Matthew 18:15-20

"If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector. "Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

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CLASSES FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS AND ADULTS!



# Good Morning and welcome to Zion's Reformed Church. We're glad you're here!

Rev. Glenn Sadler is leading worship today. We welcome the choir back from their summer break. Thank you all for being here!

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

Ushering in September are Vikki Young, Dan Langietti, Betty Langietti, Carol Saal and Emily Rinella.

Children are welcome to come to the Youth Center after Word for the Family for an activity.

Everyone is welcome to come to the Youth Center for refreshments after the service for coffee, cider and donuts.

Large Print Bulletins, copies of today's sermon, children's activity books, and seat cushions are available in the back of the sanctuary.



### GLOBAL MINISTRIES PRESENTATION AT 2:30 ANDERSON LOUNGE

Rev. Phyllis Byrd serves with the Organization of Africa Instituted Churches (OAIC) in Kenya. She will join us via ZOOM.

CONSISTORY will meet Wednesday, September 13 at 6:00.

CHANCEL CHOIR rehearses on Sunday mornings at 9:45. Everyone welcome!

## LOOKING AHEAD TO OCTOBER

BAPTISM will be held on Sunday, October 1. If interested, please notify the church office.

October 1 is WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY and we will collect the NEIGHBORS IN NEED OFFERING.





## ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Rev. Glenn Sadler Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries RALLY DAY!

\*Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able. September 10, 2023 10:30 a.m.

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

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 "Glory to God" J. S. Bach; arr. by Harry R. Wilson

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Gracious God, we gather in your name.

- People: We come with our joys and sorrows. Listen to our prayers.
- Leader: We pray for our church.
- People: Show us the ways to reach out to others with the love of Christ.
- Leader: We pray for our church leaders and teachers.
- People: Guide each with your wisdom and compassion.
- Leader: We pray for students and disciples of Christ.
- People: Be with your followers of all ages as we gather around your Word. (continued next page)

Leader: We pray for those who do not know of your love.

- People: Use us to bear witness to the Good News of Jesus.
- Leader: Creator of all, rally us around your Word and renew our commitment to follow Christ Jesus. Fill our hearts, minds, and spirits with your love. Empower us to be shining witnesses of Christ. Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 359 "O God, Who Teaches Us to Live"

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### **\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We need your help in living life. We get frustrated so easily. We get so impatient with others. We say so many things we later regret. Too often we hurt those closest to us, make unwise use of our time, and participate in harboring grudges and sharing gossip. By your mercy O Lord, forgive our sins and help us to live in peace with each other. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*A SONG OF PRAISE "Blessed Be the Name of the Lord" (bulletin page 6)

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

| CHOIR ANTHEM | "Sing With Jubilation!" | Jerry Estes |
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WORD FOR THE FAMILY

### \*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. 390 "Eternal Christ, Who, Kneeling"

SCRIPTURES Matthew 18:15-20

SERMON "Accountability and Reconciliation"

#### OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever" Smith \*Doxology No. 780 \*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 80 "Savior, Again to Your Dear Name"

#### **\*THE BENEDICTION**

**\*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD** 

\*THE POSTLUDE "Moment Musical in F Minor" F. Schubert