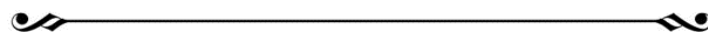
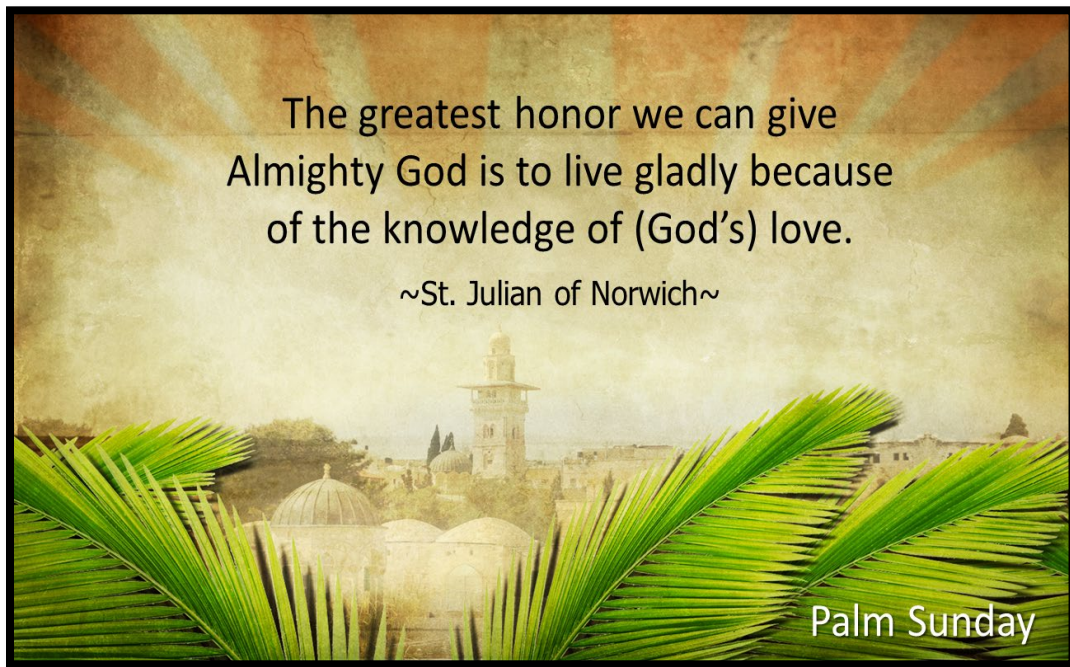


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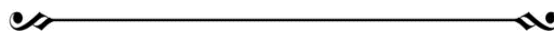
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Palm Sunday ☛ April 10th, 2022 ☛ 11 A.M.



WORSHIP GUIDE

We Arrive in Jerusalem!



WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

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✦ Indicates Music Selection.

↑ An invitation to stand.

Gathering Music ✦

"Prelude in Es-Dur"

Words of Welcome

Prelude to Worship ✦

"The Holy City"

↑ Call to Community

Based on 2 Corinthians 5:7, 16-24

Jesus is coming!

**We raise our voices and wave our palms with joyful hope,
praying for the release of God's people.**

We come from the mountainside, from the seaside, from the homes of the rich and the company of the poor, from the bedside of those who are sick, and from all the places where hearts ache.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God!

Jesus is coming!

Our hearts are filled with expectation as we welcome the coming king!

Along dusty roads, with a ragged band of travelers, Jesus comes to Jerusalem, Jesus comes to Zion. Jesus comes to us. What will we say when we encounter him!

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God!

↑ Praying with Ukraine

↑ Opening Hymn ✦

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
NCH #216 (Black Hymnal)

Litany of Holy Week

Today we have waved our palms and sang our Hosannas. We have welcomed you into our place of worship!

Forgive us tomorrow when our enthusiasm fades.

Today we have placed our trust in you to save us.

Forgive us on Tuesday when we decide we can take care of ourselves.

