



ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

WORSHIP @ HOME

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“Journey Together”
 March 22, 2020
 Sunday Worship

Centering Music

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

I am weak, but thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
 I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
 Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
 Daily walking close to thee: let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

We are Called to Worship

- One: God does not see as mortals see. We look on the outward appearance;
 God looks on the heart. (1 Sam. 16:7)
- Many: **Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see! (John 9:5)**
- One: Once we lived in darkness, but now—as children of light, we are called
 to what is good and right and true. (Eph. 5:8–9)
- Many: **Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see! =**

Gathering Prayer (unison) - Magnificent God who sees all that we can see and everything that we cannot, we gather in awe of your vision that is broad and vast. Be with us now as we worship you. Awaken us to your holiness, inspire us with your creative power, and peel back our layers of anxiety and fear. Enliven us to trust fully in your love for us as we struggle and strive to be who you call us to be, in Christ’s holy name. Amen.+

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Song 1

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

A Time of Prayer

You are welcome to send prayer requests to Pastor Sarah. Spend a few moments connecting with God and lifting up your prayers.

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Song 2

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

This is a new song that we have not sung very often. You're invited to pay attention to the words as we seek to share the light of Christ in these days that often feel dark.

We Hear God's Word

Ephesians 5:8-14

⁸For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—⁹for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; ¹³but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

‘Sleeper, awake!

Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.’

Sermon

Shine Bright

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Spiritual Practice of the Week – Singing

One of the great gifts God has given to us that has proven to have the power to sustain and lift up our spirits is the gift of song. Find some time this week to listen to some music that makes your heart sing. YouTube is a great free resource for those hymns you love. Hope Publishing, the publisher of our hymnal, has a great YouTube channel with many of the songs we sing at Zion—

<https://www.youtube.com/user/HopePublishing>. There's always the radio, too, or CDs and records you might have around.

A great way to incorporate music into your day is to sing while you are washing your hands. We know we should be washing our hands 20-30 seconds. This collection has been circulating on social media. You might use one of these while washing your hands. One of our members is singing “Jesus Loves Me” during handwashing.

20 SECONDS OF HAND WASHING
Lyrics & Prayers

Amazing Grace
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind but now I see

Fairrest Lord Jesus
Fairrest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature
O Thou of God and man the Son
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown!

The Lord's Prayer
Our father who art in Heaven
Hallowed be thy name.
They kingdom come, they will be done,
On earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the
glory, forever
and ever.
Amen.

Oceans
I will call upon Your Name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

You Say
You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing
You say I am strong when I think I am weak
You say I am held when I am falling short
When I don't belong, oh, You say that I am Yours
And I believe

The Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

Chain Breaker
If you've got pain, He's a pain taker
If you feel lost, He's a waymaker
If you need freedom or saving
He's a prison-shaking Savior
If you've got chains, He's a chain breaker

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We Respond to God's Word with Our Giving

Friends, we may not be together in person today as we worship, but the ministry of our church goes on. During this time when we are apart, we are still in need financial support for our ministry.

You're invited to take out your checkbook in these moments. As you write out your offering, be prayerful with each letter and number. In times such as these, when money becomes tight and our economy in under strain, God invites us to be generous and give what we can. These are gifts we freely give, as we are able and as we are called.

We ask that you please mail in your offerings to our office.

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***The Doxology** (Please sing the version that is most meaningful to you)

Version 1

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Version 2

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.*

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***We Give Thanks (unison) – All that we have, all that we give this day, Holy One, already belongs to you. Bless these, our gifts, and give us vision to use them to glorify you. Amen.+**

Song 3

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

We Are Sent Forth with a Blessing

Shine your light wherever you may be. Go forth this day to love and serve the LORD. Amen.

Worship Notes:

= Kimberly Bracken Long. Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 1: Advent through Pentecost. Westminster John Knox Press. Kindle Edition. +UCC Worship Ways

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