

**Offertory:** “My Faith, My Hope” G. Walker

**\*Doxology:** UMH# 94

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving:** (MM Worship Resources)

In a world of goodness and struggle, we are grateful for your blessings, O God. As we seek to endure life’s struggles, as we seek to claim your life in those hard parts of our lives— the very places you teach us to look for your freeing presence— teach us to trust that you are always there. May these gifts be sent into our community and into the world around us, that others may claim the hope of your presence. Amen.

**\*Hymn:** “Thine Be the Glory” UMH# 308

### Benediction

**Postlude:** “In the Cross of Christ I Glory” I. Conkey arr. W. Held

---

### We thank those who participated in today’s service:

**Acolytes:** Mason Hedeem, Aisla and Levi Varnon

**Altar Flowers:** In loving memory of Jesse and Betty Hill, from Jess and Barbara Hill.

**Altar Guild:** Kathy Hathaway and Deb Garth

**Carillonneur:** Thomas St. Marie

**Fellowship Hour:** Katherine Lovell and volunteers

**Liturgist:** Berney Bhajjan

**Ushers:** Head Usher, Sheila Womble; Asst. Head Usher, Don Cushing; Ushers, Nicole Baker, Jo Anne Evans, Wendy Regan

Kathy Hathaway, Brenda Lopez, Margo Sweetland

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

**Youth Greeter:** Elizabeth Hayford

---

### *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, Brenda L, Cristopher L, Katherine L, Amy L, (Katherine’s sister-in-law), Velma M, Dorothy M, 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 (Twining) 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 Hurricane Ian.

# Trinity United Methodist Church

361 Sumner Avenue, Springfield, MA 01108

[www.trinityspringfield.org](http://www.trinityspringfield.org)

*Minister, Rev. Dr. David Calhoun*

*Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Michael Carney*

*Director of Family Ministries & Connections, Rob Powell*

*Spiritual Director, Cathy MacGovern*

*District Superintendent, Rev. Megan Stowe*

*Bishop, Sudarshana Devadhar*



*Tag us with #trinitytransforms*



*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

## Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

October 9, 2022

10:30 a.m.

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

### Meditation:

“Nothing Can Bring You Peace But Yourself” – Ralph Waldo Emerson

### Prelude:

“Above All”

P. Baloche arr. M. Hayes

### Welcome and Announcements

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

### Introit:

“Jesus Calls Us”

### \*Call to Worship:

One: Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!

**Many: Where we need healing, make us whole!**

One: Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!

**Many: Where we are isolated and excluded, bring us near!**

One: Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!

**Many: Where we are chained, break our bonds!**

One: Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!

**Many: Where we are dying, bring us back to life!**

### \*Hymn:

“Come Ye Thankful People, Come”

UMH# 694

### \*Call to Confession:

Like the ten with leprosy, let us cry out to Jesus to notice us and have mercy on us.

### \*Prayer of Confession:

**Jesus, we need you today. We need you to see us. We need you to recognize the real us. You know our faults and our failures. You know the things we did that we wish we had not done and the things we neglected to do that may have lightened the load for another. See us as we are. And then, Jesus, we cry out to you “have mercy on us”. As we pray for your mercy, hear now the silent confessions of our own hearts. (time of silent prayer) Jesus, you hear us and you see us. You hear what we are willing to say out loud and the prayers that we hold in our hearts too afraid to let anyone else know. You see and hear and you love us still. Have mercy on us, Loving Savior. Amen.**

### \*Words of Assurance and Pardon: (Suzanna Worship Resources)

Like the ones who were healed, we have a choice. We can return to Jesus and say thank you for the gift we have been given or not. The good news I share with you is this-you are a beloved child of God who is seen and heard and forgiven. The mercy of Jesus has been poured out upon you. And now, it is your time to decide how you will respond to that gift. Using the example of the one leper who returned, you too can lead a life steeped in thanksgiving and gratitude for God's love and forgiveness in your life. **Amen.**

### Special Music:

“The Storm is Passing Over”

C. A. Tindley arr. B. Baker

### \*Passing the Peace of Christ

### 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:

“And Can It Be that I Should Gain”

UMH# 363

*(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:

Luke 17: 11-19 (NRSV)

N.T. p. 75

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:

“Gratitude”

Rev. Dr. David Calhoun

### Invitation to Offering:

When the leper ran back to thank Jesus for healing, new life, and fresh possibilities, Jesus was amazed and moved that a Samaritan would come to a Jew and give heartfelt thanks. Jesus sent this man on his way with blessings, for he saw that healing had permeated this man. He was whole through and through. We too have known the healing and saving God in our lives, and we will know this God yet again. So let our offering today be our thanksgiving for the mercy and goodness and ever-faithfulness of God.