

*Hymn: Let Us Break Bread Together 618 (Red Hymnal)
Holy Communion #7-11 (Red Hymnal)

*Blessing

Go from here with confidence and hope.
Strengthen those who are tired and exhausted; comfort those who are anxious and fearful. Say to them all: "Be strong, and do not fear! For God is coming—Indeed, God is already here!

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

* Hymn: Spirit Song 347 (Red Hymnal)

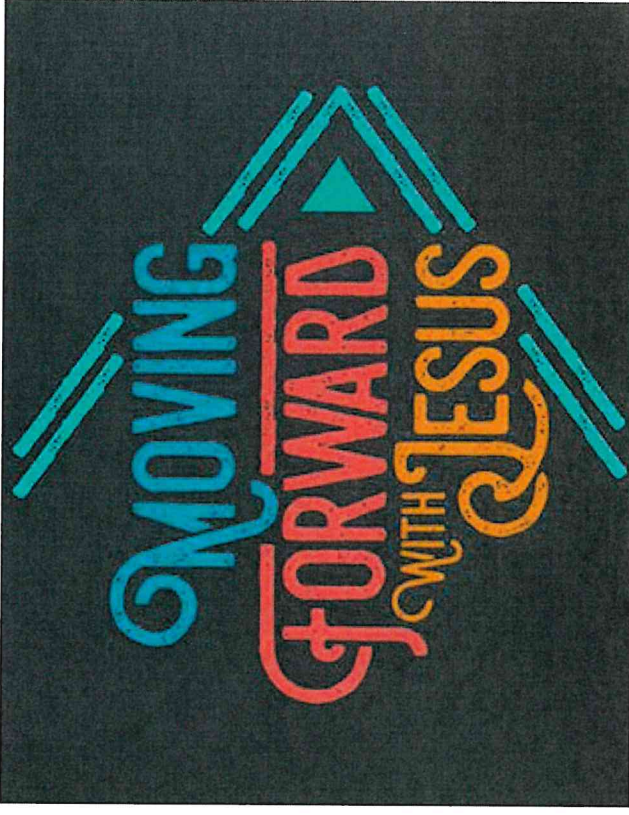
ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in honor of those who worked so hard to save lives on 911 and in loving memory of all who lost their lives trying by Martha Hartle and family.

PEDESTAL FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of our daughter Melinda by Vicki and Steve Brightbill.

CHOIR PRACTICE will begin on Thursday, September 9th at 7:00 pm in the choir room. We are looking forward to the return of our past faithful members and are looking forward and welcoming any new members. Please come - all are welcome!

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

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

09/05/2021

Trinity United Methodist Church
Pastor James "Doug" Conway
Sunday, September 05, 2021 10:00 am
15th Sunday after Pentecost

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 35:1-10

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

*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.

Epistle Reading Romans 8:18-30

Message: You Can't Go Back Only Forward - Pastor Doug

*Hymn: Trust and Obey 467 (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!**

*A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gracious God. With astonishment, we see that you renew our strength constantly. Allow us not to forget your presence, even in adversity. And, in our turn, we will renew our gratefulness and we will sing for your love. We offer you our strength and our brokenness our wholeness and all that we are that you make take these things and use them to your glory. Amen.

The Prelude:

The Greeting/Calendar

*Hymn: Sanctuary 2164 (X2) (Black Hymnal)

*The Call to Worship

Today there is good news for us to behold!

Those who feared that they were worth little to God have found blessing in God's sight.

For in the mercy and love of God, the blind shall see, the lame shall walk without pain, those who could not hear shall be blessed with hearing, and there shall be peace.

God's mercy and love is poured out for our parched souls.
Behold! The Lord's compassion is with God's people.
Believe in the power of God in all things. Amen.

Hymn: Gather Us In 2236 (Black Hymnal)

The Opening Prayer

**Life-giving God, we are a blessed people. In this moment of worship we pray that you might bless us anew.
Give us ears to hear the melodies of praise that fill the world around us. And as we hear the songs, teach us to sing, to dance with abandon, to rejoice in the wonders of your grace.**

Forgive us when we have passed by signs of your mercy. From this moment forward, open our eyes to the places where joy is springing up from parched ground. Lead us by your Spirit in the pathways of your overflowing peace, hope, and joy. Amen.