Judges 5: 1-10

On that day Deborah and Barak son of Abinoam sang this song: When the princes in Israel take the lead, when the people willingly offer themselves - praise the Lord! Hear this, you kings! Listen, you rulers! I, even I, will sing to the Lord; I will praise the Lord, the God of Israel, in song.

When you, Lord, went out from Seir, when you marched from the land of Edom, the earth shook, the heavens poured, the clouds poured down water. The mountains quaked before the Lord, the One of Sinai, before the Lord, the God of Israel. In the days of Shamgar son of Anath, in the days of Jael, the highways were abandoned; travelers took to winding paths. Villagers in Israel would not fight; they held back until I, Deborah, arose, until I arose, a mother in Israel. God chose new leaders when war came to the city gates, but not a shield or spear was seen among forty thousand in Israel. My heart is with Israel's princes, with the willing volunteers among the people. Praise the Lord! "You who ride on white donkeys, sitting on your saddle blankets, and you who walk along the road, consider the voice of the singers at the watering places. They recite the victories of the LORD, the victories of his villagers in Israel.

Acts 9: 36-43

³⁶ In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. ³⁷ About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. ³⁸ Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

³⁹ Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

⁴⁰ Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. ⁴² This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

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Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all. -Proverbs 31:29



Welcome to Zion'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!

We welcome Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison to the pulpit. Thank you for being here!

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of our parents O.D. and Dorotha Anderson and Ryan Nicklin, by the Anderson children.

Ushers this month are Linda Allison, Sandy Harter, Vic and Andrea Colaiaco.

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.

Next Sunday Rev. Glenn Sadler will lead the service. Zayne Roberts will be baptized and a potluck will be held in Anderson Lounge.



The Good Shepherd Center Anniversary Sale and Open House is Saturday, May 14 from 10:00-4:00.

Celebrating five years at the Thrift Store location!

- ▼ Tour the Food Pantry where there will be hot dogs, chips and a chance to win a raffle basket.
- Stop by the Thrift Store and tour the facility. Draw a ticket for a chance to win something in the store!
- Grab a cookie, popcorn and snow cone at the Hotmeal Program dining area. See all the new upgrades to the kitchen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

One of the brass altar vases is missing. Perhaps someone delivered the vase with the flowers by mistake? Please let Julie or April Konig know. Thanks!

Hey kids! Would you like to walk in the Memorial Day Parade on May 30? Please contact Linda Allison at 724-588-2247.

Finance (6:00) and Consistory (7:00) will meet Wednesday.

The Installation Service for the Rev. Nicole Perkins will be held on Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at Zion's in Transfer.

The semi-annual Congregational Meeting is June 12.

NEXT SUNDAY!

POTLUCK IN ANDERSON LOUNGE AFTER WORSHIP

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE.



SATURDAY, MAY 14 FROM 9:00-2:00

TRASH AND TREASURE SALE FISHER HALL

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE PRESCHOOL



ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison

Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries

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

May 8, 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

Gianna Tofani, Lector

THE SOLEMN DECLARATION

Leader:

Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.....a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her the fruits of her hands, and let

her works praise her in the gates.

Proverbs 31:29, 30b,31.

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

THE ENTRANCE OF LIGHT

Sophie Powell, Acolyte

*~Please use prelude time for thought, reflection and prayer~*PRELUDE "O Perfect Love" Stan Pethel

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Spirit of God calls us from many places;

some of us come from busy homes with

many people;

People: Some of us live alone but we together are

part of the family.

Leader: This week has been different for each of us.

Yet we all come to this same place.

People: All of us seek God's presence in our lives.

Together we become God's family.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 25 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: When we fall, you lift us.

People: When we fall, you restore us.

Leader: When we are wounded, you nurse us. **People:** When we grieve, you weep with us.

Leader: Come lift us, restore us, nurse us, weep with us as

we confess our sins.

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Holy Parent, we have failed to love as you do, we have abused our bodies and those of others, we have filled our minds with selfish dreams, and made our hearts cold and empty of compassion. As a mother disciplines her children, we ask you to discipline us; as a mother forgives the sons and daughters who hurt her, we ask you to forgive us. As a mother calls her children to be reconciled with their siblings, we ask you to lead us to reconciliation with one another. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God comes as a friend and comforter to heal our

wounds.

People: God's life pulses in each of our hearts. Leader: God's love permeates in each of our lives.

People: God forgives us and sets us free. Thanks be to

God!

~please be seated~

WORD FOR THE FAMILY "A Mother's Gift"

~please greet someone near you as the children come forward~

CHOIR ANTHEM "Circle of Love" Pepper Choplin

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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS Hebrew Scripture Judges 5:1-10

History of the Early Church Acts 9:36-43

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SERMON "Women Who Shaped the Christian Faith"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "Come, Gentle Spirit" John Turner

*Doxology No. 780

*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 607 "We Would Be Building"

*THE BENEDICTION

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*THE POSTLUDE "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" John Turner