

Jeremiah 31: 31-34 NIV

"The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the LORD.

"This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

John 12: 20-33 NIV

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. "Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!" Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

# WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

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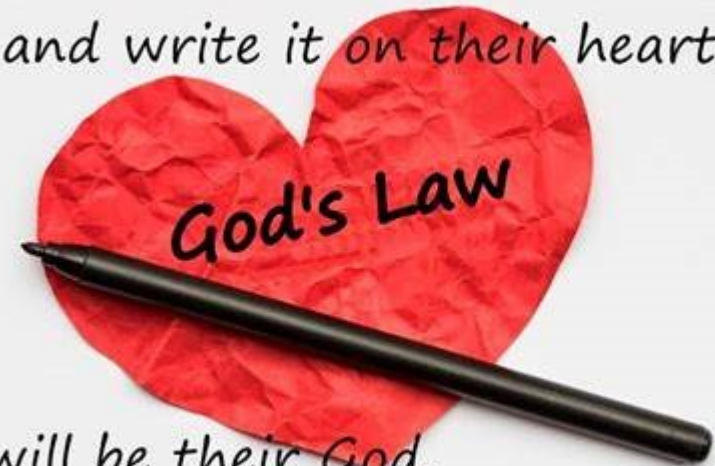
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*I will put my law in their minds  
and write it on their hearts.*



*I will be their God,  
and they will be my people.*

*Jeremiah 31:33b*



*Good morning  
and welcome to  
Zion's Reformed  
Church!*

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

The Altar Flowers are in memory of Charles and Betty Donner on their anniversary, by their children Jane, David, Connie and Daniel.

The bud vase is in memory of Janet Cooper on her birthday, by Sandy Harter.

Ushering today are Dan Douthett, Vanessa Saylor, Liam Adams and Ann Fowler.

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**, seat cushions and copies of the sermon are available in the back of the sanctuary. Coloring books and crayons are available for children.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday! Music will be provided by both the children's choir and the chancel choir. Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison will lead the service.

**PALM SUNDAY**  
MARCH 24 at 10:30 am  
Worship led by Rev. Dr. Tim Morrison

**MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE**  
MARCH 28 at 7:00 pm  
Worship led by Rev. Glenn Sadler

**EASTER SUNDAY COMMUNION SERVICE**  
MARCH 31 at 10:30 am  
Worship led by Rev. Glenn Sadler

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#### PRESCHOOL NEWS

The Preschool is holding a  
**TRASH AND TREASURE SALE**  
On Saturday, April 27 from 9:00-1:00  
Fisher Hall

If you would like to donate items to the sale,  
you may bring them to Fisher Hall beginning  
April 2.

Also, our Preschool is currently accepting registration for the Fall. Please call the church office for a registration form.

# 2088 Lord, I Lift Your Name on High



Lord, I lift your name on high;



Lord, I love to sing your praises.



I'm so glad you're in my life;



I'm so glad you came to save us.



You came from heaven to earth to show the way,



from the earth to the cross my debt to pay;



from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;



Lord, I lift your name on high.

WORDS: Rick Founds (1 Cor. 15:3-4)

MUSIC: Rick Founds

LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

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## 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.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024 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

Bill Henry, 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

"Gethsemane Hymn"

arr. by David Winkler

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: May this hour together, O Lord, be for us a life-transforming experience.

**People: May the presence of Christ become real to us and be with us.**

Leader: Whether we realize it or not, we all hunger for the love of God.

**People: May we become a holy dwelling for the Spirit of the Living God.**

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 207 "Just as I Am"

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, you welcome us today with your love. You offer us the gift of new and abundant life through Jesus Christ but all too often we live as if your miracles never occurred. How quick we are to forget your steadfast love. Make us truly alive in Christ Jesus. Fill us with your Holy Spirit! Forgive us of our many sins, O God, and your grace, fill our hearts today with a love that demonstrates we have been with you. By the grace of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*A SONG OF PRAISE "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"  
(bulletin page 6)

*"Before you sit down, please greet someone near you"*

WORD FOR THE FAMILY

CHOIR ANTHEM "Each Winter As The Year Grows Older"  
William Gay/Annabeth Gay

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.**

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE - CHANCEL CHOIR

\*HYMN NO. 197 "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross"

SCRIPTURES Jeremiah 31:31-34  
John 12:20-33

SERMON "A Good, Safe Place"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?"  
Arr. by Carol Tornquist

\*Doxology No. 780

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN "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 BENEDICTION

\*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*THE POSTLUDE "Loch Lomond" Scottish Anthem