Today we have made you the center of our very existence.

Forgive us on Wednesday when we forget to remember who you are.

Today we have loudly called out to your name.

Forgive us on Thursday when we pretend that we've never met you!

Today we have stared at you with the star struck eyes of fans and groupies.

Forgive us on Friday when we avert our eyes because it's too painful to see you on the cross.

Today we are filled with hope for the future you have promised us.

Forgive us on Saturday when we believe all is lost.

Today we are so certain of the ways you will redeem us.

Restore us on Sunday when we are startled and awed by your rising.

~silence is kept~

Words of Blessing

Children's Time✠

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Lesson

Psalm 118:1-2,19-29 (NRSV)

O give thanks to God, for God is good;

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Let all Israel say,

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Open to me the gates of righteousness

that I may enter through them and give thanks to God.

This is the gate of God; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is God's doing: it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that God has made:

let us be rejoice and be glad in it!

Save us, we beseech you, O God!

O God, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God.

We bless you from the house of God.

The Sovereign is God and God has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with the branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God and I will give thanks to you.

You are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to God, for God is God.

God's steadfast love endures forever!

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it." ' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

The Message by Reverend Katie Penick

Palm Parade

↑ Hymn of Praise ✦

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
NCH #213 (Black Hymnal)

RESPONDING IN LOVE

Invitation to Give

Blessing Our Gifts

With our gifts, O God, we demonstrate our deepest love. Receive our very best – as sweet offerings before you. May they be the blessing to others that they have been for us. Amen.

Offertory Interlude ✦

"Outside the Holy City"

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Invitation

Introduction of the Candidates

Affirmation of Faith

Let us United with the church in all times and places in proclaiming what we believe:

**We believe in you , O God, Eternal Spirit,
God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God,
and to your deeds we testify:**

**You call the worlds into being,
Create persons in your own image,
and set before each one the ways of life and death.**

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

You judge people and nations by your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles.

**In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior,
you have come to us
and shared our common lot,
conquering sin and death
and reconciling the world to yourself.**

**You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit,
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages,
tongues, and races.**

**You call us into your church
to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,
to be your servants in the service of others,
to proclaim the gospel to all the world
and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join him in his passion and victory.**

**You promise to all who trust you
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
your presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in your realm which has no end.**

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.

Address and Questions About Participation

Prayer

Welcome

We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.

Greeting of Christian Love

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

Our Story

Blessing

Sharing the Meal ✧

"Concerto in D minor"

God's table is open to all! Anyone who desires to participate in communion is welcome to do so. The communion table offers a choice of wine or grape juice, and gluten-free bread is available.

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 and ever. Amen.**

MOVING TOWARDS PEACE ON EARTH

Closing Hymn ✧

"The Palms"
Insert

All are invited to celebrate during this hymn by waving your palm branches.

Sending Forth

Prelude to Service ✧

"Fugue in Es-Dur"

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!





CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of April 10th



New Member Reception Today

Please welcome our new members whom we will be receiving into our congregation today during worship: Jean Simmons, Dalene Dalene Dewees, and Melissa (Missy) LaBombard. Welcome to your new church home!

From Surviving to Thriving

The Central Atlantic Conference Vitality Team invites you to attend a free online vitality workshop on May 7th from 9am to noon. See Rae or Pastor Katie to sign-up or register online at: <https://caucc-reg.brtaapp.com/FromSurvivingtoThrivingchurchvitalityevent>.

Living out our Gospel imprint in this time requires intention. Join us as we talk about vitality, accessing your strengths as a congregation and the power of working together. Does your church need to look more closely at its vitality? Join the Church Vitality Team for an informative morning of information, dialogue, and practical tools for self-examination and living your best church life. You will be led by a team of talented pastors who have diverse experience in service to churches of both urban and rural. Both lay people and clergy are encouraged to attend this exciting educational opportunity.

