WELCOME!

We're glad you're here! If you are a newcomer, visitor, or guest:

- ❖ Please take a **Zion coffee mug** from the welcome table in the foyer!
- Nursery is provided for infants and toddlers through age 3 during the Sunday worship service and Sunday School
- ❖ Sunday School classes are available for children, youth, and adults during the 10:15am education hour
- **Busy Bags** for young children are hanging on racks at the back of the worship hall.
- Please explore the rest of your worship folder for opportunities to connect and serve at Zion. We're glad you're here!

WORSHIP AT ZION

The Zion worship service has a structure and sequence that reflects the way scripture shows how God meets his people. God has made himself known to the world in Jesus Christ, who is God the Son, who took on human flesh, bled and died for our sins, rose from the dead, ascended to the Father's right hand, intercedes for us now, and will come again to receive us at the end. The church assembles on the Lord's day to name the name of Jesus, which is above every name.

- We enter his courts with thanksgiving and praise
- We kneel before him in confession and repentance
- We stand and hear again the Gospel's promise of mercy and forgiveness
- We bring our tribute offerings to our King
- We hear the voice of God from scripture
- We eat at the table Jesus has provided for us
- We depart with his blessing and promise that He will be with us until he comes for us again.

THE MISSION OF ZION CHURCH

By God's grace Zion Church will be a Christ-centered ministry committed to worship God by proclaiming the truth of Scripture and relating to one another on the basis of the transforming power of the Gospel.

As God's people living in community, we will equip one another to pour out our lives for Christ at home, in the city, on the campus, across the Midwest, and to the ends of the earth. This vision rests upon the supernatural work of Christ who alone can build His church through the Spirit's work in our lives together.

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TRANSFORMED BY GRACE POURED OUT FOR OTHERS

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"We are not necessarily doubting that God will do the best for us; we are wondering how painful the best will turn out to be."

C.S. Lewis

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Prelude

† Gathering Hymn — We Gather Together (Trinity Hymnal #363)

Welcome and Announcements

ENTRANCE TO WORSHIP

+ Call to Worship *Psalm* 113:1-4

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD! Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised! The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!

WORSHIP THROUGH CONFESSION AND PRAISE

† Come Into His Presence With Singing

This Is My Father's World (Trinity Hymnal #111) On Jordan's Stormy Banks How Deep the Father's Love For Us

Prayer of Praise

Confession of Faith – The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I

Committed to God's Truth

- We believe in a holy God who exists externally in three persons the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- We believe the Bible is the written word of God, and we hold to it as our authority in all matters of faith and life.
- ❖ We believe all people are sinners, justly deserving God's displeasure, and incapable of saving themselves.
- ❖ We believe that Jesus Christ God the Son who became man lived a sinless life, died on the cross and rose again to accomplish our salvation. We receive this gracious gift through faith alone.
- ❖ We believe the Holy Spirit gives Christians the daily strength and wisdom they need to walk according to His will and grow in holiness.
- ❖ We believe that Jesus Christ will return to judge all mankind and to receive His people unto Himself.

For more explanation and resources, go to zionpca.com/beliefs

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Weekly Prayer on Wednesdays

All are welcome to join Pastors Tim and David as they pray together on Wednesdays from 12pm-1pm in the Sanctuary. They will be praying for the needs of the congregation. When you submit a prayer request, please indicate if it is a confidential request you'd prefer to keep limited to the Session and Pastors.

Coffee & Conversation

All Zion women are invited to join the fellowship group Coffee & Conversation. The next gathering will be at David and Brittany Chambers' home on April 2 at 1:30pm. Contact Lori Osberg: lsosberg@hotmail.com

Quilting Group

All skill levels are welcome on the second Thursday of each month to make blankets and quilts as gifts for domestic and foreign missions. Join the 1:30pm and/or 6:30pm session in the Coffee House. Contact Taryne Matzen: taryne@zionpca.com

Seeking Volunteers

Do you like helping behind the scenes? We are looking for volunteers to help with laundering kitchen linens, cleaning the refrigerator, recycling cardboard, and serving on the Sunday morning coffee prep team. Contact Jill Greff: greffjill@gmail.com

Small Groups

Are you interested in joining a small group? There is a new group forming on Sunday evenings. Contact Pastor David if you'd like more information: david@zionpca.com.

Sunday Mornings: zionpca.com/visit

Zion's Corporate Public Worship Service is held at 9am each Sunday in the Worship Hall. The service streams to Facebook (@zionpca), zionpca.com/livestream, and YouTube @ZionPCA

How to Give at Zion: zionpca.com/give

God provides all we have, and Christians return a portion of that in thanksgiving. You can put cash and checks in the black box on the foyer table, or in the secure dropbox in the main office. To give online, use this QR code, go to zionpca.com/give, or Venmo @Zion-Church-2.



acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Preparation for Confession *Job* 9:2-3

"Truly, I know that it is so: But how can a man be in the right before God? If one wished to contend with him, one could not answer him once in a thousand times."

Silent Confession of Sin

Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

† Declaration of Grace 1 Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Song of Gratitude – *Jesus Paid It All (refrain)*

Update from Senior Pastor Search Committee – Scott Nelson

Giving Moment – Doxology

WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND SACRAMENT

Children are always welcome in the main worship hall.

We also stream the service in the Hearth Room at the north end of the front hallway.

Preaching of the Word

Title: "The Secret of Contentment"

Text: Philippians 4:8-13

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians who are members in good standing with their home congregation are welcome to join us at the Lord's table today.

