

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

On-Line Worship – January 31, 2021

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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WELCOME/TIME OF SHARING

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 111

¹Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.

³Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

⁵He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

⁸They are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

⁹He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Infinite God of all peoples and all places, you created the earth,
with its mountains and valleys, oceans and plains, with no boundaries.**

**Yet we have parceled out your good earth,
and built great armaments to protect our separate places.**

**Forgive us, and breathe your Spirit of unity into all peoples that the world may live in
harmony, and war shall be no more; through Jesus, the power of peace. Amen.**

(Moment of Silent Reflection)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Before even the mountains were brought forth, God's compassion is.

We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:21-28

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

MESSAGE and CONVERSATION

"When God Gave Us Words"

By Sandy Eisenberg Sasso

PRAYER/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 sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory, forever. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING

Let us leave from this time of worship understanding that with Christ:

the global community of faith will be renewed;

the sick will know hope;

the despised will get the respect they deserve;

the guilty will know pardon;

the proud will be humbled;

and each one of us will feel the loving acceptance of God.

Amen.

POSTLUDE

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Today's Worship Elements have been adapted from the following resource:
Touch Holiness: Resources for Worship. Editors: Ruth Duck and Maren Tirabassi.
The Pilgrim Press. Cleveland. 1990.
Prayers to Share. David Sparks. Wood Lake Books. British Columbia. 2002.
Story: *When God Gave Us Words.* Sandy Eisenberg Sasso. Flyaway Books.
Louisville. 2018.

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Worship Leaders:

Rev. Dr. Frederick Young	Pastor
Rev. Scott Siciliano	Guest Musician via YouTube
Kara Young	Tech Team

Announcements week of January 31, 2021

In our thoughts and prayers: Ashur Bowley, Thomas Busche, Darla Jean Christopher, Lois Grim, Mary Jane & Harry Hilbert, Lewis Hilbert, John Harrison Hoffman, Donald Hubbard, Sr., Evelyn Kretz, MacKenzie Kretz, Charlie Krietz, Josh Langley, Mary Lovelace, Bob Miller, Kathy Murphy, Loel Rosenberry, Casey Mullooly, Ashlee (Black) Pyne, Tom Smith, Bill Swisher, Mary Timmins, Elizabeth & Sandy Topper, Mckenna Voss, Don Walsh, Teeyara Jo Weiant, family of Pastor Jay Zimmerman.
(Please notify the office when a name can be removed from the list).

At our COVID Consistory meeting January 19th it was decided to suspend Sanctuary in-person worship through Easter Sunday, April 4th. On-line live streaming will continue.

Deb out of the office: Thursday, February 4th (late on the 5th)
Friday, February 12th and Monday, February 15th

It is no secret our Community is suffering due to the Pandemic. This February Trinity is once again sponsoring a Food Drive for SCAAP. Please contribute non-perishable foods like canned meats, pasta, rice and the like. Cash donations will also be greatly appreciated. **Thank you, Social Concerns**

Please check the Gathering Area for the following:

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| * Church Directories Updated October 4, 2020 | * Church Policies – Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings |
| * Committee Lists – Updated January 13, 2021 | * Consistory Approved Minutes – December 15 th |
| * Consistory Meeting Summary – January 19 th | * Devotionals “These Days” January/February/March |
| * Hoffman Home Information | * Newsletters – February |
| | * Prayer Bear Knitting |

Financial Report: January 24, 2021

Envelope Offering Needed: \$14,412.00
Property Fund Needed: \$1,232.00

Envelope Offering Received: \$12,037.66
Property Fund Received: \$480.00



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Where God is Still Speaking!