*Trinity United Methodist Church*

June 2nd, 2024 10:30 a.m. DIGITAL WORSHIP BULLETIN

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***A Sunday to Ponder Priorities***

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Dave

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE

CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

A small prayer for kindness, for love;  
**A SOFT LONGING FOR AFFABILITY, FOR FRIENDSHIP;** A discrete desire for compassion, for

empathy;  
**A SIMPLE WANT FOR TENDERNESS, FOR CARE;** A minute search for a smile, for a wink;  
**A LITTLE SOFTNESS, A LITTLE SILENCE, A SMALL KEY;** A small key to open the heart, a bit of silence,

and then;

**A GUSH OF LOVE; OF KINDNESS, OF FRIENDSHIP, OF BIG, EXTRAVAGANT COMPASSION!** A huge stream, never ending, an open heart;  
**AN OCEAN OF BLISS FLOODING THE WORLD, SILENTLY GUSHING, QUIETLY DRENCHING, SOFTLY ENGULFING, TILL GOD’S DESIGN FOR ALL CREATION IS FULFILLED! AMEN!**

HYMN # 2226 “Bind Us Together”

**CHORUS: Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken;**

**bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love!**

There is only one God, there is only one King;

there is only one body, that is why we sing…CHORUS

We are gathered together,

here to worship and sing,

spending time with each other,

tenderly strengthening…CHORUS

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US Pastor Dave

OUR LORD’S PRAYER

GOSPEL READING Mark 2:23-3:6 Liturgist

MUSICAL INSPIRATION *With Tend’rest Love*

HOMILY “Perplexity: Principles or People?”

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY and BLESSING OF THE GIFTS

**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.**

HYMN # 617 “I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord”

**I come with joy to meet my Lord,**

**forgiven, loved and free,  
in awe and wonder to recall**

**his life laid down for me, his life laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near**

**to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love**

**in Christ's communion bread,  
in Christ's communion bread.**

**As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,**

**each proud division ends.  
The love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends,  
and strangers now are friends.**

**And thus with joy we meet our Lord.**

**His presence, always near,  
is in such friendship better known;**

**we see and praise him here,**

**we see and praise him here.**

**Together met, together bound,**

**we'll go our different ways,  
and as his people in the world,**

**we'll live and speak his praise,  
we'll live and speak his praise.**

WE PREPARE FOR HOLY COMMUNION

***All things bright and beautiful,***

***all creatures great and small,***

***all things wise and wonderful,***

***the Lord God made them all!***

WE COME TO THE LORD’S TABLE *(We will come forward to receive the sacrament. If you cannot come forward, please signal the ushers, and they will bring communion to you. Please commune at the altar rail, kneeling or standing, and please stay as long as you wish.)*

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE Pastor Dave

HYMN #560 “Help Us Accept Each Other”

*sung to BRED DINA VIDA VINGAR*

**Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;  
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.  
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe  
We are ourselves accepted,**

**and meant to love and live.**

**Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life  
we struggle to be human**

**and search for hope and faith.  
Teach us to care for people,**

**for all, not just for some,  
to love them as we find them,**

**or as they may become.**

**Let your acceptance change us,**

**so that we may be moved  
in living situations to do the truth in love;  
to practice your acceptance until we know by heart  
the table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art.**

**Lord, for today's encounters**

**with all who are in need,  
who hunger for acceptance,**

**for justice, and for bread,  
we need new eyes for seeing,**

**new hands for holding on;  
renew us with your Spirit; Lord,**

**free us, make us one!**

BLESSING and POSTLUDE *May God bless us with a restless discomfort about easy answers, half-truths and superficial relationships, so that we may seek truth boldly and love deep within our hearts. And the blessing of God, the Supreme Majesty and our Creator, Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word who is our brother and Savior, and the Holy Spirit, our Advocate and Guide, be with us and remain with us, this day and forevermore. AMEN.*