#### **ZION REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

#### Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost October 20, 2024 – 11:00am Worship



#### **GATHERING MUSIC AND BELLS**

We All Believe in One True God

J. S. Bach

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome all in person and online Mummers Parade Children's Costume Parade during Sunday School Names for Totenship Memorial Book deadline extended until Wednesday Oct, 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **PRELUDE**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

George J. Elvey

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are here to praise and enjoy God with body and soul, mind and heart, with song and word, with hands and feet.

All: We are here to give because of the abundance God has given us, to share with each other, and to receive, because God has created us to depend on each other.

One: We are here to celebrate the differences that otherwise might divide us: differences of age, of body, of culture, of opinion, of ability, of religious conviction.

All: We are here to put things in perspective: to celebrate what matters, to laugh about things we take too seriously, to cry about things that truly touch our hearts. So may it be this morning: Amen!

\*HYMN

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the mission of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. Too often we are lackluster disciples, too worried, busy, distracted, or afraid. Forgive us, and meet us once again – at supper tables and carpools, classrooms and conference rooms, food pantries and phone calls. Remind us that we are yours. With you, we can do hard things with courage, and small things with great love. With you, who creates, redeems, and sustains all life, we pray.

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Hear the good news:

By grace you have been saved through faith,

and this is not your own doing;

it is the gift of God-

not by works,

so that no one can boast.

All: We are what God has made us,

created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand

to be our way of life.

Eph. 2:4-10

Lector: Barbara Hendershot

**SCRIPTURE** 

Ephesians 5:8-14 The Inclusive Bible

There was a time when you were darkness, but now you are light in Christ. Live as children of the light. Light produces every kind of goodness, justice and truth. Be correct in your judgment of what pleases our Savior. Take no part in deeds done in darkness, which bear no fruit; rather, expose them. It's shameful even to mention the things these people do in secret; but when such deeds are exposed and seen in the light of day, everything that becomes visible is light. That's why we read, "Awake, O sleeper, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

One: Listen to what the Spirit is teaching us.

All: Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM** This is My Story and Song

Fanny Crosby

**WORD WITH CHILDREN**All Are Welcome

Alexandra Penfold (Author) Suzanne Kaufman (Illustrator)

**SCRIPTURE** Matthew 25:31-45

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you

did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."

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

All: Thanks be to God!

#### PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STRATEGIC VISION

Becky Hohman, Kim Ridenour, Mark Shroyer, Megan Shroyer, Scott Winnette

\*HYMN In Christ There Is No East or West NCH 395

#### **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.

#### **CALL TO THE OFFERING**

One: Jesus draws us from the margins into a great feast; he draws us out of a crowd, to healing; he draws us from death to new life. Each day, God finds the way that we need to be loved and challenged, and then calls us to minister to others in warm hospitality, healing mercies, and the promise of resurrection and new life. We respond to this marvelous call through our giving this day.

All: Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

**OFFERTORY**Balm in Gilead Traditional Spiritual
Lani Smith

\*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)

Blessed and Blessing God, we give you thanks. We offer to you the bounty of our lives, our gifts of heart, of wealth, of strength. Expand all that we are and have and bring your will into the world. Amen.

\*HYMN God, You Have Set Us NCH 372

#### \*BENEDICTION

We go forth, trusting the Holy Spirit at work in us. And in the Spirit, we can do exceedingly, abundantly more than we can ask or even imagine! God is with us; we are not alone. Amen.

**POSTLUDE** Fugue in D Major J. S. Bach

Please remain seated until the altar candles are doused.

**CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP** 



### **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:

All those impacted by Hurricanes Helene and Milton, Bruce Albright, Janis Albright, Koda Bell, Lon Bender, Brenda Bowers, Naomi Brackett, Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, Kim & Bill Cook, Ron DeYoung, Donna France, Avery Goodrich, Sally Glover, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Beth Gross, Jim Hatfield, Beth Hauver, Elwood Hauver, Warren Hendershot (Barb's father-in-law), Lyn Hoffmaster, Brian Johnson, Dee Krause, Barry Landis, Jerri Livingston, Peggy Lowman, Darrin Miller, Heather Morgan, Mary O'Malley, Linda Pittman (friend of Barry Landis), Stephanie Resetar, David Ridenour, John Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, Betsy Roulette, Daisy Schlotterbeck, Carol Schultz, Ralph & Scherry Sellers, Staci Shafer, Tina Shafer, Jessica Stark, Thelma Summers, Tracy Roach Walls, Erick Wellnitz.

