

\*A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving God, you are never far from us, you are as close as our breathing.

We recognize you as the one who heals the wounded spirit and gives new life to the broken hearted.

We offer these gifts to You, O God, as a sign of our commitment to Your grace and authority.

Take us and use us and all that we have, so that the Kingdom of Heaven will be realized on earth; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*Hymn: Open My Eyes, That I May See 454 (Red Hymnal)

\*Blessing

May God, who comes to us in the things of this world, bless your eyes and be in your seeing.

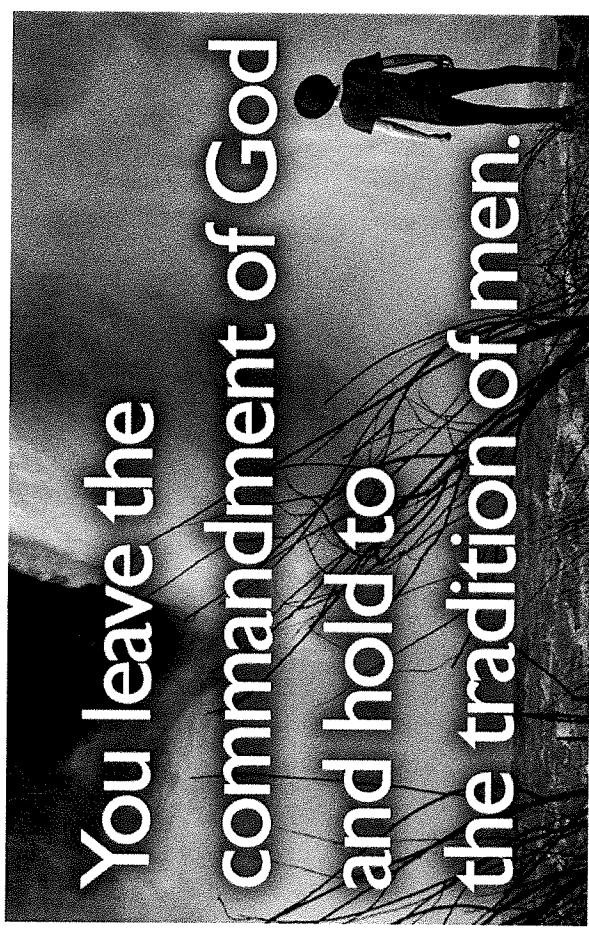
May Christ, who looks upon you with deepest love, bless your eyes and widen your gaze.

May the Spirit, who perceives what is and what may yet be, bless your eyes and sharpen your vision.

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
In the name of Christ. Amen.**

\* Hymn: Spirit Song 347 (Red Hymnal)

# *Bring the Love of Jesus Christ to Our World*



## **TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**Worship: 10:00 am on Sunday; 6:00 pm on Wednesday**

*Please join us downstairs in The Park directly after worship for refreshments, baked goods and fellowship.*

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Trinity United Methodist Church  
Pastor James "Doug" Conway  
Sunday, August 29, 2021 10:00 am  
*14th Sunday after Pentecost*

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(\* Indicates: Please stand if you are able.)

The Prelude:

The Greeting/Calendar

\*Hymn: Majesty, Worship His Majesty 176 (Red Hymnal)

\*The Call to Worship

We can trust God.

**God is like the mountain: rock solid.**

God loves all the people:

**the poor, the disabled, the outcast, the stranger.**

**We can depend on God.**

God feeds the hungry, heals the sick, and restores relationships.

**Praise our Loving God.**

**Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah**

Hymn: Sing a New Song to the Lord 2045 (Black Hymnal)

The Opening Prayer

**Lord, let our hearts not be far from you.**

**Help us reach out to our neighbor, even when we are busy or tired.**

**Let us tear down walls when we'd rather let them stand.  
Stretch us, please.**

**Whether we are visiting a prisoner, offering a smile,  
feeding the hungry, be within us so that whatever we do,  
we do with your love.**

**Let the world know we are your disciples not because our  
hands are clean, but because they are soiled with the mark  
of your people. Amen!**

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 29: 11-21

\*Open Our Eyes

**1. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.**

**2. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

\*Gospel Lesson: Mark 7: 1-23

The word of God for all people  
**Thanks be to God**

Message: Pastor Doug

\*Hymn: Have Thine Own Way, Lord 382 (Red Hymnal)

The Morning Prayer

The Offertory

\*The Doxology 94 (Red Hymnal)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**