

given you every plant yielding seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, a sixth day.

2 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ² And on the seventh day God finished his work which he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all his work which he had done in creation.

⁴ These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Matthew 28: 16-20 (RSV)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

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**A spiritual gift is
given to each of
us as a means of
helping the entire
church.**

1 Corinthians 12:7





“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. - I Corinthians

GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO ZION'S!

Today is CELEBRATION SUNDAY and we pause to say THANK YOU to the many people who serve in one capacity or another at Zion's!

Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison is leading worship today. Thank you for being here!

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of our loved ones, by Ron and Betty Mink and Family.

The Chancel Flowers are placed In memory of Eli and Sylvia Donner, Dr. Robert and Hilda Thomas and Robert M. Donner By Eleanor Donner.

There will be a brief Congregational Meeting after the service today to elect new Consistory members and hear a brief update on the Pastor Search Process. The nominees for Elder are Vanessa Saylor, Lori Tofani and Gary Hittle. After the meeting, everyone is invited to the Anderson Lounge for ICE CREAM SUNDAES!!

earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ And God made the two great lights, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night; he made the stars also. ¹⁷ And God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the firmament of the heavens.” ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. ²⁵ And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the cattle according to their kinds, and everything that creeps upon the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” ²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. ²⁸ And God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ And God said, “Behold, I have

Genesis 1:1—2:4a (RSV)

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters.

³ And God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ And God made the firmament and separated the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament. And it was so. ⁸ And God called the firmament Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ And God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the

ZION’S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison
Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries
CELEBRATION SUNDAY!

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

June 4, 2023 10:30 a.m.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS and CELEBRATION Julie Hills, 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 Emily Rinella, Acolyte

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

PRELUDE “Celebration Song” Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the name of God the Creator, the Christ and the Holy Spirit.

People: We gather to worship and to celebrate.

Leader: In the beginning God said, “Let us make humankind in our image”.

People: And so we came into being, created by God who exists in community. We gather to celebrate and worship.

***OPENING HYMN "We Are the Church"**

Refrain (Unison)

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to -
geth - er! All who fol - low Je - sus,
all a - round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er!

1 The church is not a build - ing, the church is not a stee - ple,
2 We're man - y kinds of peo - ple, with man - y kinds of fac - es,
3 Some - times the church is march - ing, some - times it's brave - ly burn - ing,
4 And when the peo - ple gath - er, there's sing - ing and there's pray - ing,
5 At Pen - te - cost some peo - ple re - ceived the Ho - ly Spir - it

to Refrain

the church is not a rest - ing place, the church is a peo - ple.
all col - ors and all a - ges, too, from all times and plac - es.
some - times it's rid - ing, some - times hid - ing, al - ways it's learn - ing.
there's laugh - ing and there's cry - ing some - times, all of it say - ing:
and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it.

JUNE EVENTS

June 6: Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group at 2:00 in Anderson Lounge.

June 6: The Good Shepherd Center Board Mtg. at 7:00.

June 9 and 10: Penn West Conference Annual Meeting.

June 9: The church will be closed.

June 11: Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison will lead worship and Don Curtis will provide organ music.

June 12: The Ministry of Service and Missions will meet at 6:00.

June 14: Consistory will meet at 6:00.

June 15: Father's Day Grill and Chill at 6:00.

June 18: Happy Father's Day! Rev. Glenn Sadler will lead worship.

June 25: Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison will lead worship and once again, Don Curtis will provide organ music while Lori enjoys some time off.

June 25: The Prayer Chain will meet in the chapel after worship.

Rev. Tim is developing a “sermon series” for his Sunday’s in June. Today’s sermon of course is What to Do in Times of Doubt; June 11 sermon title is Living a Theology of Hope, and June 25, the last Sunday of the month the sermon title is Rev. Tim’s Personal Journey.

Looking ahead to July..... Rev. Tim and Lori Roknick plan to make July 23 – Christmas in July with Christmas Carols and Christmas music.

If you know of anyone who would like to offer special music during the summer, please let Lori know. Maybe a friend or relative that sings or plays an instrument?

Hey
guys!



Are you coming to the Grill and Chill???

The Ministry of Welcoming and Fellowship would like to make plans for the event and need to know how many to expect. This event is for fathers, sons, and daughters and will be held on June 15 at 6:00!

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Even though we persist in falling short of God’s love and hope for us;

People: **We know that God will protect us, give us strength, and continue to love us.**

Leader: Let us join together to confess to God those times we have fallen short of God’s intent for us.

People: **Let us approach God together as we seek God’s forgiveness and grace.**

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don’t know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance on those who wronged us. We care for ourselves and not so much for others. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to repent, and make us whole. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: We know God desires to see broken relationships restored.

People: **We know God has heard our prayer.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus the Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*A SONG OF PRAISE NO. 327 “Jesus Loves Me”

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

WORD FOR THE FAMILY “I don’t know.....”

CHOIR ANTHEM “The Mind is a Garden” 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

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

SCRIPTURES Genesis 1:1—2:4a (RSV) (bulletin pages 10, 11, 12)
Matthew 28: 16-20 (RSV) (bulletin page 12)

SERMON "What to Do in Times of Doubt"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "Hallelujah" Leonard Cohen

*Doxology No. 780

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

Receive these gifts, even our very lives for your service. Multiply them and our efforts to meet the needs. We are yours, God. Use us as well. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 314 "Community of Christ"

*THE BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE "May Christ Dwell in You" Mock/Lopez

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*THE POSTLUDE "Postlude in D" Austin North

