June 22, 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

### **PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

We struggled against one another: Now we are reconciled to struggle for one another. We believed it was right to withstand one another: Now we are reconciled to understand one another. We endured the power of violence: Now we are reconciled to the power of tolerance. We built irreconcilable barriers between us: Now we seek to build a society of reconciliation. We suffered a separateness that did not work: Now we are reconciled to make togetherness work. We believed we alone held the truth: Now we are reconciled in the knowledge that truth holds us. South African National Service Of Thanksgiving

# GATHERING MUSIC AND BELLS

Chorale Settings by Buxtehude

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

Nocturne in G Major

# **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

- One: We are the body of Christ!
- All: The hand clapping, toe tapping, heart pumping, mouth tasting, arms embracing,
- One: Justice seeking, hymn singing, love making, bread breaking, risk taking
- All: Body of Christ!
- One: Baptized by one Spirit, we are members of one body.
- All: Many and varied in gender, color, sexuality, age, class and ability, we are members of Christ's beautiful body.
- One: None of us can say to another, "I have no need of you."



- All: For only together can we find wholeness.
- One: None of us can say to another, "I will not care for you."
- All: For we are connected like muscle and bone. If one suffers; we all suffer. If one rejoices, we all rejoice!
- One: Thanks be to God who in Christ has made us one.
- All: Let us worship God.

#### \*HYMN Purple GG 401

#### **PRAYER OF HOPE**

- One: Let us pray with hope.
- All: God, who made me in Your image, teach me to love myself as You love me. God, who made me in Your image, allow me to show that image to the world. God, who made me in Your image, help me to see Your image in all those I meet. God, who made me in Your image, teach me to conserve and protect all Your creation. God, who made me in Your image, bless, protect, and keep me and all Your children safe.
- One: The One who breathed life into our lungs continues to be present with us. God, who has made us reflective of God's own image, has forgiven us all and made us new creations. Therefore, since our sins are forgiven, let us go forth with love and peace, honoring and upholding the dignity of all we meet, knowing we see reflections of God's image all around.
- All: Thanks be to God.

#### CHORAL REFRAIN (verses 1 & 4)

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.

# WORD WITH THE CHILDREN

And Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell illustrated by Henry Cole Children's Church with Megan Shroyer will follow

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Now is the Cool of the Day

Put Peace into Each Other's Hands

Gather Us In

Mike Heyser

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the commonwealth of heaven.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Salt Melt and Night Lights

\*HYMN Black NCH 50

### MORNING PRAYER

# 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 sins As we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation But deliver us from evil For thine is the kingdom And the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**OFFERTORY** 

Rev. Dr. E. Scott Winnette

I Sing the Praise of Love Almighty

When Morning Gilds the Skies

# \* 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)

We dedicate not only this offering, but also our humbling commitment to become your presence to all of your people. Bless these gifts as well as our ears, eyes and hearts that we may see you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

# \*HYMN Black NCH 382

Come, We Who Love God's Name

# **\*BENEDICTION**

- One: May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.
- All: May God bless us with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that we may work for justice, freedom and peace.
- One: May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain in to joy.
- All: And may God bless us with enough foolishness to believe we can make a difference in this world, so that we can do what others claim cannot be done. Amen.

# POSTLUDE

Pedal Variations on 'When the Roll is Called Up Yonder

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



# 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, Family and Students of Brian Long, Mary Lorfing, Darrin Miller, Sam Murray, Kevin Naylor, Pastor Katie 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



#### 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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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.

#### Worship Leaders

The lector this week is Calvin Livingston. Ushers for this week are Christine Coleman, Tina Shafer, Judy Thompson, and Barb Ware. Children's Church with Megan Shroyer

#### NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP & CALENDAR

The lector for next week is Carol Mooers. Next week's ushers are Domenick Gerlando, Barb Hendershot, Matt McDonald, and William Wantz.

- 6/22 Sunday Worship 10:00am
- 6/23 Vacation Bible School 6:00 8:00pm
- 6/24 Staff Meeting 11:00am Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm Vacation Bible School 6:00 – 8:00pm
- 6/25 Vacation Bible School 6:00 8:00pm
- 6/26 Properties Team Meeting 1:00pm Executive Team Meeting 2:00pm Vacation Bible School 6:00 – 8:00pm
- 6/28 Zion talks about Transform Church and Transform Community 9:00am

#### BIRTHDAYS

#### ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/22 Charley Ware 6/23 Jason Weicht
- 6/24 James Coates 6/26 Susan Lohman
- Jason Weicht 6/26

6/25 Pat & Elizabeth Dattillio

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEARNING OPTIONS

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES DO NOT MEET FROM MAY 25<sup>th</sup> – AUG 31<sup>st</sup> Classes will resume on SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>

# **Outreach and Service Opportunities**

Our 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.

**REACH Cold Weather Shelter -** Believe it or not, ZION is already signed up to cover the REACH Cold Weather Shelter on Monday and Tuesday, December 29 and 30. Volunteers will be needed to cook and serve dinner, clean up the kitchen, register, check, and search guests, monitor the laundry area, and provide overnight coverage. It's not too early to get these dates on your calendar. Please see Carroll Sager if you are interested in helping.

Thank you for your help in these outreach ministries.

#### Service Credits CCLI Number: 6212519 June 22

Gathering music: *Chorale Settings by Buxtehude.* Composed by Dietrich Buxtehude. © 1997 by Barenreiter Kassel. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Prelude: *Nocturne in G Major.* Composed by John Field. © 1991 by Universal Edition A. G. Performed by C. M. Moblard (pianist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Hymns: *Gather Us In* Purple 401. Words and Music by Marty Haugen (1979). © 1982 GIA Publications, Inc. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

I Sing the Praise of Love Almighty. NCH 50. Tune: St. Petersburg. Composed by Dimitri Bortnansky. Words by Gerhard Tersteegen. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

*Come, We Who Love God's Name.* NCH 382. Tune: Marching to Zion. Composed by Robert Lowry (1867). Words by Isaac Watts. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

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

Special music: *Now is the Cool of the Day.* Composed by Jean Ritchie. © by G. Schirmer. Performed by Mike Heyser. CCLI number: 7213722

Offertory: *When Morning Gilds the Skies.* Composed by Joseph Barnby. Arr. by Anna Laura Page. © 2011 by Lorenz Publishing Co. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Postlude: *Pedal Variations on "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."* Composed by Joyce Jones. © 1998 by the H. W. Gray Co. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.