

ZION REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 30, 2023 10:00am

"Today, take some time to thank the Lord that He cares personally for you."



WALKING WITH PURPOSE ❤️



Our Mission Statement

To share the gospel of Christ in such a way that we find God, grow our faith, discover our purpose, and make a difference.

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Walking With Purpose

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

** All who are able may stand*

Gathering Music	'We All Believe in One True God'	J. S. Bach
Ringing of the Bells		
Prelude	'God of Grace and God of Glory. Composed by John Hughes	
Words of welcome		Barbara Hendershot
Call to Community		Barbara Hendershot

God of all the yesterdays and tomorrows, give us new faith, new hope, and new power.

Hear us and help us, O God.

O You who breathed your spirit into the earth and created everything from nothing.

Hear us and help us, O God.

O You who sent the prophets who delivered great visions that last through our terror and confusion today.

Hear us and help us, O God.

For all those who have brought light into our darkness,

We give you thanks and praise.

Be with us as we continue our journey and remind us to follow in Your ways. Amen

*Hymn	"Jesus Shall Reign"	Black #300
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First Reading	Psalm 105, 1-15 <i>The Living Bible</i>	Lector: Barbara Hendershot
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Thank the Lord for all the glorious things he does; proclaim them to the nations. Sing his praises and tell everyone about his miracles. Glory in the Lord; O worshipers of God, rejoice. Search for him and for his strength and keep on searching. Think of the mighty deeds he did for us, his chosen ones- descendants of God's servant Abraham, and of Jacob. Remember how he destroyed our enemies. He is the Lord our God. His goodness is seen everywhere throughout the land. Though a thousand generations pass he never forgets his promise, his covenant with Abraham and Isaac, and confirmed with Jacob. This is his never-ending treaty with the people of Israel: "I will give you the land of Canaan as your inheritance." He said this when they were but few in number, very few, and were only visitors in Canaan. Later they were dispersed among the nations and were driven from one kingdom to another; but through it all he would not let one thing be done to them apart from his decisions. He destroyed many a king who tried! "Touch not these chosen ones of mine," he warned, "and do not hurt my prophets."

Special Music	"Impromptu in G flat major" Op. 90	Franz Schubert
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Second Reading

Mark 16, 1-15

The Living Bible

Barbara Hendershot

The next evening, when the Sabbath ended, Mary Magdalene and Salome and Mary the mother of James went out and purchased embalming spices. Early the following morning, just at sunrise, they carried them out to the tomb. On the way they were discussing how they could ever roll aside the huge stone from the entrance. But when they arrived, they looked up and saw that the stone- a *very* heavy one- was already moved away and the entrance was open! So they entered the tomb- and there on the right sat a young man clothed in white. The women were startled, but the angel said, "Don't be so surprised. Aren't you looking for Jesus, the Nazarene who was crucified? He isn't here! He has come back to life! Look, that's where his body was lying. Now go and give this message to his disciples, including Peter. Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you before he died!" The women fled from the tomb, trembling and bewildered, too frightened to talk. It was early on Sunday morning when Jesus came back to life, and the first person who saw him was Mary Magdalene- the woman from whom he had cast out seven demons. She found the disciples wet-eyed with grief and exclaimed that she had seen Jesus, and he was alive! But they didn't believe her. Later that day he appeared to two who were walking from Jerusalem into the country, but they didn't recognize him at first because he had changed his appearance. When they finally realized who he was, they rushed back to Jerusalem to tell the others, but no one believed them. Still later he appeared to the eleven disciples as they were eating together. He rebuked them for their unbelief- their stubborn refusal to believe those who has seen him alive from the dead! And then he told them, "You are to go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere."

***Hymn**

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

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Message

Byron Stay

Invitation to Give

Barbara Hendershot

Let us present with joy our offerings of commitment and support for the work of the church.
Let us prepare Christ's table with the offerings of our life and labor.

Offertory

"O Hail this Brightest Day of Days"

J. S. Bach

***Offertory Response**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Amen.

Blessing Our Gifts

Barbara Hendershot

All good gifts come from you, O God. You have given us life, and new life in Christ. As you have given us gifts, so we offer our gifts that we may be gifts to one another, even as Jesus so taught and lived. Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

"How Firm a Foundation"

Red #314

Lord's Prayer

Barbara Hendershot

**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 and ever. Amen.**

Sending Forth

Barbara Hendershot

May you love God so much that you love nothing else too much; may you fear God enough that you need fear nothing else at all. Amen

