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ exists to render loving service toward humanity with Jesus as our example. We preach love, teach compassion and social justice, and welcome all into the full life and ministry of the church.