

January 26, 2025

### Zion Reformed United Church of Christ

To share the gospel of Christ in such a way that we find God, grow our faith, discover our purpose and make a difference.

Order of Worship

**GATHERING MUSIC & BELLS** 

Prelude and Fugue in e minor, g minor, d minor, and G Major

J. S. Bach

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

This Little Light of Mine

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the beauty of this moment

All: We worship you

One: In the fellowship of your people

All: We worship you

One: In the presence of your Spirit

All: We worship you

One: In the company of all creation

All: We worship you

One: Creator, Child and Holy Spirit

All: We worship you.

**\*HYMN GG 35** 

Praise Ye The Lord, the Almighty

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Living God, we recall the times when your Word feels distant, and when we forget how much you love us. We let our egos take hold, and we treat others as threats to our sense of self. We forget your words of comfort, love, and care. We forget to look to your Word for guidance. We forget that you are our ultimate source of joy. Forgive us, O God.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In spite of our individual inadequacies, God has called us together to be Christ's Body, and each one of us is indispensable. God re-members us, giving each of us distinct gifts, equipping each of us to provide guidance and accountability for one another, that we all may become more faithful followers of Christ. We are all greater as one Body than any single member of us could be on our own.

**SCRIPTURE** 1 Corinthians 12:12-21, The Inclusive Bible

Lector: Carol Mooers

The body is one, even though it has many parts; all the parts—many though they are—comprise a single body. And so it is with Christ. It was by one Spirit that all of us, whether we are Jews or Greeks, slaves or citizens, were baptized into one body. All of us have been given to drink of the one Spirit. And that Body is not one part; it is many. If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," does that make it any less a part of the body? If the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," would that make it any less a part of the body? If the body were all eye, what would happen to our hearing? If it were all ear, what would happen to our sense of smell? Instead of that, God put all the different parts into one body on purpose. If all the parts were alike, where would the body be? They are, indeed, many different members but one body.

**ANTHEM**You Raise Me Up

**WORD FOR CHILDREN** Rescue & Jessica: A Life-Changing Friendship

by Jessica Kensky and Patrick Downes Illustrated by Scott Magoon

Lector: Carol Mooers

**SCRIPTURE** 1 Corinthians 12:21-31a, The Inclusive Bible

The eye cannot say to the hand, "I do not need you," any more than the head can say to the feet, "I do not need you." And even those members of the body which seem less important are in fact indispensable. We honor the members we consider less honorable by clothing them with greater care, thus bestowing on the less presentable a propriety which the more presentable do not need. God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to the lowly members, that there may be no dissension in the body, but that all the members may be concerned for one another. If one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members share its joy. You, then, are the body of Christ, and each of you is a member of it. Furthermore, God has set up in the church, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers; then miracle workers, healers, assistants, administrators and those who speak in tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles or have the gift of healing? Do all speak in tongues, or do all have the gift of interpretation of tongues? Set your hearts on the greater gifts.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** Rev. Dr. E. Scott Winnette

\*HYMN GG 4

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

MORNING PRAYER

### THE PRAYER 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**

We share from what we have and from who we are as a sign of our desire to bring good news to the poor. May these gifts bring light to those in need, and put the joy of the God's Love in their hearts.

**OFFERTORY**Thanks be to Thee

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, as we navigate life's chapters, we dedicate each page to your Wisdom. Be the author of our individual and shared stories. May your purposes be revealed in every twist and turn. Amen.

\*HYMN GG 269 Lead On, O King Eternal!

\*BENEDICTION attributed to St. Teresa of Avila

Christ has no body but yours.

No hands, no feet on earth but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world.

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.

Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world.

Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Come, Thou Almighty King

Please remain seated until the altar candles are doused.

## **Service Credits**

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and C. M. Moblard (pianist) of Zion Reformed UCC. CCLI number: 7009023.

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Holy God, We praise Your Name. GG 4.

Lead On, O King Eternal! GG 269. Source(s): Hymnary (hymnary.org).

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Postlude: Come, Thou Almighty King. Composed by Felice de Giardini. Arr. by John S.

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M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

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 Reformed UCC 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 Books 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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## 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, Lon Bender, Brenda Bowers, Naomi Brackett, Pat Brackett (Naomi's Sister-in-law), Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, Kim & Bill Cook, Donna France, Avery Goodrich, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), **Sue Graff,** Beth Gross, Jim Hatfield, Beth Hauver, Elwood Hauver, Lyn Hoffmaster (Claire-Marie's sister), Dee Krause, Jerri Livingston, Susan Lohman, Peggy Lowman, **Gus M,** Darrin Miller, Bonnie Minoglio-Toms (friend of Barb & Charley Ware), Heather Morgan, Sam Murray (friend of the Ridenour Family) Linda Pittman (friend of Barry Landis), Crystal Reed (Lori Schmidt's daughter-in-law), David Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, the Family of Betsy Roulette, Daisy Schlotterbeck, Ralph & Scherry Sellers, Staci Shafer, Jessica Stark, Thelma Summers, Tracy Roach Walls.

