

WORSHIP WITH ZION Summer 2024

The 5th Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude

No Other Name

Serve & Enrich Zion United Church

of Christ

Gathering—Inhale the calming presence of God, then exhale the chaos wreaking havoc on your hearts. As Christ speaks, "Peace! Be still," feel your spirit relax and release the tempest all around.~

**Hymn

Be Still, for the Spirit of the Lord, 129

Prayer—Holy Breath of Life, we enter this space searching for sacred peace. May the winds of this hour be quiet and calming. May the waters of this day be as peaceful as a pond. May our hearts find the tranquility we desire. May we fill the air with sweet songs of joy.

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.

Exploring God's Word for All Ages—Storytime: A Storm

We Hear God's Word—Mark 4:35-41 (NRSV)

35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

Anchor in the Storm

When Peace Like a River, 428

We Respond to God's Word with Our Giving

Invitation—God's boundless generosity transcends the limits of this world and nudges us to fill our land with blessing. Through our energy, time, talents, and treasures, we usher God's peace into a world filled with storms and obstacles.~

Opportunities to Serve

June Benevolence—Our Church's Wider Mission

Doxology

We Give Thanks—We are always rejoicing, Holy One, for your many gifts in our lives. Even when we have nothing, you make us feel as if we have everything. May these gifts usher peace into our world, that all may know of your love and touch your grace. Amen.~

Hymn

How Can I Keep from Singing, 424

Benediction—May the breezes of the Spirit calm our hearts as we share God's presence with the world. May the peace of Christ pacify our engulfed minds as we go to care for our neighbors. The Holy One is our source of peace, today and forevermore. Amen.~

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Meditation

Hymn