# ZION REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Fourth Sunday of Easter Sunday, April 21, 2024 11:00am



"You lead me beside the still waters"

Psalm 23

**GATHERING MUSIC AND BELLS** 

Praeludium, Bux WV 148 and 149

Dietrich Buxtehude

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**PRELUDE** Prayer of Saint Gregory

Alan Hovhaness

### \*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 (In Unison)**

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.

# Silence for Personal Prayer

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Psalm 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.

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 40:31 Lector: Barb Hendershot

Those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

### WORD FOR CHILDREN

**SCRIPTURE** An Interpretation of Psalm 23 Lector: Barb Hendershot

O my Beloved, you are my shepherd, I shall not want;
You bring me to green pastures for rest
and lead me beside still waters renewing my spirit,
You restore my soul.
You lead me in the path of goodness to follow Love's way.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow and of death,
I am not afraid; For You are ever with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they guide me,
they give me strength and comfort.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of all my fears; you bless me with oil, my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the heart of the Beloved forever.

From *Psalms for Praying* © 2007 Nan C. Merrill When Love is Found Zion Choir

\*HYMN The Lord's My Shepherd See Insert

**MORNING PRAYER** 

### PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

**OFFERTORY** Christ Is the King John Eggert

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Praise God above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

## 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 Renew Your Church NCH #311

#### \*BLESSING

Go forth to follow paths of righteousness; go forth to follow paths of peace; and may God's goodness and mercy follow you as you serve the Holy Love.

**POSTLUDE** Trumpet Tune David German

# Pease remain seated until the altar candles are doused.

There is a card on the table in the chapel for Pastor Katie's installation, please sign it so we can take to her this afternoon. Thanks.



Please join us in congratulating Dr. Raegon Clutz, son of Susan and Burnie Clutz, on being voted Maryland's Principal of the Year.



GOD Psalur 23

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# The Lord's My Shepherd



WORDS: Scottish Psalter, 1650, alt. MUSIC: Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1871; arr. David Grant, 1872; desc. W. Baird Ross (20th century) CRIMOND

# Outreach and Service Opportunities

**Micah's Backpack** is collecting Juice boxes in the month of April.

**Our Tuesday Night Ministry** needs **Empty Egg Cartons.** We are also collecting Cereal – boxes and individual servings.

We are in need of volunteers on **Tuesday Nights** to help in both the kitchen and the pantry. Contact Kim Ridenour or the office if you are interested.

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, **John Bartley**, Koda Bell, Brenda Bowers, Naomi Brackett, Bryan Jones, Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, Kim & Bill Cook, Donna France, Brandon Graff, Michael Graff, Sr., Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Beth Gross, David Lee Hatfield, Jim Hatfield, Elwood Hauver, Lyn Hoffmaster, Brian Johnson, Kamry, Dee Krause, Missie LaBombard, Jerri Livingston, Susan Lohman, Peggy Lowman, Teresa Moates, Heather Morgan, Annie Penick, James Penick, Mary Pietsch, George Pietsch, Parker Ragland, Stephanie Resetar, David Ridenour, John Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, Jose Rodriquez, Betsy Roulette, Emma Schnebly, Ralph & Scherry Sellers, Staci Shafer, Tina Shafer, Jessica Stark, Byron Stay, Jovan Summers, Thelma Summers, Tracy Roach Walls, Erick Wellnitz.

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

# Other Announcements

# **Wednesday Night Devotional and Potluck**

Wednesday Night Study and Potluck. We will meet on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in the Chapel when we will continue with our video series on Gratitude. Come and join us for a potluck meal (bring what you like), devotion and fellowship.

### Service of Installation for the Rev. Katie Penick

The Catoctin Association, Central Atlantic Conference, United Church of Christ and Trinity United Church of Christ in Manchester cordially invite your presence and prayers to the Service of Installation for Rev. Katie Penick as pastor to the congregation. **Today at 2:00 PM at Trinity UCC, 3229 York Street Manchester, MD 21102** 

# **Graduation Sunday – May 19, 2024**

We would like to honor all our graduates on May 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have a graduate in your family, or know of one, please contact Pastor Scott or the office with the information.

# Next Week's Worship & Calendar

The lector this week is Amber Nilson. The lector next week is Calvin Livingston. Ushers for this week are Mark Bagby, Frank Ebersole, Carol Mooers, Rich Owens. Next week's ushers are Domenick Gerlando, Barb Hendershot, Matt McDonald, William Wantz. Greeters for this week are: Front Door – Susan Clutz. Middle Door – TBD. Please sign up to be a greeter on Sunday mornings. The sign-up sheet is on the table at the middle door.

- 4/23 Staff Meeting 12:00pm Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm (Downstairs in Fellowship Hall)
- 4/24 Wednesday Devotional & Potluck 6:00pm
- 4/25 4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm Choir Practice 5:30pm
- 4/26 Zion Book Club 7:00pm at the home of Daisy Schlotterbeck
- 4/27 Catoctin Association Spring Meeting 9:00am St. Paul's UCC, 17 Bond St., Westminster, MD

# **Birthdays**

- 4/21 LoriBeth Martin
- 4/21 Michael Mooers
- 4/23 Krista Burgan
- 4/24 Kenlin Martin

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**Gathering music:** Praeludium, Bux WV 148 and 149. Composed by Dietrich Buxtehude. © 1995 by Barenreiter-Verlag. Performed by C. M. Moblard (pianist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

**Prelude:** Prayer of Saint Gregory. Composed by Alan Hovhaness. © 1952 by Peer International Corp. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

**Hymns:** Holy, Holy! Red 1. Tune: Nicea. Composed by John B. Dykes (1861). Words by Reginald Heber (1816). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

The Lord's My Shepherd. Chalice 78. Words by Scottish Psalter, 1650. Music by Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1871; arr. David Grant, 1872. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Renew Your Church. NCH 311. Tune: All is Well. Traditional English melody. Words by Kenneth L. Cober. Dwight (1801). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

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

**Choir Anthem:** When Love is Found.

**Offertory:** Christ Is the King. Composed by John Eggert. © 1996 by Concordia Publishing House. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

**Postlude:** Trumpet Tune. Composed by David German. © 1990 by David German. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.



# **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.



# Zion Reformed United Church of Christ

**Welcome** to the Zion Reformed United Church of Christ, an **Open and Affirming Church** striving to welcome and value all people and creation. I am glad you have joined us 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. I encourage you to ask me or our members about our community, explore our bulletin and website and gift us with your contact information (phone, address, email) in our Guest Book or Pew Card. I/we are ready to answer any question or to help connect you to any program that we can. I hope to greet you in person after the service or that you'll contact me.

Many blessings, Pastor Scott



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