#### **COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR**

Walkers and sponsors are needed for the 3rd annual Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY) on Saturday, February 22. This fundraising originated in Canada and has spread over the border to the US. It is a way to bring people together on a cold night to raise funds for those who are living in the cold. REACH of Washington County is the local sponsor of this event. Walkers seek pledges from sponsors, participate in the walk, eat a hot bowl of soup at the end of the walk, and submit their collected pledges to REACH. Last year over \$23,000 was raised for REACH. ZION has fielded a team each year. This year the ZION Walkers are hoping for returning members as well as some new members of the team. You can use this link to access our team file:

https://secure.e2rm.com/registrant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=1025872&langPref=en-CA or go to CNOY 2025. We are listed under the Hagerstown, MD event as the Zion Walkers. I hope you will consider joining us!

### THE CINDERELLA SHOP

The Cinderella Shop will be open each Saturday in March from 9 am to 12 noon. Volunteers to "man" the Shop as well as to provide security are needed. Please look for the sign-up sheet in the Chapel or see Carroll Sager to volunteer. Additional volunteers are also needed for about 5 total hours to assist with organizing, sifting, and purging through the many donated gowns. Hours for this part of the project can be during the week. Please see Carroll Sager if you can help.

# **Outreach and Service Opportunities**

Micah's Backpack will be collecting Noodle Soup and Vegetable Soup during the month of January. Tuesday Night Ministry is collecting Peanut Butter for the month of January. We are also in need of empty Egg Cartons and Zip Lock Storage Bags in all sizes.

Thank you for your help in these outreach ministries.

## Worship Leaders

The lector this week is Carol Mooers

Ushers for this week are Frank Ebersole, Carol Mooers, Rich Owens, Rick Waters

Acolyte for this week is Gia Delosier

Children's Church leader for this week is Becky Hohman

## Next Week's Worship & Calendar

The lector next week is Amber Nilson

Next week's ushers are Christine Coleman, Tina Shafer, Judy Thompson, Barb Ware

1/26 Sunday School 9:45am

Children's Choir Rehearsal 10:30am

1/28 Staff Meeting 11:00am

Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm

1/29 Potluck and Study 6pm

1/30 Properties Team Meeting 1:00pm

Executive Team Meeting 2:00pm

Choir Practice 5:30pm

### **Birthdays**

1/26 Louise Danzer1/29 Benjamin Kelly1/29 Linda Kelly1/31 Jessica Green

## **Announcements**

### **Sunday School Options**

**Current Events Corner** – Beginning today another Sunday Church School alternative for adults will be a table ready with Sunday's copy of the Washington Post newspaper. Gather at the table in the Chapel for fellowship, coffee, and to discuss the day's events.

**Arthur Grove Class** – A bible-based study and discussion group for adults, led by David Ridenour and Rae Smith. - Live and available via Zoom

**Youth & Young Adults** - This class is for 6<sup>th</sup> Graders through 23 year olds and will be held in the Pastor's Office.

**Children's Sunday School –** Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Teaching based on that week's scripture readings, led by Miss Kim.

Wednesday Night Devotional and Potluck – 6pm. We will continue with the video series, Living the Questions following the potluck.

Valentine Potluck & Cupcake-fest - Join us on February 12, 2025 at 6pm for a Valentine's Day celebration. We will enjoy a potluck, Valentine games, learn to pipe decorate a cake and decorate an eat your own cupcake. This opportunity is brought to us by professional cake decorator Kristin Rony. Come with phone numbers; we will call singing Valentine love ditties. Bring family and friends.

Youth Mission Trip - Please save July 6-10th for a mission trip. We will drive to New Bern, N.C. to help with hurricane recovery. We have a house with 58 beds reserved and will be working with a construction team. Youth and chaperones have first choice with a March 31 registration deadline. All additional adults will need to register by April 30th. The approximate cost for the trip is \$300 for lodging, food, and transportation on a church van. All will be expected to purchase their own meal when we eat out on our final day. Please consider joining us in this important opportunity to reach out in service and love to others. For questions or more information, please contact Rev. Scott Winnette at <a href="mailto:pastorwinnette@gmail.com">pastorwinnette@gmail.com</a>