

Mt. Zion United Church of Christ

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

10:30AM

Drinking Tea: Sanctuary & Savoring

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

by Werther

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: Who made this beautiful day?

P: We believe God, the Creator, made this day-

L: God made this day so we can rest, and reflect, and enjoy;

P: God made this day so we can open our eyes and see beauty,

L: And see pain, and see opportunity,

P: And see hope.

L: So let us go into this day with our eyes and hearts wide open,

P: And let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN NO. 12 (black hymnal, see p. 3)

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Holy God, we know that in so many ways we have run from you, we have ignored your call, we have closed our eyes to your presence, we have disbelieved your mercy, we have disregarded your words, we have belittled ourselves, we have forsaken others. So we ask, once again, for your forgiveness. We ask you to stay with us as we turn away from what is wrong and hurtful to what is bright and life-giving. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 143 (Methodist hymnal, see p. 4)

On Eagle's Wings

ALL SING: And God will raise you up on Eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

SUNDAY SONGS

My God is so Big

Traditional

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE (read by Maggie Stine)
MESSAGE

Psalm 34: 5-14 (The Message)

HYMN NO. 28 (black hymnal, see p. 4)

For the Beauty of the Earth

JOYS AND 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.

WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM

The Blessings of God by Williams/Lantz

OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

As the Deer

by Werner

OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 2227 (FWS, see p. 5)

We Are the Body of Christ

ALL SING: One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise you, we are the body of Christ. One goal, one vision: To see you exalted. We are the body of Christ.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN 17 (black hymnal, see p. 5)

To You, O God, All Creatures Sing

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

by Wells

Thank you to Hunter King, Ron Miles, & John Schriver for serving on the tech team at 10:30 AM this morning! Thank you to our vocalists, Brenda Beyer, Jordyn Myers, & Tom Bair for leading the hymns and responses this morning. Thank you to the worship choir for providing a virtual anthem today. Thank you to Maggie Stine for reading Scripture this morning!

¹ The Call to Worship was written by Beth Merrill Neel and found at <https://holdfasttowhatisgood.com/liturgy/call-to-worship/> and accessed on October 20, 2020.

² The Prayer of Confession was written by Beth Merrill Neel and posted to <https://holdfasttowhatisgood.com/liturgy/prayer-of-confession/> and accessed on October 20, 2020.

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I Sing the Mighty Power of God

♩ = 80

Piano

1. I sing the mighty power of God that
 2. I sing the goodness of our God that
 3. On earth there's not a plant or flower but

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made the mountains rise, That spread the flow - ing
 filled the earth with food; God formed the crea - tures
 makes your glo - ry known. The clouds a - rise and

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seas a - broad, and built the loft - y skies. I
 with a word, and then pro - nounced them good. Oh,
 spread their showers by or - der from your throne. All

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sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the
 how your won - ders are dis - played, where - e'er I turn my
 life is but a gift from you and ev - er in your

13

day; The moon shines full at God's com - mand, and
 eye: If I sur - vey the ground I tread, or
 care; Wher - ev - er peo - ple gath - er, you, O

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all the stars o - bey.
 gaze up - on the sky!
 God, are pres - ent there.

On Eagle's Wings

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

And God will raise you up on ea - gle's wings, bear you on the
 5 breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the
 9 palm of God's hand.

For the Beauty of the Earth

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the splen - dor
 2. For the won - der of each hour of the day and
 3. For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter,
 4. For the good that love in - spires, for a world where

4 of the skies, For the love which from our birth
 of the night, Hill and vale and tree and flower,
 par - ent, child, Friends on earth and friends a - bove,
 none ex - clude, For a faith that nev - er tires,

7 o - ver and a - round us lies, God of all, to
 sun and moon and stars of light,
 for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
 and for ev - ery heart re - newed,

10 you we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

We Are the Body of Christ

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

One heart, one Spir - it, one voice to praise you, we are the
 7 bod - y of Christ. One goal, one vi - sion: To see you ex -
 13 - alt - ed. We are the bod - y of Christ.

To You, O God, All Creatures Sing

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

1. To you, O God, all crea-tures sing, and all cre - a - tion, ev - ery -
 2. Your wind that blows the tem - pest by, your clouds that sail a - cross the
 3. Your flow - ing wa - ters, crys - tal clear, make mel - o - dies for you to
 4. To you, O God, day af - ter day, your plan - et earth in ev - ery
 5. Now we who are of ten - der heart, for - giv - ing oth - ers take our
 6. In you, a kind and gen - tle death pre - pares to hush our fin - al

5 - thing sings your prais - es, al - le - lu - ia! Your burn - ing sun with gold - en beam, your
 sky sing your prais - es, al - le - lu - ia! Your morn - ing ris - es with a song, and
 hear, sing your prais - es, al - le - lu - ia! Your fire boun - ti - ful and bright, re -
 way, sings your prais - es, al - le - lu - ia, As sa - vory fruit and fra - grant flower show
 part, sing your prais - es, al - le - lu - ia! To you we lift our pain and care, re -
 breath, sing - ing prais - es, al - le - lu - ia! Christ goes be - fore us to re - new, the

10 sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam sing your prais - es, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lights of eve - ning sing a - long, sing your prais - es,
 - mem - bering your warmth and light, sings your prais - es,
 forth your glo - ry and your power, sing - ing prais - es,
 - ceive the bur - dens that we bear, sing - ing prais - es,
 way that leads us home to you. Hear our prais - es,

15 - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.