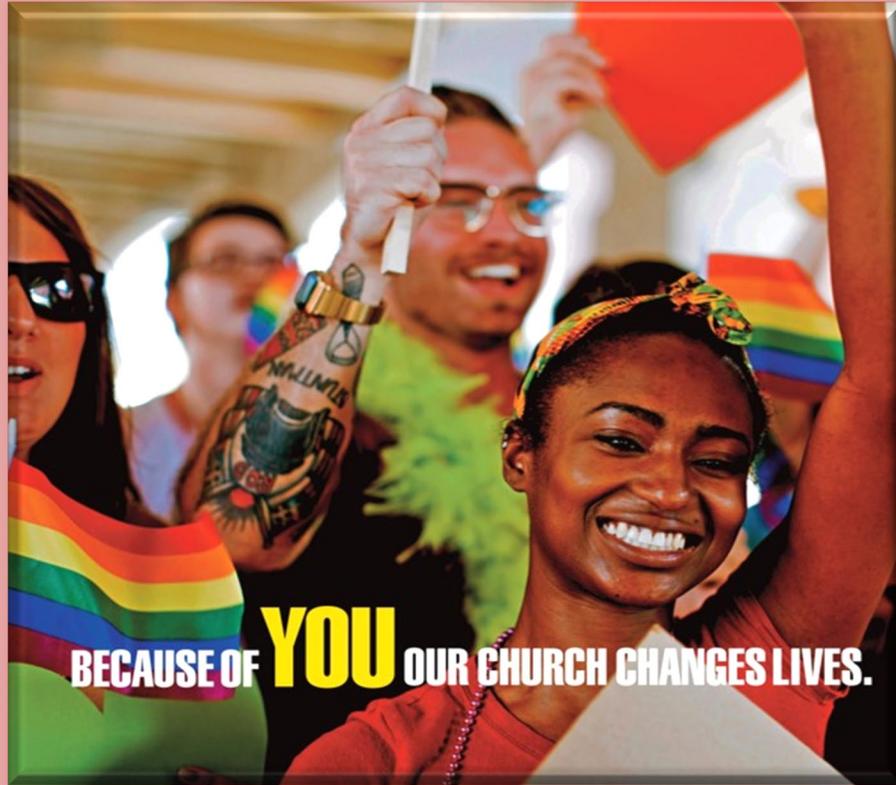


ZION REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Stewardship Sunday
November 12, 2023 @ 11 A.M.



"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another."

1 Peter 4:10

Gathering Music & Bells

"Early American Hymn Tune Preludes, Set 2"

Robert J. Powel

Greeting, Announcements

Byron Stay – Trumpet & Organ Recital

Prelude

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Carl G. Glaser

***Call to Worship**

Based on Psalm 107

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: God gathers the redeemed from trouble, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: God turns a desert into pools of water, and there God lets the hungry live.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: O Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

One: The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

All: Loving God, you call us to be a servant people, but we confess that we do not conform to your expectations. We seek honor for our work. We seek recognition for who we are and what we accomplish. Forgive us for chasing after honor that does not satisfy. Renew us through your limitless grace. Teach us again the way of self-giving love that you have exalted in Jesus Christ. Hear now our silent prayers.

Kyrie

Assurance of Pardon

One: Hear the Good News! Who is in a position to condemn?

All: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Scripture

Luke 6:38 NRSV

Lector: Rae Smith

give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

One: Listen to what the Spirit is teaching.

All: Thanks be to God.

Word for Children

Anthem

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

Zion Choir

Scripture

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Lector: Rae Smith

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

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

All: Thanks be to God

COMMUNION SERVICE

Communion Service at Zion Church. Communion is offered each week. On the first Sundays of the month we will celebrate a complete Eucharist in worship. On the following Sundays Pastor Scott will consecrate a plate and cup to be placed in the Narthex for anyone who wishes to partake.



Micah's Backpack is collecting Single Serve Oatmeal Packets during the month of November.



Our Tuesday Night Ministry is collecting Canned Fruit during the month of November. 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 age 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, Bob Barnhart, Naomi Brackett, Holly Bell, Brenda Bowers, Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, Kim & Bill Cook, Ronald Curry Sr., Luke Edwards, Donna France, Shirley Fuss, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Teddy Grogan, Beth Gross, Elwood Hauver, Brian Johnson, Bradley, Hanna & Ellie Jump, Maddison & Rexton Jump, Tena Kindle, 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, Mark Plotner, Michelle Porter, David Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, Henry V Rothrock, Betsy Roulette, Verna Rosenfield, Brianna Russell, Emma Schnebly, Ralph & Scherry Sellers, Staci Shafer, Jeff Shade, Melanie & Wesley (granddaughter and great grandson of Danny Springer), Jovan Summers, Thelma Summers, Robin Thorstrom, Tracy Roach Walls, Eric Wolbring, Uncle Walter.

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



The lector this week is Rae Smith. The lector next week is Rich Owens. Ushers for this week are Bill Brewer, Calvin Livingston, Gerald Saum, Jean Simmons. Next week's ushers are Burnie Clutz, Susan Clutz, Becky Hohman, John Schnebly. Greeters for this week are: Front Door – Calvin Livingston. Middle Door – TBD.

Please sign up to be a greeter on Sunday mornings. The sign-up sheet is on the table at the middle doors.