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

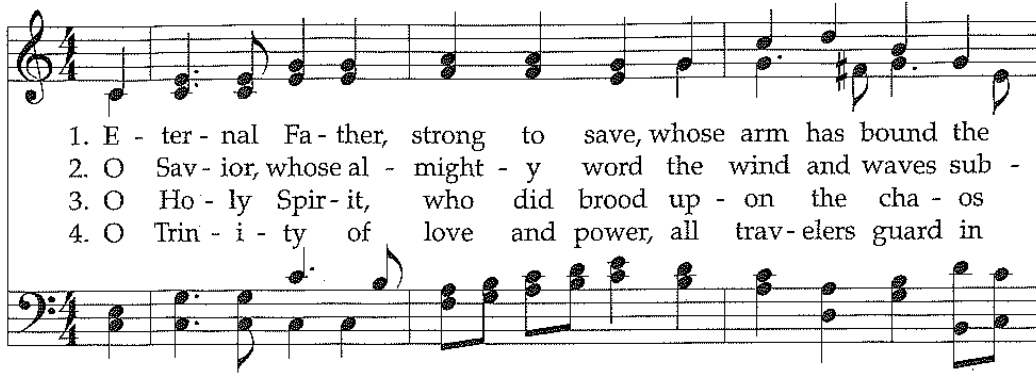
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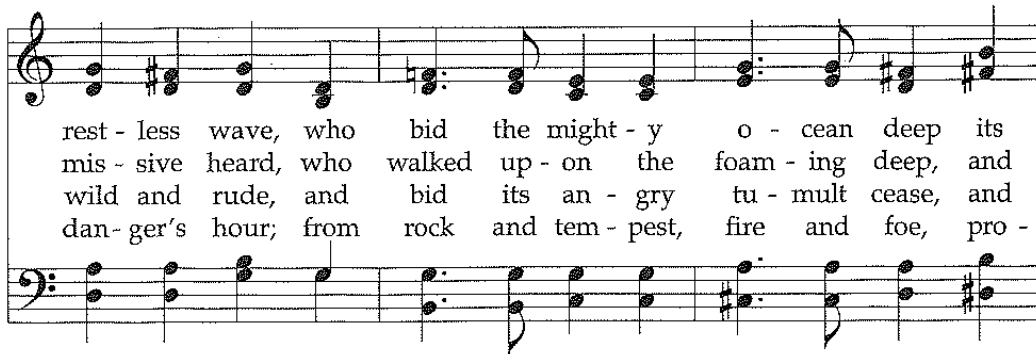
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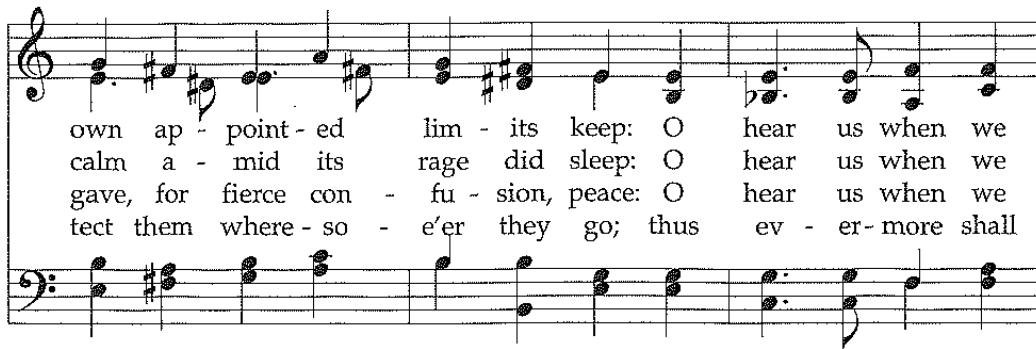
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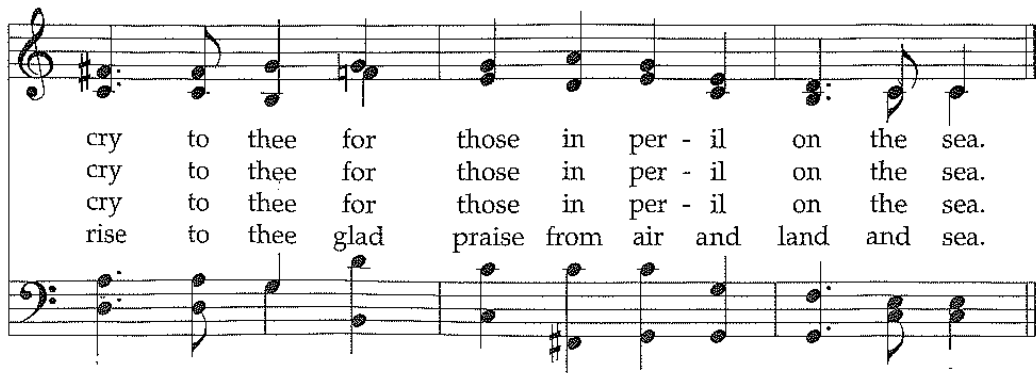
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 4. O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in