Catoctin Association Spring Meeting

The Catoctin Association Spring Meeting will be Saturday, May 14th from 9am – noon at Evangelical & Reformed UCC in Frederick, MD. A satellite location will be offered here at Zion in the Chapel to come together and Zoom in as a group or attend by Zoom from your home. Please see Rae in the church office to register to attend. If you are interested in representing Zion as a voting delegate, let us know.



HARC Hike for Hunger & Hope – Join the Zion Reformed UCC Team at the HARC Hike for Hunger & Hope on Saturday, June 4th by planning to hike with us or make a contribution to the team's fundraising effort today. Join the team or make a contribution at www.pledgereg.com/4195/t/zrucc. The Hike for Hunger & Hope is HARC's biggest fundraiser of the year. Proceeds will benefit all HARC programs with a significant portion going directly to Micah's Backpack. Learn more about the HARC Hike at www.zionreformed.church/hikeforhunger. Be sure to talk to Carol Mooers about how you might help the Micah's Backpack Outreach Team here at Zion and learn more about Micah's Backpack at <https://harccoalition.org/programs/micahs-backpack!>

Dinner Theater: Dust off your Sam Spade overcoat & polish up your magnifying glass!

Zion's Dramatic Arts Department is pleased to announce that Zion's Dinner Theater returns with the long-awaited performance of "The Science of Murder" on June 25th at 5pm in the Chapel. Tickets will go on sale at the beginning of May for \$15/person or \$25/couple, contact the Church Office to get your ticket(s). Dinner will include salad, lasagna roll ups, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, and rolls with an assortment of desserts. More info at www.facebook.com/events/551779426012952.

Our Joys & Concerns

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. Submit your prayer requests to the church office to be included on the prayer list. Join with us in prayer as we pray with our Zion siblings and their loved ones: [Holly Bell](#), Naomi Brackett, [Linda Cantilena](#), Kim & Bill Cook, [Michael Graff Jr. \(son of Sue and Mike\)](#), Beth Gross, [Sherry Hockman](#), Patricia Hohman, [Ann Kalinoski](#), Rhondda Kane, [Dee Krause](#), Nicole M, [James Penick](#), Claudia R, [Colleen Rand](#), Leslie Rose, [David Ridenour](#), Sammy Rittleberger, [Betsy Roulette](#), Norm & Lori Schmidt, [Ralph & Scherry Sellers](#), Staci Shafer, [Thelma Summers](#), Tracy Roach Walls, [White Family](#), Eleanor Wible, [Eric Wolbring](#), Robert Yeoman, and peace and safety in Ukraine.

**Prayer Requests remain active on the prayer list for 4-weeks unless renewed.*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to **Lynda Graves** (Apr 10th), **Kim Ridenour** (Apr 10th), and **Robert Kefauver** (Apr 12th). May this year of your life be filled with happiness as we celebrate the gift of *YOU*. We hope and pray that this year of your life is filled with an abundance of blessings, and for any times of trial that may arise, may you find the perseverance and strength in Christ to prevail.



Search & Call Team Meeting – Apr 11th at 5:30pm (Burhans Room/Hybrid)

Tuesday's Supper & 1-Stop Shop – Apr 12th from 5 – 6:30pm (Fellowship Hall)
More Info at www.facebook.com/events/344211243835048

Seder Dinner – Apr 14th at 6pm (Chapel/Zoom)
Sign-up to attend by calling the office by noon on Tuesday.
More Info at www.zionreformed.church/easter

Personal Prayer & Meditation in Chapel – Apr 15th from 9am-Noon.
More Info at www.zionreformed.church/easter

Good Friday Cross Walk – Apr 15th at 1pm at City Park.
More Info at www.zionreformed.church/easter

Newsletter Deadline – Apr 15th at Noon.

Cinderella Shop – Apr 16th 10am – noon (Fellowship Hall Entrance)
More Info at www.zionreformed.church/cinderella

Flower Cross Set-up – Come help decorate the Easter Cross on Apr 16th at 4pm.
All help is greatly appreciated!

