

# **Onsite Trinity Worship Services**

Trinity is now worshiping on Sundays in the sanctuary.

Session understands that not everyone will be comfortable returning to the building for worship. Therefore, we continue to offer recordings of the worship services.

We also have the capability to provide a video recording of the worship service, that will be live streamed at 10:15 AM or played later at your convenience. (see page 3 for details)

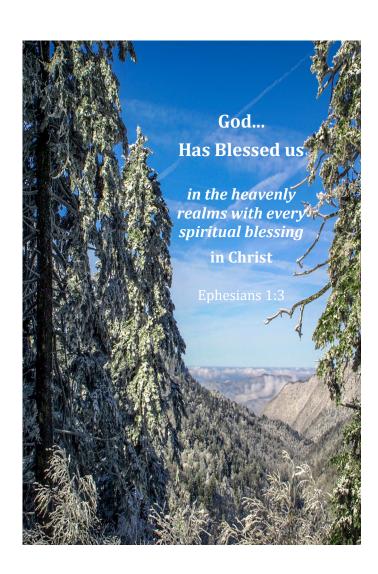
# In Case of a Pastoral Emergency

Please Call: Deacons-on-Call:

Ginny Kramer 513-829-4658 or Joleen Goens 513-858-9815

When the office is closed on Fridays and the weekends, if you have a prayer request, please call Connie Williams at 513-370-7903

Office Open
9:00-2:00 Monday-Thursday
Prayer Requests can be emailed to:
office@trinitypresbyfairfield.org





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# Prepare for Worship 6th Sunday after Epiphany

Luke 6:17-26

"He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed' are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.' 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.' Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.'

#### Reflection

One commentator on Luke 6:17-26 writes, "'Blessed' does not simply describe a state of happiness or bliss. Rather, it refers in a theological sense to one's standing before God. As you reflect on the blessings and woes in Luke's Gospel and on the use of the word "happy" how does this meaning of "blessed" or "happy" contrast with contemporary uses of this word, even by some preachers? What is one change you can make in your own life before God that would bring you into closer accord with Jesus' understanding of blessedness?

Morning Prayer

Gracious God, thank you for the gift of this new day. Guide my steps as I face choices to care for the earth or not, to show compassion toward others or not, to care for myself or not, to be true to Christ or not. May each of my choices draw me closer to you. Amen.

–adapted from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion:
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#### How to be a Blessing

Jesus said we'll be happy (or "blessed") when we're meek, merciful, pure and so on (see his Beatitudes in Matthew 5:3-12). In other words, happiness results from putting others' needs above our own.

Research confirms that helping others boosts people's self-esteem, forges strong friendships, offers a sense of belonging and purpose, decreases stress, increases gratitude and sparks others to "pay it forward." In fact, University of Texas researchers found that the "activism cure" is a great way to overcome bouts of sadness. So get helping — and get happy!

#### Blessing the Giver of All Things

An ancient Jewish form of prayer, still in use today, involves sprinkling one's day with short prayers of gratitude to God. The prayer typically begins: "Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe, who ..." and concludes with a phrase that fits the specific situation. Such a prayer works well in good circumstances and bad. For example:

- "Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe, who has provided clean water for my shower this morning."
- "Blessed are you, O Lord ... who brings friends to support me in my grief."
  "Blessed are you, O Lord ... who has blessed
- "Blessed are you, O Lord ... who has blessed me with a keen mind; please help me focus while I take this test."
- "Blessed are you, O Lord ... who holds my children in unconditional love."

Try using this form of prayer liberally as a way to "pray without ceasing" and to weave your faith throughout your day.

#### Sermons Online and on YouTube

For those that do not attend in person, Trinity is offering on-line services live streaming at 10:15 on YouTube. To watch the video live, click on the link below which will direct you to the Trinity YouTube channel, and then click on the video in the displayed list with the LIVE box illuminated. We strongly encourage you to click the "subscribe" link on that page.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn4Bfx9UtjiaWsrxObnly6g

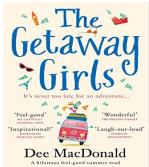
On Sunday afternoon, the recorded live service is also available via link through the Trinity website at the link: https://www.trinitypresbyfairfield.org/sermons/

Week of February 7								
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Monday	11:00 AM	Women's Bible	Debbie Johnson	513-829-8437				
Tuesday	Noon	Men's Bible	Keith Harring					
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bell Choir	Davis McKinney	513-305-9980				
Thursday	7:45 PM	Vocal Choir	Davis McKinney					

# Worship Volunteers for February 13

Liturgist Debbie Johnson

Ushers Ginny Kramer, Edna Campbell, Linda North



#### **Book Club**

To chase away the winter blahs the Book Club will be reading *The Get Away Girl*, by Dee McDonald for February. This is a "laugh-out-loud, life-affirming journey of three friends who travel through France and Italy in their luxury campervan." Join us on Monday, February 28 at noon for a brown bag lunch and discussion of this book.

