

# Trinity United Methodist Church

Sunday, October 18, 2020

11 am Worship

Covid -19 Risk Level: Orange

## **Prelude**

**Lighting the Altar Candles**

**Lighting the Soul Candles**

Let the Light of Jesus' mercy **shine in our judgement.**

Let the Light of God's Grace **shine in our divisions.**

Let the Light of the Holy Spirit **shine in our hearts, souls, and minds.**

Let the Light of Love deliver us until at last we are healed.

## **Welcome**

God, **we welcome you to be with us.**

Father, **we welcome your salvation in our souls.**

Lord Jesus, **we welcome your merciful peace in our hearts.**

Holy Spirit, **we welcome your power in our minds.**

Lead us now to see the suffering people in our world as you see and welcome us.

## **Special Music**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Lord, we confess that our fear is the enemy of Jesus' mercy.**

**We confess that our sin is the enemy of Your grace.**

**We confess that human suffering is our souls crying for Your Love.**

### **Prayer of Petitions:**

Who is God asking you to forgive? Is God calling you to receive mercy? Who is God calling you to comfort, visit, call, or reconcile.

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Father, thank you for:

**loving this world of suffering,  
giving Jesus to our world of suffering,  
receiving our sin through Jesus' suffering,  
being full of mercy, grace, and unconditional love.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

### **Special Music**

### **Hearing the Word**

Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town. **2** Some men brought to him a paralyzed man, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man, "Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven."**3** At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, "This fellow is blaspheming!"**4** Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, "Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts? **5** Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? **6** But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "Get up, take your mat and go home." **7** Then the man got up and went home. **8** When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man.

### **Response**

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now,  
and ever shall be,  
world without end.  
Amen.

### **Message:**

- The moment we focus on anything our vision changes!
- Our vision changes from outward adoration to inward judgement.
- Our judgements are conditioned by our Nation, Kindred, and Daddy's House.
- Leviticus 21 informs The Teachers of the Law judgment of the paralyzed man.
- Is it possible to seek to be "right" and "good," and be like Jesus? Mercy is Faith.
- Do not be shocked when you practice such and are judged and condemned a Blasphemer!

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### **Tithes and Offerings**

### **Postlude**