

Acts 17: 22-31

Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: “People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you. “The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’ “Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”

John 14: 15-21

“If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

# WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

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—HAPPY—  
MOTHER'S  
Day

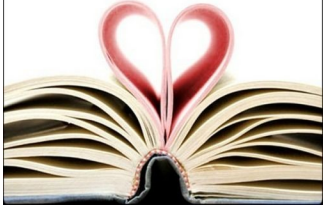


*Honor her for all that her hands have done,  
and let her works bring her praise.*

PROVERBS 31:31 (NIV)

If you love Me, you will  
keep My commandments.

-John 14:15-



## *Good morning! Welcome to Zion's Reformed Church!*

No matter who you are or where you are on life's  
journey, you are welcome here!

Rev. Glenn Sadler will be leading worship today. Thank you for  
being here!

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

Ushering today are Dan Douthett, Gary Hittle, Josie Harbaugh and  
Chris Stockner.

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  
coffee and conversation.

**Large Print Bulletins** and seat cushions are available in the  
back of the sanctuary. Coloring books and crayons are available  
for children.

We continue the membership drive for the Auxiliary of St. Paul's.  
Tables are set up in the lobbies and the membership fee is \$10.00.  
Please complete a form and place the money and the form in the  
envelope or bring it to the church office.



The Strengthen the Church (STC) Offering reflects the shared  
commitment of people across the United Church of Christ  
to build up the UCC cooperatively. Conferences and the national  
setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends  
through their local congregations. The funds raised support lead-  
ership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innova-  
tion in existing congregations. **You build up the Body of Christ  
with your generosity to this offering.**

As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways,  
your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in  
existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and  
young adults.

If you would like to contribute to Strengthen The Church, please  
mark STC on your check or envelope. The offering will be  
received on Pentecost Sunday.



### **Holy Trinity is hosting a concert!**

The choral group ILLUMINARE will be performing at  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on Sunday, June 4 at  
4:00 pm presenting "Shall We Gather," a concert of  
a cappella sacred choral music.

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

## THIS WEDNESDAY!

### MOTHER'S DAY BEACH BASH For moms, daughters and sons!



In the Anderson Lounge at 6:00 we will have a picnic-style dinner and make a sea glass picture.

Please sign up on the bulletin board or call Julie.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

DINNER AND A MOVIE AT 5:00

Bring a dish to share and watch **TESTAMENT**  
in the chapel



SUNDAY, MAY 28  
**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Special music by  
Ruth Herrick

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR  
**RED!**

## 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.  
May 14, 2023 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 Anita 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 Emilee Deeter, Acolyte

*~Please use prelude time for thought, reflection and prayer~*  
PRELUDE "Trusting Jesus" Michael Wilson

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 66:1, 8, 15, 20)

Leader: Shout with joy to God all the earth! Sing the glory of  
God's name! Give to Him glorious praise!

**People: Let all who stand in awe of God, come and tell what  
God has done for us!**

Leader: Praise the Lord, O Peoples! Let the sound of His praise  
be heard!

**People: Praise be to God who has not rejected our prayers or  
withheld His love from us!**

Leader: God is with the families of the earth, now and  
forevermore!

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 31 "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, you created and are creating still. In your Holy presence we are humbled. We confess our unclean lips, our often cold hearts, our broken promises and our wasted, unrepentant hours. Forgive us for our misuse of the gifts you have entrusted to us. If we have neglected your earth and her inhabitants or if we have failed to love as Christ commands, have mercy on us. May we serve you through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*A SONG OF PRAISE "What a Mighty God we Serve"

1., 4. What a might - y God we serve, \_ what a  
might - y God we serve, \_ what a might - y God we serve, \_  
\_ what a might - y God we serve! \_

2. Let us sing and praise the Lord ...
3. Let us shout and praise God's name ...

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

WORD FOR THE FAMILY

CHOIR ANTHEM "Family of Grace" John Parker/Larry Shackley

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.**

PRAYER RESPONSE

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

\*HYMN NO. 43 "Love Divine, All Loves' Excelling"

SCRIPTURES Acts 17: 22-31 and John 14: 15-21 (back of bulletin)

SERMON "Witness of Love"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation  
Offertory Music "The Faithful" R. Kevin Boesiger  
\*Doxology No. 780  
\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 282 "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*THE POSTLUDE "Let All Creation Sing" Janet Vogt