

# *Mt. Zion United Church of Christ*

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30AM

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

by Whiting

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

Leader: Here in this worship place,

**People: God welcomes all the dreamers, as well as the doubters.**

Leader: Here the worriers and the wanderers can call on God by name.

**People: Here, in this time, we can remember all the ways God has graced us,**

Leader: Here, in these moments, we are reminded that God is with us, always!

**People: We join together in worship as those daring enough to step out of comfort and into the unknown.**

Leader: Here, in this faith space, we will find the courage to cry out...

**People: "God, save us!" Let us worship God who is constant in all times.**

### OPENING HYMN NO. 476 (black hymnal, see p. 3) *My Life Flows on in Endless Song*

### TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>2</sup>

**ALL: God, You call us to step out in faith, to place our lives in Your hands, and to wholeheartedly commit to following You. We confess that we find this difficult to do. It is not always easy to follow where You lead – to turn away from our own personal wants and desires, to let go of our safety nets, and trust that You will provide for us in all things. Forgive us when we doubt You, O God. Increase our faith. Open our eyes to see past our own interests and concerns, so that we can see Your broader vision for us and for our world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2167 (FWS see p. 4)

*More Like You*

**ALL SING: More like you, Jesus, more like you. Fill my heart with your desire to make me more like you. More like you, Jesus, more like you. Touch my lips with holy fire and make me more like you.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SCRIPTURE** (read by Tama Allison)  
**MESSAGE**

*Matthew 14: 22-33*

**HYMN NO. 472** (black hymnal, see p. 4)

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

## 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.

**SPECIAL MUSIC** (sung by Mike Gibbs) *Singing Skies and Dancing Waters* by Denver

## OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* by Gladden

OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 2242 (black hymnal, refrain, v. 5, see p. 6)

*Walk with Me*

**ALL SING:** Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that God has planned where love shines through. And when you share your faith with me and work for life made new, the witness of your faithfulness calls me to walk with you. Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that God has planned where love shines through.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**CLOSING HYMN NO. 488** (black hymnal, see p. 6)

*Be Still My Soul*

## BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE**

*Help Me Lord*

by Schroder

Thank you to Mary Jane Snyder and Jack Herlocker for serving on the tech team at the 8 AM service and to John Schriver for serving on the tech team at the 10:30 AM service this morning! Thank you to our vocal quartet for the leading the hymns and responses this morning! The quartet consists of Dani Kardisco, Paula Strayer, & Braden Bicher. Thank you to Mike Gibbs for providing special music for our service today.

<sup>1</sup> Shuman, Thom. *Call to Worship: Proper 14 A*, 7 Aug. 2011, re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/08/call-to-worship-proper-14a.html.

<sup>2</sup> Author, Unknown. *Prayer of Confession: Matthew 14:22-33*, 2011, re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/07/prayer-of-confession-matthew-1422-33.html.

## My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep From Singing)

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

1. My life flows on in end-less song; a-bove earth's lam-en-  
 2. What though my joys and com-forts die? My Sav-ior still is  
 3. When ty-rants trem-ble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells  
 4. I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue a-

5  
 -ta-tion, I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that  
 liv-ing, What though the shad-ows gath-er 'round? A  
 ring-ing; When friends re-joice both far and near, how  
 -bove it; And day by day this path-way smooths, since

8  
 hails a new cre-a-tion. Through all the tu-mult  
 new song Christ is giv-ing. No storm can shake my  
 can I keep from sing-ing? In pris-on cell and  
 first I learned to love it. The peace of Christ makes

11  
 and the strife, I hear the mu-sic ring-ing; It  
 in-most calm, while to that Rock I'm cling-ing; Since  
 dun-geon vile our thoughts to them are wing-ing; When  
 fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er spring-ing; All

14  
 finds an ech-o in my soul, how can I keep from sing-ing?  
 Love com-mands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?  
 friends by shame are un-de-filed, how can I keep from sing-ing?  
 things are mine since I am Christ's, how can I keep from sing-ing?

# More Like You

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

More like you, Je-sus, more like you. Fill my heart with your de-sire to

7

make me more like you. More like you, Je-sus, more like you. Touch my lips with

14

ho - ly fire and make me more like you.

# Precious Lord, Take My Hand

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me  
 2. When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
 3. When the shad - ows ap - pear and the night draws

5

stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
 near, when my life is al - most gone,  
 near, and the day is past and gone,

9

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the  
 Hear me cry, hear my call, hold my hand, lest I  
 At the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my

13

light  
 fall:  
 hand:  
 Take my hand pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

# Walk with Me

Piano  $\text{♩} = 80$

Walk with me, I will walk with you and

5

build the land that God has planned where love shines through. And

9

when you share your faith with me and work for life made new, the

13

wit - ness of your faith - ful - ness calls me to walk with you.

17

Walk with me, I will walk with you and

21

build the land that God has planned where love shines through.

# Be Still My Soul

Piano  $\text{♩} = 80$

1. Be still my soul: for God is on your side; bear pa - tient -  
2. Be still my soul: for God will un - der take to guide in  
3. Be still, my soul: the hour will soon be here when we shall

6

- ly the cross of grief or pain; Leave to your God to  
fu - ture days as in the past. Your hope, your con - fi -  
be with God whom we a - dore, with dis - ap - point - ment

11

or - der and pro - vide; in ev - ery change God faith - ful will re -  
- dence let noth - ing shake; all now mys - te - rious shall be clear at  
gone, no grief nor fear, so - row re - placed with joy for - ev - er -

16

- main. Be still my soul: your best e - ter - nal friend  
last. Be still my soul: the waves and winds still know  
- more. Be still my soul: when change and tears are past,

21

through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
how Je - sus' pow - er ruled them long a - go.  
all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.