#### Women's Lunch

The Women Group will be visiting Chicken Salad Chic at 6209 Snider Rd., Mason OH, 45040 on February 16 at Noon for lunch. Please sign-up on the sheet on bulletin board in the narthex.

Who needs to Prepare a Annual Report?

The following will be preparing reports this year for the Annual Report:
Kurt Schuler-Worship and Witness, Emmanuel Bime-Mission, Donna Schuler-Memorial and
Fellowship, George Fraley-Stewardship of People and Treasurer's Report, Linda North-Finance Committee, Barb Pratt-Discipleship and Stewardship, Cindie Postell-Communications and Clerk's Statistical Report, Wilson Tayong-Stewardship of Property, and Joleen-Board of Deacons Report.

Annual Reports are due on Sunday, February 20. The reports will available at the Annual Meeting on March 13.

Thank you!

Trinity thanks all who made sandwiches last Wednesday. To help *Our* Daily Bread food pantry have sandwiches, the faithful sandwich makers came in before the forecasted winter storm to be sure their delivery made it safely to the pantry. We thank them for their extra effort and dedication.



#### As of February 6

#### Keep in your Prayers

Tim Wiggins and family Bill Tope Kathy, Barb Pratt's foster daughter For all in the Blizzard in the northeast

Ginger, J. Reese's friend Fran Thomas' family Alice Mose, D. Hess request The Mojzer family

David, Éd and Eiléen Dyer's son

Dan Horlander, E. Campbell's request

Glenn Mojzer

Justin, D. Kosey's grandson \*Family of Dick Dunlap, Rev. Dunlap's brother

\*Kitty Kerestan, K. Evert request \*Gerry Miller, D. Schuler's brother

Drew, Debi Hess' son

**Betty Liles** 

Susan, D. Kosey's cousin Kim Whitney, K. Kessler's daughter

Jean Parsley

Gerald Reese, M. Reese's father All peoples in the Middle East All Elected Government leaders Support for all our military

For all missionaries (Especially for S. and B.)

Bereavement/loss of Grandfather Harold

Healing/strength

God's comfort/open adoption for newborn, Skyler

God's providence and comfort Healing/critical Covid

Bereavement/loss of her sister, Margie Healing/in rehab/broken hip also has MS Bereavement/loss of Glenn's mother

Continued healing and good recovery/heart attack

Healing/hospitalized/possible heart attack

Thanksgiving/home/good results from transplant

Healing/multiple concerns Bereavement/loss of Dick

Healing/cancer surgery/removal of one lung Healing/complications with knee replacement

Healing body and mind/heart issues

Healing/recovery surgery/knee replacement Healing/invasive cancer/chemo and radiation Continued healing/diverticulitis/other concerns

Continued healing

Continued healing/swallowing problems

Peace and reconciliation

Wisdom/support/enlightenment

Strength/discernment/God's protection Protection/blessings/fruitful mission work

Names that have been on the Prayer List for more than 4 weeks are marked with an asterisk (\*). If you would like them to remain on the list, please contact the office by Tuesday.

Please include in your prayers all the requests we receive from the community on our website.

The link is: https://www.trinitypresbyfairfield.org/prayer-wall/

#### Financial Information

Donations Received on 2/6 \$770 Per Capita 2022 paid \$363 (11 members paid) Per Capita for 2022 remains at \$33

Attendance Feb. 6

	Worship Schedule
Feb. 13	Rev. Tom Dunlap
Feb. 20	Rev. Kate Mauch
Feb. 27	Rev. Tom Dunlap
March 6	Rev. Kate Mauch

The Presbytery of Cincinnati publishes a weekly newsletter called "The Cincinnati Sampler." To subscribe to The Sampler go to: https://www.presbteryofcincinnati.org and click on "Sign Up For The Sampler" at the bottom right corner of the page.

#### God In the Tomorrows

This is the blessed life — not anxious to see far in front, nor eager to choose the path, but quietly following behind the Shepherd, one step at a time. The Shepherd was always out in front of the sheep. He was down in front. Any attack upon them had to take him into account.

Now God is down in front. He is in the tomorrows. It is tomorrow that fills [people] with dread. God is there already. All the tomorrows of our life have to pass him before they can get to us.

