



March 16, 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 AND BELLS

Passacaglia in c minor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacation Bible School Team Meeting 3/17 6:30pm
Last day for Easter Flower Orders

PRELUDE

God of Grace

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: People of God, what do you need today?

All: Rest for our weary souls.

One: Then come, let us worship God,
who calls us to honor the Sabbath,

**All: who casts a canopy of stars over our sleep,
who works for creation's good even as we rest.**

One: We gather in the name of our triune God,
the creator of sabbath,
the gift of peace,
the rest for the weary.

All: Amen.

*HYMN Red 185

All Hail the Power

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of abundant goodness,
we have hurt those we love,
those far from us,
ourselves,
and your creation
by what we do and by what we neglect.
We cling to disappointments, judgments, and failures
and refuse to enjoy what you give.
We are too content when injustice, violence, and hardship
plague our neighbors.
We ignore the gift of your presence
in times both tragic and triumphant.

**Forgive us for what we have done
and for what we have failed to do.
Pour out on us the joy of your presence
and heal what we have harmed.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, receive these joyful words:
You are entirely and completely forgiven for all of your sins.
You are entirely and completely welcomed as God's beloved child.
You are released to live out God's love
in a world that needs such joy.
Amen.

CHORAL REFRAIN

**And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand**

SCRIPTURE Psalm 27, Psalms for Praying by Nan C. Merrill

Lector: Rick Waters

Love is my light and my salvation,
whom shall I fear?
Love is the strength of my life,
Of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing have I asked of Love,
that I shall ever seek;
That I might dwell in the
Heart of Love
all the days of my life,
To behold the Beauty of my Beloved,
and to know Love's plan.

For I shall hide in Love's heart
in the days of trouble,
As in a tent in the desert,
Away from the noise of my fears.
And I shall rise above
my struggles, my pain,
Shouting blessings of gratitude
in Love's Heart
And singing melodies of praise
to my Beloved.

One: Listen to what the Spirit is teaching us.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Shepherd Me, O God

WORD FOR CHILDREN

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *The Need for Sleep*

Rev. Dr. E. Scott Winnette

*HYMN GG 310

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

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 FOR THE OFFERING

One: As we prepare to make an offering, we pray:

**All: God, you gave us what we needed to love you today.
Now we offer you a portion of these gifts,
a harvest of the love you planted.**

OFFERTORY

Liebster Jesu, Wir Sind Hier

*DOXOLOGY

*Then let us adore, and give him his right:
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing with angels above
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)**

God, we have supplied the gifts, and you have supplied the purpose.
Now bless our gifts and use them in your service. Amen.

***HYMN GG 265**

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

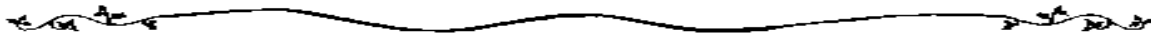
***BENEDICTION**

Now may God,
who gifted us the Sabbath,
who slept during the storm at sea,
who guards our sleep and shepherds our rest,
bless you and sustain you.
Today God has answered your need,
and now the Spirit sends you out
to answer the world's need. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Toccata on Suite for Organ

Please remain seated to enjoy the Postlude as the Acolyte douses the altar candles.



*Thank
You*

I would like to thank everyone for your thoughtfulness during my recovery. The cards, flowers, food, and prayers were greatly appreciated. It's wonderful to have such a great support system cheering for you. Zion is truly a loving and caring family, and I am very fortunate to be a part of it. Again, thanks so much. Lisa

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, Carol France, Donna France, Avery Goodrich, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Sue Graff, Beth Gross, Jim Hatfield, Lyn Hoffmaster (Claire-Marie's sister), **The Family of Howard Kaylor (Service 5/17 1:00pm)**, Dee Krause, Calvin Livingston, Jerri Livingston, Peggy Lowman, Gus M, Darrin Miller, Bonnie Minoglio-Toms (friend of Barb & Charley Ware), Heather Morgan, Linda Pittman (friend of Barry Landis), Crystal Reed (Lori Schmidt's daughter-in-law), David Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, Henry Rothrock, (Father of Missie LaBombard), Lisa Saum, **The Family of Ralph Sellers**, Staci Shafer, The Family of Marcia Shenk (sister of Margaret Wagner), Jessica Stark, Thelma Summers, Margaret Wagner, **Angela Yamashita**.

Worship Leaders

The lector this week is Rick Waters.

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

Acolyte for this week is

Next Week's Worship & Calendar

The lector next week is Burnie Clutz.

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

Next week's Children's Church leader is Carroll Sager.

- 3/16 Sunday School 9:45am
- Children's Choir Rehearsal 10:30am
- Dinner Theater Rehearsal 12:30pm
- 3/17 VBS Planning Meeting 6:30pm
- 3/18 Staff Meeting 11:00am
- Lighthouse After School Steering Committee 12:00pm
- Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm
- 3/19 Potluck & Lenten Service 6:00pm
- 3/20 4-H Club Meeting 4:30pm
- Choir Practice 5:30pm

Birthdays

- 3/16 Brooks Heyser
- 3/22 Jim Ridgley

Anniversaries

- 3/22 John & Barbara Schnebly

Announcements

Sunday School Options

Current Events Corner – A Sunday School alternative for adults is 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 6th Graders through 23-year-olds and will be held upstairs in the Youth Room.

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT POTLUCK & DEVOTIONAL - A Potluck dinner followed by a Lenten Devotional.

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.

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 pastorwinnette@gmail.com

Outreach and Service Opportunities

Micah's Backpack will be collecting **Pudding and Jello Cups** during the month of March.
Tuesday Night Ministry is collecting **Hygiene Products** for the month of March. 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.

Service Credits

CCLI Number: 6212519

March 16

Gathering music: Passacaglia in c minor. Composed by J. S. Bach. © 1940 by G. Schirmer. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Prelude: *God of Grace*. Tune: Cwm Rhondda. Composed by John Hughes (1907). Arr. by Paul Manz. © 1974 by Concordia Publishing House. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Hymns: *All Hail the Power*. Red 185. Tune: Miles Lane. Composed by William Shrubsole (1785). Words by Edward Perronet (1785). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord. GG 310. Tune: St. Thomas. Composed by Timothy Dwight (1800). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun. GG 265. Tune: Duke Street. Composed by John Hatton (1793). Words by Isaac Watts (1719). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

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