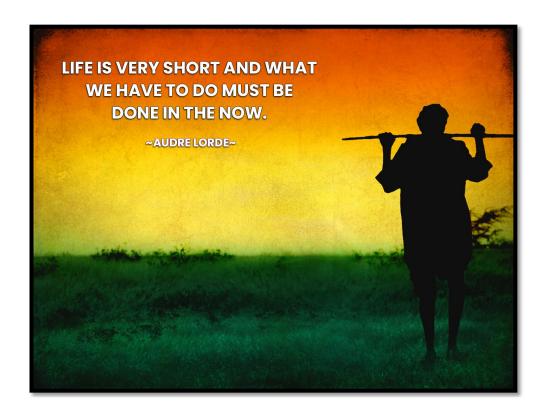
ZION REFORMED

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Third Sunday of Easter ♣ May 1st, 2022 ♣ 11 A.M.



Worship Guide

Resurrection Promises

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Congregational Responses are in **Bold**.
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★ Indicates Music Selection.

↑ An invitation to stand.

Gathering Music [♦] Medley

Words of Welcome

Prelude to Worship[♦]

Trumpet Tune on "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

↑ Call to Community

Brothers and sisters - If you lift your net and it is empty, come here!

We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.

If you open your eyes but do not recognize the Holy One, come here!

We'll find the Risen Christ in all Creation.

If your life is filled with mourning, come here!

Christ is leading a dance of joy.

Come here, sisters and brothers!

To give blessing and honor and glory to God!

↑ Opening Prayer

Generous God, Giver of all that is good, Creator of all that is beautiful, you have blessed us with abundance, more than enough for everyone to share!

"Feed my lambs."

Out of this abundance you remind us of your eternal call to each of us:

"Tend my sheep."

Awaken us to the beauty and abundance of your Creation. Encourage us to share generously with all those you love. This Easter Season, may we protect the beauty of all that is yours and nurture it for our children and our children's children!

"Feed my sheep." Amen.

↑ Praying with Ukraine

↑ Opening Hymn[♦]

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus" Bulletin Insert



Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

'Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!'

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

'To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might for ever and ever!'

And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' And the elders fell down and worshipped.

Children's Time[♦]

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Second Lesson Acts 9:1-20 (NRSV)
Lector: Carol Mooers

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of God.'



Third Lesson John 21:1-19 (NRSV)

Rev. Katie Penick

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

The Message by Reverend Katie Penick

Feed My Sheep!!

↑ Hymn of Adoration ♦

"Lead On Eternal Sovereign" NCH #573 (Black Hymnal)



RESPONDING IN LOVE

Invitation to Give

Blessing Our Gifts

Thank you, God, for the gifts and ministries of your people. Grant that this offering given in thanksgiving for all the blessings you have given us will fill empty hearts with love and will proclaim your honor and glory in the name of Christ Jesus to all people. Amen!

Offertory Interlude 4

"Where'er You Walk"

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation / The Story / The Blessing

Sharing the Meal [♦]

"Nocturne in E-flat major"

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

Sending Forth

As you go out into the world -

"Feed my lambs."

Seek the presence of the Risen Christ in each other and in all of Creation.

"Tend my sheep."

May God give you joyful courage to follow the command of Jesus:

"Feed my sheep."

Go in peace. Amen!

Prelude to Service ♦

"Toccata in D-minor ("Dorian")

GO FORTH IN PEACE & SERVE!

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Week of May 1st



Meal Train Volunteers Needed



Becky Owens continues to rest and recuperate from her successful surgery. Our meal train continues to help reduce stress and to care for Becky and Rich during this time. If you are able to meal train cook a meal and drop off to them, please sign-up to do so. Sign-up sheet is located in the vestibule on the information table. We continue to pray during this time of recovery for a speedy recovery.

From Surviving to Thriving This Saturday

From Surviving to Thriving is a FREE congregational vitality learning event via ZOOM that is offered by the Central Atlantic Conference for clergy & lay persons on May 7th from 9am-Noon.

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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.

Register today at www.zionreformed.church/vitality and let's envision Zion's thriving future together!

Catoctin Association Spring Meeting Next Saturday



The Catoctin Association Spring Meeting is Saturday, May 14th from 9am – 11:30am at Evangelical & Reformed UCC in Frederick with satellite locations offered at Zion Reformed UCC in Hagerstown and St. Mary's UCC in Westminster. You may also choose to attend via ZOOM from the comfort of your own home. If you are interested in attending this event, participating in our

church's wider mission (OCWM), let Rae or Pastor Katie know or register online at www.zionreformed.church/SpringMta.

