

# ZION REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
October 8 2023 @ 11 A.M.**



*"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice."      Philippians 4:4*

**Gathering Music**

"Partita on Azmon"

Mark Brampton Smith

**Bells**

**Greeting, Announcements**

**Prelude**

"Choral Prelude"

Healey Willan

**\*Call to Worship**

One: As people formed by God, we give praise to God:

**All: Dry ground in the sea,  
rivers in the desert,  
Christ among us—  
God is doing a new thing!**

One: As people restored by God, we give praise to God:

**All: Dry ground in the sea,  
rivers in the desert,**

**Christ among us—  
God is doing a new thing!**

One: As people pressing on in faith, we give praise to God:

**All: Dry ground in the sea,  
rivers in the desert,  
Christ among us—  
God is doing a new thing!**

**\*Hymn**

“Jesus Shall Reign”

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**Prayer of Hope**

One: We are the gifted and beloved children of God and we give thanks. With gratitude we offer our unfinished selves to God.

**All: Holy God, we confess how often we blur your image in our lives. You call us to enjoy the work of our hands; instead we fret and worry. You offer us the fragrant Bread of Life; instead we grasp the anxious bread of toil. Forgive us. Unwind us, unbend us, unsettle us. And re-create us as channels of your grace. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**Choral Response**

“Let there Be Peace On Earth”

(See insert)

**Scripture**

Psalm 126 New Revised Standard Version

Lector: Barb Hendershot

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,  
we were like those who dream.  
Then our mouth was filled with laughter  
and our tongue with shouts of joy;  
then it was said among the nations,  
“The Lord has done great things for them.”  
The Lord has done great things for us,  
and we rejoiced.  
Restore our fortunes, O Lord,  
like the watercourses in the Negeb.  
May those who sow in tears  
reap with shouts of joy.  
Those who go out weeping,  
bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy,  
carrying their sheaves.

One: Listen to what the Spirit is teaching.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

“Redeemed”

Zion Choir

**Word for Children**

Barb Hendershot

**Scripture**

Philippians 3:4b-14 New Revised Standard Version Lector: Barb Hendershot

...even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ,[a] the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ[b] and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

From Rubbish to Righteousness

**\*Hymn**

"Bringing in the Sheaves"

(See insert)

American Service Hymnal, 1968

**Call to the Offering**

God of life, we choose to live, and in doing so we choose to give. Bless our giving, in person and through Zion, and bless our living. Amen.

**Offertory**

Chorale Prelude on "We Walk by Faith."

Samuel McFarland

**\*Doxology**

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

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Oh praise Him, Oh praise Him.**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen**

**Prayer of Dedication** (In unison)

Gracious God, we offer our gifts as an act of extravagant faith. Bless this offering, that it might be a witness to your realm of forgiveness, justice and healing. May this act of sharing embolden us to show great generosity throughout the coming week. In your many names we pray, Amen.

\*Benediction

One: May God bless us;  
May God keep us in the Spirit's care  
And lead our lives with love.

**All: May God's warm welcome shine from our hearts  
And Christ's own peace prevail  
Through this and every day. Amen.**

Postlude

"Trumpet Voluntary"

John Stanley

*Please remain seated until the acolyte has doused the alter candles.*

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP



CONFIRMATION CLASS

We are looking for 6th-12th graders who would like to join the Confirmation Class. This is an opportunity to be introduced to the tenants of Christian faith, the meanings behind the practices of our Reformed worship, the common ethics of other religions and the opportunities of membership at Zion. The class will be starting on October 15th at 9:45 a.m. We will meet in the chapel at 9:45 and then go downstairs. This first class will be an opportunity to plan together the Confirmation experience and to discuss Mentor opportunities. Letting Pastor Scott know to expect you is very helpful.



Micah's Backpack is collecting Single Serve Pasta during the month of October.



Our Tuesday Night Ministry is collecting Peanut Butter during the month of October.

Thank you for your help in these outreach ministries.

### ***PRAYING 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. 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, Bandit, Bob Barnhart, Naomi Brackett, Holly Bell, Brenda Bowers, Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, Tony & Sandy Carlin, Kim & Bill Cook, Ronald Curry Sr., Luke Edwards, Donna France, **Ralph France**, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Teddy Grogan, Beth Gross, Elwood Hauver, Sherry Hockman, Brian Johnson, Bradley, Hanna & Ellie Jump, Maddison & Rexton Jump, Dee Krause, Jerri Livingston, Mary Lorfing, Sofia Martinez, Dee McGlauckin, Teresa Moats, Heather Morgan, Mary Murphy, Barry & Amy Newlin, Annie Penick, James 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, Danny & Julia Springer, Melanie & Wesley (granddaughter and great grandson of Danny & Julia Springer), Mary Stann, Jovan Summers, Thelma Summers, Tracy Roach Walls, Eric Wolbring.

***\*\*New additions to the Prayer List will be printed in bold for the first week.***



The lector this week is Barb Hendershot. The lector next week is Calvin Livingston. Ushers for this week are Domenick Gerlando, Barb Hendershot, Matt McDonald, William Wantz.

