The 10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 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 "Froelich Zu Seyn"

arr. R. Cody

"Galliard Battaglia"

by Scheidt

Plank Road Brass Quintet

Bob Monks, trumpet I + Wayne White, trumpet II + Eli Sullivan, French horn Shane Verges, trombone + Kurt Bauche, tuba

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 145:10-18)

We call upon the Holy One, who is near to us. We testify to your power to make your kin-dom known among creation.

All your works shall give thanks to you, Holy One, and all your faithful shall bless you.

We speak of the glory of your miraculous acts, your abiding presence, and your abundant love.

All your works shall give thanks to you, Holy One, and all your faithful shall bless you.

With justice and grace, with hope and mercy, with abundance and discernment, you sustain those in need, you uphold those who have been broken, and you satisfy those who seek a better way.

All your works shall give thanks to you, Holy One, and all your faithful shall bless you.

Gathering Prayer

Let us pray.

Great and Mighty God, we seek your presence among us. We strain to hear your voice as it so often gets drowned out by the noise of the world. We pause to consider your works, your word, and your way. Speak to us now in spirit and in truth. Open our hearts that we may join in this moment of holy encounter. Forge us as a community committed to follow the path Jesus has marked for us. Amen.

First Reading of Scripture

Mark 12:1-17 CEB

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

Thanks be to God!

+ Opening Hymn No. 569

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Creator God, we confess that we fail to recognize the bounty around us. We are not satisfied; we never have enough. We consider what we have received and what we have generated, and label it as too little rather than sufficient. We need to cultivate our imagination and our faith to observe abundance and opportunity rather than scarcity and deficiency. Help us to comprehend that, in your kin-dom, the fragments you gather are more than enough for flourishing. Amen.

Words of Grace

Beloved, you are enough. God's grace, strength, love, and hope meet you with sufficiency. Through the Holy One's sustaining power, we can gather the fragments that make our lives beautiful and God's kin-dom real in the world.

We are forgiven! 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.

+ 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

Sustaining God, receive our offerings and magnify them beyond our imagination for the benefit of your kin-dom, this ministry, and your creation. Cultivate a heart of generosity within us and enable us to witness the abundance that can be found in the fragments that remain as testimony to your power at work in us. Amen.

Second Reading of Scripture

Mark 12:18-44 CEB

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

Thanks be to God!

Special Music "Scherzo"

Cheetham

Plank Road Brass Quintet

Sermon

Pastoral Prayer and 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. 572 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

+ Benediction

+ Postlude "Aria and Minuet"

Haydn

"Washington Post"

Sousa

Service Prayers for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Year B was written by the 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/after-pentecost-10b-july-28/

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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Sunday News

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A special thank you to the Plank Road Brass Quintet for providing our special music this morning.

Serving This Morning

Liturgist: Karen Stafford

Ushers: Susan Merlino, Ken & Carol Rohrbach Greeter: Jane Pinnell Sound System: Alan TenEyck Camera Tech: Gil Bisjak (Hearing devices are available if needed. Please ask an usher for one.)

<u>Usher Dismissal</u> - An usher will dismiss you by row at the conclusion of the service. They will begin at the front.

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

"These Days" devotionals for July-August-September are now available in the literature rack by the grand staircase.

On Our List For Prayers

Health and Healing:

Jim DoehringPhyllis OlsonCarolyn DonohoVirginia MauneFrank FazzariCharlotte EllisonKim YenzerKevin VorderbrueggeBob BarrethCarol Bean

Keith Stahlman Myrt Dunigan Felicia Scott Delores Musket Margy Schowe Sarah Berghorn Anne Parker (at Willow Brooke in Union) Sharon Waldrop (friend of Jim Doehring) Chris Branch (niece of Gerry Hoelscher) Tammy Wettling (friend of Charlotte Ellison) Mitch Angell (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)

Mike Bailey (husband of Leslie Bailey)

Cindy Roach (friend of Charlotte Ellison)

Liz Klemme (daughter/sister of Armin, Norma & Phil Klemme)

Glenda Foster (friend of Charlotte Ellison)

Mary Dobsch (sister of Charlotte Ellison)

Vanessa Dobsch (niece of Charlotte Ellison)

Aubrey Reed (granddaughter of Charlotte Ellison)

