

"Your Grace Is Enough refrain"

Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough for me.

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**We thank those who participated in today's service:**

**Altar Flowers:** In loving memory of Eulalia and Pauline, from Judy Chmura.

**Altar Guild:** Phyllis and Chad Thompson

**Carillonneur:** Thomas St. Marie

**Coordinators for Online Worship:** Clara Lee and Jim Sharrard

**Liturgist:** Chad Thompson

**Ushers:** Head Usher, Sheila Womble; Asst. Head Usher, Don Cushing; Ushers, Bridget Bedard, Kathy Hathaway, Brenda Lopez, Margo Sweetland

**Video Team:** Nicole Baker, Brian Crawford, and Nic Odell

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### **Labor Day Notice**

Trinity's offices and building will be closed on Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day. The staff who usually have Mondays off will take the holiday on Tuesday.

### **Flu Shot Sign-ups today on the Front Lawn following Worship**

Flu Shot registration begins today after worship on the front lawn. Please have your insurance card, we will need the information on the forms. We need 25 people to sign-up so we can hold a clinic after worship on Sunday, October 3 in Grace Chapel. Thank you.

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**Celebrate** God's love

**Nurture** relationships with God and one another

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

## **Trinity United Methodist Church**

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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.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 5, 2021 – 10:30 a.m.**

\* Stand if you are able \*\* See words to the right \* See words on the back

<b>Prelude:</b>	“Prelude in C”	J.S. Bach
<b>Welcome and Announcements</b>		
<b>*Call to Worship: **</b>		
<b>*Hymn:</b>	“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”	UMH #57
<b>Opening Prayer &amp; The Lord’s Prayer: **</b>		
<b>Special Music: *</b>	“Your Grace Is Enough”	M. Maher
<b>Children’s Moment</b>		
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Mark 7:24-30 (ERV)	
<b>*Hymn:</b>	“A Place at the Table”	(see back of insert)
<b>Sermon:</b>	“Standing Up to God”	
<b>Invitation to Offering &amp; Prayer of Thanksgiving: *</b>		
<b>Offertory:</b>	“Build My Life”	P. Barrett
<b>Holy Communion:</b>		(see insert)
<b>*Hymn:</b>	“Healing of the Nations”	UMH #428
<b>Benediction:</b>		
<b>Postlude:</b>	“Trio”	J. Rheinberger

## WORDS TO FOLLOW ALONG

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

**Call to Worship:** *(Bonnie Jones - Witthun)*

L: As in the days of Jesus, the blind received their sight,

**P: So may we see you, O Gracious Savior**

L: As we receive our sight, as we see you more clearly,

**P: May we also see our sister and our brother; the hungry and the poor, those who are black, brown, white, different; those who live next door, and those who live half a world away; all of them are neighbors to us when we call you Christ.**

**ALL: Open our eyes as we sing, open our hearts as we pray, open our lives as we worship you this day.**

**Opening Prayer:** *(Ruth C. Duck, modified)*

**Generous and loving God, we thank you for the cords of love that bind us and nourish us in the community you have created here. You give us bread for our bodies and nourishment for our souls. You give us grace that renews us every day. Now, in times of uncertainty and change, help us to trust you more fully, living one day at a time, loving and serving those in need of hope and peace. Help us to see and uplift the bruise and the broken, those without and those who feel lost. Cheer all of our hearts, with the knowledge that we are all precious to you, through Jesus Christ. 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 & Prayer of Thanksgiving:** *(UCC, Worship Ways Resources)*

To praise God is to both give and receive. In this moment, we meditate on both as we prepare to give as we are able in the sanctuary of spirit and service. In gratitude for that which we receive from God who world upon, within, and between each of us in this gathered body, we open our hearts and our hands, and we give thanks to God for the blessing of what we receive:

**God, bless the gifts we are about to receive, that they may be shared in the spirit of those redeemed by Christ, ever seeking ways to live out faith in acts of service. Amen.**