Next week's ushers are William Brewer, Calvin Livingston, Gerald Saum and Jean Simmons.

Greeters for this week are: Front Door – Susie Clutz. Middle Door – TBD.

Please sign up to be a greeter on Sunday mornings. Sign up sheet is on the table in the Chapel.



#### **Birthdays**

- 10/8 David Richardson
- 10/10 James McDonald
- 10/12 Elizabeth Hauver
- 10/13 Ruth Dwyer

#### **Anniversaries**

- 10/09 Ruth & John Dwyer
- 10/09 Margaret & Scott Richardson
- 10/11 Mary & Chris Emmert
- 10/13 Amber & Curtis Nilson

## Upcoming Events:



- 10/10 Staff Meeting 12:00pm
- HARC Monthly Meeting 12:30pm
- Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm (Downstairs in Fellowship Hall)
- 10/12 4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm
- Choir Practice 5:30pm
- 10/13 Central Atlantic Conference Annual Meeting 10:00am Frederick, MD
- 10/14 Easy-cise Class 9:00am
- Catoctin Association Fall Meeting 3:00pm Frederick, Md

## Save the Dates

- 10/15 HARC No Book Book Club Meeting 5:00pm Unity of Hagerstown
- 10/18 Wednesday Potluck & ONA Conversation 6:00pm

## Mummers Parade Seats



Seats are now on sale for the Mummers Parade, Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm. \$6.00 for sidewalk and \$5.00 on the wall. We are looking for volunteers to help set up chairs at 6:00am to be followed by breakfast at Golden Corral, set up the concession area at 4:00pm, and help tear down and cleanup after the parade. If you can do any of these please contact Kim Ridenour.

## Trick or Treating in Zion Church



The children of the church and their cousins and friends are invited to Trick or Treat during Church School on October 29<sup>th</sup>. We invite the children and anyone else to wear costumes for a costume parade during the Children's Sermon in worship.

We could use some adults to decorate some church doors, adding festivity. Please let Pastor Scott know if you can help decorate.

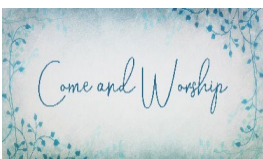
## ZION Reformed United Church of Christ New ONLINE Opportunities.

Adult Sunday School begins at 9:45 and will be led by David Ridenour and Rae Smith. You can come in person to the Burhans Room, or you can join on Zoom. The link will be found in the Friday Email and on the Website or you can type it into your search engine.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87602917867?pwd=NmRrQWxTVjg5cWNrL2RaNTN3ZU02UT09>

- Password: Peace

Meeting ID: 876 0291 7867



This same link used for Adult Ed will be used for those who want to worship with us via zoom. Start joining at 10:50 to fellowship on Zoom before worship. During Worship we will feed our live service into zoom. Consider turning your cameras on so you can see each other and feel free to chat during worship.

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**October 8**  
**CCLI number: 6212519**

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**Hymns:** Jesus Shall Reign. NCH 300. Tune: Duke Street. Attrib. to John Hatton (1793). Words by Isaac Watts (1719). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Bringing In The Sheaves Written by Samuel Wolcott (1813-1886) 1869.  
Italian hymn Composed by Felice de Giardini (1716-1796) 1769/

The Spacious Firmament on High. Red 66. Tune: Creation. Composed by Franz Joseph Haydn (1798). Words by Joseph Addison (1712). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

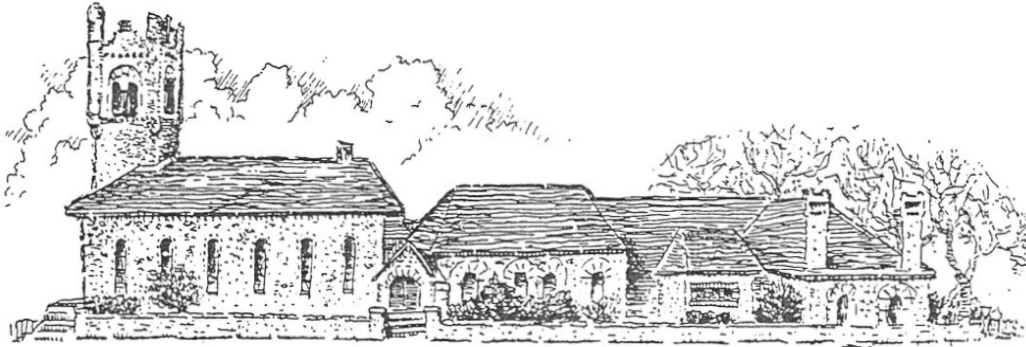
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## Zion Reformed United Church of Christ

### **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.**

#### A Special Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to the Zion Reformed United Church of Christ! We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. I believe you will find Zion Church an open and safe place to ask the difficult questions of life and a community that honors each spiritual journey. We encourage you to ask our members about our community, explore our bulletin and website and to gift us with your contact information (phone, address, email) in our Guest Book as you exit worship. We are ready to answer any question or to help connect you to any program that we can. I hope I have the opportunity to greet you in person after the service or that you'll contact me. Many blessings, Scott Winnette, Pastor (pastorwinnette@gmail.com)

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