

Trinity United Methodist Church

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*Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Loving God, sharing from our abundance isn't easy. Show us new ways to live out our faith. Give us generous hearts. Make our giving an act of worship. Bless these gifts and bless the givers. Amen.

*Hymn:

“Take My Life, and Let it Be”

UMH# 399

Benediction

Postlude:

“Make a Joyful Noise”

A. Viner

We thank those who participated in today's service:

Accompanist: Vera Baker

Acolytes: Charlie, Julia and Henry Gray

Altar Flowers: In loving memory of Thomas and Pauline Santanello, from their children, Paula, Judy and Tom.

Altar Guild: Chad and Phyllis Thompson

Carillonneur: Thomas St. Marie

Cover Artwork: Rachel Smythe, The Season of Grateful Giving - Spring

Fellowship Hour: Katherine Lovell and volunteers

Flute: Lynette Varnon, **Guitar:** Rob Jacque, **Percussion:** Chris Jacque

Liturgist: Nancy Moriarty

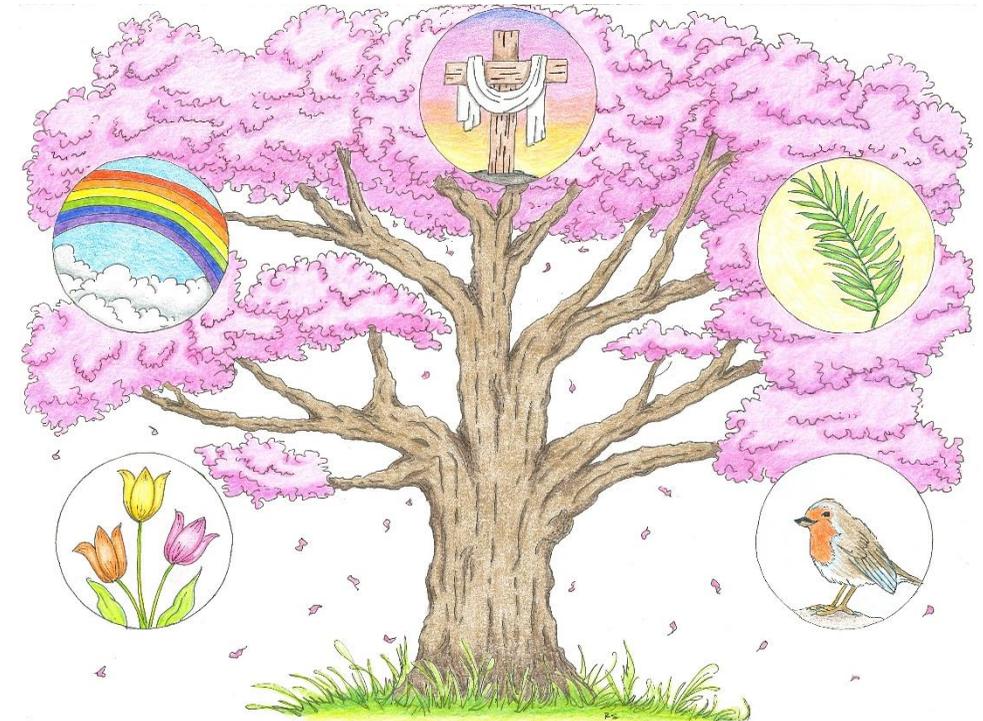
Ushers: Head Usher, Sheila Womble; Asst. Head Usher, Don Cushing; Ushers, Andrew, Jacob and Lisa Bakowski, Ray Miller

Video Team: Nicole Baker, Brian Crawford, Nic Odell, Jack Rust, Anthony and Nicholas Skridulas

Youth Greeter: Aria Pereira

Please Pray for:

Borys B, James B (Bridget's brother), Vonda B (Chad T's sister), Marilyn C, Margaret (Peg) C, Mary C (Matt's mother), Leslie D (friend of Mary Beth V), Dominick E, John K, Brenda L, Cristopher L, Katherine L, Amy L, (Katherine's sister-in-law), Velma M, Dorothy Mulvey, Holly Joy P, Daryl P, Claire (L) P, Catherine Ann R, Nancy S, Clara Lee S, Jody F (Shannon F's mother), Lynn T, Mary (T) G (Nate T's sister & Camille's sister-in-law), Alison W, Andrew W (Phyllis T's nephew), our service men, women and their loved ones, the people of Ukraine and those affected by gun violence and the people of south western Florida experiencing the aftermath of Hurricane Ian.



The Season of Grateful Giving Stewardship Campaign

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Believing that all persons are created in God's image and are of sacred worth, that Jesus' message was one of inclusion of those rejected by mainstream society, and that each member makes inherent and valuable contributions to the Body of Christ, we of Trinity Church welcome into this congregation people of every age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic condition, family structure, and physical or mental ability.



Celebrate God's love

Nurture relationships with God and one another

Serve our community and world, as we share the light of Christ

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 23, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Bold items are the congregation's part. * Stand if you are able

Meditation:

“God will help you if you try, and you can, if you think you can.”

– Anna Delaney Peale (1875-1939)

Prelude: "Air from Overture in D" J.S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

(New visitors only please fill out the blue paper in the red folder. Others, please sign the white attendance sheets.)

Introit: “We Are One, Lord”

*Call to Worship:

One: We are a holy tapestry of mystery and meaning,

Many: A fine garment of divine blessing and human care,

One: A gentle weave of deep sighs and fervent prayers.

Many: A piece of art woven with whispers and exclamation points.

One: We are God's tapestry.

Many: Touched with mystery and filled with meaning.

***Hymn:** “Lift High the Cross” UMH# 159

*Prayer of Confession:

God of wondrous patience, hold us close in the midst of our doubts and fears, for the future will demand much from us. Our time, our energy, and our resources will be needed to expand our ministry. Release through us a flow of grace and courage that will bring forth healing where there is hurt, creativity where there is hesitancy, new beginnings where there are dead ends, openness where there has been prejudice and justice where there is brokenness. Move us step by step into your vision for us. Through Christ our Guide we pray.

*Words of Assurance and Pardon:

One: My people, hear the exciting news of God's love for us. If we confess our pride and self-centeredness, God has forgiven us. If we want to change, God has a plan for our lives. If we serve God with our whole selves, our names will be written in heaven.

Many: Thanks be to God!

Stewardship Moment: Steve Hays

Special Music: “Everlasting God” C. Tomlin

*Passing the Peace of Christ

(To help us be a warm and caring spiritual home, please take a few moments to greet on another in Christian love. A historical Christian greeting would be: “The Peace of Christ be with you. “And also, with you.”)

Children's Moment

Pastoral Prayer, Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer:

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.

Prayer Response

***Hymn:** “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessings” UMH# 400

(Children 4-6 are invited to Bible Story Time downstairs. Children 7-12 are invited to Chapel Kids in Grace Chapel. Parents are asked to escort their children and pick them up.)

Scripture Reading: Mark 12: 28-34 (NRSV) N.T. p. 46

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us, **thanks be to God.**

Sermon: “Love of God and Neighbor” Rev. Dr. David Calhoun

Invitation to Offering:

Great God of Grace, everything we have is a gift from you. As we bring our offerings to today, may we give back to you from the abundant blessings you have given us. And may our gifts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our God.

Offertory: “Here I Am, Lord” D. Schutte arr. C. Courtney

***Doxology:** UMH# 94