ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Rev. June Boutwell, Senior Pastor Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries

*Please stand in body or spirit as you are able

July 4, 2021 10:30 a.m. Lord's Prayer Part 4 of 7

Each week there will be multiple ways of seeing the ideas of the Lord's Prayer presented

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Stockner, Lector

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

PRELUDE "My Country 'Tis of Thee" arr. by Marty Parks

(CCLI#7132610)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP John 6:35

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

*CALL TO WORSHIP Chris Stockner, Lector

Leader: We praise you, O God, for the gift that you give us in and through Jesus.

People: He is the sign of your deep and everlasting love for the world.

Leader: We rejoice in his promise to sustain us with his life.

People: We praise you for filling our emptiness with his goodness.

Leader: May our worship and praise express our thanks, O God, for your gift to us of the

true bread from heaven—Jesus Christ, your Son, our living Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" (bulletin page 7)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we come to you now to ask for forgiveness for any thoughts, words or actions that have not honored your name. We are sorry for the times we have chosen to live selfishly rather than follow your calling. We invite you to inhabit our hearts now as we celebrate communion. As we share this time together, bind us together as one family, filled with the love that comes from our Father, from the Son, and the Holy Spirit. And we thank you, Lord, for your grace that is constantly at work in our lives. Hear our prayers....

*A MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION AND PRAYER

*THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS AND LOVE

*A SONG OF ASSURANCE (Gloria Patri)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

~you may be seated~

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (from the United States Air Force Corps of Chaplains Prayer Book)

Friends in Christ, God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers, our friends and neighbors, as dear to us as our own needs. Loving our neighbor as ourselves we offer our thanksgiving and petitions on behalf of the church and the world. We pray for Gabriel Sobina, Lynn Marlowe, Rachel Lang, Keith Anderson, Pat Stearns, Sandy Beckman, Dylan Groover, Jeri Saal, Haileigh Palmer and Judy Ross. Let us pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG)

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 12:22-34 New International Version

²² Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. ²³ For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ²⁴ Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than

birds! ²⁵ Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? ²⁶ Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

²⁷ "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ²⁸ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰ For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Battle Hymn of the Republic" Julia Ward Howe

Lori Seinar-Roknick, soprano/piano (CCLI#2771690)

SERMON Life, Liberty, Bread

Lord, teach us to pray. You give us, your children, the words to say, tell us what they mean; make them lead to you. Bring us we pray into that Presence within, where words end and where we rest in you. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" arr. by Marty Parks

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

COMMUNION HYMN "For the Bread, Which Thou Has Broken" (bulletin page 7)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution

Blessing the Elements

Partaking of the Elements

We will sing "Let Us Break Bread Together" as communion is served

Let us break bread together on our knees.

Let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain: When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun;

O Lord have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees. Let us drink wine together on our knees. Refrain

Let us praise God together on our knees. Let us praise God together on our knees. Refrain

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of Christ and have received all Christ's gifts. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and let us show forth your praise in our lives through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" (bulletin page 8)

*THE BENEDICTION

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*THE POSTLUDE "Rondeau" David Lasky (CCLI#7145943)

MEDITATION: Andrew Murray (1828-1917) served 60 years in the Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa.

First, **Thy** name, **Thy** kingdom, **Thy** will; then, give **us**, forgive **us**, lead **us**, deliver **us**. The lesson is of more importance than we think.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church office will be closed tomorrow for the 4th of July Holiday.

Pastor June will be on vacation this week.

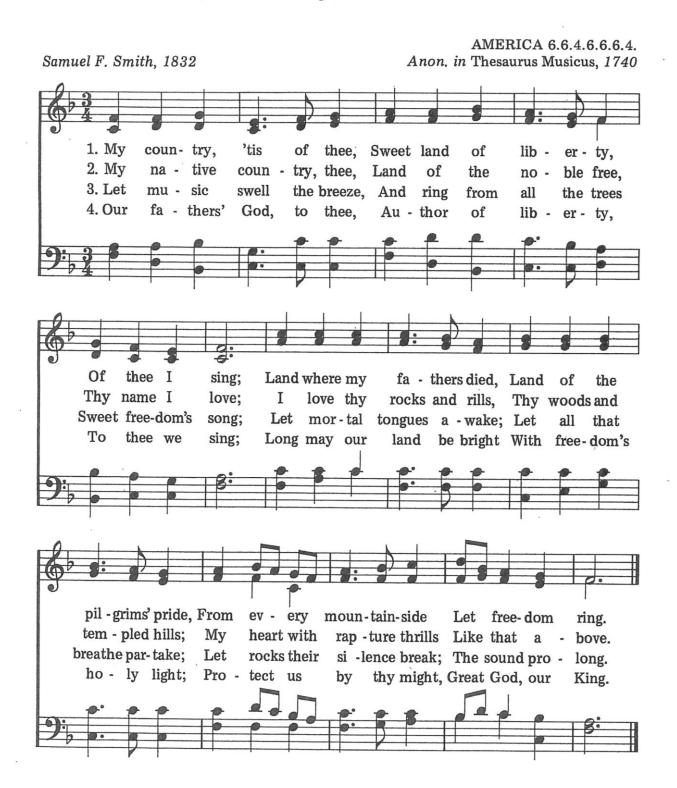
The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet in the Anderson Lounge on Tuesday at 2:00.

Finance will meet on Wednesday at 6:00 and Consistory will meet at 7:00.

Vacation Bible School will be held July 26 thru July 30 in Fisher Hall from 6:00-8:00. All elementary children (K-6) are invited. Please bring a friend too!

An All-Church picnic will be held Sunday, August 1 at Hempfield Park in Pavilion #2. Please bring a picnic lunch for your family.

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O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

