

Psalm 34:1-10

I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. I will glory in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice. Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame. This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Matthew 26:26-29

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body."

Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of us. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will no drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

*WELCOME TO
ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH*

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The gifts of God for the
people of God.



WORLD
COMMUNION
SUNDAY

Come, for all things
are ready.



*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. Dr. Tim Morrison to the pulpit. Thank you for being here!

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of my brother, by Janet Cooper.

Ushering today are Pat Seiple, Chris Stockner and Sandy Harter.

Serving Communion are Michael Menold, Kelly Bielata, Lynn Rinella, George Donner and Pat Seiple.

The children are invited to the Youth Center after Word for the Family for an activity.

Everyone is invited to the Anderson Lounge after the service for refreshments.



It's time to make preparations for the
Fall Festival!

The festival, which includes crafters, lunch, and
a Chinese auction will be held on

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 FROM 10:00-2:00

If you would like to help plan, prepare or serve
lunch, please contact Lynn Rinella, Fall Festival
Coordinator at 724-456-8915.

Also, if you are aware of any crafters who may
be interested in participating, please let Julie
know.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

AARP TAX-AIDE Volunteers provide FREE tax preparation and electronic filing of Federal and State Income Tax. We also can file for Property Tax Rebate. There are currently three tax preparation sites, in Mercer County; Greenville, Hermitage and West Middlesex.

We are looking for volunteers in two areas: Tax Counselors and Client Facilitators. AARP provides instruction for each for these positions, before tax season each year.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact Frank Yokubeak and 724-588-4688.

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.*

October 2, 2022 10:30 a.m.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

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 Zachary Suntheimer, Acolyte

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

PRELUDE "The Master Has Called Us" Gerald Peterson

*CALL TO WORSHIP Linda Seeley

One: We gather today as the people of God, as a community of Christ's followers.

Many: We gather to share Word and sacrament, to discern the ways of faithful service.

One: Where in the world shall we serve our God?

Many: At home and school and business place – in this Community and throughout every land.

One: Why in the world shall we serve our God?

Many: Because the Spirit beckons us, because Jesus calls us to enact our faith. Let us now worship the one who calls us!

The Good Shepherd Center request for October
is
SOUPS AND STEWS

Barrels are located in the front and rear lobbies
of the church for your donations.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 277 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Great is the faithfulness of God.

People: Yet our hearts are not so reliable. We wander. We argue. We forget.

Leader: We divide ourselves with anger and bitterness and falsehood.

People: Let us come together again as we confess our sins to God and to each other.

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace: You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry. Forgive us, again. Transform us, at this table, and send us from this table as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows.

People: Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows.

Leader: And even when our hearts feel barren, God's love overflows.

People: By the abundance of God's grace and love, our sins are forgiven.

*A SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 63 "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

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

WORD FOR THE FAMILY "World Communion Sunday"

Zion's is scheduled to pack food items for the backpack program on Tuesday, October 18 at The First Methodist Church. If you are able to help, please call Leslie Graul at 724-456-3947.

**NEIGHBORS
= NEED**



In 2022, the Neighbors in Need "BEHOLD!" offering focuses on an economic justice. With inflation impacting all of our house-

holds, we wanted to provide a way to discuss this through a faith lens. Join us by promoting this year's NIN "Behold!" campaign at your church. As you may recall, one-third of the offering supports [Council for American Indian Ministry](#) (CAIM). Two-thirds are used by Justice and Witness Ministries to provide grants to UCC churches and organizations as well as supporting a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects.

The offering will be received on October 30.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30
After church in Fisher Hall

Fun for kids of all ages.....and parents too!

KARAOKE ~ SING-A-LONGS ~ GAMES

Bill Henry has generously offered to bring his karaoke equipment and the Youth Ministry will provide games and lunch!

PIZZA ~ TREAT BAGS

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 Lesson Psalm 34:1-10
Gospel Matthew 26:26-29

SERMON "Communion: Rich Memories and More"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "Chorale" J. S. Bach

*Doxology No. 780

*Prayer of Dedication

COMMUNION ANTHEM "Come, Christian, To The Table" J. Carter

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

This table is for all of us, near and far, high and low, east and west and north and south. This table is for all of us, but it is not our table. It's not a United Church of Christ table. It's not an American table. It's God's table, for all of us, and it's a table of grace. So come and take your place at the table. You are welcome, you are invited, you are called: come, let us share this meal together.

Prayer of Consecration

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break together, and the cup we share together, may retell our common stories together and reshape our common bonds together, and remember our common grace together, in the communion of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ, the one in whose life and death you have torn

down our divisions. And so may we be one with all who share this feast, on this day, of all days, with all your children at every corner of your table. May we share this abundant cup with all those who thirst for your justice. May we share this abundant bread with all those who hunger for your righteousness. May we be united with every corner of your story, united in hope, united in vision, united in purpose, united in ministry in every place.

Here we offer ourselves in obedience to you giving you thanks that you have called us to be a royal priesthood, a holy nation, your own people. Be present with us as we share this meal, and throughout all our lives that we may know you as the Holy One, who with Christ and the Holy Spirit, lives forever. Amen.

The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ. The cup of blessing which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for now all things are ready.

(distribution of the elements)

Take and eat. The body of Christ broken for you.

Take and drink. The blood of Christ shed for you.

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gracious God, we offer our thanks, for the whole communion of saint's witness to this feast, and for the ministry of churches around the world who gather with us today. By this broken bread may we each be restored for the work yet to come. By this shared cup may we each be claimed for the proclamation of your Kingdom. At this shared table may we be united as children of your promise, children of your word, dying and made new again, sent boldly together into the world as servants of your peace. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 498 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"

*BENEDICTION

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*THE POSTLUDE "Invention #4 in d minor" J. S. Bach