



July 20, 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

Praeludium und Fuge e minor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Paean

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The world is beloved to God
The earth and all its people
How good and how lovely it is
To live together in unity
Love and faith come together
Justice and peace join hands
If Christ's disciples keep silent
These stones would shout aloud
Let us worship.
Alleluia! Amen!

*HYMN Purple 403

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

PRAYER OF HOPE

Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth.
Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust.
Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our lives, our world, our universe.
Peace, peace, peace.
With the whole church
We affirm that we are made in God's image, befriended by Christ,
Empowered by the spirit.
With people everywhere
We affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity,
Planted more deeply than all that is wrong.
With all creation
We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life, the unfolding purposes of God,
Forever at work in ourselves and the world. Amen

CHORAL RESPONSE

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 Matthew 25:31-46

Lector: Wells Ridenour

“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.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Listen to what the Spirit is teaching.
Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

How Great Thou Art Performed by Byron Stay

WORD FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Dr. E. Scott Winnette

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 58:12

Lector: Wells Ridenour

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
You shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
You shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MISSION TRIP REPORT

*HYMN See insert

Whatever You Do

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.
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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

An Wasserflüssen Babylon

* 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)

Holy God, we thank You for all Your good gifts. We worship You with all that we are and all that we have. We give all that we are and all that we have seeking to encourage one another to better trust, to deeper faith, to broader love and to greater deeds. God, we pray that You bless our gifts, and our lives. Amen.

*HYMN Purple 315

In the Midst of New Dimensions

*BENEDICTION

In work and worship
God is with us.
Gathered and scattered
God is with us.
Now and always
God is with us. Amen and Amen.

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:

Bruce Albright, Janis Albright, **Alice Barr**, 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, **Beth Hauver**, Jim Hatfield, Lyn Hoffmaster (Claire-Marie's sister), Dee Krause, Mary Lorfing, Darrin Miller, **Teresa Moats (friend of Christine Coleman)**, **Anthony Moscato, Sr. (Pastor Scott's father-in-law)**, **Sam Murray**, Kevin Naylor, **Craig Nilson (Curtis Nilson's father)**, Pastor Katie Penick, Linda Pittman (friend of Barry Landis), David Ridenour, Wells Ridenour, The Family of Janet Roberts, **Angie Schaff**, Staci Shafer, Tina Shafer, **Sheryl (sister of Colleen Rafferty)**, Thelma Summers, Margaret Wagner, Russ Ware & Diane Ware Cantrell (son & daughter of Charley Ware), **Eric Wolbring**, and Angela Yamashita.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The lector this week is Wells Ridenour.

Ushers for this week are Frank Ebersole, Carol Mooers, Jim Ridgley, and Rick Waters.

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP & CALENDAR

The lector for next week is Jim Ridgley.

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

7/20 Sunday Worship 10:00am
 7/22 Staff Meeting 11:00am
 Tuesday Evening Ministry 5:00-6:30pm

BIRTHDAYS

7/23 Marshall Lowman
 7/24 Domenick Gerlando
 7/25 Robert Prince
 7/26 Barb Ware

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEARNING OPTIONS

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WILL RESUME ON SEPTEMBER 7th

Outreach and Service Opportunities

Our **Tuesday Night Ministry** is collecting **Snacks, Peanut Butter Crackers, and Cheese Crackers** for the month of **July**. We are also in need of **empty Egg Cartons and Zip Lock Storage Bags in all sizes**.

REACH Cold Weather Shelter - The sign-up sheet to volunteer at the REACH Cold Weather Shelter on Monday and Tuesday, December 29 and 30 is on the table in the Chapel. Thank you for helping others who are in need.

Thank you for your help in these outreach ministries.

SERVICE CREDITS

CCLI Number: 6212519

July 20

Gathering music: *Praeludium und Fuge e minor*. Composed by Nicolaus Bruhns. ©1939 by Henry Litoff's Verlag. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Prelude: *Paean*. Composed by Charles Callahan. © 1994 by Charles Callahan. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Hymns: *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*. Purple 403. Tune: Unser Herrscher. Composed by Joachim Neander. Words by Benjamin Schmolck. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Whatever You Do. Tune St. Denio (Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise). Welsh folk melody. Arr. by Caniadau y Cyssegr (1839). Words by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (2008). Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

In the Midst of New Dimensions. Purple 315. Tune: New Dimensions. Composed by Julian B. Rush. Performed by Byron L. Stay (trumpeter) and C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

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

Special music: *How Great Thou Art*. Composed by Stuart K. Hine. Arr. by Craig Courtney. 1981 Manna Music Inc. Performed by Joel Ross

Offertory: *An Wasserflussen Babylon*. Composed by J. S. Bach. © 1940 by G. Schirmer. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Postlude: *Finale from First Sonata*. Composed by Felix Mendelssohn. © 1940 by G. Schirmer. Performed by C. M. Moblard (organist) of Zion Reformed UCC.

Whatever You Do
ST. DENIO 11.11.11.11 ("Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise")

"Whatever you do to the least ones of these,
I tell you in truth that you do unto me!"
Lord Jesus, you taught us! May we learn anew
That when we serve others, we also serve you.

When poor, waiting children pray hunger will end,
When those long-forgotten cry out for a friend,
When thirsty ones whisper, "O Lord, where are you?" —
We hear, in their longing, that you're calling, too.

In prisons and jails, Lord, we find a surprise;
We see you in people whom others despise.
At hospital bedsides we offer a prayer
And find, when we visit the sick, you are there.

When we reach to others in flood-stricken lands
And offer our hearts there, and offer our hands —
We notice, Lord Jesus, the gift of your grace:
We see, in the crowds of the suffering, your face.

"Lord, when did we see you?" Your teaching is clear
That when we serve others, we're serving you here.
And when your church heeds you and helps those in pain,
Then out of the chaos, hope rises again.