

Mark 10:46-52

Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means “son of Timaeus”), was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.”

So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.” Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

“What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

“Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

WELCOME TO ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH

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SIGHT TO THE BLIND



*Good Morning!
Welcome to
worship!*

The altar flowers are placed in memory of OD and Dot Anderson, Karen Anderson Jones and Ryan Nicklin, by their family.

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.

The Prayer Chain will meet in the chapel after the service today.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Lake Erie Association Fall Meeting which will be held here today! Registration begins at 2:30, and includes worship, a short business meeting and refreshments!

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Then Job replied to the LORD:

"I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

You asked, 'Who is this that obscures my plans without knowledge?' Surely I spoke of things I did not understand, things too wonderful for me to know. "You said, 'Listen now, and I will speak; I will question you, and you shall answer me.

My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you. Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes."

After Job had prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before. All his brothers and sisters and everyone who had known him before came and ate with him in his house. They comforted and consoled him over all the trouble the LORD had brought on him, and each one gave him a piece of silver and a gold ring.

The LORD blessed the latter part of Job's life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys. And he also had seven sons and three daughters. The first daughter he named Jemimah, the second Keziah and the third Keren-Happuch. Nowhere in all the land were there found women as beautiful as Job's daughters, and their father granted them an inheritance along with their brothers.

After this, Job lived a hundred and forty years; he saw his children and their children to the fourth generation. And so Job died, an old man and full of years.

NEXT SUNDAY

ALL SAINTS DAY CELEBRATION

Next Sunday we will celebrate the lives of all who have died within the past year by lighting a candle for each person. Special music by Ruth Herrick.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving Potluck

In Anderson Lounge after the service

Bring a side dish or dessert to share and The Ministry of Welcoming and Fellowship will provide ham and drinks.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

Nov. 2: Fall Festival from 10:00-2:00

Nov. 3: All Saints Day and Holy Communion

Nov. 5: GSC Annual Meeting at 7:00

Nov. 9: Keystone Conference Vote

Nov. 13: Consistory at 6:00

Nov. 20: Min. of Youth and CE at 4:00

Nov. 20: Min. of Wel. And Fellowship at 5:30

Nov. 24: Thanksgiving Potluck after the service

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 27, 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

Pat Seiple, 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

Kaleb Deeter, Acolyte

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

PRELUDE "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Lloyd Larson

*GATHERING SONG "I Love You, Lord"



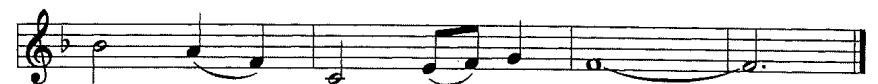
I love you, Lord, ___ and I lift my voice ___ to



wor - ship you, O my soul re - joice. Take



joy, my King, ___ in what you hear, ___ may it be a



sweet, sweet sound in your ear. _____

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, take refuge in the Lord, for God is good.

People: From the storms and struggles of life we come.

Leader: Come, rejoice in the Lord, for God will provide peace for you.

People: From fear and anxiety, we come to find peace.

Leader: Come, open your hearts to the Lord and you will be given blessing.

People: Thanks be to God for the many ways in which we are blessed.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 68 "God Is Truly With Us"

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord God, we confess that although we have served you in many ways, we have often failed to love you with joyous enthusiasm. Have mercy on us and fill our hearts with new energy. We confess that although we have tried to be decent, polite and nice to people, we have often fallen short of loving them as ourselves. Have mercy on us and teach us Holy love. Your standards of the heart are very high, O Lord. We need your grace and your love - your grace to forgive us of our past sins and your love to show us a better way. Have mercy on us, as you teach us the way of our Savior Jesus. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***A SONG OF PRAISE "He Is Exalted!" (bulletin page 6)**

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ST. PAUL'S 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!

FALL FESTIVAL

**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 2**

10:00-2:00

**CRAFTERS
LUNCH
BASKET RAFFLE**

Lunch menu:
Walking tacos
Haluski
Mac and Cheese
German Potato Salad
Sausage sandwiches
Pie
Pumpkin Roll
Coffee and cider

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.**

SCRIPTURES Job 42:1-6, 10-17 (bulletin page 11)
Mark 10:46-52 (back of bulletin)

SERMON "Look for Your Blessings"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Invitation

Offertory Music "A Morning Song" Marty Parks. Arr.

*Doxology No. 780

*Prayer of Dedication

*CLOSING HYMN "Count Your Blessings" (bulletin page 7)

*THE BENEDICTION and TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*THE POSTLUDE "Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" L. Shackley

HE IS EXALTED!



He is ex-alt-ed, the King is ex-alt-ed on high; I will



praise him. He is ex-alt-ed, for - ev-er ex-alt-ed and I will



praise his name! — He is the Lord, for - ev-er his truth shall



reign; heav - en and earth re-joice in his ho - ly name.



He is ex-alt-ed, the King is ex-alt-ed on high. —

CHALLENGE

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Count Your Blessings

JOHNSON OATMAN, JR., 1856-1922

EDWIN O. EXCELL, 1851-1921



1. When up-on life's bil-lows you are tem-pest-tossed, When you are dis-
 2. Are you ev-er bur-den-ed with a load of care? Does the cross seem
 3. When you look at oth-ers with their lands and gold, Think that Christ has
 4. So a-mid the con-flict, wheth-er great or small, Do not be dis-



cour-aged, think-ing all is lost, Count your man-y bless-ings—name them
 heav-y you are called to bear? Count your man-y bless-ings—ev-'ry
 prom-ised you His wealth un-told; Count your man-y bless-ings—mon-ey
 cour-aged—God is o-ver all; Count your man-y bless-ings—an-gels



one by one, And it will sur-prise you what the Lord hath done.
 doubt will fly, And you will be sing-ing as the days go by.
 can-not buy Your re-ward in heav-en nor your home on high.
 will at-tend, Help and com-fort give you to your jour-ney's end.



CHORUS



Count your bless-ings—name them one by one; Count your
 Count your man-y bless-ings— name them one by one; Count your man-y



bless-ings— see what God hath done; Count your bless-ings—
 bless-ings— see what God hath done; Count your man-y bless-ings—



name them one by one; Count your man-y bless-ings—see what God hath done.

