

Word and Work

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. We extend a special welcome to our guests.

For Children: We have trained nursery staff (paid nursery attendant as well as adult volunteers) for ages 0-4. The nursery is located on the first floor outside of the Community Room. (Accessible by the stairs from the Church Street Entrance or via the elevator). Children ages 5 and above are invited to stay and worship with their families. Children's programs, books, and crayons are located in the rear of the sanctuary near the welcome table.



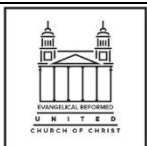
Hymn selections can be found in the black hymnals in the pew racks or printed in the bulletin. If you are visiting and did not stop at the welcome desk in the downstairs lobby please stop by after the service they would love to meet you or, please feel free to reach out to someone sitting near you and ask them questions about the service or church. Many of our visitors ask us about the time of offering. This is a time in our service when we respond to God's gifts of love by offering the gifts of our lives. For many of us, this is when we make a financial gift towards the ministries and programs of our church. We also use this time to ask God how we might use the gifts of our hands and hearts in sharing God's love. If you are visiting, there is no obligation to give a financial gift. We are just glad you are worshipping with us. At this time, we are taking offering at the end of the service. Plates for offering will be placed at the doors as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you.

We ask that you please silence your cell phones during our worship service. We also ask that you refrain from applause after our choirs sing and allow the music to resonate in the quiet of the sanctuary and in your hearts. Our musicians are playing and singing for the glory of God. They know you appreciate their efforts and their gift.

Rest rooms (equipped with changing stations) are located on the first floor of the church building and outside the Community Room and the Nursery.

There is much information about the church in this bulletin and our website: www.erucc.org.

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EVANGELICAL REFORMED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

- An Open and Affirming Congregation -

July 17, 2022

10:30 am

The numbered hymns are from The New Century Hymnal

*All who are able may stand

Chimes Concert at 10:00 am from Trinity Chapel's steeple

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

In the presence of the faithful, let us proclaim God's name.

In the presence of the faithful, let us praise God's holy name.

In times of joy and pain,

In the presence of the faithful, let us praise God's holy name.

Whether serving at table, or in the streets, or on the mountaintops,

In the presence of the faithful, let us praise God's holy name.

In our learning and teaching, and all of our growing,

In the presence of the faithful, let us praise God's holy name.

Come, let us worship God.

*Opening Prayer

Come into our lives, Jesus.

Help us to be faithful listeners.

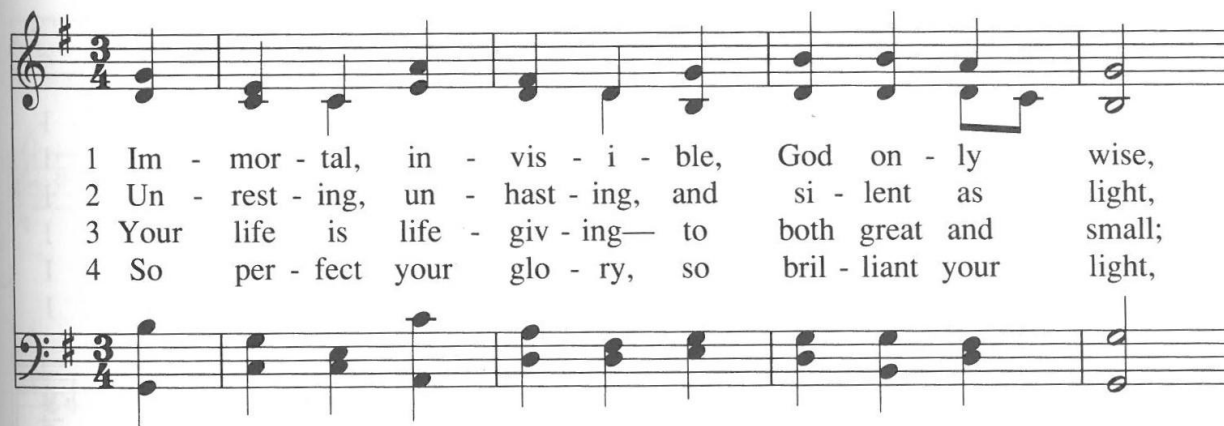
Help us to be faithful servants.

