

Mark 10:35-45 NIV

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask."

"What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.

They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."

"You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

"We can," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

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*Good Morning!
Welcome to
worship!*

The altar flowers are placed in memory of Dad, Grandpa and Great Grandpa (on his 98th birthday), by Teri, Brian, Vicki, Sarah, James, Colson, Alaina, Hannah and Jimmy.

Ushering this month are Karen Galus, Teri Swartzbeck, Chris Stockner and Josie Harbaugh.

The children are invited to the Youth Center after the Children’s Sermon for Church Happening.

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.



**Today we will receive a
noisy offering to benefit
hurricane relief.**

Job 38:1-7

Then the LORD spoke to Job out of the storm. He said:

“Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge?

Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me.

“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation?

Tell me, if you understand.

Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know!

Who stretched a measuring line across it?

On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone— while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?

Job 38: 34-41 NIV

“Can you raise your voice to the clouds and cover yourself with a flood of water? Do you send the lightning bolts on their way? Do they report to you, ‘Here we are’? Who gives the ibis wisdom or gives the rooster understanding? Who has the wisdom to count the clouds? Who can tip over the water jars of the heavens when the dust becomes hard and the clods of earth stick together? “Do you hunt the prey for the lioness and satisfy the hunger of the lions when they crouch in their dens or lie in wait in a thicket? Who provides food for the raven when its young cry out to God and wander about for lack of food?

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

This week on Tuesday and Thursday: ZOOM meeting in Anderson Lounge about the upcoming Keystone Conference vote. Tuesday at 1:00 and Thursday at 6:30.

Sunday, October 27: Lake Erie Association meeting at 2:00 in Chapel and refreshments in Anderson Lounge.

Sunday, October 27: Prayer Chain after church in chapel.

Saturday, November 2: Fall Festival from 10:00-2:00. Includes craft vendors, lunch, and a basket raffle.



ALL SAINTS DAY CELEBRATION
On Sunday, November 3, we will celebrate the lives of all who have died within the past year by lighting a candle for each person.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2
TURN CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR.

ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries

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

October 20, 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

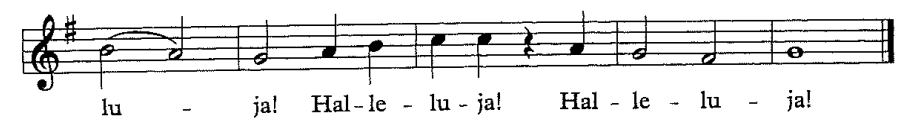
Leader: And now may we prepare our hearts and minds for worship as we are gathered in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES and THE ENTRANCE OF LIGHT
Sophie Powell, Acolyte

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

PRELUDE "Little Chaconne" Gregory Hamilton

*GATHERING SONG "Halle, Halle, Halleluja" (sing twice)



***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come joyfully to the house of the Lord.

People: We bring our praise and offer our lives to God.

Leader: This is our gift and our sacrifice - an act of devotion to God.

People: Let us celebrate God's love with our voices and our lives.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 8 "Praise to the Living God"

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We can get caught up in selfish pursuits and completely over look the wonders of your creation, O God. All around us are majestic reminders of the beauty you offer to us. But we are weak and easily trapped into attitudes of indifference or destructive behavior. You have not given this world to us that we should destroy it, but rather that we should cherish it and make sure that all receive from its bounty. Forgive our overwhelming greed and selfishness. Help us to let go of the petty desires for wealth, position, and power, and bring us into a ministry which proclaims your love and justice for all your people. These things we pray in the name of the Master Servant, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

NOISY OFFERING FOR HURRICANE RELIEF

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.

QUILT RAFFLE

Tickets are available in Julie's office for a beautiful quilt that was made and donated to St. Paul's by Lynn Chuey who wishes her time and talent to benefit The Good Samaritan Fund at St. Paul's.

\$5.00 - 1 ticket

\$10.00 - 3 tickets

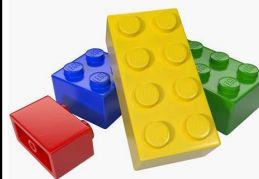
\$20.00 - 7 tickets

Winner will be drawn on March 31, 2025.

All proceeds benefit benevolent care at St. Paul's

LEGO NIGHT

Thursdays after school until 6:00



The time for Lego Night has been extended to 6:00 in order to accommodate students' school schedules.

Pastor Steve has the Lego Room ready for an afternoon of building legos and building friendships.
(large SS room on second floor)

Students are welcome to bring a friend!

HURRICANE RELIEF

The UCC has launched an appeal and opportunities to support recovery efforts following the devastating path Hurricane Helene has left across the Southeast United States. Andrew Long-Higgins, team leader of UCC Global H.O.P.E. described the importance of meeting the immediate needs of communities most impacted by Helene with shelter, food, debris removal and clean up services, hygiene kits, and, in some cases, drinking water.

We will be receiving monetary contributions throughout the month of October to support the relief efforts of the UCC.

Please make your check payable to Zion's Reformed Church and mark "Hurricane Relief" on your check or envelope.

Cash or checks will be received throughout October.

TODAY.....LET'S MAKE SOME NOISE!

Dig deep into your pockets and purses for all that loose change! Every little bit helps!

The children will collect the offering after the Children's Sermon.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Footsteps"

Bill Henry, Baritone

SCRIPTURES Job 38:1-7, 34-41 (bulletin page 11)
Mark 10:35-45 (back of bulletin)

SERMON "Who Do You Think you Are?"

THE UCC STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify. He calls the worlds into being, creates man in his own image, and sets before him the ways of life and death. He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, he has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to himself. He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues and races. He calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be His servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory. He promises to all who trust him forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, his presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end. Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "Fairest Lord Jesus" Daniel E. Gawthrop

*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 and TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE - Taize (sing twice)

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace,
you alone O Lord are Holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia.**

*THE POSTLUDE "Postlude on Azmon" Richard A. Williamson

*Donations
Needed
Can you help?*

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE FALL FESTIVAL
LUNCHEON

Please see the list on the bulletin board and sign up to
donate an item or two.

Items can be brought to the church kitchen by
OCTOBER 30.

**FALL FESTIVAL
Saturday, November
2 from 10:00-2:00**

We still have space for
vendors. If you know of
anyone, please contact
Lynn Rinella or Julie.

