#### 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

August 8, 2021 10:30 a.m.

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

SPECIAL MUSIC "Make Me A Servant" (CCLI#33131) Kelly Willard

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Connie Durst, 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.

PRELUDE "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus" Larry Shackley

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP John 6:35

Jesus replied: I am the bread that gives life! No one who comes to me will ever be hungry. No one who has faith in me will ever be thirsty.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Connie Durst, Lector

Leader: O Bread of heaven, come among us.

People: Come and fill us with your Spirit—for your Spirit satisfies like no other.

Leader: We hunger and thirst for you this morning

People: and long to be nurtured in your love and forgiveness.

Leader: So we come to this sacred time and place,

People: where our hungers are satisfied as only your bread can do.

Leader: We will wait and listen for your leading in this hour.

\*OPENING HYMN "He Has Made Me Glad" (CCLI #3062205) (bulletin page 5)

#### \*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bread of life, you taught us to put away bitterness and anger, and with tenderhearted kindness to share the fruit of our labor with the needy. Strengthen us by your grace, that in communion with you, we may forgive one another and live in love as Christ loved us. Hear now our silent prayers.

<sup>\*</sup>CALL TO CONFESSION

<sup>\*</sup>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

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 Rachel Lang, April Konig, Bruce Wolff, Linda Schehl, Mary Jo Bartnicki and Loren Alllison, Jr.

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

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON John 6:1-13 Contemporary English Version

**6** Jesus crossed Lake Galilee, which was also known as Lake Tiberias. <sup>2</sup> A large crowd had seen him work miracles to heal the sick, and those people went with him. <sup>3-4</sup> It was almost time for the Jewish festival of Passover, and Jesus went up on a mountain with his disciples and sat down.

<sup>5</sup> When Jesus saw the large crowd coming toward him, he asked Philip, "Where will we get enough food to feed all these people?" <sup>6</sup> He said this to test Philip, since he already knew what he was going to do.

<sup>7</sup> Philip answered, "Don't you know that it would take almost a year's wages just to buy only a little bread for each of these people?"

<sup>8</sup> Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the disciples. He spoke up and said, <sup>9</sup> "There is a boy here who has five small loaves of barley bread and two fish. But what good is that with all these people?"

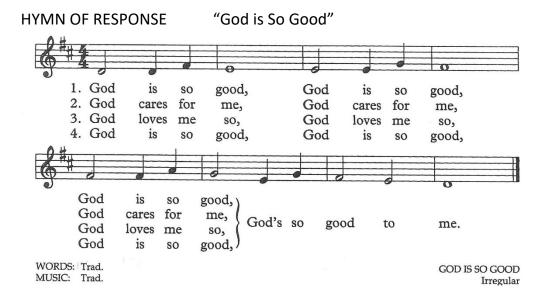
<sup>10</sup> The ground was covered with grass, and Jesus told his disciples to have everyone sit down. About five thousand men were in the crowd. <sup>11</sup> Jesus took the bread in his hands and

gave thanks to God. Then he passed the bread to the people, and he did the same with the fish, until everyone had plenty to eat.

<sup>12</sup> The people ate all they wanted, and Jesus told his disciples to gather up the leftovers, so that nothing would be wasted. <sup>13</sup> The disciples gathered them up and filled twelve large baskets with what was left over from the five barley loaves.

### SERMON Leftovers

Gracious God, we thank you for the gift of your Word and as we think on these things, open our hearts and our minds to hear you. Amen.



#### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

Invitation

Offertory Music

"Here Is Love" (CCLI#5827118)

**Robert Lowry** 

\*CLOSING HYMN NO 425 "For the Fruit of All Creation" (CCLI #7123960) (bulletin page 6)

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE POSTLUDE

"God is Love" (CCLI#7025490)

Penny Rodriguez

#### MEDITATION: Richard Blackaby

Every day, you are to offer your life to God for His service. You do not serve Him in your spare time or with your leftover resources. The way you live your life for God is your offering to Him.

<sup>\*</sup>Doxology

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Dedication

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Special thanks to Marion Krieder for providing worship music today while Lori enjoys her vacation.

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of my parents, my brother Don Dart, my sister Genevra McGuffy and my wife Mary Ellen, by Paul Dart.

The ushers today are Vanessa Saylor and Linda Seeley.

**SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVE-AWAY** - Today from 3:00-6:00, backpacks, school supplies and personal care items will be available at Riverside Park in the first pavilion. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!** 

St. Paul's is holding a Sporting Clay Shoot on September 25 at Sandycreek Conservancy in Polk, PA. Early Bird Registration is \$55/shooter and Day of Registration is \$65.00/shooter. Includes breakfast and lunch. More information about this event is on the bulletin board. If interested in participating, please see Julie Hills.

# \*GATHERING SONG "He Has Made Me Glad" I will en-ter his gates with thanks-giv-ing in my heart, I will en - ter his courts with praise. will say, "This is the day that the Lord has made." 1 will re-joice, he has made me glad. Refrain He has made me glad, he has made me glad. I will re-joice, for he has made me glad. He has made me glad, he has made me glad. I will re - joice, he for has made me

**THANKSGIVING** 

# For the Fruit of All Creation

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Fred Pratt Green, 1970