In all that we do, may we welcome you

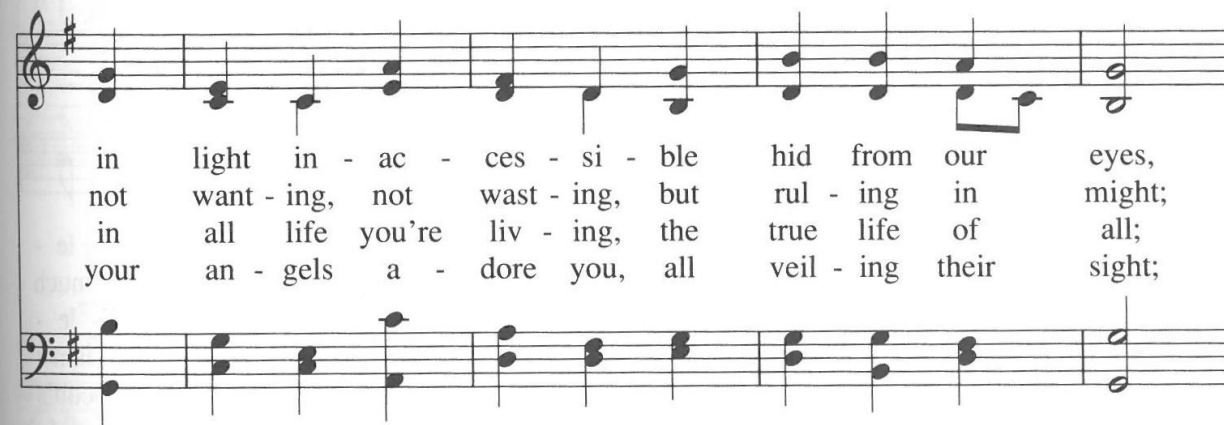
and serve you as disciples. Amen.