Praying with our Ukrainian Siblings:

We continue to pray with Ukraine and the world in prayer for peace and safety in Ukraine. A prayer by Kayla Craig from Discipleship Ministries:

O God of peace, our hearts are heavy
And our brains can barely keep up with the breaking news.
We don't know what to say or what to do in a world so wounded.
So we come to you with hearts heavy for
All who sit in the crossfires of violence and acts of war.

O God of peace, be with the people of Ukraine.
With the mothers who carry babies to subway shelters.
With the fathers who hold their heads in their hands.
With the children who absorb the traumas.
Of violent acts of powerful men.

O God of peace, we don't know the words to pray
For a warring world and all who are vulnerable in it.
We don't pretend to know the extent of the damages
Or what tomorrow (or today) will bring.
But we know that you are a God of peace
And we can't bomb our way to shalom.

O God of peace, comfort the crying and heal the hurt.
Tend the aching and soothe the fearful.
Make us instruments of your peace
Creating a sacred symphony where
Rhythms of grace are danced upon
And evil has lost its sting, now and forevermore.
O God of peace, hear our prayer.



A Call to Action: Helping our Ukrainian Siblings

At our Annual Meeting the congregation voted to donate monies to World Central Kitchen's Ukrainian relief efforts, and to the UCC's ACT Alliance directly supporting Ukrainian relief. The consistory has approved a matching donation of up to \$1000.00 to match any monies raised, splitting the funds equally between both of these important outreach organizations providing much needed humanitarian assistance such as food, shelter, training, and more.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to the church marked "Ukrainian Relief Fund" and drop it in the Ukrainian Relief Fund donation box in the front of the sanctuary. You may also make a donation through our church website giving page at www.zionreformed.church/give by choosing the "Ukrainian Relief Fund" option.

More information about this call to action and these great outreach organizations your donation will be supporting will be posted to the church website later this week!

The Palms

Arr. by C. H. G.

1. O'er all the way green palms and blossoms gay Are strewn this day in
 2. His word goes forth, and people by its might Once more their freedom
 3. Sing and rejoice, O blest Je - ru - sa - lem, Of all thy songs sing

festival preparation, Where Je - sus comes, to wipe our tears away;
 gain from degradation; Human - i - ty doth give to each his right,
 the emancipation; Thro' boundless love, the Christ of Beth - le - hem

RESPONSE

E'en now the throng to welcome Him prepare. Join, sing His name divine,
 While those in darkness find restored the light.
 Brings forth the hope to thee forevermore. Join all, and sing Ho - san - na!

Let ev'ry voice re-sound with united ac-cla-ma-tion, Ho - san -
 Praised be the

na! Praised be the Lord, Bless Him who cometh to bring us sal - va - tion.
 Lord, Ho - san - na!

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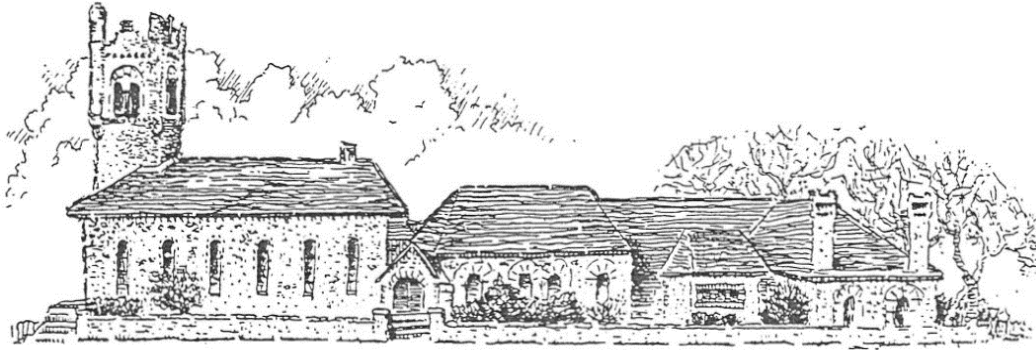
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