

# ***Mt. Zion United Church of Christ***

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The Baptism of Christ

8:00 & 10:30 AM

## ***Installation & Ordination of New Council Members***

*If you are a guest, thank you for worshiping with us today. We invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.*

*We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back of the sanctuary where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We also have nursery care downstairs during our 10:30 AM worship service. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance! We pray God's blessing upon you.*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **PRELUDE**

*Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*

arr. Fettke

### **CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>**

L: Baptized to begin lives of faith,

**P: we would witness to all God is doing in our communities, in our midst, in our world.**

L: Baptized to serve,

**P: we would speak up for the voiceless, we would bring justice to those who have none.**

L: Baptized to speak,

**P: we would heal, and not hurt; we would bless, and not curse.**

L: Baptized to do what is right,

**P: we would not play favorites, but treat each as God's beloved child.**

\*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

**\*OPENING HYMN NO. 177** (black hymnal)

*God of Change and Glory*

**\*TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>2</sup>

**ALL:** Holy God, we come to You knowing that we do not always believe we are created in Your image. We don't believe we are good enough. We don't believe we are worthy of Your love. At times, we deny the image in others. We don't believe they are good enough or worthy. We refuse to accept them. We abandon them, forgetting they are children of God. Forgive us for not believing in Your love, the love that is for all people, for You so loved the world You sent us Jesus. Call us back to Your ways of love, that we may love our neighbors as ourselves, for You have loved us. In the name of Christ, who is Love, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 160 (black hymnal, v. 4)

*Jesus the Light of the World*

**ALL SING:** Hail the Bearer of God's peace! Jesus, the light of the world; Hail the Sun of righteousness! Jesus, the light of the world. We will follow the light, beautiful light, come where the dewdrops of mercy are bright, Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the light of the world.

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SCRIPTURE**

*Matthew 3: 13-17*

**MESSAGE**

**HYMN NO. 451** (vs. 1 & 2)

*Be Now My Vision*

**ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS**

*Elaine Bevivino, Joey Bevivino, Layla Beyer, Scott Kiefer, Melissa Shindler, & Suzanne Skennonto*

**HYMN NO. 451** (vs. 3 & 4)

*Be Now My Vision*

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## JOYS & CONCERNS

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ALL:** 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### (10:30 AM) WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM

#### OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Wonder of Life*

by Combs

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 181 (black hymnal, v. 2)

*You Are Salt for the Earth O People*

**ALL SING:** You are a light on the hill, **O people:** light for the City of God! Shine so holy and bright, **O people:** Shine for the City of God! Bring forth the reign of mercy, bring forth the reign of peace; bring forth the reign of justice, bring forth the City of God!

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 473 (black hymnal)

*Blessed Assurance*

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

by Bach

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One vase of altar flowers is presented in honor of our new church council members by the congregation.

One vase of altar flowers is presented to the glory of God by the congregation.

The bulletins are presented in honor of Logan Kline's birthday, with love, Grandma & Auntie Anne Henry.

Thank you to the worship choir for participating in the 10:30 AM service today.

We offer a hearing assistance system called *Listen Technologies*. If you would like to use a receiver, please check with the volunteers at the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

8 AM Worship Tech: Jim Shiffer

8 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Jodi Graham

8 AM Sound Tech: George DeMers

8 AM Video Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Hall Monitor: Coordinated by Pam Minnich

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Alan Neff

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Melissa, Delaney, & Avery Shindler; Kathleen & Maddie Haugh

10:30 AM Sound Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Video Tech: John Schriver

10:30 AM Camera Tech: Coordinated by Denny Daugherty

10:30 AM Hall Monitor: Dave Bailey

10:30 AM Nursery: Jackie Kubala & Dani Devine

WOW Kids: Katelyn & Corey McCarthy

<sup>1</sup>The Call to Worship was written by Rev. Thom Shuman and accessed on the website <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/> on January 6, 2020.

<sup>2</sup>The Prayer of Confession was written by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell and accessed on the website <http://rev-o-lution.org> on January 6, 2020.

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1 Cor. 12:4-27

Al Carmines, 1973

1 God of change and glo - ry, God of time and space,  
 2 God of man - y col - ors, God of man - y signs,  
 3 Fresh-ness of the morn - ing, new - ness of each night,

when we fear the fu - ture, give to us your grace.  
 you have made us dif - ferent, bless - ing man - y kinds.  
 you are still cre - at - ing end - less love and light.

In the midst of chang - ing ways give us still the grace to praise.  
 As the old ways dis - ap - pear, let your love cast out our fear.  
 This we see, as shad - ows part, man - y gifts from one great heart.

*Refrain*

Man - y gifts, one Spir - it, one love known in man - y ways.

*Al Carmines, composer, playwright, performer, and teacher, has served as minister for two United Church of Christ congregations in New York City. This hymn, commissioned in 1973, was one of the first modern texts to claim diversity as a gift from God.*

Tune: KATHERINE 6.5.6.5.7.7.  
 Al Carmines, 1973

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## GOD OF CHANGE AND GLORY. . .CONTINUED

C F C F G

In our dif - fer - ence is bless - ing, from di - ver - si - ty we praise

C F G

one Giv - er, one Word, one Spir - it, one God known in man - y ways,

F C G7 C

hal - low - ing our days. For the Giv - er, for the gifts, praise, praise, praise!

Ancient Irish text, c. 8th century; transl. Mary E. Byrne, 1905  
Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912; adapt.

## Unison

1 Be now my vi - sion, O God of my heart;  
2 Be now my wis - dom, and be my true word;  
3 Rich - es I need not, nor life's emp - ty praise,  
4 Sov - ereign of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

noth - ing sur - pass - es the love you im - part—  
ev - er with - in me, my soul is as - sured;  
you, my in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav - en's Sun!

You my best thought, by day or by night,  
Moth - er and Fa - ther, you are both to me,  
You and you on - ly are first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, your pres - ence my light.  
now and for - ev - er your child I will be.  
great God, my trea - sure, may we nev - er part.  
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Dating from the eighth century or earlier, this Irish hymn was translated into prose by Mary Byrne. It was then versified by Eleanor Hull, author of several books on Irish literature and history. David Evans arranged the Irish melody for this text in 1927.

Tune: SLANE 10.10.9.10.  
Traditional Irish melody  
Harm. David Evans, 1927



1 Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a  
 2 Per-fect sub - mis - sion, per-fect de - light! Vi-sions of  
 3 Per-fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my



fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of  
 rap - ture now burst on my sight; An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -  
 Sav - ior am hap - py and blessed; Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -



God, born of the Spir - it, washed in Christ's blood.  
 bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.  
 bove, filled with God's good - ness, lost in Christ's love.



*Refrain*



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long;



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.



*After hearing Phoebe Knapp play this tune on the piano, Fanny Crosby composed the poem on the spot. In her almost 95 years, Crosby wrote more than 8,500 gospel hymns and songs.*

Tune: ASSURANCE Irr.  
 Phoebe P. Knapp, 1873