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July 10, 2016



GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL OFFERING: MERCY HOME, KENYA

*INVOCATION

One: Spirit of the living God, fall fresh upon us; allow your presence to fill us with power from on high. Come, Holy One, and dwell among us. We need your authority to love our neighbor and speak to the powers of this world. Give us a special anointing to stand and be witnesses in our homes, our schools, and on our jobs. Come into this place and make us one with each other. It is in your name we pray. **Amen.**

*OPENING MEDLEY: "This is the Day" (Blue Songbook p.90)

"Open Our Eyes" (Blue Songbook p.12)

A TIME FOR CHILDREN AND EVERYONE

INVITATION TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: We confess that in our lives we often hide behind our work and play, schools and jobs, fun and fashion. We let ourselves get so busy that we forget the cause of the poor and the suffering. We confess we allow the powers of this world to seduce us into selfishness and silence our witness. Teach us to champion the cause for justice for all, strengthen us to love our neighbor and speak truth no matter the penalty. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVING PARDON

One: The Word of God assures us that we are able to love through the Spirit of Christ. Let us go from this place with authority, knowing that God's Word gives us strength to love our neighbors near and far and power to speak up for those who are broken. Thanks to the Word of 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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SPECIAL MUSIC: "God Bless America" (Berlin/Arr. Healey)

PRAYER OF THE DAY; Eileen Scion, Lay Reader

One: God calls us to love and to speak truth to power. May we grow in compassion and in wisdom as we receive God's word today.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Eileen Scion, Lay Reader
Hebrew scripture Deuteronomy 30:9-14 (p.179)
New Testament reading Colossians 1:1-14 (p.1026)

One: God is still speaking.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON HYMN: "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds" (New Century Hymnal #393)

MESSAGE: 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:

Eileen Scion, Lay Reader

One: We are called to love and obey God's still-speaking voice. Let us give freely to the building of God's kingdom on earth. Let us give as God has blessed us to give.

OFFERTORY: "One Nation Under God" (Arr.Clydesdale)

*THE DOXOLOGY

Give thanks with a grateful heart.

Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong."
Let the poor say, "I am rich."
Because of what the Lord has done for us."(x2)
Give thanks.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, we offer these gifts, tithes, and offerings for the building of your kingdom on earth. Bless the gift and the givers. Bless all who offer time, talent and treasure in your service. We offer this prayer in your holy name. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: "God of Our Fathers" (see insert)

Verse 1 - All

Verse 2 - Women only Verse 3 - Men only

Verse 4 – All

*BENEDICTION

Now as we leave from this place, but not from your presence, let us remember your still-speaking voice. Send your grace to go with us, your peace to keep us, and your love to surround us as we travel. May we leave empowered to love and speak your truth each day. **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 **Empowered to Love and Speak Truth** by LT Leticia Rouser

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.

Prayer - Trinity believes in prayer. If you have a prayer request, we ask that you share it with us and put it in writing. Prayer Request Forms are in our red prayer bowl located outside the sanctuary. Once completed, place it back into the prayer bowl. Those written prayer requests will be added to our Prayer List, which is updated weekly. You will find a copy of the current list near the red bowl.

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!

Consistory Meeting – Tuesday, July 19th 6:30 pm. All are Welcome.

TRUCC Rummage Sale—Friday, July 22nd from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00—8:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 23rd from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon). Instead of charging a set price per item we ask for a donation. Donations of summer items are appreciated. **NO FURNITURE ACCEPTED.** We need volunteers to help set-up in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, July 20TH and during the sale. Please see sign-up sheet outside the church office.

Congregational Business Meeting to follow service on July 31st



Today is Sunday, July 10, 2016 Sunday, July 17th volunteers. 10:00 am Trinity Café Worship - Kenya Offering 10:30 am Trinity Café: Bonnie Crone 12:00 pm Welcome Table Greeters: Bobbie Poteau & Monday, July 11 Peg Harper 8:00 pm AA Head Usher: Tuesday, July 12 8:00 pm Lay Reader: AA Wednesday, July 13 Children's Christian Education No Activities Scheduled Teacher - Katie Crockett Helper – Bonnie Crone Thursday, July 14 No Activities Scheduled Nursery: Friday, July 15 Counter: No Activities Scheduled Altar Flowers: Saturday, July 16 No Activities Scheduled Sunday, July 17 10:00 am Trinity Café Worship – Helping Hands 10:30 am Sunday mornings couldn't Offering

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 outside the church office.

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek 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: Bonnie Crone

Greeters: Bobbie Poteau & Peg Harper Head Usher: Chuck Romberger

Counter: Nursery:

July Greeting Cards: Bonnie Crone

Floral Arrangement donated by: Mary Ibach in memory of her Grandmother Elizabeth O. Landis

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.