Wayne Herring (father of Matt Herring)

Nancy McKenzie (sister of Vicki Hooper)

Beverly Elliott (mother of Mike Elliott)

Bill Stolle (friend of Jim Doehring)

The Henle family (family of Susan Merlino) Randy Gortney (son-in-law of Hettie Becker) Roger McDaniel (brother-in-law of Larry & Betty Clark) Darlene Farrell (sister of Charlotte Ellison)

Church Family Undergoing Cancer Treatment:

Brenda Viehland Jake McNiel (member of Zion & son of Sarah Davenport)

Skip Buehrle Ronald Dobsch (nephew of Charlotte Ellison)
Sarah Reed (daughter-in-law of Charlotte Ellison)
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 3rd 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 8th and discussing the book '*If God is Love Don't Be a Jerk'* by John Pavlovitz.

<u>Discussion Class</u> - The Discussion Class will not meet during June, July & August. They will be meeting again on September 8^{th} .

Christian Education/Faith Quest/Youth News

<u>Coming Up this Fall</u> – Alysha and Karen are considering a special music/play time in the chapel for kids ages 3-6 that will occur at the same time as the 5:00 LOGOS activities on the first two Wednesdays of the month followed by the LOGOS supper. If you are interested in having your child(ren) participate or if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Karen at kstafford@zionunion.org

Church Calendar - July 28, 2024 to August 4, 2024

Today -The 10th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Rummage Sale Drop Off 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. **Fellowship Hour** Mon., July 29 -8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Rummage Sale Drop Off Tues., July 30 -8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Rummage Sale Drop Off Wed., July 31 -8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Rummage Sale Drop Off 10:00 a.m. August Newsletter assembled 12:00 noon Loops of Love (lower commons) 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Rummage Sale/Bake Sale Fri., Aug. 2 -Sat., Aug. 3 -8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Rummage Sale (Bag Day) 12:00 noon Take down/clean up from Rummage Sale The 11th Sunday after Pentecost Next Sun., Aug. 4 -9:00 a.m. Worship/Communion

10:00 a.m. **Fellowship Hour**

Rummage Sale Schedule - Today - 8 a.m.-12 noon Drop off; Monday, July 29 through Wednesday, July 31 -8 a.m.-6 p.m. Drop off (Please note: There is NO drop off on Thursday); Friday, August 2 – 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Rummage Sale; Saturday, August 3 - 8 a.m. to 12 noon Rummage Sale Bag Day & 12 noon take down/clean up from Rummage Sale/Bake Sale. Volunteers are always welcome!

Mon., July 29 - Final articles for the August 'Spirit of Zion' newsletter are due in the church office by Monday, July 29th. The newsletter will be assembled on Wednesday, July 31st at 10 a.m.

Tues., Aug. 20 - Zion Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, August 20th at 1:30 p.m. in the lower commons library area. The book they will be discussing is "The Good Neighbor: The Life and Work of Fred Rogers" by Maxwell King. All are invited to join the group!

Sun., Aug. 18 - Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Outdoor Worship & Church Picnic at Camp MoVal on Sunday, August 18th. We will have Vespers at 11 a.m. with a Potluck Meal to follow in the dining hall. Meat, lemonade and water will be provided. Please bring a Side, Salad or Dessert to share. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the lower commons for food items. Swimming, hiking and boating/lake activities will be available from 12 noon to 2 p.m. If you plan to attend the Worship Service at Camp MoVal and have accessibility needs, please contact the church office so we can arrange assistance for you. PLEASE NOTE: For anyone who does not plan to attend worship at Camp MoVal we will still have our regular 9 a.m. service at Zion.

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!

Help Thyself Meals - Take a break from the summer heat by helping yourself to a couple of meals from the Help Thyself freezer in the lower commons. They are for you!! We enjoy giving you a helping hand through the week. Any suggestions or questions please contact: Kathy Young (314-580-3105), Carol Rohrbach (636-583-3659), Ann Hartley (636-346-5921), Dorothy Mitana (636-239-1926), Jane Ridder (314-520-7090) or Maxine Harrison (636-583-2159).

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Minister to Youth & Families: Alysha Petry

Organist: Brenda Herring

Music Director: Dr. Karen Stafford

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