

# *Mt. Zion United Church of Christ*

Third Sunday of Easter

10:30AM

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*I Know that My Redeemer Lives*

by Hatton

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

L: Come, let us worship God as a community of faith drawn together by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**P: Let us testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ.**

L: Let us, as a church family, be generous and encouraging of one another.

**P: Let us worship the God who calls us to be one in heart and mind.**

L: Let us with one voice proclaim the good news of Easter!

**P: Christ is Risen! Alleluia!**

OPENING HYMN NO. 547 (UM hymnal, see p. 3)

*O Church of God, United*

## TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>2</sup>

**ALL: O God, we yearn to be a community of believers, united in your Spirit. And yet we are fraught with divisions: denominational, political, theological. We are weighed down by tensions and the things that break us apart. Forgive our tendency toward separation and division, and remind us that we are your Easter people. Help us to learn to live in community together, loving one another, in spite of our differences, and respecting one another in everything that we do and say. Help us to be as you call us, one in heart and mind. Only through the grace of your son, Jesus Christ, can we achieve this. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE (see p. 4)

*Halle, Halle, Halle*

**ALL SING: I am the resurrection, live in me. I am the way, the truth, follow me. I am the resurrection, live in me. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

SUNDAY SONGS

*Down in My Heart*

Traditional

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SCRIPTURE** (read by Mike Gibbs)  
**MESSAGE**

*Acts 4: 32-35*

**HYMN NO. 393** (black hymnal, see p. 6)

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

**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.**

**CLOSING HYMN NO. 177** (black hymnal, see p. 5)

*God of Change and Glory*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Grand Triumphal Chorus*

by Guilmant

Thank you to Mike Gibbs for reading Scripture this morning! Thank you to Deb Herlocker, Jack Herlocker, & Ron Miles for serving on the tech team. Thank you to Braden Bicher & Brenda Beyer for serving on the praise team.

<sup>1</sup> The call to worship was based on liturgy written by Rev. Christine Caton and published in the document <http://storage.cloversites.com/waitingforwater/documents/Liturgical%20resources%202013%2010%2018%2012.pdf> and accessed on April 12, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> The prayer of confession was written Rev. Christine Caton and published in the document <http://storage.cloversites.com/waitingforwater/documents/Liturgical%20resources%202013%2010%2018%2012.pdf>. The prayer of confession also included elements of a confession written by Laura Jaquith Bartlett, posted at <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2528/worship-elements-april-11-2021>. Both sites were accessed on April 12, 2021.

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# O Church of God, United

♩ = 80

Piano

1. O church of God, united to  
 2. From every land and nation the  
 3. Though creeds and tongues may differ, they  
 4. May thy great prayer be answered that

4

serve one com - mon Lord, pro - claim to all one  
 or - dered ranks ap - pear; to serve one val - iant  
 speak, O Christ, of thee; and in thy lov - ing  
 we may all be one, close bound, by love u -

7

mes - sage, with hearts in glad ac - cord. Christ  
 lead - er they come from far and near. They  
 spir - it we shall one peo - ple be. Lord,  
 - nit - ed in thee, God's bless - ed Son: to

10

ev - er goes be - fore us; we fol - low day by  
 chant their one con - fes - sion, they praise one liv - ing  
 may our faith - ful ser - vice and sin - gle - ness of  
 bring a sin - gle wit - ness, to make the path - way

13


day with strong and ea - ger foot - steps a -  
 Lord, and pro - claim to which sure de - pen - dence up -  
 aim that souls which all the in pow - er of  
 bright, that souls which all the in pow - er of

16

- long the up - ward way.  
 - on his sav - ing word.  
 thy re - deem - ing name.  
 find the one true light.


# Halle Halle Halle

**Piano** ♩ = 80



1. I am the res - ur - rec - tion live in me,  
2. Hal - le, hal - le hal - le - lu - jah!

5




I am the way, the truth, fol - low me!  
Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

9



I am the res - ur - rec - tion live in me, Hal - le -  
Hal - le - hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -


13



- lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!  
- lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

# Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

Piano  $\text{♩} = 80$




1. Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in  
2. Be - fore our God we come and pour our  
3. We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's  
4. When we are called to part it gives us

6



Chris - tian love; The shar - ing of a com - mon  
ar - dent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are  
bur - dens bear, And of - ten for each oth - er  
in - ward pain, But we shall still be joined in

11



life is like to that a - bove.  
one, our com - forts and our cares.  
flows a sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

# God of Change and Glory

Piano 

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,

5 

when we fear the fu - ture, give to us your grace. In the midst of  
you have made us dif - ferent, bless - ing man - y kinds. As the old ways  
you are still cre - a - ting end - less love and light. This we see, as

10 

chang - ing ways give us still the grace to praise. Man - y gifts, one Spir - it,  
dis - ap - pear, let your love cast out our fear.  
shad - ows part, man - y gifts from one great heart.

16 

one love known in man - y ways. In our dif - fer - ence is bless - ing, from di - ver - si -

21 

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

28 

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