Also be sure to choose to attend the Ecumenical Council option when registering to participate in our dear friend, Pastor Debra Peters-Wilcox's ordination!

George B. Cash Jr. Scholarship Fund

The George B. Cash Jr. Scholarship will be accepting applications from May 8th - through June 30th. Application packets will be available in the church office and by download at www.zionreformed.church/scholarship beginning May 8th. Applicants must be a Zion member seeking an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution of higher-learning during the 2022-2023 academic year.



Do you have a background in multimedia or audio or have a desire to learn? As the multimedia station comes close to being finalized, we are looking for volunteers to help flip slides and monitor the sound. If you are interested in helping in any capacity in this important ministry please see Michael.



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 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 in Ukraine and around the world and to pray with and for our Zion siblings: Holly Bell, Naomi Brackett, Jeff Cannedy, Linda Cantilena, Cisco, Kim & Bill Cook, Michael Graff Jr. (son of Sue and Mike), Beth Gross, Sherry Hockman, Patricia Hohman, Ann Kalinoski, Rhondda Kane, Alyssa Kline, Dee Krause, Nicole M, Sofia Martinez, Beck Owens, Dee McGlauckin, James Penick, Colleen Rand, Leslie Rose, David Ridenour, Sammy Rittleberger, Betsy Roulette, Norm & Lori Schmidt, Ralph & Scherry Sellers, Staci Shafer, Thelma Summers, Tracy Roach Walls, Thomas Wetzel, White Family, Eleanor Wible, Belinda Williams, Eric Wolbring, and Robert Yeoman.

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

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to **Mark Shroyer** (May 3rd) and **Daniel Springer** (May 7th). 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.





Dinner Theater Rehearsal – After Church Today

Consistory Team Mtg – May 2nd at 7pm

Tuesday's Supper – May 3rd, 5-6:30pm (dine-in and carry-out options available)

ONA Team Meeting - May 5th at 12:30pm

4-H Club – May 5th at 4:30pm via ZoomSee Kim Ridenour for more information

Vitality Workshop – May 7th, 9am-12pm via ZOOM Register at www.zionreformed.church/vitality

Dinner Theater Rehearsal – May 7th at 12:15pm No Rehearsal after church May 8th



MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

For Church Staff And Parishioners

This course teaches you how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders. The training gives you the skills you need to provide initial help and support to someone who may be experiencing a crisis.

Date: Saturday, June 11, 2022

Time: 9am-4pm

Location: Zion Reformed United Church of Christ

201 N. Potomac St.

Hagerstown, MD 21742

A training manual, continental breakfast, soup & salad lunch will be provided. Free Will donations will be greatly accepted.

This course will be taught by William Brick, a certified MHFA instructor and current instructor at Brook Lane Health Services. William has been teaching this course for more than 5 years and is recognized as a skilled instructor, providing valuable insights and techniques that attendees can immediately put into practice.

For more information or to register, call Rae Smith at Zion Reformed UCC at 301-739-7244.







Helping our Ukrainian Siblings: A Call to Action

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 or by mailing a check designated "Ukrainian Relief Fund" to the church at Zion Reformed UCC, 201 N. Potomac Street, Hagerstown, MD 21740.



Let us also continue to pray with our Ukrainian siblings for peace and safety in Ukraine and around the world.

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 presents "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 (see Barb Hendershot or coordinate with the church office). 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.

Wonderful Grace of Jesus





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Lead On Eternal Sovereign

Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1887; alt.

- 1. Lead on e-ter-nal Sov-ereign, we fol-low in your way; loud rings your cry for jus-tice, your call for peace this day:

 Through prayer-ful prep-a-ra-tion, your grace will make us strong, to car-ry on the strug-gle to tri-umph o-ver wrong.
- 2. Lead on e-ter-nal Sov-ereign, we fol-low not with fear, for in each hu-man con-flict your words of strength we hear: That when we serve with glad-ness, you will not let us fall, our trust is in your prom-ise that love will con-quer all.
- 3. Lead on e-ter-nal Sov-ereign, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and all your saints to-geth-er will sing a hymn of peace; Then all in your do-min-ion will live with hearts set free, to love and serve each oth-er for all e-ter-ni-ty.

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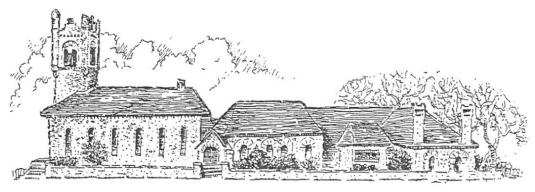
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