#### Philippians 3:4-14

If others have reason for confidence in their own efforts, I have even more! For I was circumcised when I was eight days old, having been born into a pure-blooded Jewish family that is a branch of the tribe of Benjamin. So I am a real Jew if there ever was one!

What's more, I was a member of the Pharisees, who demand the strictest obedience to the Jewish law. And zealous? Yes, in fact, I harshly persecuted the Christians. And I obeyed the Jewish law so carefully that I was never accused of any fault. I once thought all these things were so very important, but now I consider them worthless because of what Christ has done. Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the priceless gain of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I may have Christ and become one with him. I no longer count on my own goodness or my ability to obey God's law, but I trust Christ to save me. For God's way of making us right with himself depends on faith. As a result, I can really know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead. I can learn what it means to suffer with him, sharing in his death, so that, somehow, I can experience the resurrection from the dead! I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection! But I keep working toward that day when I will finally be all that Christ Jesus saved me for and wants me to be. No, dear brothers and sisters, I am still not all I should be, but I am focusing all my energies on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I strain to reach the end of the race and receive the prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us up to heaven.

## WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH United Church of Christ 260 Main Street, Greenville, PA 16125 Phone: 724-588-6940 Church e-mail: info@zionsucc.org Julie's cell: 724-815-3291

# Ten Commandments

- 1 YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER "GODS" BEFORE ME
- 2 YOU SHALL NOT MAKE FOR YOURSELF AN IDOL
- 3 YOU SHALL NOT TAKE THE NAME OF GOD IN VAIN
- 4 REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY TO KEEP IT HOLY
- 5 HONOR YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER
- 6 YOU SHALL NOT MURDER
- 7 YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY
- 8 YOU SHALL NOT STEAL
- 9 YOU SHALL NOT LIE
- 10 YOU SHALL NOT COVET

Exodus 20:3-17



Welcome to Zíon's Reformed Church! We're glad you're here!

We welcome Rev. Glenn Sadler to the pulpit. Thank you for being here!

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of my son Steven and daughter Cindy, by Myrna Snyder and Family.

Ushering today are John Enterline, Jodie Enterline, Sherry Winner 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.

Large Print Bulletins and Children's Activity Books are available in the back of the sanctuary. Also, seat cushions and copies of the sermon. Please help yourself or ask an usher.

> The Good Shepherd Center requests for OCTOBER CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES



## **CHILI COOKOFF**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 AFTER CHURCH PRIZES FOR 1ST AND 2ND PLACE

Please call the church office by October 20 to register.

Taste testers needed too.....come to the event, enjoy some chili, and vote for your favorite! Only \$1.00 per vote!



CHRISTMASTIME AT THE ARK Anderson Bus Trip November 29 and 30

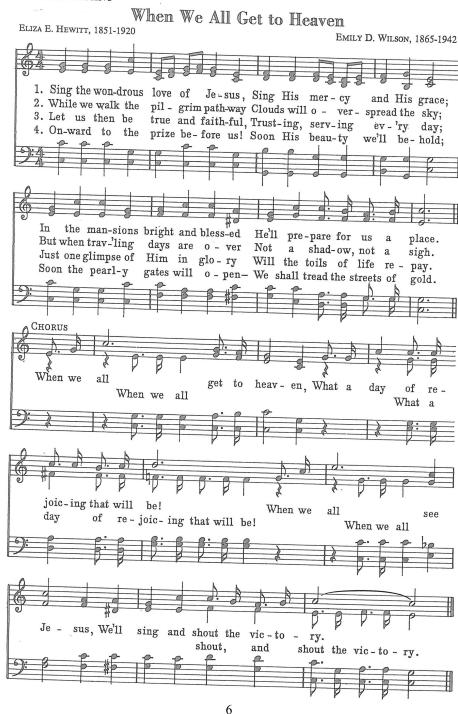
 Ark Encounter, Williamstown, KY
Christmas lights and festivities at the Ark Meals - 1B, 1L, 1D
\$409.00 Double and \$499.00 Single (tour protection \$60.00)
Deposit of \$150.00 - Final payment by Oct. 29
CALL ANDERSON'S TO BOOK YOUR SEAT!

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

Consistory will meet Wednesday at 6:00.

Backpacks will be packed on Tuesday, October 24 at 6:30. Please contact Leslie Graul if you can help.

#### ETERNAL DESTINY



### 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. October 8, 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

Karen Galus, 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 "Celebration in G Major" Shayla L. Blake

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (written by Nancy C. Townley)

Leader: All heaven and earth proclaim the majesty of God's creative power!

- People: Praise God for amazing and awesome beauty.
- Leader: God has given to us codes by which to live together in harmony and peace.
- People: In these commandments, God has summed up the ways we must respect one another.

Leader: Rejoice in the goodness of God.

People: Praise God for God's complete and steadfast love for us.

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\*OPENING HYMN NO. 84 "This is the Day"

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Merciful God, we know that you love us and that you call us to fullness of life, but around us and within us we see the brokenness of the world and of our ways. Our successes leave us empty; our progress does not satisfy. Our prosperous land is not the promised land of our longing. Forgive our willful neglect of your word, our insensitivity to the needs of others, and our failure to feed the spirit that is within us; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

\*SUNG RESPONSE - KYRIE Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us. People: Lord, have mercy upon us. Leader: Christ, have mercy upon us. People: Christ, have mercy upon us. Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us. People: Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

WORD FOR THE FAMILY

**HYMN SING** 

Lori Seinar-Roknick

#### 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 Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20 (see insert) Philippians 3: 4-14 (back of bulletin)

SERMON "What's On Your Agenda?"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS Invitation Offertory Music "The Rose" Amanda McBroom Lori Seinar-Roknick, piano/vocals \*Doxology No. 780 \*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN "When We all Get to Heaven" (bulletin page 6)

\*BENEDICTION and TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God our creator, children all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn vow To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally, Let there be peace on earth; and let it begin with me.

\*THE POSTLUDE "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Larry Shackley