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## ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rev. Glenn Danz, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Daniel Schowalter, Pastor Emeritus  
Peggy Just, Minister of Music  
Crib Room:  
Greeter: Ruth Macco  
Liturgist: Dean Rooker

August 29, 2010

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am

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*Childcare is available for children age 4 and under. Please contact any usher for assistance.  
Individual Hearing Aids and large print bulletins are available upon request from the ushers.  
We request that cell phones be turned off upon entering God's holy Sanctuary.  
Flash photography is not permitted during worship.*

### **Gathering in God's Presence**

***\*(Indicates all who are able are invited to stand)***

**FOR SILENT REFLECTION:** *"Humility, that low, sweet root from which all heavenly virtues shoot."* Thomas Moore

### **PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** *(Please sign & pass the Friendship Folders at the end of each pew during this time.)*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 103)

One: Bless the Lord on my soul and all that is in me, bless God's holy name.

**Many: Bless the Lord and do not forget all of God's benefits.**

One: God forgives our sins and redeems us from the pit.

**Many: God crowns us with steadfast love and renews us like eagles.**

One: God works vindication and justice for the oppressed.

**Many: God is merciful and gracious; slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

**All: Come, let us give thanks for God's goodness!**

**\*GATHERING PRAYER** *(in unison)*

Hosting God, we come in answer to your invitation to feast with brothers and sisters. May we come to your banquet with humility and gratitude. Let our hungry hearts be filled with your word. In the name of Jesus the Christ we pray. Amen.

**\*GATHERING SONG: #394 "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart"**

*(The congregation may be seated...)*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (from the UCC Book of Worship)

Most merciful God, we confess we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us that we may delight in your will, and follow your ways to the glory of your name. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you now and always.

Many: **And also with you.**

**Listening for God's Word**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Hebrews 13: 1-8; 15-16 (page 853)  
Luke 14: 1, 7-14 (page 739)

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR ALL AGES:** Rev. Deborah Payden

**\* SERVANT SONG: "We Plant a Grain of Mustard Seed" (see page 9)**  
*(from The New Century Hymnal)*

**A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER**

**MORNING PRAYERS / LORD'S PRAYER (*saying "debts"*)**

**Responding to God's Call**

**REDEDICATING OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY: Peggy Just**

**\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING**

Lyric: Al Carmines Tune: "Katherine"  
Many gifts, one Spirit,  
One love known in many ways.  
In our difference is blessing,  
From diversity we praise  
One Giver, one Word, one Spirit, one God  
Known in many ways,  
Hallowing our days,  
For the Giver, for the gifts,  
Praise, praise, praise!

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*in unison*)**

**With joy and hope, we humbly offer these gifts of commitment and support for the ministry and work of Christ's church. Bless them gracious God, and use them to further your will and way in the world. Amen.**

**Carrying the Spirit With Us**

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**Invitation to the Table** (*Ours is an Open Table—everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table in this church. We respect parents' wishes of whether or not to serve your children.*)

**Communion Prayer (in unison)**

**O God, our Creator, show forth among us the presence of your life-giving Word and Holy Spirit in these gifts of bread and wine. May we recognize the Risen Christ in our midst. May we be united with one another and the universal church as we participate in this joyful feast. Glory and praise be to you eternal God, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*Sharing the Bread & the Cup** *(Both wine & grape juice are available with grape juice available on the inner ring of the trays. Please hold the bread & cup until all are served so we may partake together.)*

**Communion Hymn: # 564 "Let Us Break Bread Together"**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving** *(in unison)* *(from the UCC Book of Worship)*

**We give thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG: "Renew Your Church" (see page 10)**  
*(from Chalice Hymnal)*

**\*COMMISSION & BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**\*\*\*ENTER TO WORSHIP, DEPART TO SERVE\*\*\***

**VOLUNTEERS FOR THE WEEK OF 9/5**

<b>Greeters:</b> Marilyn Peterson	<b>Crib Room:</b>
<b>Liturgist:</b> Kathy Griebenow	<b>Ushers:</b> Dick Blaha, Mike Ehlert, Karen Ehlert, Ron Moon
<b>Flowers:</b> Dean & Mary Rooker	<b>Bulletins:</b>
<b>Bulletin Assembly:</b> Marilyn Peterson	(Sept 2)

**THIS WEEK AT ZION**

Sunday, 08/29/10	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion & Rev. Deborah Payden preaching Order Scrip
Monday, 08/30/10		
Tuesday, 08/31/10	7:00 pm	Mission Committee
Wednesday, 09/01/10	9:00 am 7:00 pm	Samaritan Works Building Committee
Thursday, 09/02/10	6:00 pm 6:30-7:30 pm	Christian Fellowship Sunday School Teacher Meeting
Friday, 09/03/10		
Saturday, 09/04/10		
Sunday, 09/05/10	9:30 am	Worship with Rev. Deborah Payden preaching Deliver Scrip

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sabbatical Pastor**

Rev. Debbie Payden is our Sabbatical Pastor during Pastor Glenn’s sabbatical. Rev. Payden can be reached through the office (414-543-4646). In case of emergency, she can be reached at her home – 414-762-0207.

