*Trinity United Methodist Church*

September 24th, 2023 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. DIGIATL WORSHIP BULLETIN

Rev. David S. Vallelunga, Pastor; Bob Ediger, Liturgist; Rev. Brian Peterson, Choir Director; Minda Fernish, Pianist; Christina Wong, Zoomologist

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Dave GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE Everyone

CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

Today we wrestle; today we argue;

**TODAY, THE INJUSTICES OF LIFE ARE OBVIOUS, AND THEY WILL PROBABLY ENRAGE US!**

But my ways are not your ways, saith the Lord,

**AND SO TODAY, WE MAKE ANOTHER EFFORT TO ADJUST TO THE LEVEL OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY THAT IS ASKED OF ALL THE FAITHFUL. AMEN!**

HYMN # 75 “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

**All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the LORD with cheerful voice;**

**Him serve with mirth, His praise forth-tell;**

**come ye before Him and rejoice!**

**Know that the LORD is God indeed; without our aid He did us make;  
we are His flock, He doth us feed, and for His sheep He doth us take.**

**O enter then His gates with praise, approach with joy His courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless His name always, for it is seemly so to do.**

**Because the LORD our God is good; His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.**

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US (10:30) Pastor Dave

OUR LORD’S PRAYER *(Following the prayer, the children may leave for Sunday School.*

WE GATHER OUR PRAYERS BEFORE SINGING

SONG # 467 “Trust and Obey”

**When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

**Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

*Silent Prayers Pastoral Prayer*

**But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

**Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way; what he says we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey. Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

SCRIPTURE Matthew 20. 1-16 Liturgist

MUSICAL INSPIRATION “The Presence of God” Trinity Choir

SERMON “Grumbling and Grace” Pastor Dave

DOXOLOGY and PRAYER OF CONSECRATION Liturgist

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God, all creatures**

**here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host,**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!**

CLOSING HYMN “Bringing In The Sheaves”

**Sowing in the morning, sowing seeds of kindness,  
sowing in the noontide and the dewy eve;  
waiting for the harvest, and the time of reaping,  
we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.  
*Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves;* (REPEAT)**

**Sowing in the sunshine, sowing in the shadows,  
fearing neither clouds nor winter's chilling breeze;  
by and by the harvest, and the labor ended,  
we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.**

***Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves;* (REPEAT)**

**Going forth with weeping, sowing for the Master,  
though the loss sustained our spirit often grieves;  
when our weeping's over, He will bid us welcome,  
we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.**

***Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,  
we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves;* (REPEAT)**

BLESSING: *O Generous God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we pray that we may become ever more filled with generosity of spirit and true compassion and love for all life; that we may value each and every human being for who each is, reaching to the Spirit that is within. We pray for these things with humility; we pray because of the hope that is within us, and because of our faith in the ultimate triumph of the human spirit; we pray because of our love for creation, and because of our trust in you. Amen.*

POSTLUDE