

ZION REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 21, 2024 – Worship



"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place, and rest awhile" Mark 6:31

GATHERING MUSIC AND BELLS

Ciacona in d

Johann Pachelbel

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to online attendees

PRELUDE

Festive Voluntary on "Hanover"

William Croft

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: How we love you, God, our strength, our rock, our fortress, our champion.

All: *You are the rock where we take refuge, the desert for our renewal, our stronghold and our shelter.*

One: How perfect are your ways, O God, how dependable your words.

All: *A shield to all who make you their refuge. (Psalm 18)*

One: Come to us this hour, O Holy Rock.

All: *Come to us, and support our faith. All to the glory of God!*

*HYMN

Praise to the Living God

NCH 8

PRAYER OF HOPE (in unison)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.

We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.

We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.

In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, believe the good news.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Many and Great

MANY AND GREAT
NORTH AMERICAN (NATIVE TRADITION)

Mysteriously

1. Man - y and great, O God, are your works, Mak - er of earth and
2. Grant us com - mun - ion with you, our God, Though you tran - scend the

sky;
stars. Your hands have set the heav - ens with stars;
Come close to us and stay by our side:

Your fin - gers spread the moun - tains and plains. You mere - ly spoke and
With you are found the true gifts that last. Bless us with life which

wa - ters were formed; Deep seas o - bey your voice.
nev - er shall end, E - ter - nal life with you.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Many and Great' in 2/2 time, key of B-flat major. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system includes two verses. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system continues the lyrics. The fourth system concludes the lyrics.

WORD FOR CHILDREN

"Zonia's Rain Forest"

Juana Martinez-Neal

SECIAL MUSIC*Brother James Air Sacred Medley There Is a Balm in Gilead*

Flute Choir

SCRIPTURE**Mark 6:30-34; 53-56**

Lector: Missie LaBombard

The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: *Thanks be to God!*

SERMON***HYMN***O Mighty God, When I Survey in Wonder*

NCH 35

MORNING PRAYER**THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TEACHES US**

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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**OFFERTORY***Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

John B. Dykes

***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, Alleluia

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

God of grace, we know you want justice rolling down like water. Accept these gifts from our hands, which we cast upon the waters of your love, a generous ever-flowing stream feeding the hungry and helping those in need. Accept these gifts for the work of your church. Amen.

***HYMN**

Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

NCH 55

***BLESSING**

John Wesley

One: Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,

**All: *To all the people we can,
As long as ever we can!***

POSTLUDE

Festive Processional

David Lasky



Please remain seated until the altar candles are doused.

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP





The ZION Consistory is pleased to announce the continuation of the Cash College Scholarship Fund. George Cash, a long time ZION member who passed away in 1997, graciously donated money for the creation of a scholarship fund to benefit deserving college students.

We invite any member who plans to be enrolled full time in an undergraduate college program during 2024-25 to complete the application form available by contacting Zion's church office. All applications must be submitted no later than August 7, 2024. The Scholarship Committee will announce the awards by August 23, 2024.

Additionally, the Consistory invites members to make contributions to the Fund so that this opportunity can continue into the foreseeable future. Contributions can be sent to ZION Reformed UCC, 201 N. Potomac St., Hagerstown, MD 21740 Attn. Scholarship Fund.

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, Perry Barnhart, Koda Bell, Lon Bender, Brenda Bowers, Naomi Brackett, Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, **The Cantilena Family on the death of Richards father**, Kim & Bill Cook, **Louise Danzer**, Ron DeYoung, Donna France, Ralph France, Betty German (friend of the Wares), Avery Goodrich, Sally Glover, Brandon Graff, Michael Graff Jr., (son of Sue and Mike), Beth Gross, David Lee Hatfield, Jim Hatfield, **Beth Hauver**, Elwood Hauver, **Brett Hendershot, fighting forest fires in Utah**, Lyn Hoffmaster, Dee Krause, Barry Landis, Jerri Livingston, Peggy Lowman, **Michael McCarthy** (friend of Rae Smith), Heather Morgan, Parker Ragland, Stephanie Resetar, David Ridenour, John Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, Betsy Roulette, Emma Schnebly, John Schnebly, Ralph & Scherry Sellers, Staci Shafer, Tina Shafer, Mary Helen Staley (friend of the Wares), Jessica Stark, **Gloria Stottlemeyer** (friend of Missie LaBombard), Thelma Summers, Tracy Roach Walls, Erick Wellnitz, Eric Wolbring, Johnathan Wood.

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

Next Week's Worship & Calendar

The lector this week is Missie LaBombard. The lector next week is Rae Smith.

Ushers for this week are Domenick Gerlando, Barb Hendershot, Matt McDonald, William Wantz.

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

Greeters for this week are: Front Door – TBD. 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.

- 7/23 Staff Meeting 12:00pm
Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm
- 7/24 Properties Team Meeting 4:00pm
Wednesday Night Devotional and Potluck 6:00pm
- 7/25 4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm
- 7/26 Zion Book Club 7:00pm

Birthdays

- 7/24 Domenick Gerlando
- 7/25 Robert Prince
- 7/26 Barb Ware

Outreach and Service Opportunities

Our Tuesday Night Ministry is collecting snacks – PB Crackers, Cheese Crackers, etc. for the month of July. We are in need of bottled water for hydration.

We are also in need of Plastic Storage Bags in the following sizes – snack, sandwich, quart and gallon. We receive a lot of our food items from the MD Food Bank in bulk packaging and need these bags to repack that food into portion sizes for our neighbors.

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.

Other Announcements

Wednesday Night Devotional and Potluck

Join us each Wednesday evening at 6:00pm for a potluck dinner, fellowship, interesting and thought-provoking videos and discussions. We will be watching and discussing the series "Living The Question".

Service Credits
CCLI Number: 6212519
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- Gathering music:** Ciacona in d. Composed by Johann Pachelbel. © Belwin-Mills Publishing Corp., New York. Performed by C. M. Moblard (pianist) of Zion Reformed UCC.
- Prelude:** Festive Voluntary on "Hanover." Attributed to William Croft. Arr. by David Lasky. © 2021 by Lorenz Publishing Co. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.
- Hymns:** Praise to the Living God. NCH 8. Tune: Diademata.
O Mighty God, When I Survey in Wonder. NCH 35.
Rejoice, You Pure in Heart. NCH 55. Tune: Marion.
Source(s): Hymnary (hymnary.org).
- Special music:** Flute choir. "Brother James Air" Arr. By Nora Kile. ALRY Publications Etc., Inc., c 1997, Charlotte, NC; "Sacred Medley" Arr. By Tommy Golf, ALRY Publications Etc., c. 1995, Charlotte, NC; "There Is a Balm in Gilead" Arr. By William G. Rose, TrebleC Music. PO Box 1754, c. 2002, Glen Burnie, MD
- Offertory:** Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty. Composed by John B. Dykes. Arr. by Nigel Williams. © 2021 by Lorenz Publishing Co. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.
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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



To Give Electronically

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