

June 8, 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

Ciacona in d minor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

When, in Our Music, God is Glorified

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We climb to heights
All: to find and be with you Jesus.
One: Give us the faith
All: to trust in you Christ.
One: With hearts and hands uplifted
All: we seek, Holy Love to meet you.
One: Thanks be to God,
All: for your invitation into our lives. Amen.

*HYMN RED 4

Come, Thou Almighty King

PRAYER OF HOPE (in unison)

Gracious and Merciful God, your love is steadfast and your mercy endures forever. Forgive us for not loving as you love. Forgive us for the ways and words we've used to oppress your people and help us to forgive those who've oppressed us. Help us to reconcile and make peace with one another. Help us to bear one another's burdens and to be agents of your liberating love so that all of your people will be able to live justly. We confess our sins before you silently now, knowing that you are willing and able to cleanse us through Christ's resurrecting power, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silence for personal confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, believe the good news.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CHORAL REFRAIN (verses 1 & 4)

Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands

**Put peace into each other's hands
and like a treasure hold it;
protect it like a candle flame,
with tenderness enfold it.**

**Put Christ into each other's hands,
he is love's deepest measure;
in love make peace, give peace a chance
and share it like a treasure.**

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 3:1-14

Lector: Jim Ridgley

Therefore, brothers and sisters, holy partners in a heavenly calling, consider that Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses also “was faithful in all God’s house.” Yet Jesus is worthy of more glory than Moses, just as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God’s house as a servant, to testify to the things that would be spoken later. Christ, however, was faithful over God’s house as a son, and we are his house if we hold firm the confidence and the pride that belong to hope.

Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, as on the day of testing in the wilderness, where your ancestors put me to the test, though they had seen my works for forty years. Therefore I was angry with that generation, and I said, ‘They always go astray in their hearts, and they have not known my ways.’ As in my anger I swore, ‘They will not enter my rest.’” Take care, brothers and sisters, that none of you may have an evil, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become partners of Christ, if only we hold our first confidence firm to the end.

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people:

All: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Clair de Lune

WORD FOR CHILDREN

Barb Hendershot

SCRIPTURE Matthew 17:14-20

Lector: Jim Ridgley

When they came to the crowd, a man came to him, knelt before him, and said, ‘Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; he often falls into the fire and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, but they could not cure him.’ Jesus answered, ‘You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you? How much longer must I put up with you? Bring him here to me.’ And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, ‘Why could we not cast it out?’ He said to them, ‘Because of your little faith. For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, “Move from here to there”, and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.’

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Unintentional Faith

Dr. Byron L. Stay

*HYMN PURPLE/GG 833

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

CALL TO THE OFFERING

Holy and righteous God, you have called us to follow. The gifts we offer this day are only a small token of affirmation that we accept that call.

OFFERTORY

Amazing Grace

* 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)

Loving God, all things come from you. Thank you for the abundance with which we are surrounded. We offer these gifts to you, to help us serve as witnesses to the love which Jesus demonstrated. Receive them, multiply them, and help us use them to build up loving realities. We yearn to be faith-filled and faith-full followers of Jesus, the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN PURPLE GG 258

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

*BENEDICTION

May God's peace rest upon us;
May God's great love reach to every heart;
May we always sense God's care among us,
so that we find the good of one another
and never doubt the goodness of God.
Go in peace. Amen

POSTLUDE

Toccata Festiva

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



AMERICAN FLAG AFGHAN

We will be raffling this handmade Afghan, made by one of our members to fit a Queen- or King-sized bed, now until July 1st. All proceeds to go to our Tuesday Night Ministries and our Youth programs. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each. See Rae Smith, or contact the office, for tickets and info.

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:

Holly Bell, Bruce Albright, Janis Albright, Beth Baseler, **Naomi Brackett**, Pat Brackett (Naomi's Sister-in-law), Linda Cantilena, Richard Cantilena, **Kim & Bill Cook**, **Frank Ebersole**, Donna France, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Sue Graff, Beth Gross, Jim Hatfield, Lyn Hoffmaster (Claire-Marie's sister), Dee Krause, Jerri Livingston, Mary Lorfing, Darrin Miller, **Kevin Naylor**, **Pastor Ketic Penick**, Linda Pittman (friend of Barry Landis), David Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, **The Family of Janet Roberts**, Staci Shafer, Tina Shafer, **Thelma Summers**, Margaret Wagner, **Russ Ware & Diane Ware Cantrell (son & daughter of Charley Ware)**, **Eric Wolbring**, Angela Yamashita.

Worship Leaders

The lector this week is Jim Ridgley.

Ushers for this week are Burnie Clutz, Susan Clutz, Becky Hohman, John Schnebly.

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP & CALENDAR

The lector for next week is Barb Hendershot

Next week's ushers are Frank Ebersole, Carol Mooers, Rich Owens, Rick Waters.

- 6/8 Sunday Worship 10:00am
Japanese Noodle Slide 1:00-4:00pm in Fellowship Hall. \$10 per person.
- 6/9 Consistory Meeting 7:00pm
- 6/10 Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm
- 6/11 Potluck & Devotional 6:00pm
- 6/13 Newsletter Article Deadline
- 6/14 Easy-cise Class 9:00am

Birthdays

- 6/10 Susan Clutz
- 6/10 Pastor Scott Winette
- 6/14 Misha Joy

Anniversaries

- 6/8 Kristin & Rob Grosh

Outreach and Service Opportunities

Tuesday Night Ministry is collecting **Canned Fish and Meats** for the month of **June**. We are also in need of **empty Egg Cartons and Zip Lock Storage Bags in all sizes**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEARNING OPTIONS

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES DO NOT MEET FROM MAY 25th – AUG 31st
CLASSES WILL RESUME ON September 7th

Wednesday Night Potluck and Devotional – Enjoy the comradery and a potluck dinner while studying the devotional for the week.

Service Credits
CCLI Number: 6212519
June 8

Gathering music:

Ciacona in d minor. Composed by Johann Pachelbel. Ó by Belwin Mills Publications. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Prelude:

When, in Our Music, God is Glorified. Composed by Charles V. Stanford. Arr. by Anna Laura Page. Ó 2011 by Lorenz Publishing Co. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC. CCLI number: 7204647

Hymns:

Come, Thou Almighty King. Red 4. Tune: Italian Hymn. Composed by Felice de Giardini (1760). Anonymous lyricist. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go. Purple 833. Tune: St. Margaret. Composed by Albert Lister Peace (1884). Words by George Matheson (1881). Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing. Purple 258. Tune: Deo Gracias. Lutheran Book of Worship. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

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

Special Music:

Clair de Lune (from Suite Bergamasque). Composed by Claude Debussy. Ó 1961 by California Music Press.

Offertory:

Amazing Grace. Composed by John Newton. Arr. by Dan Miller. Ó 2017 by Daniel L. Miller. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Postlude:

Toccata Festiva. Composed by Richard I. Purvis. Ó1949 by Carl Fischer, Inc. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.