

Mt. Zion United Church of Christ

Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:30AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM

How Can I Keep From Singing?

by Massa

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: When we think of God's presence in the world, let us be grateful:

P: Grateful for the presence of hope; grateful for the gift of life.

L: And when we think of God's presence in our lives, let us be humbled:

P: Humbled by the gift of grace; humbled by the invitation to begin again.

L: And when we think of God's presence in this community, let us be glad:

P: Glad to be worshipping God as one family of faith.

L: Let us worship God together.

OPENING HYMN NO. 405 (black hymnal, see p. 3)

There Are Some Things I May Not Know

TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

L: It is written that "All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God."
Let us make our confession.

ALL: For the occasions when we measure success by the number of times we get our own way: Lord, have mercy on me. For the times when we measure happiness by the number and price of our possessions: Christ, have mercy on me. For the days when we measure our faith by the number of people who speak well of us: Lord, have mercy on me. Holy God, thank you for our Savior, Christ Jesus, who uncovers our foolishness, exposes our self-deceits, and offers us an overflowing cup of saving grace. We ask, O God, that you would loosen the knots of anxiety or the shackles of pride which might hold us back from receiving your grace with open hearts and minds. Enable us to take up your salvation and live with the delight of those who are forgiven and free. Through Jesus Christ our Savior, 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

The Trees of the Field

by Dauerman & Rubin

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE (read by Steph Beyer)

1 John 1:1 – 2:5

MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 206 (UM Hymnal, see p. 5)

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

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. 473 (black hymnal, see p. 6)

Blessed Assurance

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Light of the Living God

by Paxton

Thank you to Steph Beyer for reading Scripture this morning! Thank you to Deb Herlocker, Jack Herlocker, & Dave Firestone for serving on the tech team. Thank you to Andrew Texter, Paula Strayer, & Braden Bicher for serving on the praise team.

¹ The Call to Worship is adapted from liturgy written by Beth Merrill Neel and posted on her website, <https://holdfasttowhatisgood.com/liturgy/call-to-worship/> and accessed on April 26, 2021.

² The Prayer of Confession was adapted from a prayer written by Bruce Prewer and posted on his website, <http://www.bruceprewer.com/DocC/C38sun9.htm> and accessed on the website <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2013/06/prayer-of-confession-lord-have-mercy.html> on April 26, 2021.

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There Are Some Things I May Not Know

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

1. There are some things I may not
 2. Some folks may doubt, some folks may
 3. I can - not tell just how you

3 know, there are some plac - es I can't go, But I am
 scorn, all can de - sert and leave me a - lone, But as for
 felt when Je - sus took your sins a - way, But since that

6 sure of this one thing, that God is
 me I'll take God's part, for God is
 day, yes, since that hour, God has been

8 real for I can feel God deep with - in. Yes, God is real, real in my
 real and I can feel God in my heart.
 real for I can feel God's ho - ly power.

11 soul; yes, God is real for God has washed and made me

13 whole; God love for me is like pure gold, yes, God is

16 real for I can feel God in my soul.

Halle Halle Halle

$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano



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!

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

1. I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
2. I want to see the bright - ness of God. I want to
3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to

6

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness,
be with Je - sus. When we have run with

11

light to the world. The star of my life is Je -
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa -
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je -

16 *Refrain*

- sus. In him there is no dark - ness at all. The
- ther.
- sus.

21

night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

26

light of the ci - ty of God. Shine in my heart, Lord

31

Je - sus.

Blessed Assurance

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

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

4

fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal -
rap - ture now burst on my sight; An - gels de -
Sav - ior am hap - py and blessed; Watch - ing and

6

- va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of the
- scend - ing, bring from a - bove ech - oes of
wait - ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with God's

8

Spir - it, washed in Christ's blood. This is my sto - ry, this is my
mer - cy, whis - pers of love.
good - ness, lost in Christ's love.

11

song, prai - sing my Sav - ior all the day long; This is my

14

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