#### **Zion United Methodist Church**

## Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 2025

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

WELCOME

INTROIT

† CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 65

L: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer prayer!

- P: To you all flesh shall come. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive us, you forgive our transgressions.
- L: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation.
- P: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

† HYMN Gather Us In Insert

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord, this solemn prayer comes from deep desire, may our lives be as pure as candle fire. Let our every breath dispel the world's gloom, let our spirit glow so brightly that darkness meets its doom. May we be faithfully drawn to learning as the moth is drawn to the candle's burning. May our lives be devoted to serving the needy and to loving a sorrowful, ever suffering humanity. Lead us away from the path of temptation. O Lord, let truth alone be our destination. Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Joel 2:27-32

<sup>27</sup> You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. <sup>28</sup> Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. <sup>29</sup> Even on the male and female slaves, in those days I will pour out my spirit. <sup>30</sup> I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. <sup>31</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. <sup>32</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved, for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those

who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

#### CHILDREN'S TIME

† HYMN Just as I Am, Without One Plea UMH #357

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 18:9-14

<sup>9</sup> He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: <sup>10</sup> "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup> The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' <sup>13</sup> But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' <sup>14</sup> I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

MESSAGE "Ain't About Me!" Rev. David Magruder

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed UMH #881

† GLORIA PATRI UMH #70

† HYMN How Great Thou Art UMH #77

† BENEDICTION

† Stand as you are able



# **Annual Church Bazaar**

NEXT Saturday, November 1 9 am – 2 pm

Handmade Crafts
Baked Goods
Homemade Fruitcakes
Clam Chowder
Hot Dogs
White Elephant Sale
And MORE!



### **Lectionary for October/November 2025**

November 2	November 9	November 16	November 23
Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4	Haggai 1:15b-2:9	Isaiah 65:17-25	Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalm 119:137-144	Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21	Psalm 118	Luke 1:68-79
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12	2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17	2 Thes 3:6-13	Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 19:1-10	Luke 20:27-38	Luke 21:5-19	Luke 23:33-43

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Zion's Mission Statement: By following Jesus Christ, we live to bring glory to God as we use our gifts to grow, share, nurture, and serve.

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