

# Trinity Sunday

May 26, 2024

9:00 a.m.

+ Indicates those times when all who are able may stand.  
**Bold indicates congregational response.**

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude                      *“Praise Ye the Triune God”*                      Hughes

Call to Worship (*Inspired by Psalm 29*)

Credit the Holy One with glory and power!

**Give God the honor due with worshipful reverence!**

The Voice speaks and we hear. The Voice thunders and creation moves.

**The Voice is strong and mighty, secure and majestic.**

The Living Water refreshes us. The Holy Spirit strengthens us.

**Bless the name of our God!**

Gathering Prayer

Let us pray.

**Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh upon us. Renew us by your continued creative acts in the world. Your presence among us is a blessing and a gift. Open us to receive, ponder, and grow as you communicate with your people. In Voice, Body, and Spirit, we worship you and invite your transformative power to be alive among us and at work in us. Here we are, O Triune God, here we are. Amen.**

First Reading of Scripture

John 3:1-17 NRSV

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church...

**Thanks be to God!**

+ Opening Hymn No. 560

*“I Love to Tell the Story”*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of mercy and grace, you come to us with loving compassion. You know our shortcomings and our willfulness. Make us new as we seek to become the people you have called us to be. Help us live according to the spirit and in union with you and community with our neighbors. Give us a burden to be instruments and witnesses of your loving-kindness in the world. Hold us accountable as your empowered people. Let repentance and hope for new life overcome any sense of shame that may paralyze us in our past mistakes and misdeeds as we turn toward you with wonder and expectation that you will lead us into life abundantly for all. Amen.**

Words of Grace

Beloved, you are known by the Holy One and invited to live into the life shaped for you in the divine image. Shame and discouragement are not your portion. Holy Love meets you with grace and gladness with the gift of new life in Christ. Receive it for the glory of God, our Source, Friend, and Counselor.

**Praise be to God, Amen!**

Giving from Our Hearts



*It is the generosity of the friends and members of this church which supports this ministry. Over 95% of our budget is directly supported through our offering. While the ministry at Zion is sustained by more than dollars and cents, the monetary giving is vital to the work we do. We give thanks for all who have supported Zion over the years. For those contributing financially: There is an offering plate just outside the sanctuary or you can donate online through the online giving button at [zionunion.org](http://zionunion.org).*

+ Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

+ Prayer of Dedication

**Generous God, may we give gifts that are sufficient and abundant as you have provided creation with all that we need to flourish. May the fear of scarcity give way to the joy of sharing. Magnify the resources we bring as well cultivate generosity within us so that all needs are met, and all your people may be well and whole in your name. Amen.**

Second Reading of Scripture

Mark 8:22-9:1 CEB

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**Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

*“I Need Thee Every Hour”*

Barbershop Chorus

Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer of Our Savior

**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. Amen.**

+ Closing Hymn No. 551

*“As a Fire Is Meant for Burning”*

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

*“Trinity Blessed”*

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Today's Liturgy for Trinity Sunday Year B was written Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay who serves as Minister for Worship and Theology for the United Church of Christ. <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/trinity-sunday-b-may-26/>

**We commit ourselves...**

**to worship God**

**to form faithful followers of Jesus**

**and to care for our wider community.**

*We care as Christ cares.*



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Zion United Church of Christ  
Union, Missouri

Please take the Sunday News home with you for information and happenings during the week at Zion Church.

# SUNDAY NEWS

# MAY 26, 2024

## Fresh flowers in the chancel area:

A vase of flowers are given in honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Alan Klobasa & Carla Kilgore.

A vase of flowers are given in honor of the 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Armin Klemme. The Klemme family invites you to come to the lower commons following worship to have a piece of cake, coffee, and greet Armin.

## Serving This Morning

Liturgist: Karen Stafford

Ushers: Mary German, Delores Musket Greeter: Cindy Groenke

Sound System Tech: Matt Herring Camera Tech: Gil Bisjak

(Hearing devices are available if needed. Please ask an usher for one.)

