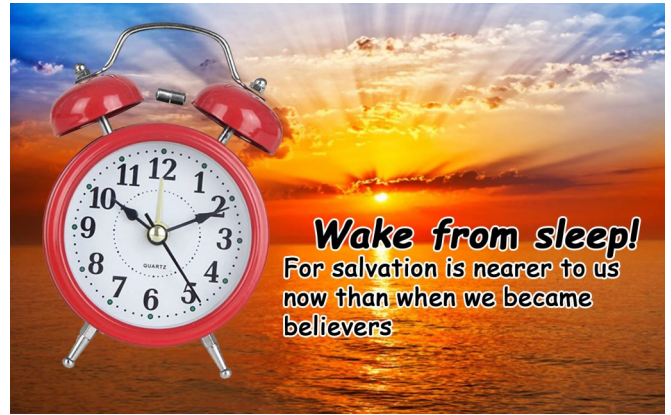


Sixteenth Sunday  
after  
**Pentecost**  
September 17, 2023

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

✚ *Please stand in body or in spirit*



PRELUDES ..... Praise Team (Attached)  
My Lighthouse ..... Rend Collective  
Down to the River to Pray ..... Alison Krauss  
Signs ..... Five Man Electrical Band

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✚ CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: In the midst of the congregation I will praise you.  
**C: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name!**  
L: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name for ever and ever.  
**C: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and God's greatness is unsearchable.**

✚ OPENING PRAYER

✚ HYMN: "O, How I Love Jesus" ..... UMH 170

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 14:19-31 ..... Tom Wilson

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks Be to God**

ANTHEM: "Impossible Things" ..... Praise Team

PSALTER: Psalm 99 ..... UMH 819

Prayer

EPISTLE READING: Romans 13:8-14 ..... Tom Wilson

L: These are the words of God for the people of God

**C: Thanks Be to God**

MESSAGE: *What Do We Owe?* ..... Pastor Tonya

✚ HYMN: "Close to Thee" ..... UMH 407

✚ APOSTLES CREED ..... UMH 881

**PURPLE PULPIT SUNDAY** ..... Bob Willey, Mary June McGinnis

PRAYER, PRAISES, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

OFFERING PRAYER

✚ DOXOLOGY

***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.***

✚ HYMN: "Amazing Grace" ..... UMH 378

✚ BENEDICTION



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
*G. Edwin Howard, Jr., for his September 23 birthday,*  
by his family.

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**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUN., SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**

Philippians 1:21-30    Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45    Exodus 16:2-15

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Sound:	Charley Lednum	Accompanist:	Irene Howard
Greeter:	Debbie Thomas	Choir Director:	Karla Wilkins
Videographer:	Brandon Crawford or Charley Lednum	Pastor:	Tonya McClain

**ATTENDANCE**

Sun., September 10, 2023

In-person      33                      Online      16

**Zion's Mission Statement**

The mission of Zion UMC is to provide a loving community to welcome all who seek a Gospel-based commitment with Jesus Christ, through which their relationship with Him can thrive and to provide opportunities to serve others in His name.

**Zion's Core Values**

- Worship is the core of our life together.
- We are family.
- We grow disciples.
- We honor God by serving others.
- We live as God's stewards.
- We respect our heritage.

**OTHER INFORMATION**

Praise and Prayer Concerns may be texted to 302-536-8136.

They will not be read during today's service, but added to next week's list.

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