TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

16TH Sunday after Pentecost: September 17, 2023

The Mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to become growing followers of Jesus Christ and to reach out to others in unconditional love because God first loved us.

Please silence or quiet your cell phone so we can worship and celebrate God together.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

* This mark invites those who are able to please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Holy God, we gather in your name to lift our voices in heartfelt thanks and jubilant praise for all you do!

P: You do not leave us comfortless, but continue to bless us today and every day with the presence of your Spirit. You open our eyes to see the wonders of our world and fill our lives with love.

L: You inspire us to be the hands and feet of Jesus, caring for the least, the lost, the lonely. You challenge us and still call us into life-giving relationships with you.

P: Holy God, we gather in your spirit this day to give our deepest thanks and most inspired praise for all that you have done and continue to do for us and for our world. Amen.

PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN He Leadeth Me 128

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

L: We believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

MINI MESSAGE for Children of All Ages

WORSHIP IN GIVING

Offertory

*Doxology (All Sing)

Praise God from who all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer

WORSHIP IN PRAYER

Silent, Individual Prayers Pastor's Prayer The Lord's Prayer (All)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN Lord, I Want to Be a Christian 402 You may remain seated.

WORSHIP IN THE WORD

Scripture Reading: Matthew 18:21-35 (NIV) Scripture Lesson: Romans 14:1-12

Sermon: "The 'Enlightened' Ego"

*HYMN Help Us Accept Each Other 560

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Those Serving in worship today:

Pianist: Jennifer Hall Reader: Russ Shannon

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Prayer: Thank you, heavenly father, for forgiving me, for you know, of course, how undeserving I was – and am. No need to tell you this. But still, you forgive me. Help me to keep this detail in mind when someone wrongs me. Help me to forgive as I am forgiven. In Jesus' name. Amen.

This Week's Events:

- 17 16th Sunday after Pentecost: 9:30 A.M.
- 18 Ad Council Meeting: 4:00 P.M. Library
- 19 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 A.M. Library
- 20 CHIMES deadline: Noon Dance Class: 4:00 P.M.
- 21 RAREA Board Mtg: 10:00 A.M. Library

Upcoming Events:

- 17th Sunday after Pentecost: 9:30 A.M.
 Voting takes place today
 Votes counted at Trinity: 2:00 P.M. Library
 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 A.M. Library
- Dance Class: 4:00 P.M.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHAYS

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Scott Turgasen	9/9	Brian & Stephanie Perkins	9/4
Nancy McCauley	9/17	Mark & Sally McCollum	9/22
Rick Orsburn	9/19	Gene & Shirley Wanless	9/24
Jaleesa Bee	9/21	Bill & Amie Twining	9/27



TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOSPITALITY HOST

Many thanks today to Dianne Monson for hosting coffee hour this morning

Trinity United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship: 9:30 A.M.
Pastor: Rachel K. Olson
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Trinity Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 1:00 – 4:00 P.M.

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Administrative Assistant: Joan Wheeler Treasurer/Financial Secretary: Monica Eernisse Custodian: Bill Twining

Peace and Trinity Unified

We the people of Trinity and Peace United Methodist Churches are compelled by God to build His Kingdom. We are guided by Biblical truth.

We are committed to unifying as one church to receive and serve all people with the compassionate and unconditional love of Jesus.

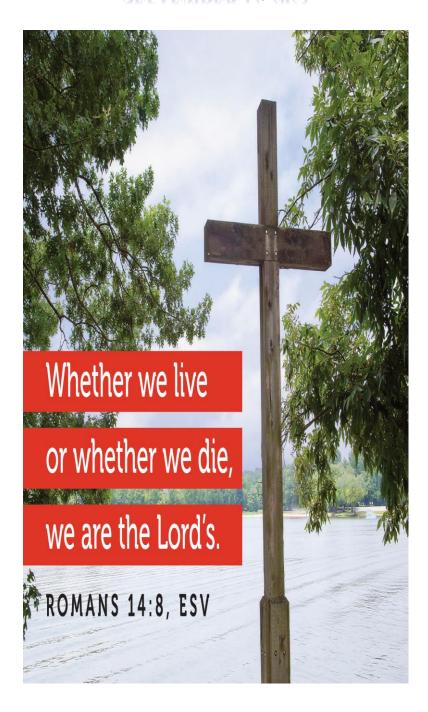
We are passionate to assist people to find restoration and hope through the life changing transformation offered by Jesus!

We are aware of the abundant grace God has lavished on our lives which drives our passion to serve in unity.

As a unified Church we will be empowered by Jesus to develop a flourishing and thriving Christ centered community.

With God all things are possible!

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 17, 2023



General Announcements



It's in the words. We will have a hymn sing on Sunday, September 24th, before we vote. Please take a minute to write down a favorite hymn on the attached piece of paper and place in the bowl in the Narthex. Please only one hymn for

piece of paper. There is more paper by the bowl for you to write additional hymns. The hymns will be drawn from the bowl on the 24th during Hymn Sing.



Trinity Harvest Auction Set for WEDNESDAY, October 11th

It's time to save the date and to start thinking about our annual Harvest Auction. The Harvest Auction promotes a spirit of community while raising funds to support our covenant missionary.

This year's auction will be held on **WEDNESDAY**, **OCTOBER 11th** in Schmitt Fellowship Hall. Snacking

foods will start at 6:30 p.m. with auctioneer, Kurt Monson, at the mike for the auction at 7:00 p.m. More info will follow in the October Chimes issue. There will be NO Silent Auction this year



Still in Doubt? If you might still be questioning your ability to vote; in person; on Sunday, September 24, 2023, for the proposed unification of Peace & Trinity, please check the colorful poster on the East entrance hallway bulletin board to

locate your name on the most up-to-date Trinity Professing Member (PM) list effective September 01, 2023.



The September Mission Focus and last Sunday offering for missions is **PASSAGES**.

LOCAL MISSIONS Passages is a program for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Passages serves women, men, children, Latino populations, and LGBTQ.

Passages has 20 beds and has a "never full" policy. All Passages services are free and confidential.

Passages is funded through grants and fundraising efforts. Passages is always open to take paper goods, cleaning supplies, personal care/hygiene items, as well as taxi vouchers and gas cards for fuel.

The Mission's Committee is asking for paper products only. Paper towels, Kleenex and toilet paper. They can be dropped on in the basket in the Narthex.