*Opening Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

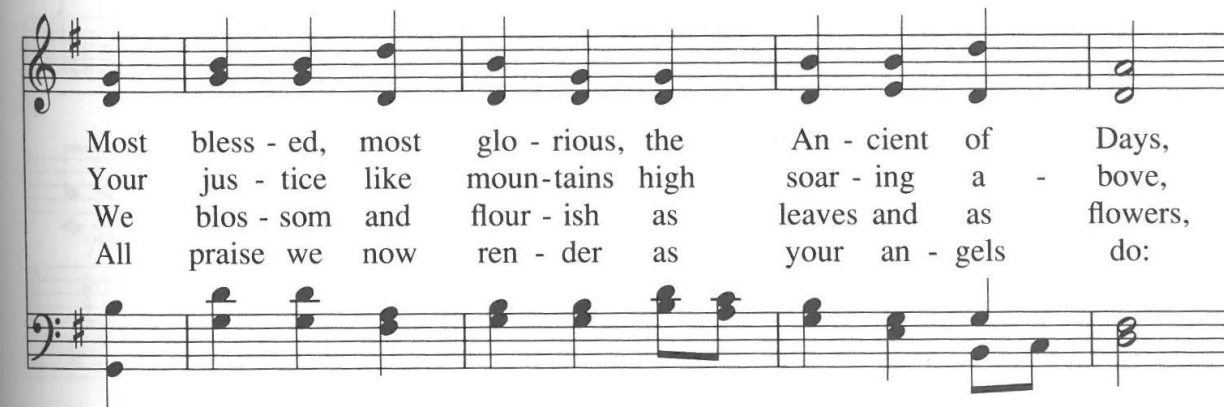
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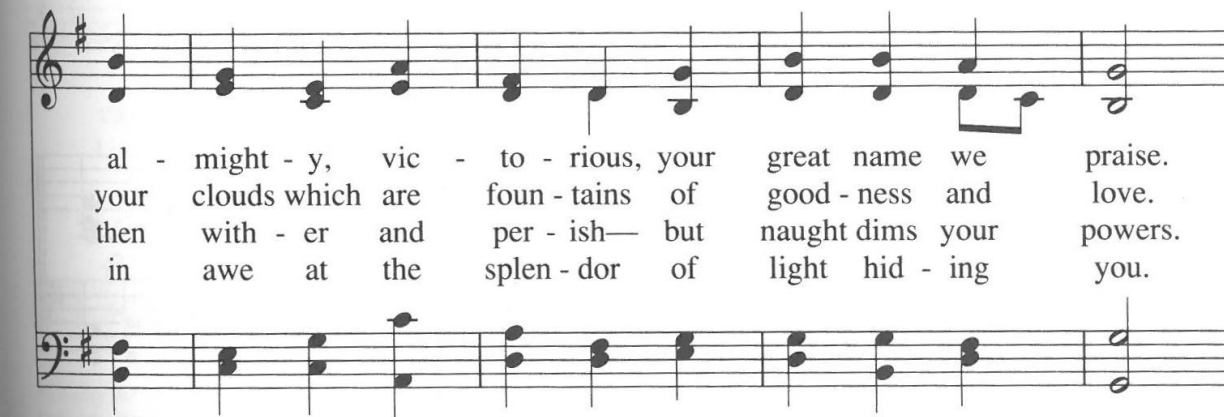
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 Your life is life - giv - ing— to both great and small;
4 So per - fect your glo - ry, so bril - liant your light,



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
not want - ing, not wast - ing, but rul - ing in might;
in all life you're liv - ing, the true life of all;
your an - gels a - dore you, all veil - ing their sight;



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
Your jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove,
We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves and as flowers,
All praise we now ren - der as your an - gels do:



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise.
your clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
then with - er and per - ish— but naught dims your powers.
in awe at the splen - dor of light hid - ing you.

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

God of love and patience, we take this moment to pause, and confess those times when we are too busy for you, for one another, and for ourselves.

(Pause.)

Forgive us when we are too busy to spend time in prayer and listen in our hearts for your word in our lives.

Forgive us when we are too busy to notice the needs of others.

Forgive us when we are too busy to stop what we are doing and help one another, or laugh with one another, or simply even notice one another.

Forgive us when life becomes overwhelming, and we do not even take time for our own needs.

Help us to listen to your voice within our hearts, calling us back to center our lives with you. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, making peace with all things, on earth and in heaven. This same God offers us forgiveness for all our sins. We are invited to dwell in God's house, to grow in God's garden, to sit at Jesus' feet. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Thought for the Day

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 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, for ever. Amen.

1 Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our God we come and pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's bur - dens bear,
4 When we are called to part it gives us in - ward pain,

The shar - ing of a com - mon life is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
And of - ten for each oth - er flows a sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Blessed Be the Tie that Binds'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the final four lines. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with clear phrasing.