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

#### **Worship Leaders**

The lector this week is Amber Nilson.

Ushers for this week are William Brewer, Calvin Livingston, Gerald Saum, Jean Simmons.

Acolyte for this week is Gia Delosier

#### **Next Week's Worship & Calendar**

The lector next week is Barb Hendershot.

Next week's ushers are Burnie Clutz, Susan Clutz, Becky Hohman, John Schnebly.

Next week's Children's Church Leader Jean Simmons.

<u>Please sign up to be a greeter on Sunday mornings.</u> We are in need of greeters for Sunday mornings for both the front doors and the middle doors. Please see the sign-up sheet on the table at the middle door.

10/20 Children's Church 9:45am

Children's Choir Practice 10:45am

10/22 Staff Meeting 11:00am

Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm

10/23 Wednesday Night Devotional and Potluck 6:00pm

10/24 4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm

Choir Rehearsal 5:30pm

10/25 Zion Book Club at the home of Daisy Schlotterbeck 7:00pm

10/26 Mummers Parade chair set up 6:00am, concession set up 3:00pm, parade starts at 6:00pm

10/27 Children's costume parade during Sunday School

Birthdays	Anniversaries

Angel Livingston 10/26 Jessica & Corey Green 10/23

Beth McDonald 10/26 Ed Patterson 10/26

#### **Outreach and Service Opportunities**

Micah's Backpack will be collecting individual packets of Oatmeal during the month of October.

Tuesday Night Ministry is collecting individual packets of Hot Chocolate, Hot Apple Cider, and Bottled Water for the month of October.

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, and discussions. We are currently watching and discussing the series "Living The Question". This series is very interesting and thought provoking. Please come and join us.

**Totenfest -** If there is anyone whom you would like remembered in this year's Remembrance Book, please have the information to the office no later than Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>.

<u>Alsatia Mummers Parade – October 26<sup>th</sup> – Seats are On Sale - \$7.00 for street and \$6.00</u> for wall.

\*If you would like to help setup - Chairs and Tent setup at 6:00am followed by breakfast and Concession Stand setup at 3:00pm. See Kim or call the office.

# OCTOBER 27TH CHIDREN'S TRICK OR TREAT COSTUME PARTY DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER WORSHIP** 



# DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR APPLE DUMPLINGS



## Service Credits CCLI Number: 6212519 October 20

#### **Gathering music:**

We All Believe in One True God. Composed by J. S. Bach. © 1940 by G. Schirmer. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

#### **Prelude:**

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#### **Hymns:**

In the Midst of New Dimensions. NCH 391. Tune: New Dimension. In Christ There Is No East or West. NCH 395. Tune: St. Peter. God, You Have Set Us. NCH 372. Tune: National Hymn.

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

#### **Choir Anthem:**

This is My Story and Song. Composed by Fanny Crosby.

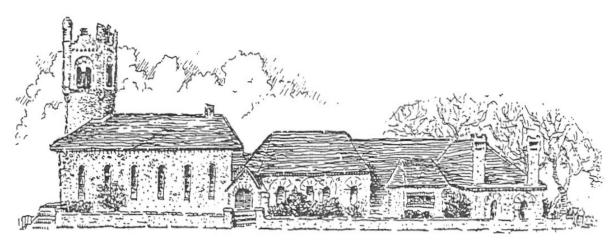
#### Offertory:

Balm in Gilead. Traditional spiritual. Arr. by Lani Smith. © 1991 by Lorenz Publishing Co. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

**Postlude:** Fugue in D Major. Composed by J. S. Bach. © 1940 by G. Schirmer. Performed by 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



To Give Electronically

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