

Matthew 11:16-19 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁶ “To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others: ¹⁷ “‘We played the pipe for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.’ But wisdom is proved right by her deeds.”

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ “All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

*WELCOME TO
ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH*

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*to me, and who are
Come to weary
and
burdened,
and I shall give
you rest.
Matthew 11: 28*

Welcome to Zion's Reformed Church. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

For your safety and for the safety of others,

PLEASE

- ◆ Wear a mask
- ◆ Use hand sanitizer
- ◆ Practice social distancing
- ◆ Please remain seated for the entire service.

The Greeters and ushers at the front door are Mike Menold and Teri Swartzbeck and at the back door, Linda Seeley and Chris Stockner.

The Altar flowers are placed in memory of Edwin A. Lininger, by Kelly Lininger.

There is no nursery care.

All children are invited to Fisher Hall after the Children's Message for a story and activity led by Lynn Rinella and Julie Hills.

Large Print Bulletins are available in the back of the sanctuary.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

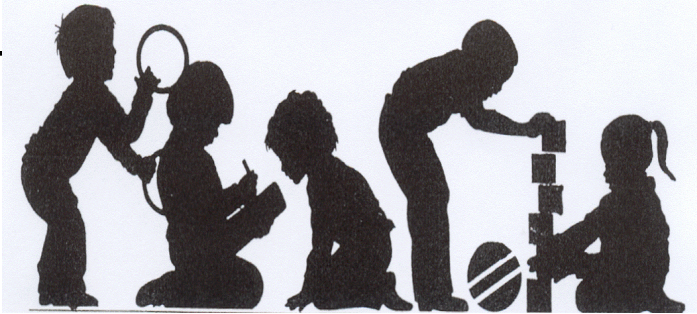
While we are now back in the sanctuary for worship, there are those who may prefer to continue to worship from home either because of Covid-19, because they live out of town, or for personal reasons. We will continue to livestream worship and post the videos on our Zion's Facebook page and our YouTube channel-Zion's Reformed Greenville PA.

Each week, the bulletin can be found on our website www.zionsucc.org or if you do not have a computer, please call the office and one will be mailed to you.

If you are aware of anyone who will continue to worship from home and would like a bulletin, please tell Julie.

PLEASE JOIN US IN WHATEVER WAY SEEMS MOST COMFORTABLE FOR YOU!





**REGISTER NOW FOR PRESCHOOL
BEGINNING IN THE FALL!**

Registrations now being accepted for our preschool classes held on TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and THURSDAYS beginning September 8.

**Preschool Class is for children ages 3 and 4.
Pre-K Class is for children ages 4 and 5.**

Tuition is \$98.00/month.

Please call or stop in the church office for a brochure and registration form.

Zion's Community Preschool is dedicated to constantly evaluate our practices to evolve with the most up to date information regarding COVID-19. Our aim is to keep our students, families, and staff as safe and healthy as possible while continuing to provide services. Both a COVID-19 Policy and COVID-19 Statement are available in the church office.

ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rev. June Boutwell, Senior Pastor

Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries

Please remain seated for the entire service.

July 12, 2020 10:30 a.m.

*Where the past and the future with Jesus Christ are celebrated
so the present can be lived abundantly.*

MEDITATION: Debasish Mridha, American physician and poet
*Burdens of life become lighter when your heart is filled with love
and we learn to forgive and forget with profound kindness.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SOLEMN DECLARATION

Leader: And now may we prepare our hearts and minds for
worship as we are gathered in the name of God the
Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT and THE PRELUDE

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Isaiah 55:12

*For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains
and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of
the field shall clap their hands.*

GATHERING SONG "Sanctuary" (CCLI #24140)

F#m/A Em/A D A
 Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y,
 pure and ho - ly, tried and true; with thanks - giv - ing,
 I'll be a liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for you.

G Em7 D A F#m/A Em/A D
 A G F#m/A G/A D

WORDS and MUSIC: John Thompson (1950-) and Randy Scruggs (20th c.)
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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ calls us to come to worship—
People: **To rest from the things that are troubling us;**
Leader: To learn what Christ can teach of life;
People: **To realize what we can offer to others;**
Leader: And so to return into the world to serve.
People: **Let us worship God!**



THE GOOD SHEPHERD
 CENTER JULY REQUESTS ARE

**PERSONAL CARE ITEMS AND
 SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

The Thrift Store is now open for shopping on
 Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00-4:00.
 Donations are accepted Monday through Friday
 from 10:00-4:00.