The Scripture

Colossians 1: 15-28 NT page 200

Luke 10:38-42 NT page 72

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Morning Prayers

Mission Moment

Kris Fair
The Frederick Center

Offering of Tithes, Gifts and Lives to Christ's Service

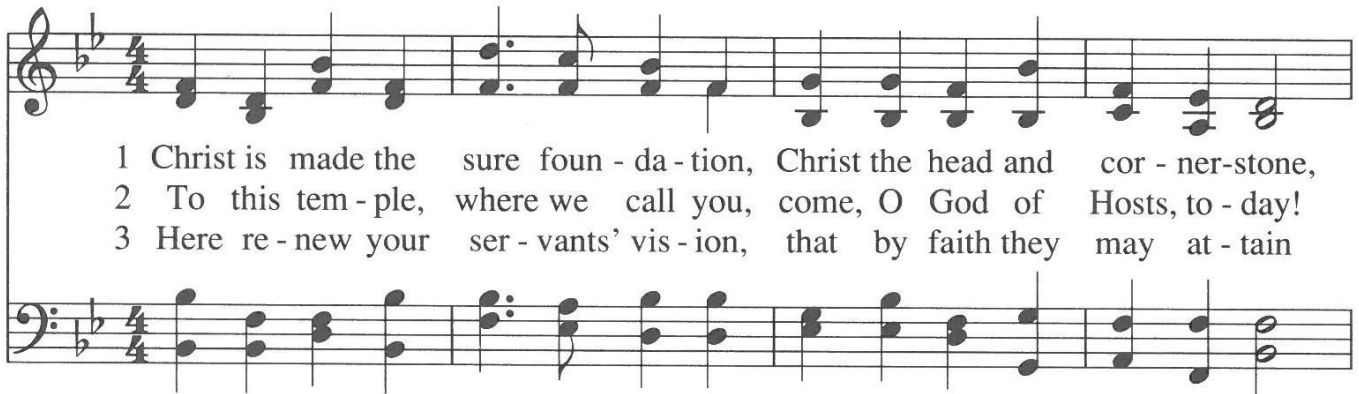
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*Prayer of Dedication

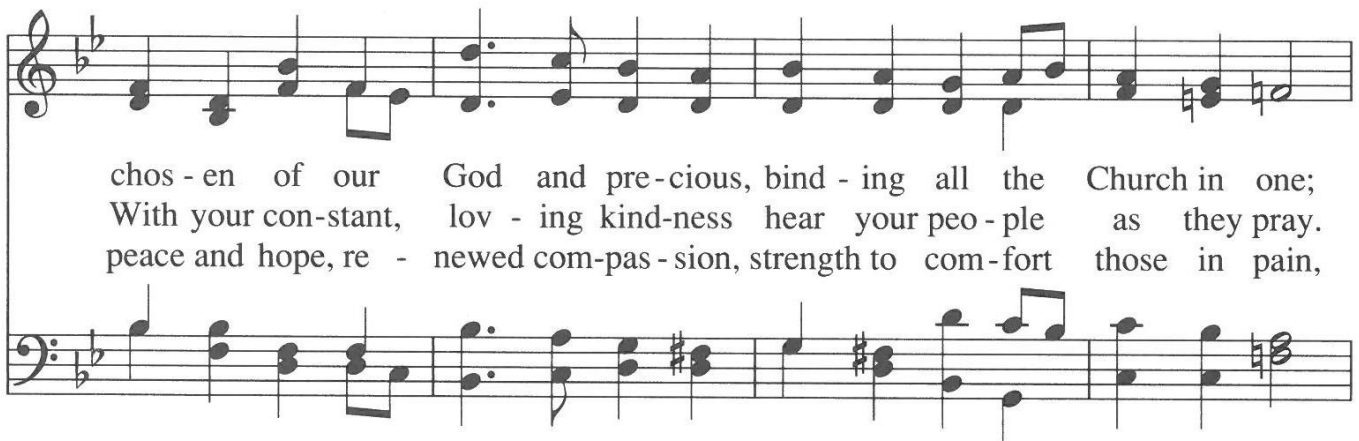
We bring to you the fruits of the earth, the work of our hands, and the gifts of our hearts, O God. And with them, we bring a yearning for justice, a passion for good, and a commitment to do your will. May our words and our works help to declare your goodness, we pray. Amen.

