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November 17, 2024

9:45 AM

26th Sunday after Pentecost

Guess Who?: A Series Investigating Key Figures of the Bible

Mt. Zion Bible Detectives: Uncovering the Wonders and Mysteries of the Faith

Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are a guest, we invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.

We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back narthex where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We have children's books and activity bags for them to enjoy! Additionally, after the children's message, children from 3 years old—6th grade are invited to participate in Sunday school in our classroom downstairs. They can choose to attend Sunday school or return to their seats to sit with their parents. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS

WEEKLY CLUES

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

arr. Tomlin

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst . . .

C: come worship a God who feeds the hungry.

L: In the midst of a world where people are abused and oppressed . . .

C: come worship a God who calls for compassion and justice.

L: In the midst of a world filled with wars and rumor of war . . .

C: come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace for the world.

L: In the midst of a world of spiritual emptiness . . .

C: come worship a God who gives life meaning.

L: Come worship a God whose grace and love know no end.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 2223 FWS** (see below)

They'll Know We Are Christians by our Love

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Peter Scholtes

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Piano 

1. We are one in the Spir-it, we are one in the
2. We will walk with each oth-er, we will walk hand in
3. We will work with each oth-er, we will work side by
4. All praise to the Fa-ther, from whom all things

5 

Lord, we are one in the Spir-it, we are one in the
hand, we will walk with each oth-er we will walk hand in
side, we will work with each oth-er we will work side by
come, and all praise to Christ Je-sus, God's on - ly

9 

Lord, and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re -
hand, and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our
side, and we'll guard hu-man dig - ni - ty and save hu-man
Son, and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us

13 

- stored: and they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our
land:
pride:
one:

17 

love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love. _____

***TIME OF CONFESSION2**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,

C: we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others.

We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 295 NCH (v. 1)

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

ALL SING: I sing a song of the saints of God, faithful their whole lives through, who bravely labored lived and died for the God they loved and knew. And one was a doctor and one was a queen and another a shepherd in pastures green. They were saints of God if you know what I mean God help me to be one too.

KID'S MESSAGE

WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM

Remember Me

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Guess Who? Scriptures

MISSION TESTIMONY

Sandie Walker, Mr. Sandy's Homeless Veterans Center

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 575 NCH (black hymnal—see next page)

O for a World

O For a World

Miriam Winter

Carl Glaser

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Piano

1. O for a world where
 2. O for a world where
 3. We wel - come one world
 4. The poor are rich, the
 5. O for a world pre -

3

ev - ery - one re - spects each - oth - er's
 goods are shared and mis - er - y re -
 fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each
 weak are strong, the fool - ish ones are
 - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of

5

ways, Where love is lived and
 - lieved, Where truth is spo - ken,
 choice That o - pens us to
 wise. Tell all who mourn: out -
 peace, Where time and tears will

7

all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
 chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
 u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
 - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
 be no more, and all but love will cease.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

A TIME FOR SHARING

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY & DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY

In Silence and Peace

by Lawton

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING HYMN NO. 588 NCH (black hymnal, see below)

Let Justice Flow Like Streams

Let Justice Flow Like Streams

Jane Parker Huber, 1984

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Piano 

1. Let jus - tice flow like streams of
2. Let righ - teous - ness roll on as
3. So may God's plumb line, straight, de -

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spark-ling wa - ter pure, en - a - bling growth, re -
oth - ers' cares we heed, an ev - er - flow - ing
fine our mea - sure true, and jus - tice, right, and

7



- fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant cleans - ing, sure.
stream of faith trans - lat - ed in - to deed.
peace per - vade this world our whole life through.

References

¹ The Call to Worship is from Sacraments and Seasons: Peacemaking Through Worship from Presbyterian Peacemaking Program.

²The Prayer of Confession is from the Book of Common Worship, p. 54
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Thank you to all serving in worship this morning!

Welcome Team Members—John & Connie Wolfe, Jeff & Nancy Sleeper

Liturgist— Carol Hartman

Tech Team—Deb Herlocker, Jack Herlocker, John Kollasch