PRESCHOOL DONATIONS

Supplies for the preschool will be handled a little differently
 this year due to Covid-19. Each child will have their own box
 of crayons, markers, etc., rather than sharing with the whole
 class.

**Would you like to donate items? Please bring them to
 the church office. Requested supplies are:**

- Crayola Crayons (30 -classic colors pack of 8)
- Crayola Washable Markers (30 -classic color pack of 8)
- Crayola Washable Watercolors (30 -8 regular colors)
- Elmer's glue bottles (30 -4 oz.)
- Elmer's glue sticks (30- .77oz)
- Kleenex
- Hand sanitizer (at least 60 % alcohol, may not contain isopropanol or methyl alcohol)

Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

Ps. 36:7-9

Robert Robinson, 1758; alt.

1 Come, O Fount of ev-ery bless-ing, tune my heart to sing your grace;
 2 Here I pause in my so - journ-ing, giv-ing thanks for hav-ing come,
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I am drawn a - new!

streams of mer - cy, nev-er ceas - ing, call for songs of end-less praise.
 come to trust, at ev-ery turn - ing, God will guide me safe-ly home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to you.

Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a - bove.
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God,
 Prone to wan - der, I can feel it, wan-der from the love I've known:

Praise the mount; I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - fail - ing love.
 Came to res - cue me from dan - ger, bless - ed bod - y, pre - cious blood.
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for your ver - y own.

Converted to Methodism at age twenty, Robert Robinson soon became a Calvinistic Methodist preacher and later gained great popularity. The melody, associated with this text since 1813, is an American folk tune.

Tune: NETTLETON 8.7.8.7.D.
 John Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, 1813

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN "O Come to Me, You Weary"

Matt. 11:28-30; John 6:35-40; 11:25-26

William C. Dix, 1867; alt.

1 "O come to me, you wea - ry, and I will give you rest."
 2 "O come to me, you wan - derers, and I will give you light."
 3 "O come to me, you faint - ing, and I will give you life!"
 4 "All you who come and seek me will nev - er be cast out."

The bless - ed voice of Je - sus, which comes to hearts op - pressed!
 The lov - ing voice of Je - sus, which comes to cheer the night!
 The cheer - ing voice of Je - sus, which stills our in - ner strife!
 The wel - come voice of Je - sus, which drives a - way our doubt!

It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, of par - don, grace, and peace,
 Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, and we had lost our way;
 The e - vil one sur - rounds us and would our faith sub - due,
 And though we are un - wor - thy of love so free and true,

of joy that has no end - ing, of love which does not cease.
 but morn - ing brings us glad - ness and songs for each new day.
 but you are strong with - in us, our cour - age brave and true.
 we hear your call to sin - ners; in trust we come to you.

William C. Dix, manager of a marine insurance company, wrote this hymn after many weeks of illness. Shortly thereafter, he began to recover. William Lloyd, a Welsh farmer and cattle drover, had a good voice and conducted singing classes.

Tune: MEIRIONYDD 7.6.7.6.D.
 Welsh hymn tune
 Attrib. to William Lloyd, 1840

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you. Yoked to Jesus your Son, joined in oneness with you, we strain against your direction; summoned to follow your way, we burden ourselves and others. Forgive us the wrongs we have done to others, to ourselves, to you. Lift us from our fear that we may see your vision know your wisdom and find our rest in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord to whom we lift our silent prayers....

A MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION AND PRAYER

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS AND LOVE

A SONG OF ASSURANCE "God Will Take Care of You"
(verse 1 & refrain)

**Be not dismayed whate'er betide, God will take care of you;
Beneath God's wings of love abide, God will take care of you.**

**God will take care of you, through every day, o'er all the way;
God will take care of you, God will take care of you.**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH AND LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

**Hear our prayer, O God. Hear our prayer, O God.
Incline your ear to us and grant us your peace.**

SPECIAL MUSIC "Footprints In the Sand" Leona Lewis
Ruth Herrick, Soprano

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 11:16-19

SERMON "Take a Load Off"

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

We give our offerings to God—our treasure, our gifts, our labor. And God receives them all with graciousness. You may drop off your offering in the plates at the back of the sanctuary or in the office or mail them or use the "give" button on the website. Let us offer the doxology in response to the gifts we receive and return.

The Doxology

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

Prayer of Dedication

CLOSING HYMN "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing"
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THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE Psalm 98 (CCLI No. 1822365)
"O Sing Unto the Lord a new Song" Jane Marshall