

Seventeenth Sunday
after
Pentecost
September 24, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

✦ *Please stand in body or in spirit*



Jesus Teaching in the Temple

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF CANDLES FOR WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY – Scotland

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP—Bali:

L: Rejoice people of God! Celebrate the life within you, and Christ's presence in your midst.

C: Our eyes shall be opened! The present will have new meaning and the future will be bright with hope.

L: Rejoice, people of God! Bow your heads before the One who is our wisdom and our strength.

C: We place ourselves before our God that we may be touched and cleaned by the power of God's Spirit.

✦ OPENING PRAYER—Brazil

✦ HYMN: "We Are The Church" UMH 558

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 17:1-7 Olivia Schunick

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks Be to God

ANTHEM Choir

PSALTER: Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Prayer

✦ GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21:23-32 Olivia Schunick

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

C: Thanks Be to God

MESSAGE: *Authority, Trust, and the Kingdom of God* Pastor Tonya

✦ HYMN: "One Bread, One Body" UMH 620

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY Attached

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: "Trust and Obey" UMH 467

✦ BENEDICTION—Japan

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Eulah Lee & J. Emory Legg
by Faye & Albanus Phillips

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUN., OCTOBER 8, 2023

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19 Matthew 21:33-46

THANK YOU!

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The Beacon for mailing.
Your time and efforts are very much appreciated!*

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

ATTENDANCE

Sun., September 24, 2023

In-person	32	Online	24
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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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