

# Trinity Sunday

June 15, 2025

9:00 a.m.

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

Ring of the Bell

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude                      *“Come, Thou Almighty King”*                      Smith

Call to Worship (*Inspired by Proverbs 8 and Psalms 8*)

Holy, Embodied, and Present God, how majestic are your many names in all creation! In you, we find direction, inspiration, and encouragement.

**Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice?**

Creator, Christ, and Compassion, we turn to you in praise, prayer, and penitence to be made new, set free, and empowered.

**Does not love call and understanding raise her voice?**

Source, Sustainer, and Spirit, your abiding presence gathers, connects, and strengthens us. You make us a community that participates in your kin-dom.

**Does not truth call and understanding raise her voice?**

Gathering Prayer

Let us pray.

**Author, Word, and Translator, we invite you to dwell with us, to form us, and to challenge us. Send a fresh wind to enliven our hearts, minds, and spirits to your word and your truth. Let our worship of you expand our hopes and our convictions and bring your glory. Make us instruments playing our part of the harmonious song of your love in the world. Amen.**

First Reading of Scripture

Romans 5:1-5 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

**God of Grace, Mercy, and Redemption, the brokenness of the world surrounds us. We may benefit from the brokenness. We may participate in the brokenness. We may persist against the brokenness. We may move back and forth between those positions. Wherever we may be situated, we seek your presence with us to shape our response so that we may transition from wounded healers to healed stewards of restoration, liberation, and truth for your glory and love of creation. Amen.**

Words of Grace

Beloved of God, the Holy One has given us the gift and responsibility of stewardship, care, and concern for creation. The Embodied One commanded us to love our neighbors and our enemies. The Indwelling One journeys with us with wisdom, discernment, and truth to equip us to be what the world needs from us and the Triune God hopes for us. Receive the gift and the Giver for life abundant and flourishing.

**We are forgiven and free, 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. 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

**Providing, Generous, and Faithful Love, we demonstrate your goodness by offering these gifts. Receive them for the kin-dom and increase our impact in this community and the world in your name. Amen.**

Second Reading of Scripture

John 16:1-24 CEB

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

**Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

Holcombe

John Phillips, clarinet + Kirk Hancox, accompanist

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. 560

*“I Love to Tell the Story”*

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

*“Reverie Religieuse”*

Sergisson

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Service Prayers for Trinity was written by the Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology for the United Church of Christ. <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/trinity-sunday-c-june-15/>

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

# SUNDAY NEWS

# JUNE 15, 2025

## Serving This Morning

Liturgist: Lee Parks

Ushers: Donna Bocklage, Verlyn Yarbrough Greeter: Sandy Stierberger

Camera Tech: David Bean Sound Tech: John Crane

(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.

**During June** - During the month of June we will again be collecting items for the USO at Lambert International Airport in St. Louis. A 'wish list' of items to donate and a box to place donations is located in the lower commons. Thank you for your donations!

## On Our List For Prayers

### **Health and Healing:**

Jim Doehring	Phyllis Olson	Carolyn Donoho	Charlotte Ellison
Kim Yenzer	Kevin Vorderbruegge	Myrt Dunigan	Bruce Crane (at New Haven Care Center)
Anne Parker (at Willow Brooke in Union)		Dave Hall (bypass surgery)	Chris Branch (niece of Gerry Hoelscher)
Jim Petero (at Veteran's Home in St. James)		Sharon Waldrop (friend of Jim Doehring)	
Darlene Farrell (sister of Charlotte Ellison)		Mitch Angell (friend of Charlotte Ellison)	
Tammy Wettling (friend of Charlotte Ellison)		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)	
Jamie Koch (friend of Hettie Becker)		Josh & Tricia Pardee-Jacka (friends of Charlotte Ellison)	
Mike Bailey (husband of Leslie Bailey)		Cindy Roach (friend of Charlotte Ellison)	
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)		Pat Pappas (sister of Jim Doehring)	
Nancy McKenzie (sister of Vicki Hooper)		Bill Stolle (friend of Jim Doehring)	
Eileen Lischer (mother of Jeanne Lischer)		Laurie Becker	

### **Sympathy Is Extended to:**

Lanett Gortney, Hettie Becker & families on the death of their husband & son-in-law Randy Gortney.

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

Brenda Viehland	Linda Kroeter	Jake McNeil (member of Zion & son of Sarah Davenport)
Skip Buehrle		Susie Andell
Ronald Dobsch (nephew of Charlotte Ellison)		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)		Aaron Dixon (nephew of Dan Mossoney)
Mike Meyer (friend of Mandy Frick)		Brenda (friend of Hettie Becker)
Britt Fassler (daughter of Nancy Kossmann)		Willie Beckett (nephew of Vicki Hooper)
Dasha Musante (granddaughter of Marilyn Stahlman)		Erica Sterling (friend of Amy Dewert)

### **Various Concerns:**

Prayer for our country and those actively serving:

Aviation Structural Mechanic 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Hunter Grafrath (son of Lindsay & Greg Traffas, grandson of Mike & Lynne Elliott)

Ross Groenke (son of Cindy & Dale Groenke)

## Christian Education/Faith Quest/Youth News

**June 16-19 - Vacation Bible School** - Registration is now open for this year's Vacation Bible School which will be held on Monday, June 16 through Thursday, June 19 from 6-8 p.m. Register through the website at [www.zionunion.org](http://www.zionunion.org). Join us for a 'wild' good time!

## Church Calendar - June 15, 2025 to June 22, 2025

**Today -**

**Trinity Sunday**

**9:00 a.m. Worship**

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

**Mon., June 16 -**

6:00-8:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School

7:00 p.m. Church Council (classroom)

<b>Tues., June 17 -</b>	6:00-8:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School
<b>Wed., June 18 -</b>	6:00-8:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School 12:00 noon Loops of Love (lower commons)
<b>Thurs., June 19 -</b>	8:00 a.m.-12 noon Quilting Circle 6:00-8:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School
<b>Fri., June 20 -</b>	7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall in use
<b>Sat., June 21 -</b>	10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Pool Party at Camp MoVal
<b>Next Sun., June 22 -</b>	<b>Trinity Sunday</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Worship</b> <b>10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour</b>

**Mon., June 16** – Newsletter articles for the July ‘Spirit of Zion’ are due in the church office on Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. The newsletter will be assembled on Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

**Sat., June 21** – Everyone is invited to the Zion Annual Pool Party on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Camp MoVal. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Please bring a snack to share.

**Next Sun., June 22** – Our worship next Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> will be a Hymn Sing. Please let Jeanne Lischer or the church office know **by this morning** your favorite hymn and we will include as many as possible. (Hymns do not need to be in our hymnal.)

**Tornado Disaster Relief** – We will be receiving monetary donations for the UCC Churches and their members in the St. Louis area who were affected by the recent tornado. Special envelopes are available in the narthex by the offering plate. Thank you for your gifts in helping our neighbors in need.

**Drumming Circle** – Please note: There will be NO drumming circle until the fall.

**Joyful Noise and Alleluia Kids** will resume in the fall.

**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!

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday-8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (closed Tuesdays)

Church Office: (636/583-2814) fax (636/583-7949)

**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