*Closing Hymn *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

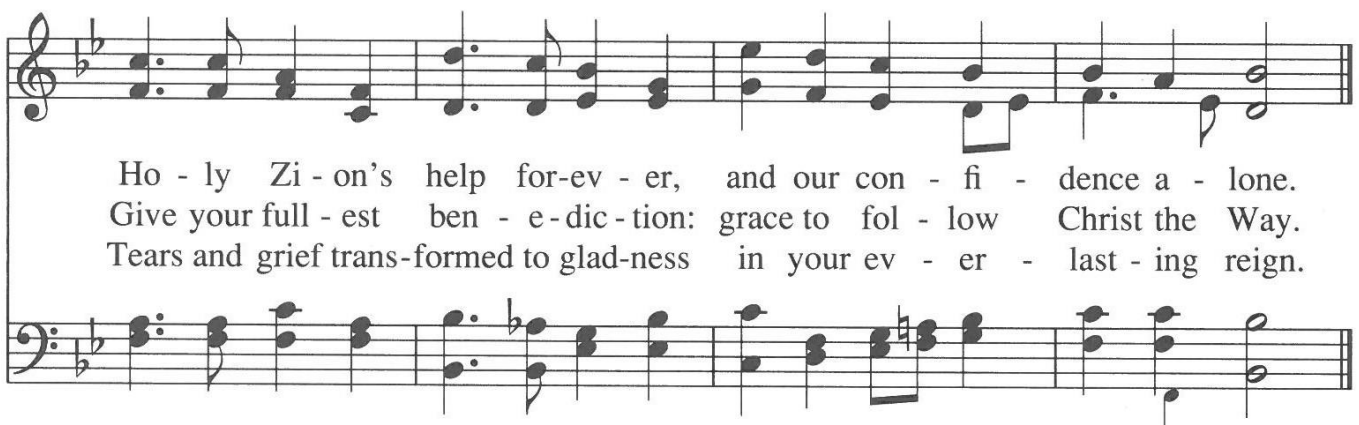
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1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner - stone,
2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O God of Hosts, to - day!
3 Here re - new your ser - vants' vis - ion, that by faith they may at - tain



chos - en of our God and pre - cious, bind - ing all the Church in one;
With your con - stant, lov - ing kind - ness hear your peo - ple as they pray.
peace and hope, re - newed com - pas - sion, strength to com - fort those in pain,



Ho - ly Zi - on's help for - ev - er, and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
Give your full - est ben - e - dic - tion: grace to fol - low Christ the Way.
Tears and grief trans - formed to glad - ness in your ev - er - last - ing reign.

***Benediction**

Go from this place in peace to the place where God asks you to serve this week. The blessings of God, our host and our guest, bless you in all tasks that are yours. **Amen.**

****Threefold Amen***

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Postlude (*please be seated*)

The flowers on the altar this morning are given in loving memory of Melanie Hoffman, my friend and mentor, by Ann McGreevy.

The yellow rose bud is presented by Peter Brehm and Jack Day.

Attendance Last Sunday: 17 at 8:30 am, 162 at 10:30 am, and 58 online.

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Worship
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<https://sundaystreams.com/go/ERUCC>



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Visit our YouTube channel: bit.ly/erucc_youtube

Today: July 17, 2022

Liturgist: Tadd Clarkson
Deacons: Matt Davis, Harrison Fisher
Elder: Marc Kline
Greeters: Tom and Rachel Ford,
Felecia Bishop
Welcome: Julie Clark, Holly Davis
Audio/Visual: Rodney Martin, Jeff Schaeberle
Ethan Kline
Fellowship: Julie Clark, Joe Adkins, Quynn
Chimers: *Saturday:* Dick Williams
Sunday: Robin and David Cooney

Next Week: July 24, 2022

Peg Stahler
Betsy Selby, Andrew Beadle
Gerry Blessing
Cliff Barr, Kathleen Goebel
Sue Pinner
Pat Condo, Marj Berkheimer
Jeff Schaeberle, Jeff Baker
Kelly Esslinger
Laura Rhoderick, Pat Dorsz
Suzanne Morris
Kelly Esslinger