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 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

PRAÝING WITH ONE ANOTHER



Prayer is one of the most important spiritual disciplines of our faith, promoting communication with God, and love for God and neighbor. Submit your prayer requests to the church office to be included on the prayer list. Join us in prayer as we pray for all those in our communities that we have touched or that have touched us and those that simply crossed our paths. Let us also remember to pray for peace and safety around the world and to pray with and for our Zion siblings: Bruce Albright, Janis Albright, Joanne Albright, Holly Bell, Naomi Brackett, Jane Bowen, Brenda Bowers, Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, Kim & Bill Cook, Tony Cooper, Ronald Curry Sr., Luke Edwards, Garber Family, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Teddy Grogan, Beth Gross, Vicky Hastings, Lyn Hoffmaster, Jane Hollabaugh, Paul Hose, Brian Johnson, Ann Kalinoski, Rhonda Kane, Alyssa Kline, Dee Krause, Peggy Ledin, Bobby Lowman, Peggy Lowman, Jerri Livingston, Anthony Martin, Sofia Martinez, Dee McGlauckin, Teresa Moats, Heather Morgan, Mary Murphy, Barry & Amy Newlin, Annie Penick, James Penick, The Family of Sue Penick, Mary & George Pietsch, Mark Plotner, Michelle Porter, David Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, Betsy Roulette, Verna Rosenfield, Brianna Russell, Ralph & Scherry Sellers, Staci Shafer, Jeff Shade, Rae Smith, Danny & Julia Springer, Mary Stann, Jovan Summers, Thelma Summers, Martha Tallant, Tracy Roach Walls, Haywood Watts, Eleanor Wible, Eric Wolbring, Robert Yeoman.

**Prayer Requests remain active on the prayer list for 4-weeks unless renewed.*

The lector this week is Barbara Hendershot. The lector next week is Barbara Hendershot.

Ushers for this week are Burnie Clutz, Susan Clutz, Becky Hohman, and John Schnebly.

Next week's ushers are Frank Ebersole, Carol Mooers, TBD.



Birthdays	Judy Thompson	8/5
	Angie Shafer	8/5

Upcoming Events:

- 8/1 Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm (Downstairs in Fellowship Hall)
- 8/3 Thursday Lunch Bunch 12:00pm
4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm
- 8/5 Easy-cise Class 9:00am
- 8/6 Interfaith Book Club "Print and Potluck" Unity of Hagerstown (St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 18313 Lappans Rd.) 2:00pm



Service Credits July 30

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Prelude: God of Grace and God of Glory. Composed by John Hughes. Arr. by Anna Laura Page. © 1990 by Van Ness Press. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Hymns: Jesus Shall Reign. Red 371. Composed by John Hatton (1793). Words by Isaac Watts (1719). Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Eternal Father, Strong to Save. Chalice 85. Composed by John B. Dykes (1861). Words by William Whiting (1860). Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

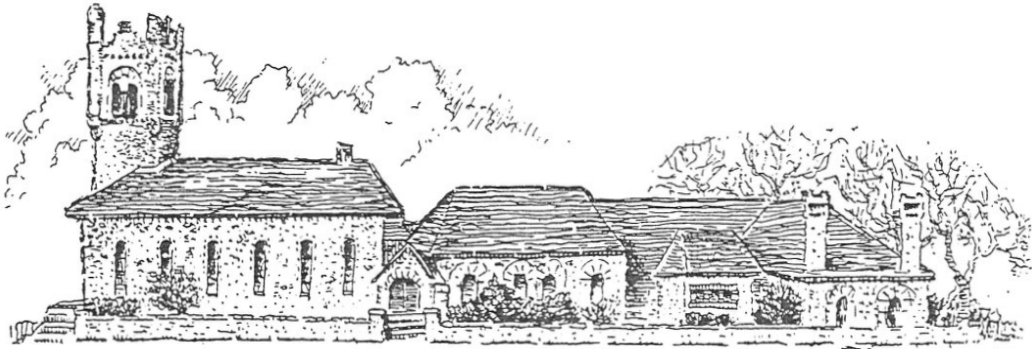
How Firm a Foundation. Red 314. Composed by J. F. Wade (1751). Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

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