One of the twelve disciples, Thomas (nicknamed the Twin), was not with the others when Jesus came. They told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he replied, "I won't believe it unless I see the nail wounds in his hands, put my fingers into them, and place my hand into the wound in his side."

<sup>26</sup> Eight days later the disciples were together again, and this time Thomas was with them. The doors were locked; but suddenly, as before, Jesus was standing among them. "Peace be with you," he said. <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands. Put your hand into the wound in my side. Don't be faithless any longer. Believe!"

<sup>28</sup> "My Lord and my God!" Thomas exclaimed.

<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, "You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who believe without seeing me."

<sup>30</sup> The disciples saw Jesus do many other miraculous signs in addition to the ones recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may continue to believe<sup>[c]</sup> that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing in him you will have life by the power of his name.

# WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

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# Welcome to Zíon's Reformed Church

# We're glad you're here!

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

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of Wink Weikal, Warren and Agness Weikal and Howard and Dorothy Ruffing, by Nancy Weikal.

The Chancel Flowers are placed in loving memory of Amy Knapp, by Diane Stoyer.

Ushers this month are Vanessa Saylor, Sherry Winner, Linda Henry and Elaine Wilkins.

All children are welcome to attend Church Happening in the Youth Center after the Children's Sermon.

Everyone is invited to the Anderson Lounge after the service for Coffee Hour.

Members of the Prayer Chain will meet after the service in the chapel.

Holy Communion will be served next Sunday. Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison will lead the service and Don Curtis will lead the hymns and provide special music.

#### Acts 5:27-32 NIV

27 The apostles were brought in and made to appear before the Sanhedrin<sup>f</sup> to be questioned by the high priest. 28 "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name," he said. "Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood." 29 Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than human beings! 30 The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead — whom you killed by hanging him on a cross. 31 God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might bring Israel to repentance and forgive their sins. 32 We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

John 20: 19-31 New Living Translation

<sup>19</sup>That Sunday evening <sup>[a]</sup> the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! "Peace be with you," he said. <sup>20</sup> As he spoke, he showed them the wounds in his hands and his side. They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord! <sup>21</sup> Again he said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup> Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (continued on back)

## TRASH AND TREASURE

## **Preschool Fundraiser**

The Preschool will be doing the Trash and Treasure Sale this year as a fundraiser. If you have items to donate, please bring them to Fisher Hall between April 18 and May 6.

The Sale will be Saturday, May 14 from 9:00 am-2:00 pm.

Watch Season 2 of The Chosen on Wednesdays at 6:00 in the chapel.

If you would like to help pack backpacks on Tuesday, May 3, please notify Leslie Graul at 724-456-3947.

Friends and Fellowship will meet Wednesday, May 4 at 2:00 in the Anderson Lounge.

# ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Rev. Glenn Sadler

## Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries

\*Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able.

April 24, 2022 10:30 a.m.

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linda Seeley, 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 LIGHT

*~Please use prelude time for thought, reflection and prayer~*PRELUDE "Prelude in B Minor" Op. 28, No. 6 Chopin

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In our Gospel lesson for today Jesus says to the Disciples, and to us, "Peace be with you!" As we worship this morning, let us put aside the turmoil of our lives and sense God's holy tranquility surround us, and open our souls to Christ's warm and calming presence. May we embrace His peace and serenity into our lives.

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus Christ is our Savior and our peace! In Christ, our relationship with God is reconciled and made

new.

People: Let us welcome one another therefore, as Christ has welcomed us, to the glory of God.

Leader: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord

(Psalm 150:6)

People: Let us give thanks and celebrate! It's great to be alive! Let us offer our praise, for God's gracious

love, in Jesus Christ!

\*OPENING HYMN "Lord of the Dance" (bulletin pages 8 and 9)

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, forgive us if we have failed to experience the joy and the excitement of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ each new day. If we have acted as if Easter never happened, have mercy on us. Help us each day to celebrate the glory of Easter, the joy of Christ's Resurrection, and the victory of new life and new beginnings through Jesus our Savior. May His presence live in our hearts today, giving us peace eternal. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - Gloria Patri

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



Verse 2: I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance and they would not follow me; I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came with me and the dance went on.

Refrain: Dance, then wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he; I'll lead you all wherever you may be, I will lead you all in the dance said he.

Verse 3: I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame; the holy people said it was a shame; they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and they left me there on a cross to die.

\*Refrain\*

Verse 4: I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back; they buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the dance and I still go one.

\*Refrain\*

Verse 5: They cut me down and I leapt up high; I am the life that'll never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Refrain



We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify. He calls the worlds into being, creates man in his own image, and sets before him the ways of life and death. He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, he has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to himself. He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues and races. He calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be His 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. He promises to all who trust him forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, his presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end. Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

~please be seated~

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH AND 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.

## SPECIAL MUSIC "La Fille Aux Cheveux De Lin" Claude Debussy Lori Seinar-Roknick, Piano

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 5:27-32 (page 11)

John 20: 19-31 NLT

(page 11 and back of bulletin)

SERMON "To Be Continued"

#### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

Invitation

Offertory Music "Morning Prayer" Op. 39, No. 1

P. Tchaikovsky

\*Doxology No. 780
\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN "Crown Him With Many Crowns" (bulletin page 7)

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*THE POSTLUDE Sonatina No. 2 in F Major 1st Mov. Allegro assai—L. Van Beethoven

# \*Crown Him with Many Crowns