**Usher Dismissal** - An usher will dismiss you by row at the conclusion of the service. They will begin at the front.

**Memorial Day Parade** - Zion is planning to participate in the Memorial Day Parade.

**Coffee/Fellowship Hour** will be in the lower commons each Sunday following the worship service.

## On Our List For Prayers

### **Health and Healing:**

Jim Doehring	Phyllis Olson	Carolyn Donoho	Virginia Maune	Frank Fazzari
Charlotte Ellison	Sondra Jackson	Kim Yenzen	Kevin Vorderbruegge	Norma Kern
Carol Bean	Keith Stahlman	Myrt Dunigan	Felicia Scott	Bob Barreth
Darlene Farrell (sister of Charlotte Ellison)		Roger McDaniel (brother-in-law of Larry & Betty Clark)		
Chris Branch (niece of Gerry Hoelscher)		Sharon Waldrop (friend of Jim Doehring)		
Mitch Angell (friend of Charlotte Ellison)		Tammy Wettling (friend of Charlotte Ellison)		
Mike Matthews (friend of Carolyn George)		Shirley Brand (friend of Gerry Hoelscher)		
Eric Heitman (nephew of Jim Doehring)		Heather Gooch (great niece of Charlotte Ellison)		
S (Karen Stafford's CASA buddy)		Carol Mossoney (mother of Dan Mossoney)		
Bob Truel (husband of Shirley Truel)		Josh & Tricia Pardee-Jacka (friends of Charlotte Ellison)		
Cindy Roach (friend of Charlotte Ellison)		Liz Klemme (daughter/sister of Armin, Norma & Phil Klemme)		
Glenda Foster (friend of Charlotte Ellison)		Vanessa Dobsch (niece of Charlotte Ellison)		
Mary Dobsch (sister of Charlotte Ellison)		Aubrey Reed (granddaughter of Charlotte Ellison)		
Wayne Herring (father of Matt Herring)		Beverly Elliott (mother of Mike Elliott)		
Nancy McKenzie (sister of Vicki Hooper)		Bill Stolle (friend of Jim Doehring)		
The Henle family (family of Susan Merlino)		Shirley Thompson (mother-in-law of Connie Thompson)		
Randy Gortney (son-in-law of Hettie Becker)				
Mike Bailey (husband of Leslie Bailey & son-in-law of Sondra Jackson)				

### **Church Family Undergoing Cancer Treatment:**

Brenda Viehland	Jake McNeil (member of Zion & son of Sarah Davenport)
Ronald Dobsch (nephew of Charlotte Ellison)	Morgan Jones (friend of Connie Thompson & Amy Eads)
Sarah Reed (daughter-in-law of Charlotte Ellison)	Cynthia Johnson (friend of Karen Stafford)
Kim Gallagher (friend of Chris & Dawn Robinson)	Trish Kennedy (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Allen Coffman (friend of Shawn Pehle)	Marissa Schollenberger (friend of Tom & Gayle Williams)
Donna Eime (friend of Jim Doehring)	Aaron Dixon (nephew of Dan Mossoney)
Mike Meyer (friend of Mandy Frick)	Brenda (friend of Hettie Becker)
Leland Stahlman (brother of Keith Stahlman)	Bill Diestelkamp (cousin of Liz Short & friend of Mandy Frick)

### **Various Concerns:**

Prayer for our country and those actively serving: Aviation Structural Mechanic 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Hunter Grafrath (currently deployed) (son of Lindsay & Greg Traffas, grandson of Mike & Lynne Elliott)

## Adult Education Opportunities

**JOY Adult Class** - The JOY Adult Class will not meet during June, July & August. They will be meeting again on September 8<sup>th</sup> and discussing the book *'If God is Love Don't Be a Jerk'* by John Pavlovitz.

**This Morning** - *The Discussion Class* meets in the conference room following the 9 a.m. worship service. All are welcome!

## Christian Education/Faith Quest/Youth News

**Camp Registration Is Open!** - Summer camp registration is open for all Camp MoVal Camps. Zion members receive a 60% discount thanks to camp scholarships. Contact the church office for your discount gift certificate. Register for

camp at the Ultracamp website. Click the REGISTER TODAY button at [www.missourimidsouth.org/camp-moval](http://www.missourimidsouth.org/camp-moval) to be directed to Ultracamp.

'Joyful Noise', Zion's children's music group, will return in September.

## Church Calendar – May 26, 2024 to June 2, 2024

<b>Today -</b>	<b>Trinity Sunday</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Worship</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Christian Education/Fellowship Hour</b>
<b>Mon., May 27 -</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b> (Church Offices closed)
<b>Tues., May 28 -</b>	1:30 p.m. Book club (lower commons)
<b>Wed., May 29 -</b>	12:00 noon Loops of Love
<b>Thurs., May 30 -</b>	8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Quilting Circle
<b>Fri., May 31 -</b>	7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall in use
<b>Next Sun., June 2 -</b>	<b>The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour</b>

Historical Display – Stop by the Historical Cabinet to view pictures of Margy Schowe in celebration of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Zion Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. in the lower commons. The next book the group will be reading is "*The Flower Sisters*" by Michelle Collins Anderson. All are welcome to join the group!

Help Thyself Meals - This program has been going well for over a year and a half which we are delighted to report. There can always be more participation if there is additional need. Called to Care visitors will be more than happy to help those in need by bringing a meal or two when they come for a visit. They just need the information. If a friend or neighbor is aware that you need meals just let them know as well and they can certainly pick up meals and get them to you. We are so happy to help you with a helping hand. Kathy Young (314-580-3105), Carol Rohrbach (636-583-3659), Ann Hartley (636-346-5921), Dorothy Mitana (636-239-1296), Jane Ridder (314-520-7090) and Maxine Harrison (636-583-2159).

Little Food Pantry – Thank you for the great support in keeping the Little Food Pantry going! A list of the most needed items is posted on the bulletin board in the lower commons. Monetary donations can also be given – contact the church office.

Little Free Library – Just a reminder that Zion has a Little Free Library located close to the corner of Washington and Springfield Avenue. If you have any gently used adult/children's books please feel free to drop them in the free library or drop them off in the church office. Thank you!

Zion Ringers will return in September.

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**Pastor:** Rev. Nicholas Knoblauch

**Minister to Youth & Families:** Alysha Petry

**Organist:** Brenda Herring

**Music Director:** Dr. Karen Stafford

**Administrative Assistant:** Connie Thompson

**Coordinator of Elementary Youth:** Mandy Frick

**Council President:** Fern Dewert

**Church Custodian:** Joy Bradley