−F.B. Meyer



Elders	Class Year—Term Expires	Deacons	Class Year
Linda North	2022	Joleen Goens	2022
George Fraley	2022	Jennifer Reese	2022
Cindie Postell	2022	Ginny Kramer	2023
Barb Pratt	2023	Valentine Nyamusa	2023
Kurt Schuler	2023	Ethel Bime	2024
Wilson Tayong	2023	Allison Schuler	2024
Emmanuel Bim	e 2024		
Donna Schuler	2024		



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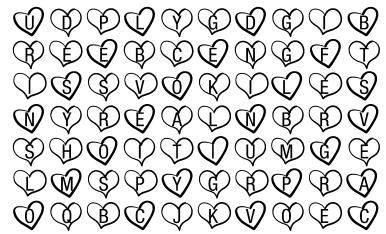
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# The heart of a friend

Big-hearted friendliness comes from generously serving others.

**Directions:** Start with the first D and move according to the arrows beneath the blanks. Then fill in the letters to complete 1 Peter 4:8-10.



1 PETER 4:8-10, NIV

Answer: deeply, covers, sins, hospitality, grumbling, gift, serve, grace

# Friendship SOUP

Make jars of Italian barley soup to share love and warmth with friends.



#### What you need:

- 1 cup pearled barley
- ½ cup sundried tomatoes
- 1 Tbsp dry minced garlic
- 1 Tbsp dry minced onion
- 1 veggie bouillon cube
- Glass pint jars with lids
- Cardstock
- Scissors
- Pen

# What you do:

- 1. In order, layer the first five ingredients into the jar.
- 2. Trace the outline of the lid onto cardstock. Cut out.
- 3. On the card, write these directions: Remove wrapper from bouillon cube. Add contents of jar to saucepan. Add 4 cups water and a can of diced tomatoes. Bring to a boil over high heat, reduce to low. Simmer about 20 minutes, until barley is tender. Serve with parmesan cheese.
- 4. Place the card atop the lid. Screw on the canning ring to keep it in place.

#### Onsite Worship Protocols for 2021

Trinity continues its onsite worship services with relaxed safety protocols. Below are the updated protocols for the Sunday morning worship service applicable through August 2021:

#### Preparations for the Trinity building and personal behavioral expectations include:

Thorough cleaning on a regular basis, with frequently touched surfaces being sanitized. Middle and side entry doors to the sanctuary will be propped open and will remain open for the entire worship service (minimizes touch contact with the door handles and increases ventilation within the sanctuary).

Bottles of liquid hand sanitizer will continue to be available for use in the narthex. The water fountains outside the restrooms will remain unplugged and covered on Sunday morning. Please bring your own personal water containers or bottles. No food or beverages

will be offered on Sunday morning.

During Sunday morning worship the wearing of a face mask or covering is optional for those who have been fully vaccinated. A small number of face masks will be available on the narthex table for those who feel more comfortable wearing a face mask during worship.

If on Sunday morning you are experiencing a fever (in excess of 100.4°F), coughing, shortness of breath or other symptoms potentially indicating COVID-19 infection, please re-

frain from attending onsite worship on that morning.

The worship service itself will continue to be a little different than what we were accustomed to in pre-pandemic times. The revised worship service characteristics will be:

We anticipate that our Sunday morning onsite worship attendance is likely to increase with the relaxation of CDC safety guidelines. To the degree possible with the increased attendance, individuals and family groups should attempt to find seating in the pews while maintaining social distancing.

Bulletins in the traditional format will be printed and available for all attending the onsite worship service. These printed bulletins will not be distributed by ushers but will be available for pickup on the information table positioned in the center of the narthex.

The narthex information table will also display copies of the weekly Communicator, information on upcoming special offerings and mission events, as well as prayer request slips and offering envelopes, with pencils to assist in filling in those forms. Completed prayer request forms and offering envelopes can then be deposited in offering baskets located at the sanctuary entry doors.

Hymnals, Bibles, pencils and attendance pads will still be absent from the sanctuary pews. Hymnals and Bibles will be available in the narthex on a cart. Worshippers are requested to return the hymnals and Bibles to the cart at the conclusion of the worship service.

There will be no vocal choir performances until September. Vocal and instrumental solos, performed from the dais, will continue, as well as the periodic performances of Trinity's hand chime choir from the front of the sanctuary. Congregational singing of the hymns is permitted.

During the summer there will be no children's sermon or children's Sunday school classes, so children will remain with their families during worship. No nursery attendants will be provided, so use of the nursery room will be limited to parents and their children, as necessary. (Our intention is to resume our children's programs in September.)
There will be no collection of offering during the service. Offerings will be deposited in the

offering baskets located at the sanctuary entry doors.

On Communion Sundays (first Sunday of the month) servers will not be distributing the communion elements. Trinity has a supply of prepackaged communion "kits", each with a wafer and sealed juice cup, which will be placed on tray tables near the sanctuary entry doors, to be picked up by worshippers when entering the sanctuary. (Our intention is to return to communion element distribution in September.)

Following the benediction and postlude, after-worship socializing is permitted in the

sanctuary or narthex.