

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it with Uriah. In it he wrote, "Put Uriah out in front where the fighting is fiercest. Then withdraw from him so he will be struck down and die."

John 6:1-21

Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick. Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"

Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

## *WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH*

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*With Jesus,  
there is always enough.  
Without Jesus,  
there is never enough.*



*Welcome to  
Zion's  
Reformed  
Church!*

*We're glad you're here!*

The Altar Flowers are placed in memory of Betty Altany, by Donna Bresnan and Diane Stoyer and sons.

The Chancel Flowers are placed in memory of our husband and father Don Bresnan, by Donna Bresnan and Diane Stoyer.

Ushering this month are Gary Hittle, Debbie Woodworth, John Enterline, and Carol Saal.

We do not hold Church Happening in the summer. The children are invited to stay for the entire service.

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.

2 Samuel 11:1-15

In the spring, at the time when kings go off to war, David sent Joab out with the king's men and the whole Israelite army. They destroyed the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem.

One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful, and David sent someone to find out about her. The man said, "She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite." Then David sent messengers to get her. She came to him, and he slept with her. (Now she was purifying herself from her monthly uncleanness.) Then she went back home. The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, "I am pregnant."

So David sent this word to Joab: "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent him to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked him how Joab was, how the soldiers were and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house and wash your feet." So Uriah left the palace, and a gift from the king was sent after him. But Uriah slept at the entrance to the palace with all his master's servants and did not go down to his house. David was told, "Uriah did not go home." So he asked Uriah, "Haven't you just come from a military campaign? Why didn't you go home?"

Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah are staying in tents, and my commander Joab and my lord's men are camped in the open country. How could I go to my house to eat and drink and make love to my wife? As surely as you live, I will not do such a thing!"

Then David said to him, "Stay here one more day, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the next. At David's invitation, he ate and drank with him, and David made him drunk. But in the evening Uriah went out to sleep on his mat among his master's servants; he did not go home.

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
THIS WEEK!  
4:00-6:00  
DINNER INCLUDED**

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August 4 at 2:00: Pastor Steve's Installation  
and reception.

**August 8 through 14: Julie will be on vacation.**

August 19: Ministry of Service and Missions is serving a  
meal at The Good Shepherd Center. Please let Andrea  
Colaico know if you can help.

**August 25: Over 80's Tea in the Anderson Lounge.**

**ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**Rev. Steven L. Craft, Senior Pastor**  
**Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries**

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

July 28, 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      Betsy Fischer, 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

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

PRELUDE      "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Great Spirit of God, who heals our wounds.

**People: You've brought us from paths of hurt and anger.**

Leader: Bless our lives that we might be a blessing to others.

**People: Let us worship You with great joy.**

Leader: Remember how you've turned our mourning  
into dancing.

**People: Let us give thanks to you forever.**

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 49 "Ask Me What Great Things I Know"

