

# TCC NORTON

TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

**Apple Pie Day** is today following worship. All welcome to help in the kitchen - no experience necessary!

**Monthly Food Drive** is this Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. This month's drive supports the Norton Senior Center, and they are in need of **individually packaged snack items**.

**Thank you for joining us today!**

**This Morning's Coffee Hour Host:** Barbara Janczunski

**Coming Events:** Please see the current events list in the pew flyer holder. Feel free to take it home!

**TCC Newsletter:** Subscribe here: [www.tccnorton.org/contact-us/newsletter/](http://www.tccnorton.org/contact-us/newsletter/)

### Ways to Give:

- Place cash or check in the offering plate when it is passed to you.
- Give online via our TCC website: [www.tccnorton.org/giving](http://www.tccnorton.org/giving)
- Use your mobile device by downloading the free Vanco Mobile app.



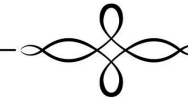
### TCC Prayers and Blessings:

Sandy Anderson; Pat Wedge; Mal Haskins; Jim Stewart; Becky McGrath; Karen Antonio;  
Pat Scagnoli; Ed Dearborn; Margaret Blake; Lauren Penta, friend of Donna & Paul Salvas;  
Donna Feigelman, friend of Margie McKenney; Cathy Silvia, friend of Pat Hamilton;  
Colin Fisher, son in-law of Marsha & Ted Christensen

To request an addition to TCC's Prayers and Blessings: [www.tccnorton.org/ministries/#weekly](http://www.tccnorton.org/ministries/#weekly)

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NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE, OR WHERE YOU ARE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY,  
**YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**



Worship for October 6, 2024

Prelude "Holy Ghost with Light Divine" Gottschalk

Welcome

Call To Worship

We come together to be reminded that we are called to be one community with all creation.

**We do not come here to find relief from those who need us.**

We do not come here to exclude those who are different from us.

**We do not come here to find sanctuary from those who challenge us.**

We do not come here to protect ourselves from those who call us "enemy."

**We come here to be strengthened to meet needs, to celebrate differences, to rise to challenges, and to love God, to love self, to love neighbors, and to love our enemies.**

Hymn No. 64 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Hebrew Scripture Reading Genesis 1:26-30 (pew bible pg. 3)

Prayer of Transformation and New Life

**Holy One, we come to this gathering, the table, and your presence mindful that this day particularly celebrates our human connectedness. The reality lies far from the idea and your vision of beloved community. You call us to remember the poor, the marginalized, the immigrant, the isolated and abandoned. You command us to love our neighbor and have blessed us to live in an era in which we may know our neighbors from across the world to amazing degrees. Yet, we cling to our echo chambers and isolationist tendencies. We place our desires and comforts over the good of the world. We demonize difference rather than dignify diversity. Forgive us and have mercy on us while propelling us to new life. Extend your grace to transform our attitude and actions and infuse us with openness, curiosity, and love. Amen.**

Hebrew Scripture Reading                      Genesis 2:18-24                      (pew bible pg. 4-5)

Sermon

Anthem                      "O Lord, Have Mercy on Me"                      arr. David W. Music

Communion Prayer

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Prayer Response                      "Don't Be Afraid"                      Iona

Offering & Distribution of the Bread and Juice

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Communal God, we give you thanks that as you shared in life and death, you lead us into the resurrected life. At this table, we acknowledge your abiding presence among us. You offer us bread and cup, which we receive in remembrance and expectation of your movement in human history. Form us as your faithful community and shape us as servants and stewards of your realm. By your Holy Spirit, may your love reign within our hearts and manifest in the witness of our lives now and forever. Amen.**

Hymn (opposite)                      "For the Healing of the Nations"

Blessing

Postlude                      "The God of Abraham Praise"                      arr. Gordon Young

# For the Healing of the Nations

1 For the heal - ing of the na - tions, Lord, we pray with one ac - cord,  
 2 Lead your peo - ple in - to free - dom, from de - spair your world re - lease,  
 3 All that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing, let it from the earth be banned:  
 4 You, Cre - a - tor - God, have writ - ten your great name on hu - man - kind;

for a just and e - qual shar - ing of the things that earth af - fords.  
 that, re - deemed from war and ha - tred, all may come and go in peace.  
 pride of sta - tus, race, or school - ing, dog - mas that ob - scure your plan.  
 for our grow - ing in your like - ness, bring the life of Christ to mind;

To a life of love in ac - tion help us rise and pledge our word.  
 Show us how, through care and good - ness, fear will die and hope in - crease.  
 In our com - mon quest for jus - tice may we hal - low life's brief span.  
 that by our re - sponse and serv - ice earth its des - ti - ny may find.