

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

16 "To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others: 17 'We played the pipe for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by her deeds."

25 At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. 26 Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

27 "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

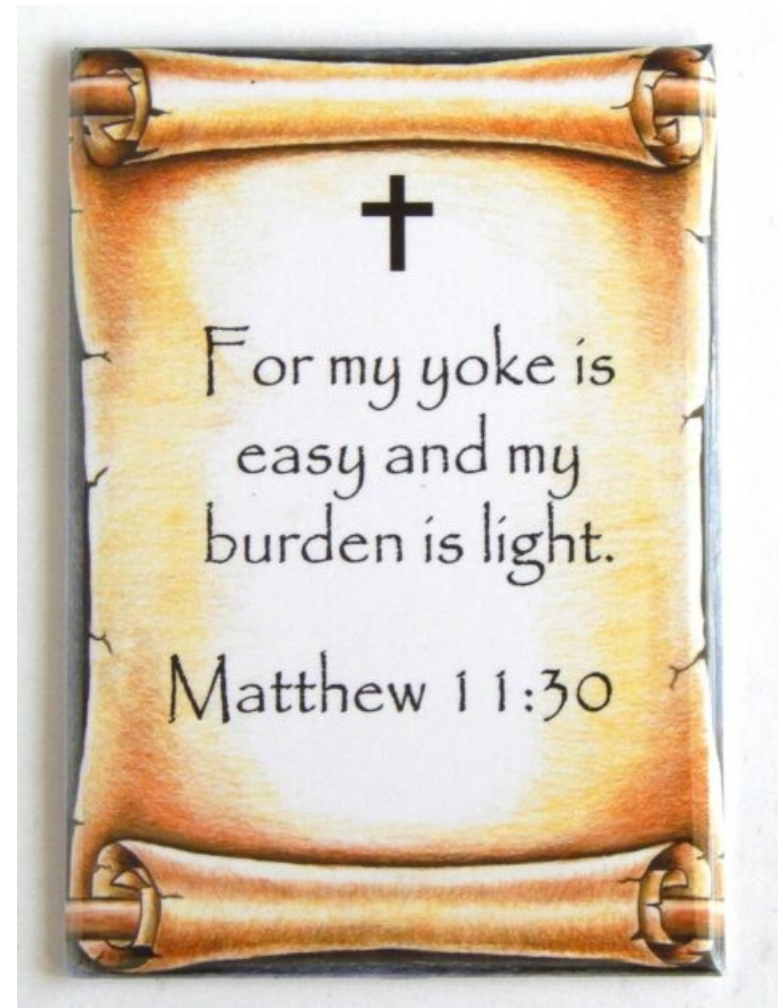
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*Welcome to
Zion's
Reformed Church*

We're glad you're here!

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! We welcome Rev. Glenn Sadler to the pulpit. Thank you for being here!

We welcome Zach Morgan, piano, as a summer soloist. Zach will be a junior at GHS where he is an honor student, a member of the Marching Band (where he is a featured trumpet soloist), Concert Band and the Tennis Team. Zach is also learning to drive! He is the son of Dr. Matthew and Julie Morgan. Thank you for sharing your talents with us this morning.

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of Jim Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fisher, by Janet Cooper.

The Chancel Flowers are placed in memory of Eli and Sylvia Donner and Dr. Robert and Hilda Thomas and Robert M. Donner, by Eleanore Donner.

Ushering this month are Karen Galus, Pat Seiple, Dan Douthett and Linda Seeley.

Serving Communion are Linda Allison, Carol Holler, Leslie Graul, Chris Stockner and Jeff Calvin.

Church Happening is not held in the summer. All children are encouraged to stay for the entire service.

***UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Almighty God, we give you thanks for the gift of our Savior's presence in the simplicity and splendor of this Holy meal. Unite us with all who are fed by Christ's body and blood that we may faithfully proclaim the good news of your love and that your universal church may be a rainbow of hope in an uncertain world; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN "God Bless America"**

**God Bless America, land that I love.
Stand beside her, and guide her
Through the night with the light from above.**

**From the mountains, to the prairies
To the oceans, white with foam,
God Bless America, my home sweet home.
God Bless America, my home sweet home.**

***THE BENEDICTION**

***TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

***THE POSTLUDE "America the Beautiful" Samuel A. Ward**

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 READING Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30
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SERMON "The Yoke"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation
Offertory Music "Sonatina in C Major" Friedrich Kuhlau
*Doxology No. 780
*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

During the distribution of the cup, we will sing:

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

**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:**

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.
July 3, 2022 10:30 a.m.

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

MEDITATION: The yoke of Christ is a symbol of discipleship, characterized by submission and obedience to Him.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Danielle Powell, 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 Sophie Powell, Acolyte

~Please use prelude time for thought, reflection and prayer~

PRELUDE "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" John Carter

*UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ calls us to come to worship, to rest from the things that are troubling us, to learn what Christ can teach us about life, to realize what we can offer to others and then return into the world to serve. Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN “Come, Let Us Praise the Lord”**

1 Come, let us praise the Lord, with joy our God ac - claim, his
 2 Our God of match-less worth, our King be - yond com - pare, the
 3 In wor - ship bow the knee, our glo - rious God con - fess; the
 4 Come, hear his voice to - day, re - ceive what love im - parts; his

great-ness tell a - broad and bless his sav - ing name. Lift high your
 deep - est bounds of earth, the hills, are in his care. He all de -
 great Cre - a - tor, he, the Lord of Right - eous - ness. He reigns un -
 ho - ly will o - bey and hard - en not your hearts. His ways are

songs be - fore his throne to whom a - lone all praise be - longs.
 crees, who by his hand pre - pared the land and formed the seas.
 seen: his flock he feeds and gent - ly leads in pas - tures green.
 best; and lead at last, all trou - bles past, to per - fect rest.

WORDS: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-); para. Psalm 95
 MUSIC: John Darwall (1731-1789)

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***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord God, it's so easy for us to get caught up in the busy activities of life and ignore your presence among us. We work hard to make a better living and forget we will never be truly happy and content, until our journey in life is with you. Forgive us for wandering from your presence and the belief that we can do it alone. Restore us by your grace and love as shown to us through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***A SONG OF PRAISE - 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.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - APOSTLES CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgini Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hades; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

~before you sit down, please greet someone near you~

**SPECIAL MUSIC “Song Without Words” in A Major Mendelssohn
 Zach Morgan, piano**

WORD FOR THE FAMILY