**Flowers and bulletins** are donated by Kevin & Carolyn Haass.

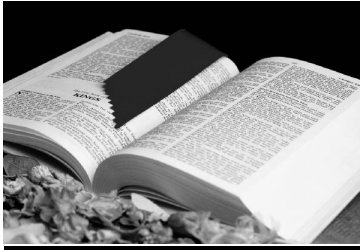
**Zion UCC Worship & Ministry Highlights**

- ❖ Sunday, September 5, 9:30 am worship with Rev. Debbie Payden preaching
- ❖ Monday, September 6 , Labor Day, church office is closed
- ❖ Tuesday, September 7, Pastor Glenn returns from sabbatical
- ❖ Thursday, September 9, 7:00 pm, Chancel Choir rehearsal
- ❖ Sunday, September 12 , 9 am Sunday School Resumes; 9-10 am Adult Sunday School Faith & Parenting Study; 10:15 am Reunion Sunday with Outdoor Worship, Sunday School Teacher Commissioning & Potluck Luncheon
- ❖ Monday, September 13, 7:00 pm, Handbell Choir rehearsal
- ❖ Tuesday, September 14, 7:00 pm, Church Council meeting
- ❖ Sunday, September 19, 9 am Sunday School, 9-10 am Adult Sunday School Faith & Parenting Study; 10:15 am Worship; 11:45-12:30 pm Confirmation Orientation
- ❖ Tuesday, September 21, 7:00 pm, CE Committee meeting
- ❖ Sunday, September 26, 9:00 am Sunday School, 9 am Prospective Member Orientation, 10:15 am Worship
- ❖ Sunday, October 3, 9:00 am Sunday School, 9 am Prospective Member Orientation, 10:15 am World Communion Sunday worship with Holy Communion, Reception of New Members, and Neighbors in Need special offering.
- ❖ Sunday, October 10, 9:00 am Sunday School, 10:15 am Worship, Stewardship Campaign Concludes, 1:30 pm, CROP Walk

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**Next Week's Scripture Readings:** Jer 18:1-11; Ps 139:1-6; Philem 1-21; Luke 14:24-33. Next Sunday is the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost.



**Please remember with your prayers, cards, and calls:**

- ❖ Those who are ill and/or recovering from hospitalization:  
Betty Laack, Dorothy Dudovick, Lydia Stammer, Lin Schultz
- ❖ Our Zion shut-ins.
- ❖ Dick Blaha, recovering from heart surgery, no phone calls, visits or flowers please.
- ❖ Dorothy Vey at the Village at Manor Park for rehab
- ❖ Henry Vey at the Village at Manor Park for rehab after knee replacement surgery
- ❖ Gerry Rullmann, preparing for surgery 9/1
- ❖ Bill Miksic, recovering from open heart surgery 8/27
- ❖ The people in Milwaukee & various areas recovering from recent flooding.



**Reminder – Sunday School Teachers**

Calling all Sunday School Teachers to the meeting on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:30-7:30 pm.

**Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Trip**

You are invited to join four of us going to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation for the week of September 25 thru October 2 for work, touring, and inter-cultural relationship building on the job and in the evenings. We intend to haul some of our collected winter clothing along in rain barrels to help save some of our shipping costs. Funds for shipping the balance of our collection are needed. Please contact Grant Schaal at 414-837-5133.

**Flood Response Volunteers Needed**

If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the 211 office at (414) 302-6620 or email Bob Waite directly at [bwaite@impactinc.org](mailto:bwaite@impactinc.org).

**Honduras Supply Project: FINAL COLLECTION DATE EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 15**

WANTED: Used: Bikes, Shoes, Tools; New: School Supplies

The people of Honduras would like to put your donations to work. We are shipping a container to Honduras again this year and need your help filling it. Your items can be dropped off at church any Monday, Tuesday, Thursday (8 am-Noon); Wednesday (8 am-4 pm).

**Primary Election – September 14th**

Election Day's a-coming soon and we're a voting location again on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. Help is needed to act as hosts in one hour segments. Will you sign up for an hour...or two? Sign-up sheet is in the lounge on the bulletin board. Help with baking and selling will also be needed for the bake sale on that day. Please watch for sign-up sheets or contact Ruth Piper at 262-786-1474.  
Grant Schaal

**Quilting Material Needed for Pine Ridge Reservation**

Clean cotton quilting fabric is needed by the Lakota Sioux on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. We will take it along with whatever clothing we can fit into the rain barrels we're transporting there on our Sept. 25th work trip. Please deposit the fabric in the Pine Ridge Collection barrel just outside of the church office.

Thanks, Grant Schaal