

Trinity United Methodist Church

361 Sumner Avenue, Springfield, MA 01108

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Director of Music Ministry, Michael Carney

Pastor, Rev. René Perez

We thank those who participated in today's service:

Altar Flowers: Anonymously given in honor of Camille Twining's dedication to Trinity Church and Trinity Nursery School & Kindergarten (TNSK).

Altar Guild: Kathy Hathaway

Carillonneur: Thomas St. Marie

Coordinators for Online Worship: Clara Lee and Jim Sharrard

Flute: Janet Dixon-Metcalf

Liturgist: Ginger Elliott

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

Soloists: Leah Rosenman and Wynton Jarvinen

Video Team: Nic Odell and Brian Crawford

Make Plans to Cheer for our Softball Team

Trinity's Softball team will be playing on **Tuesday, July 27 at Marshall Roy #2** (Carew Street, Springfield, MA). They will play a double header at 5:45 and at 7:00 p.m. Come and support our team. We hope to see you there.

Welcoming Rob and family

Join us for worship on **August 1, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.** as we "officially" welcome Rob Powell, and his family, as he begins his journey as our new Director of Family Ministries and Connections. Rob will be "*responsible for the leadership, development, administration, and support of programs for children, youth, and families in the areas of Christian education, discipleship, mission, and outreach.*" Rob will have a big job to do and will need everyone's support and collaboration as he helps us connect through various small groups, and helps us connect with our surrounding communities.



Celebrate God's love
Nurture relationships with God and one another
Serve our community and world, as we share the light of Christ



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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, July 25, 2021 – 10:30 a.m.

* Stand if you are able ✨ See words to the right

Prelude: “Minuet” from *L’Arlésienne* Georges Bizet

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship:** ✨

***Opening Hymn** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” UMH#89

Unison Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer: ✨

Special Music: “God of the Sparrow” J. Cook and C. Courtney

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (NRSV) N.T. pp.170-171

Sermon: “The Heart of the Gospel”

Invitation to the Offering: ✨

Offertory: “Amazing Grace” C. Tomlin, L. Giglio
Arr. Joel Raney

***Doxology:** ✨ “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH # 94

***Prayer of Dedication:** ✨

***Closing Hymn:** “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” UMH#557

Benediction:

Postlude: “Toccata in F Major” D. Buxtehude

- **Bold Items Are the Congregation’s Part.**

Call to Worship: (*Anton K. Jacobs*)

L: We have encountered the Word, calling us into communion with God and with each other,

P: **And calling us into discipleship through the message of reconciliation to carry on Christ’s work in the world.**

L: So we come together here, joining hands in the great quest:

P: **To worship God, to love each other, and to serve the world.**

Unison Prayer: (*Paul B. Robinson, modified*)

O God, as we end another busy week in our lives, we come before you, knowing that you are always ready to receive us, shortcomings and all. As we gather together, we take time to consider how our lives might better reflect your affectionate view of life, your forgiving spirit, your wisdom, your creativity, your patience. Today, we consider what it means to live in your grace, like Jesus did. You call us to inspiring, difficult, and sometimes frightening journeys that promise to bring your realm in our midst. You challenge us to have courage in the face of possible ridicule and suffering. We seek to be like Jesus in refusing to be dead in the midst of life, and in refusing to seek and give forgiveness that will restore us to community, hope and healing. Amen.

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.

Invitation to Offering (*Proper 13, FOTW, Year B, Vol.2*)

Each of us had been given grace according to the measure of Christ’s gift. Let us give a measure of what has already been given to us.

Prayer of Dedication: (*Proper 15, FOTW, Year B, Vol. 2, modified*)

Receive, O God, the fruits of our labor and with these gifts accepts the offering of our lives. Unite us with Christ and with one another that we may share in Jesus’ ministry of reconciliation and glorify you. Amen.