

ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. June Boutwell, Senior Pastor
Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries
November 1, 2020 10:30 a.m.

Celebrating a Legacy of Faith:
Reformation Sunday; All Saint's Day; Ordination of Elders; Rite of Confirmation
Holy Communion

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

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to all, those worshipping today in the sanctuary and those who are with us on-line. Today we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion as we celebrate our legacy of faith. Those at home may wish to prepare bread and cup for the Service so we may partake together.

THE SOLEMN DECLARATION

Jeff Calvin, Lector

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

Presley Menold, Acolyte

PRELUDE "You Are Mine" Words and Music by David Haas
Lori Seinar-Roknick, vocals/piano

A LEGACY OF FAITH

Pastor June

Today we celebrate Reformation Sunday and a special service that reflects the breadth of the life of the church. It is a celebration of a Legacy of Faith that undergirds and sustains this church in its historical understandings, our life of service and ministry, and our hope for the future. We begin with honoring the saints who have died in the last year. We celebrate the gifts their lives offered to this community of faith. We will then we ordain and install elders which we have not done for a couple of years. We give thanks for those who are offering their gift for leadership in this present day. We will then celebrate the rite of confirmation to honor the hard work these young people have done under difficult circumstances as they make their commitment to offer their gifts to the church as members of this household of faith. And we will close the service by coming to Christ's table in remembrance and thanksgiving for the call of God in our lives, the example of Christ as we walk the holy way, and the power of the Holy Spirit to sustain us in all life's circumstances.

PRAYER RESPONSE

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Legacy of the Present – Those Who Serve

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Jeff Calvin, Lector

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and the Spirit distributes them to each one, just as the Spirit determines.

ORDINATION OF ELDERS

Kelly Bielata Jon Fry Michael Menold Sue Nicklin Lynn Rinella Linda Seeley Vikki Young

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again, he ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

*Kelly Bielata George Donner John Enterline Jon Fry Michael Menold
Sue Nicklin Lynn Rinella Linda Seeley Vikki Young*

Congregational Response:

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, do you receive in the name of the Lord, these elders as duly elected and ordained servants of Christ?

People: **We do.**

Pastor: Do you promise to respect them for the sake of the offices for which they have been chosen and ordained?

People: We do.

Pastor: Do you promise to encourage and pray for them, to labor together in obedience to the gospel for the unity, purity, and peace of the church, the welfare of the whole world, and the honor of our Lord Jesus Christ?

People: We do.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

HYMN OF SERVICE “For All the Saints” (verses 3 and 4) (CCLI# 2645678)

Legacy of the Future – Living In Hope

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Presentation of the Confirmands

<i>Teage Calvin</i>	<i>Chasie Fry</i>	<i>Ryleigh Fry</i>
<i>Parker Ritzert</i>	<i>DJ Suntheimer</i>	<i>Megan Wood</i>

STATEMENTS OF FAITH

Scripture: Ephesians 2:19-22

Jeff, Calvin Lector

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

THE CONFIRMATION VOWS

UCC Statement of Faith (In Dialogue)

Pastor: You say you believe in God? What kind of God?

All: **We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, God of our Lord Jesus Christ and our God, to God’s deeds we testify: God calls the worlds into being, creates persons in God’s own image, and sets before each one the ways of life and death.**

Pastor: But does God really care about people?

All: **God seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin. God judges people and nations by God’s righteous will, declared through prophets and apostles.**

Pastor: You speak of God's will "declared through prophets and apostles". But how do you know what your God is really like?

All: **In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, God has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death, and reconciling the world to himself.**

Pastor: So you believe in a God who creates the world and was in this man Jesus Christ. Does God have any direct connection with people...with you and me?

All: **God bestows on us the Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.**

Pastor: How does God expect this "binding together" to come about?

All: **God calls us into the church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be God's 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.**

Pastor: We live in troubled times. How can we do all those things and make a difference?

All: **God promises to all who trust in God forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, God's presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in God's Kingdom which has no end.**

Pastor: Forgiveness—courage—God's presence—eternal life! This a God I can trust and serve. Let us join together in praising Him.

All: **Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto God. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CONFIRMANDS

O God, my God, known to me in Jesus Christ, I give myself to you as your own, to love and serve you faithfully all the days of my life. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CONGREGATION

Almighty God, who in baptism received these your servants into the church, forgave their sins, and promised them eternal life, increase in them the gifts of your Holy Spirit. Grant love for others, joy in seeing you, peace in disagreement, patience in suffering, kindness toward all people, goodness in evil times, faithfulness in temptation, gentleness in the face of opposition, self-control in all things. Strengthen them for their ministry in the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFIRMATION WITH THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

AFFIRMATION OF MEMBERSHIP

THE GREETING FROM THE CONGREGATION

Mike Menold, Consistory President

SPECIAL MUSIC "IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME" (CCLI# 25156)

Sopranos: Ruth Herrick and Karen Wig

Altos: Leslie Graul, Julie Hills, Susan Morrill

Tenor/Bass: Jodie Enterline, John Enterline, Bill Henry and Allen Morrill

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Preparation

Words of Institution

Communion Prayer

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

We thank you, Most Holy God, for refreshment at your table where along with your saints and servants we receive all Christ's gifts. Provide for your church on earth a strong faith and increased love for one another. Give us the grace to praise you with our lives in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

TAKING CHRIST'S LIGHT OUT INTO THE WORLD

THE POSTLUDE

"Recessional on Sine Nomine"

arr. by Greg Sewell

For All the Saints

Heb. 12:1

William W. How, 1864; alt.

1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who to the
 2 You were their rock, their ref - uge, and their might: you, Christ, the
 3 Still may your peo - ple, faith - ful, true, and bold, live as the
 4 Ringed by this cloud of wit - ness - es di - vine, we fee - bly
 5 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the

world their stead-fast faith con - fessed, your name, O Je - sus,
 hope that put their fears to flight; 'mid gloom and doubt, you
 saints who no - bly fought of old, and share with them a
 strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet in your love our
 ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, then hearts are brave a -

be for - ev - er blessed.
 were their one true light.
 glo - rious crown of gold. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 faith - ful lives en - twine.
 gain, and faith grows strong.

This traditional All Saints Day hymn originally consisted of eleven stanzas written for the Sarum Hymnal (1869) and set to a tune by that name, Sarum. It has grown in popularity

Tune: SINE NOMINE 10.10.10.4.
 Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 2 through 18, Pastor June will be on vacation.

November 4: Finance at 6:00 and Consistory at 7:00.

November 8: Pastor Glenn Sadler will lead worship. Baptism will be held. Fleece blanket work day.

November 9: Min. of Service and Missions at 6:00.

November 12 and 18: Chime choir rehearsal at 6:00.

November 13: Last day for cans of fruit for Good Shepherd Center.

November 15: Stewardship Sunday. Pastor Glenn Sadler will lead worship. ZOOM event with Judy Chan at 7:00.