

# ZION REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**October 15 2023 @ 11 A.M.**



*"He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul" Psalm 23*

**Gathering Music**      "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now!"      J S Bach and Johann Gottfried Walther

**Bells**

**Greeting, Announcements**

**Prelude**      "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"      Rowland Huw Pritchard

**\*Call to Worship**

One: O God, you summon the day to dawn,  
you teach the morning to waken the earth  
**All: Great is Your name! Great is Your love!**  
One: For you the valleys shall sing for joy,  
The trees of the field shall clap their hands.  
**All: Great is Your name! Great is Your love!**  
One: For you the rulers of the earth shall bow,  
The poor and persecuted shall shout for joy.  
**All: Great is Your name! Great is Your love!**  
One: Your love and mercy shall last forever.  
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.  
**All: Great is Your name! Great is Your love!**

**Prayer of Confession**

Psalm 23; Luke 1:79

**Holy God,  
We confess that we have strayed  
from your paths of right relationship and peace,  
and we have dishonored you,  
ourselves, and your creation;  
we repent of these hurtful ways.  
Forgive us, we pray,  
as we learn to forgive others,  
and guide our feet into the way of peace. Amen.**

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

Ps. 23; Acts 9:41

God's mercy overflows as a healing spring  
to cleanse us of our offenses;  
therefore, know that you are forgiven  
and receive new life in Christ.

**Choral Refrain**

*Put Peace into Each Other's Hands*

**Peace into each other's hands,  
And like a treasure hold it  
Protect it like a candle flame,  
With tenderness enfold it.**

**Scripture**

Acts 17:22-25    New Revised Standard Version

Lector: Calvin Livingston

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things.

One: Listen to what the Spirit is teaching us.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Word for Children**

**Anthem**

"This is My Story and Song"

Zion Choir

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
 He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
 He restoreth my soul:  
 He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
 I will fear no evil; for thou art with me:  
 Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.  
 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
 Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
 And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.  
 One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Mr. Goodnest and Marcy

**\*Hymn**

"Amazing Grace"

Black #547

**Call to the Offering**

Remembering that all that we have, and all that we are, is a gift from God, let us return to God a portion of what we have been so generously given with our tithes and our offerings.

**Offertory**

"Adagio" from Concerto en Re Mineur"

Tomaso Albinoni

**\*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)

**Holy God, Divine Shepherd,  
 you anoint us with the oil of gladness;  
 your love overflows our hearts.  
 Accept our offering for the good of the world  
 as we joyfully give thanks for our life in you.  
 In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

"Praise to God, Immortal Praise"

Red #435

## \*Benediction

May the roads rise to meet you,  
May the winds be always at your back,  
May the sunshine warm upon your face,  
The rains fall soft upon your fields,  
And until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the hollow of God's hand.

## Benediction Response

Gently ♩ = ca. 66

Take, O take me as I am; — sum - mon out what I shall be; —  
set your seal up - on my heart and live in — me. —

## Postlude

"Praeludium in C Major"

J. S. Bach

*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.



Head Start of Washington County is once again collecting hats and gloves for girls and boys ages 3 – 5 years old. We will be accepting donations until the end of November. There will be a box near the middle doors for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

### ***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, 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 Pietsch**, 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 Calvin Livingston. The lector next week is Carol Mooers. Ushers for this week are William Brewer, Calvin Livingston, Gerald Saum and Jean Simmons. Next week's ushers are Burnie Clutz, Susan Clutz, Becky Hohman, and John Schnebly.

Greeters for this week are: Front Door – Calvin Livingston. Middle Door – TBD. Please sign up to be a greeter on Sunday mornings. Sign-up sheet is on the table at the middle doors.



**Birthdays**  
10/15 Rob Grosh  
10/19 Meagan Graff Bohn



### Upcoming Events:

- 10/17 Staff Meeting 12:00pm  
Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm (Downstairs in Fellowship Hall)
- 10/18 Wednesday Potluck & ONA Conversation 6:00pm  
UCC Revitalization Meeting via Zoom 6:00pm
- 10/19 4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm  
Choir Practice 5:30pm

### Save the Dates

- 10/27 Zion Book Club
- 10/28 Mummers Parade

### 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.

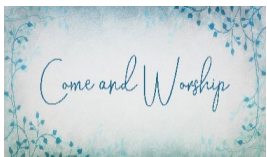


Adult Sunday School begins at 9:45 and will be led by David Ridenour and Rae Smith. You can come in person to the Burhans Room, or you can join on Zoom. The link will be found in the Friday Email and on the Website or you can type it into your search engine.

<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.

**Service Credits**  
**October 15**  
**CCLI number: 6212519**

**Gathering music:** Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now! Settings by J. S. Bach Johann Gottfried Walther. © 1913 by G. Schirmer. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

**Prelude:** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling. Composed by Rowland Huw Pritchard. Arr. by Stephen Burtonwood. © 2019 by Lorenz Publishing Co. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

**Hymns:** When Morning Guilds the Sky. NCH 86. Tune: Laudes Domini. Composed by Joseph Barnby (1868). Words by Katholisches Gesangbuch (1828). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Amazing Grace. NCH 547. Composed by John Newton (1779). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

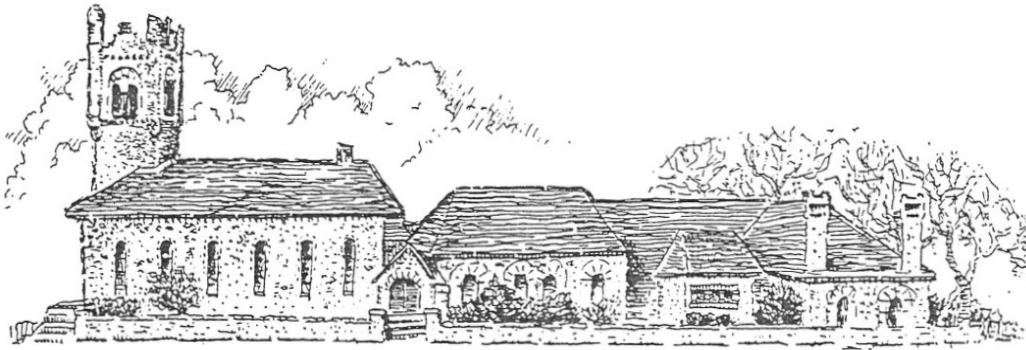
Praise to God, Immortal Praise. Red 435. Tune: Dix. Arr. by Conrad Kocher. Words by Anna L. Barbauld (1773). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Source(s): Hymnary ([hymnary.org](http://hymnary.org)).

**Choir Anthem:** This is My Story and Song. (A Medley of Fanny Crosby Songs. Arr. by Lloyd Larson. © 2020 by Lorenz Publishing Co.

**Offertory:** "Adagio" from Concerto en Re Mineur. Composed by Tomaso Albinoni. © 1970 by Editions M. R. Braun. Performed by Byron L. Stay (piccolo trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

**Postlude:** Praeludium in C Major. Composed by J. S. Bach. © 1913 by G. Schirmer. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.



## 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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