FELLOWSHIP



Please join us for fellowship in the Community Room after worship to chat with friends, welcome our visitors, and enjoy a time of refreshment. The Community Room, located on the 1st floor, is accessible by stairs or elevator.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Next Week

We are called to listen to God's word of grace, and then let it shape our living. Christ changes all priorities, cutting through distracting social expectations. Colossians 1:15–28 portrays Christ at the center of everything; the universe is being reconciled to God through Christ. The Gospel lesson, Luke 10:38–42, tells the story of Jesus' visit to the home of Mary and Martha.

Rev. Rebecca Shillingburg will be preaching this morning.

Hospital and Prayer List – Your pastor wants to be available when members of ERUCC are in the hospital. Please let us know so that we can visit with you and your family and provide support. We always ask permission before adding a name to be included in the prayer list or in the verbal announcements on a Sunday morning. There are many for whom we pray and visit whose names are not listed in the bulletin by their request.

Prayer List - Please remember the following people in your prayers: Cliff Barr, Mary Ellen Baker, Pat Hevner, David Cooney, Jeannette Johnson, Barbara Rhoads, Starr Schaeberle, Nancy Tordoff (mother of Kim Sexton), Mike Farner (friend of Darryl Glick and Mark Ulrich), Jackie Keyser (sister-in-law of Betsy and Phil Selby), Tamara Tamas, Patti Patterson, Barbara Lee Crutchley (sister of Milt Crutchley), Marcy Channell (daughter of JoAnn Fritz), Mack Johnson, Paige Coffey, Jane Doll, Westin (great nephew of Sandy Gray & Danielle Carbone), Peggy Githerman, Jeannette Johnson, Emogene Wyand, Fran Wenner, Neremiah Castillo (niece of Andrew Beadle), Bonnie Devilbiss, Maria Csiba (mother of Tamara Tamas), Betsy Fisher, James "Jimmy" Sutphin (friend of Dan Smith), The McCarty family, Nikki Keller, Tina Prescott (daughter in law of Barbara and Bill Prescott), Mary Remsberg, Heleen (sister of Karin Mens), Kathy Blue Shores (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Gretchen Manuel (niece of Audrey Rayfield), Ann and Cal Theiss (parents of Katharine Alley), Debra Reedy (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser).

David Cooney
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STAY INFORMED

Read our Trinity Chimes monthly newsletter for more information about ERUCC activities, opportunities, and updates. You can find the Trinity Chimes in the back of the sanctuary and online at bit.ly/July22Chimes.

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, Thursday Thoughts, or Trinity Chimes, please send to erucc@erucc.org.

Sunday Education Opportunities for Adults

BIBLE STUDY CLASS with Reverends John & Rebecca Shillingburg

This class is on hiatus in July.

LET'S TALK

Community Room

9:30 – 10:15 am

Today: The Frederick Center! The Frederick Center exists to support and advocate for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ+) people and our families so we thrive, and are accepted and affirmed, in the broader Frederick community. Kris Fair will fill us in on the resources, strategies, and activities of the Frederick Center and how ERUCC supports that work.

Next Week: Frederick and ERUCC History! ERUCC has been creating community since 1748. Join Bud Rossig for a tour of Trinity Chapel with great stories about Frederick through the ages. From the chimes to the secret stained-glass window to the town clock and steeple, Trinity Chapel is brimming with Frederick history. Don't miss this opportunity to tour with one of our best church historians. Meet in the community room at 9:30 to join the tour.

This Week at ERUCC

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY LISTENING SESSIONS

As Kim Sexton's ministry with us as Associate Minister for Children's Ministries concludes, it is important for our congregation to take time to reflect on what we should start, stop, and continue as it relates to what and how we are sharing in our ministry with children and their families.