The communion trays have wine in the outside ring of wine-colored cups and a juice option in the inner ring of clear cups.

- **† Hymn of Celebration –** Come, We That Love the Lord (Trinity Hymnal #700)
- † Benediction

Postlude

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Philippians 4:8-13

8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

10 I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. 11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. 12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. 13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Weekly Ways to Connect: zionpca.com/groups

Sundays, 8:00am: **Prayer in Library** (everyone welcome!)

Sundays, 9:00am: Worship Service

Sundays, 10:15am: Education Hour for all ages

Tuesdays, 9:30am: **Women's Bible Study** (*contact Amy Handeland*) Wednesdays, 12:00pm: **Prayer in Sanctuary** (*everyone welcome!*)

6:00pm: Connection Meal for all

7:00pm: Kids Club, youth group, adult classes – nursery provided

Thursdays, 6:30am: **Men's Bible Study** (*contact Lee Grossman*) Saturdays, 8:15am: **Foodnet Distribution** (*you can help!*)

Adult Sunday School Classes

The adult men and women will meet separately for Sunday School from now through May 18. Each class will examine how to establish men's and women's ministries at Zion to develop maturity and leadership. All men will meet with Pastor David in the Sanctuary, and all women will meet with Pastor Tim in the Hearth Room.

Easter Choir

Calling all singers! Easter is approaching, and we will be putting together a choir for the occasion. It's not too late to join! Please come practice with us at 7pm each Tuesday night from now through April 15. Contact Anne Ramsey: anne@zionpca.com

Seasonal Services

Mark your calendar for the following upcoming services:

- Lament Service, April 6, 7pm
- Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 18, 7pm
- Easter Morning Worship, April 20, 9am and 11am

Easter Lilies

If you'd like to order an Easter lily in honor or memory of a loved one, please email Taryne as soon as possible: taryne@zionpca.com. The cost of each lily is \$10.

Day Without Shoes

Zion will partner with the People's City Mission to be a collection site for donated new or used shoes. Each April they hold a campaign to raise awareness of the impact a pair of shoes can have on a person's life. Shoes can be dropped in the receptacle anytime between March 31 and April 13.

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"The Secret of Contentment" Philippians 4:8-13 Sermon Notes: 30 March 2025

Contentment with Circumstances, Possessions, and People is only possible through a True Companion.

1. God tests our **Faith – Circumstances**

2. God tests our **Hope – Possessions**

3. God tests our Love – People

"Everything is necessary that God sends our way; nothing can be necessary that he withholds."

-John Newton

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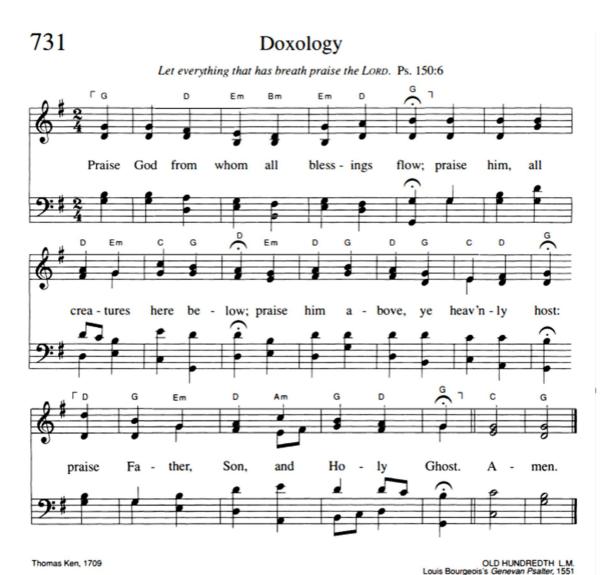
We Gather Together

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I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you. Ps. 32:8

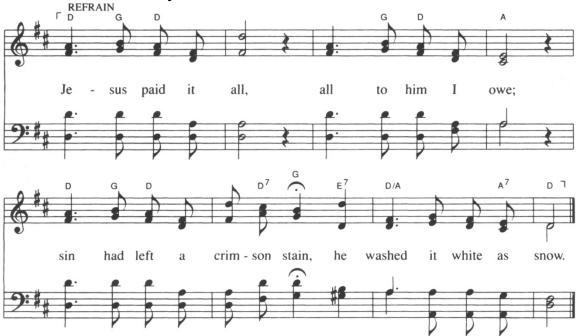


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This Is My Father's World

Sovereign Lord ... you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. Acts 4:24

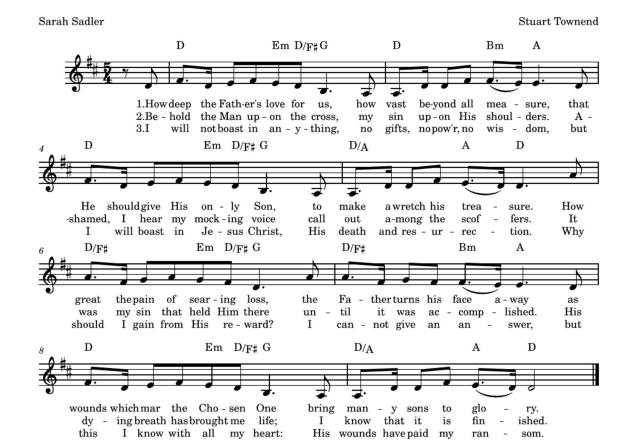


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On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand



How Deep the Father's Love For Us



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