Birthdays



11/13 Curtis Nilson
11/13 Jane Hershey
11/13 William Brewer
11/14 Beth Gross
11/14 Patynce Shirley
11/15 Brandie Burchard
11/16 Betty Patterson
11/18 Kim Cook

Anniversaries

11/18 Sue & Mike Graff

Upcoming Events:



11/12 Stewardship Lunch 12:30
Trumpet & Organ Recital 2:00pm
11/14 Staff Meeting 12:00pm
HARC Monthly Meeting 12:30
Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm (Downstairs in Fellowship Hall)
11/15 Newsletter Article Deadline
Wednesday Potluck 6:00pm
11/16 4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm
Choir Practice 5:30pm

Save the Dates

11/19 Totenfest Service
HARC Interfaith Thanksgiving Service 3:00pm Trinity Lutheran Church
11/28 Giving Tuesday

Totenfest



Next Sunday, November 19th, is Totenfest Sunday. If there is anyone that you would like mentioned in this year's Remembrance Book please contact the church office on Monday so we have enough time to include your loved ones.

Membership Class



New to the church? Been here awhile? Are you interested in a greater connection? Zion will be hosting a New Member Class on Sunday, November 19, after worship in the Burhans Room. We invite you to attend and get to know Zion better and allow us to get to know you better. Come if you want to join. Come if you want to learn more about who we are. Please let the church office or Pastor Scott know if you are interested in attending.

Wednesday Pot Luck



Our Wednesday Evening Potluck is back. This is a great way to leave the workday behind and just relax. Join us every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm in the Chapel for good food, interesting discussions, and great fellowship. Bring your favorite dish for everyone to try.

Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes



We are able to purchase Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes from the Maryland Food Bank for \$10 each. These will be given to some of our neighbors that cannot afford to provide a Thanksgiving dinner for their family. Last year we gave out 26 dinner boxes to families in need. If anyone would like to help with the cost of these dinners, you can put your gift in the offering plate (please mark for Thanksgiving Dinner) or see either Kim Ridenour or Rae Smith.

Giving Tuesday



Starting in 2012 in the United States, Giving Tuesday is a day of giving back to nonprofits within the community, either monetarily or by taking action in support of the nonprofit's mission. It was inspired by the various days of shopping following Thanksgiving, including Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, and Cyber Monday. Last year \$3.1 billion was raised in donations on Giving Tuesday in the U.S. alone.

Christmas Poinsettias



If you would like to place a poinsettia on the altar in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one for Christmas, please fill out the enclosed form and return to Rae Smith. Poinsettias will be offered in either red or pink and are \$10 each. The deadline for ordering is December 3rd.



If you would like a box of Offering Envelopes for the upcoming year, please let Rae Smith know. Office phone number 301-739-7244, e-mail zionrucc@myactv.net



Stewardship isn't a subcategory of the Christian life. Stewardship is the Christian life. After all, what is stewardship except that God has entrusted to us life, time, talents, money, possessions, family, and his grace? In each case, he evaluates how we regard what he has entrusted to us and what we do with it.

— Randy Alcorn —

AZ QUOTES

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Gathering music: Early American Hymn Tune Preludes, Set 2. Arr. by Robert J. Powell. © 1998 by Concordia Publishing House. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Prelude: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing. Composed by Carl G. Glaser. Arr. by Gilbert M. Martin. © 2011 by Lorenz Publishing Co. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Hymns: We've a Story to Tell to the Nations. (Inset). Composed by H. Ernest Nichol & son. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing. NCH 42. Tune: Azmon. Composed by Carl G. Glaser (1828). Words by Charles Wesley (1740). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

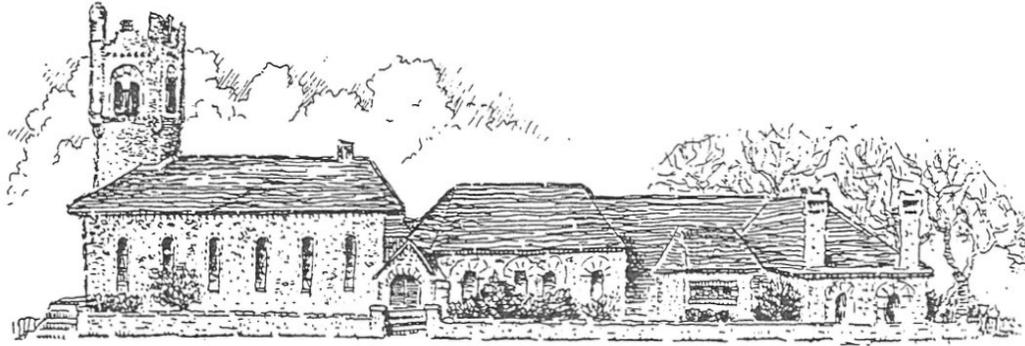
America the Beautiful. Red 443. Tune: Materna. Composed by S. A. Ward (1882). Words by Katherine Lee Bates (1895). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Source(s): Hymnary (hymnary.org).

Choir Anthem: O Love That Will Not Let Me Go. Composed by Albert L. Peace. Arr. by Mark Hayes. © 2014 by Lorenz Publishing House.

Offertory: Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven. Composed by John Goss. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Postlude: Onward Christian Soldiers. Composed by Arthur S. Sullivan (1871). Arr. by Sabine Baring-Gould. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and 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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