With thanks for his help, David Cooney has agreed to facilitate Listening Sessions:

Sunday, July 17 Community Room, *babysitting provided* during Fellowship

Wednesday, July 20 Community Room, *babysitting provided* 6:00 pm

GOD'S KIDS CLUB – BIBLE TRIVIA

Friday, July 22

Zoom

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Join us as we answer questions about the Bible.

Zoom: tinyurl.com/bdd8wjyx

Meeting ID: 810 3312 7723

Passcode: 668761

Upcoming at ERUCC

GREEN TEAM – COMMUNITY GARDEN

Select dates through August 6

8:00 – 10:00 am

Help in the Community Garden near the Frederick News Post building on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings. Get some fresh air and exercise, enjoy the company of other volunteers, and help get food to folks in our community who need access to fresh vegetables.

Sign up: bit.ly/3LtuBBc

ERUCC BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, July 26

Contact Pam Shepp for more information

Liz Coffey Room / Zoom

7:00 pm

The Last Chance Library by Freya Sampson

Read a book synopsis in Trinity Chimes at bit.ly/July22Chimes.

WORK DAY AT THE CHURCH

Saturday, August 6

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Come and help with painting, cleaning, moving things, and who knows what. Owen York and members of the Property Committee will be on hand to organize and supervise your activities. Please contact Owen York, owenjork@gmail.com, if you can help.

INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT ERUCC?

If you are interested in learning more about ERUCC, the United Church of Christ, and what it means to be a church member, we hope you join us at one of the following opportunities:

Sunday, August 7

Community Room

11:45 am – 12:45 pm

Sunday, August 21

Zoom

7:00 – 8:00 pm

Zoom: bit.ly/ER0821

Meeting ID: 824 9521 1145

Passcode: 343455

We will be receiving new members into the church on Sunday, August 28 at the 10:30 am service. Thanks to our newer friends and guests for your participation in the life of ERUCC and for the joy you bring us.

Additional Announcements

SUMMER COINS FOR A CAUSE



The Coins for a Cause collection through August will be shared with The Frederick Center, a 501c3 organization that serves the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) communities. Since its inception in 2012, The Frederick Center has grown into a well-respected organization advocating and supporting our community which now proudly bolsters over 500 program events each year. They are leaders in advocacy and education. They have an HIV test kit distribution program, and over eight support groups open to the public.

Coins for A Cause is a program of ERUCC's Mission and Social Action Committee to support organizations that make a difference locally that are not supported in our annual budget. Donations can be placed in the jars at the back of the sanctuary near the collection plates.

ADVOCATES FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, September 19

Clustered Spires Golf Club



All proceeds will benefit Frederick County homeless individuals and families with children. All golfers receive a light breakfast, lunch, use of practice facilities, and 18 holes of golf. Lunch will be served after the tournament, followed by raffle drawing, door prize drawings, and individual and team prizes. \$125 per golfer. Sponsorship opportunities are also available.

To register, please go to www.ahfgolf.com before August 19, 2022. For questions, please contact: Ken Allread, Executive Director, 301-662-2003 or kallread@afhf88.org.

ERUCC Youth Schedule

HELP WITH SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Wednesday, August 3

Frederick Stake

8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Join Pastor Daniel at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints as we sort through school supplies to be shared with young people attending schools in the City of Frederick. Come for an hour or two or the entire time. Please let Pastor Daniel know if you are able to come. This can count as service hours for school and or Scouts.

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DEDICATION OF THE 2023 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Sunday, August 7

Worship Service

10:30 am

PARTY

Sunday, August 7

hosted by the Coffeys

5:00 – 7:00 pm

Plan to come this evening as we welcome the newest members of our youth group, plan for the coming year, and bless those youth heading off to college. The church will provide the meat and drinks. We ask that you bring sides, salads, and desserts.

YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, August 21

6:00 – 7:30 pm

Healthy Tools for a New School Year with Dr. Alison Bomba

Opportunities to Use Your Gifts at ERUCC

FELLOWSHIP

Consider helping with Fellowship! It's a great way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, births, or baptisms with your church family. We all want to celebrate your joy. Helping with fellowship can be as easy as helping set up before worship, helping to serve during Fellowship after service, or bringing a special treat to share.

Contact Laura Rhoderick or Starr Schaeberle, or sign up to share your gifts of hospitality at bit.ly/ERUCC_fellowship.

EVENT HOSPITALITY AND SUPPORT

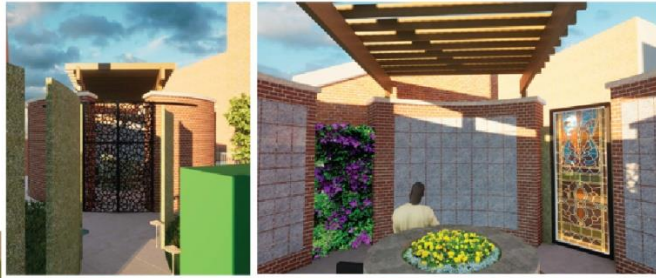


Please consider giving your time as we extend ERUCC's hospitality to the community of people using our spaces for their milestone life events, business meetings, and community gatherings. In supporting at these events, you are helping to fulfill our mission to do good work in Frederick and beyond. Many opportunities to serve in this ministry may only involve a few hours of your time and are often very fulfilling to support.

To help with upcoming events, contact Pastor Daniel or the church office, 301.662.2762, events@erucc.org, or sign up on the bulletin board or online: bit.ly/ERUCC_events_help.



EVANGELICAL REFORMED
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COLUMBARIUM & MEMORIAL GARDEN



Plans are proceeding with the architectural development of our new columbarium and memorial garden. Meetings are scheduled with the Frederick Planning Commission to review the design and scope of the project, before moving onto the Historic Preservation Commission for review.

Assuming all things receive approval, we are moving forward with the sale of niches in order to fund the construction of the structure.

\$10,000 Top-tier Leadership niche (12"x12")
\$5,000 Standard niche (8"x8")

Each niche accommodates two urns.

Those interested in securing their final resting place here at ERUCC should contact the committee by email at columbarium@erucc.org or calling the office at 301-662-2762.

This is an exciting opportunity for our church congregation and downtown Frederick!

Word and Work

In today's scripture, two sisters welcome Jesus into their home. Martha bustles about, working in the kitchen and at the table. Mary serves in another way, by deeply listening and learning, growing in her faith and understanding. Within each of us there is both a Mary and a Martha. At times we are ready to work and act, and at times we yearn to learn and grow.

To tend to your inner Mary, put a book or two from The Pilgrim Press on your summer reading list. The United Church of Christ's Pilgrim Press is a bold voice with a rich heritage. The oldest English language publishing tradition in North America, The Pilgrim Press publishes books that nurture spiritual growth, cultivate religious leadership, and provoke the soul for the sake of a just world.

A Pilgrim Press classic, *Water Bugs and Dragonflies*, will be released in a 50th anniversary edition this summer. This gentle guide to talking to children about death, and the mystery of what happens afterwards, includes additional reflections by author Doris Stickney.

You may also want to check out *Intentional Leadership* by Sarah B. Drummond. Drummond serves as Founding Dean of Andover Newton Seminary at Yale Divinity School, and she writes and teaches extensively about leadership and ministry in formation.

Also, look for *Fat Church*, coming out this summer from The Pilgrim Press. We are all made in the image of God, or the *imago dei*. This book is a critique of how the church participates in fat shaming and diet culture in ways that contradict our foundational belief in *imago dei*.

We are all pilgrims, striving after insight in life and faith. There is within each of us a Mary, wanting only to learn and grow. The Pilgrim Press is a daring adventurer and trusted companion along the way, bearing testimony that there is "more truth and light yet to break forth."

