

Welcome to
Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ
An Open and Affirming Congregation
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GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT: Love, INC

*INVOCATION IN SONG: "Lord I Lift Your Name on High" (Song Book p. 13)

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SPECIAL MUSIC: Bell Choir

[at this time children who are interested in attending Sunday School may go to the classroom downstairs]

THIS WEEK'S *GOOD NEWS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD*

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

One: We turn to God in prayer not because we are compelled but because God invites us. We come to God not because of our righteousness but because of God's grace. In that spirit, we offer this prayer of confession and unburdening.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we know that in every generation you call forth prophets to proclaim your word. We give you thanks that you are still speaking even today. Your Spirit inspires the young to see visions of a new creation and elders to dream of a time not yet known. Yet we confess that we fail to hear your voice when it comes from an unexpected place. Convinced that we are right, we miss the Good News of your reconciling love. Forgive us, God. Restore us with humility and awaken us anew to your presence and your promise. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVING PARDON

One: The God of creation is a God of mercy. God is quick to forgive and God's promise of restoration is for all people. Friends believe the Good News of the Gospel

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE OF PRAISE (remain seated)

Oh, how He loves you and me,

Oh, how He loves you and me.

He gave His life, what more could He give;

Oh, how He loves you, oh, how He loves me,

Oh, how He loves you and me.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Christine Macready (Lay Reader)

One: God of faithful surprises, throughout the ages you have made known your love and power in unexpected ways and places. May we daily perceive the joy and wonder of your abiding presence and offer our lives in gratitude for our redemption. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Christine Macready (Lay Reader)

Luke 18:9-17 (p.911)

MUSIC MEDITATION

REFLECTION ON THE SCRIPTURE

"Wish We Could Turn Back Time" Pastor Don

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us)

PRAYER RESPONSE:

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!

(repeat)

CALL TO OFFERING: Christine Macready (Lay Reader)

One: Creator God, you call us to love and serve you with body, mind, and spirit through loving your creation and our sisters and brothers. Open our hearts in compassion, as we offer our gifts and talents on behalf of the needs of the church and the world.

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

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

Lord God, friend of those in need, your Son Jesus has untied our burdens and healed our spirits. We lift up these offerings from our hearts that they may support our ministry to those still burdened, those seeking healing, and those in need within the church and the world. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” (New Century Hymnal #1)

*BENEDICTION

Go into the world, renewed in hope and restored by God’s vision.
Go into the world to share God’s grace and mercy. Go into the world and proclaim the Good News of what God has Done for you.
To that end, may the blessings of God be with you this day and forevermore. **Amen.**

*SUNG BENEDICTION (inside back cover of New Century Hymnal)

*GO TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND ALL PEOPLE

*POSTLUDE

*indicates an invitation to stand either in body or in spirit

If you use social media we invite and encourage you to check in online as you attend today's service.

Portions of this week's service were excerpted and adapted from **Revised Common Lectionary Prayers** copyright © 2002 Consultation on Common Texts admin. Augsburg Fortress, and from **Prophecy, Dreams and Visions: Service Prayers for the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**, by the Rev. Christopher Ney .

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.

Bible Discussion Schedule – All sessions run from 1:00 – 2:30 pm

- **October 23: Beginner's Guide to the UCC**, session 1: What we believe: The UCC Statement of Faith
- **October 30:** NO BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP - Quarterly Congregational Business Meeting
- **November 6:** NO BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP - UCC Peace walk/Lancaster Association UCC fall meeting
- **November 13:** NO BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP - Veteran's day/Stewardship Sunday
- **November 20: Beginner's Guide to the UCC**, session 2: Unity & Autonomy: where we came from and how we "do church"
- **November 27:** NO BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP

Columbia Food Bank – Please place all monetary donations in the marked bucket in the Narthex. Donations can be made in cash or by check. Checks should be made out to the Columbia Food Bank. All food donations can be placed in the baskets. Thanks!

Elder Meeting – November 6th at 9:30 am

TRUCC Rummage Sale - Friday, November 4th from 8:00 am—2:00 pm and 5:00—8:00 pm and Saturday, November 5th from 8:00am—12:00 pm (noon). Instead of charging a set price per item. All sales are by donation. Donations of fall and winter items are appreciated. **NO FURNITURE ACCEPTED.** We need volunteers to help set-up in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, November 2nd and during the sale. Sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner—Saturday, November 5th from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Adults - \$7.00 - Children (3-12 yrs.) - \$4.00 Under Age 3 are free. Featuring ... Great Spaghetti, Salad Bar, and Beverages. A variety of Desserts for \$1.00 each. Bring the family and friends. Enjoy good food and great fellowship. Questions...please call (717) 285-5593 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon). Benefit is for the church general fund.

Blood Drive—Monday November 7th from 1:00—6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Why give blood? The need is constant and your contribution is important for a healthy and reliable blood supply...and you'll feel good knowing you helped save a life! The Mountville Lions Club has snacks and refreshments available and are very supportive and friendly. For an appointment please visit redcrossblood.org Or call 1-800-red-cross (1-800-733-2767).

Lancaster County Fossil and Mineral Club Showcase - November 12 from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Members will be showcasing fossils, gems and minerals that they have collected over the years, some from right here in Lancaster County. The club is asking for a \$2 donation. Children under 12 are free. All proceeds will go to the Lancaster County Fossil & Mineral Club's general fund. There will be items for sale and the Guild will once again be providing soup and snacks throughout the day.

Today is Sunday, October 23, 2016
 10:00 am Trinity Café
 10:30 am Worship
 1:30 pm Bible Discussion: Beginners
 Guide to the UCC
 3:00 pm LIC Group (Meeting Room)

Monday, October 24

8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, October 25

6:30 pm Lions Club

8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, October 26

5:30 pm KPETS

6:30 pm Bell Choir

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 27

6:30 pm Lancaster County Fossil &
 Mineral Club

Friday, October 28

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, October 29

7:00 am Feed the Hungry @ Salem
 UCC

10:00 am Clothing Swap (Fellowship
 Hall)

Sunday, October 30

10:00 am Trinity Café

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Congregational 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.

October 30th Volunteers

Trinity Café: Gladys Drybred

Greeters: Kathy Jones &
 Sharon Knerr

Head Usher: Esther Markey

Lay Reader: Eileen Scion

Children's Christian Education:
 Kathy Jones, Sharon Knerr &
 Wendy McKelvy

Nursery:

Counter:

Altar Flowers: Dee Koller

Attendance

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October 16, 2016.....67

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek

Lay Reader: Christine Macready

Ministry of Music

Music Director, Chancel Choir Shannon Edwards

Bell Choir Director: Daniel Molkenthin

Sound Technician

Mark Cote and Charlie Miller

Ministry of Service

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Head Usher: Esther Markey

Greeters: Kathy Jones & Sharon Knerr

Counter:

Nursery:

Children's Christian Education

Teachers: Tom Robinson, Nichole Witman & Katie Crocket

October Greeting Cards: Nancy Henry

Floral Arrangement donated by:

Charles & Laura Miller in honor of their 5th Wedding Anniversary

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.