

ZION EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH

139th ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Rev. Dr. Zacharia Mandara

Our Mission Statement

"To be a welcoming, Christ-centered community, empowered to share God's love and to make disciples for Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, teaching, prayer, and acts of caring."

Pianist—*Shelley Jodoin*

Organist—*Sandra Allen*

Guest Musicians—*Kirsten Wayman, Peter Boczar,
Alex Lambermont*

Prelude

"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Welcome / Announcements

Introductions Sherry Blaedow

Hymn	<i>We're Marching To Zion</i>	#416
	<i>Standing On The Promises</i>	#410

Call to Worship

"O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good: for His mercy endures forever." Beloved in Christ, we gather in this holy place to celebrate one hundred and thirty-nine years of God's faithfulness. From generation to generation, the Lord has sustained His Church and guided His people by His mighty hand.

The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad. We come with grateful hearts, rejoicing in His steadfast love and enduring grace.

Through trials and triumphs, through seasons of change and growth, God has been our refuge and strength, a very present help in times of trouble.

You, O Lord, remain forever, Your throne from generation to generation. We bless the name of the Lord, who has preserved His Church and prospered His work among us.

As we stand upon the foundation laid by those who came before us, let us lift our hearts in worship and our voices in praise to the One who is “the same yesterday, and today, and forever.”

To God be the glory for one hundred and thirty-nine years of grace and goodness! Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Let us worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness, and for things yet to come. Come, let us worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.

Violin & Organ Solo

Kirsten Waymann

Peter Boczar

“Adagio”

by Tomaso Giovanni Albinoni

Prayer

Eternal and gracious God, we enter Your gates with thanksgiving and Your courts with praise. For one hundred and thirty-nine years, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Your mercies have never failed us; Your faithfulness is new every morning.

We thank You for the vision of our founders, for the labour of those who built upon that foundation, and for the grace that has kept this congregation standing as a light in the community. May this service be a sweet offering of praise unto You, and may Your presence fill this house as in days of old. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Children's Time

Solo

Burton Maves

“My Father Watches Over Me”

Prayer for Understanding

Eternal and all-wise God, we bow before You in reverence and humility, acknowledging that all wisdom and understanding come from You alone. Open our eyes, O Lord, that we may behold wondrous things out of Your Word. Grant us minds to discern Your truth, hearts to receive it in faith, and the courage to live according to Your will. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Juanita Cooper

1 Chronicles 16: 7-12 (pg 406)

Responsive Reading

Psalms 105: 1-6

Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name;
make known among the nations what he has done.

Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.

Remember the wonders he has done,

his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,

O descendants of Abraham his servant,

O sons of Jacob, his chosen ones.

Matthew: 16: 13-20 (pg 950)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

Message

“A Legacy of Faith, A Future of Hope”

Cello Solo **Alex Lambermont**
“Courante from the First Cello Suite”
(Composed by Johann Sebastian Bach)

Hymn ***Wonderful Grace Of Jesus*** **#338**

Choir ***“Garment Of Praise”***

Faithful God, for one hundred and thirty-nine years, you have sustained this church through the gifts, service, and sacrifices of your people. Today we bring our offerings in thanksgiving for those who came before us, and in hope for the generations yet to come.

Prayer of Dedication for the Offering

We acknowledge that it is You who gives us power to gain wealth, and You who supplies all our needs according to Your riches in glory. Bless these offerings, O Lord. Let them bear fruit in ministries of love, justice, and mercy. May every dollar given and every act of service offered bring honor to Your holy name and glory to Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anniversary Thanksgiving Prayer

Almighty God, our hearts overflow with gratitude as we celebrate one hundred and thirty-nine years of Your goodness. Truly, “the Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.”

We thank You for every soul saved, every prayer answered, every life transformed, and every generation strengthened through this ministry. Thank You for pastors, leaders, and members past and present who have served faithfully in Your vineyard.

Lord, continue to make this church a beacon of hope, a house of prayer, and a vessel of Your truth.

Let Your Holy Spirit guide us into new seasons of fruitfulness, unity, and love. To You alone be all the glory, honor, and praise, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

O Lord, as we mark this 139th Anniversary, we rededicate ourselves and this church to Your service. As for us and our house, we will serve the Lord.

Renew in us a spirit of holiness, humility, and compassion. May we not be conformed to this world, but transformed by the renewing of our minds, that we may prove what is the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God. Amen.

Hymn

Revive Us Again

#434

Service of The Sacrament

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, Almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn praising You and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg you, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit.

Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament.

Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us. To you alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray,
Our Father...

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. “

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. grant us peace.

Distribution of Sacraments

“Just As I Am”

#488

(Sung softly by choir during Communion)

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that in Your mercy You would strengthen in us through the same in faith toward You, a fervent love toward one another, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Violin & Piano Solo

Kirsten Waymann

Peter Boczar

“Romanze Andante from Eine klein Nachtmusik”

(Composed by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart)

Hymn

Victory In Jesus

#353

Benediction

As we go forth from this sacred celebration of one hundred and thirty-nine years of God’s faithfulness, may the favour of the Lord, our God rest upon us, and may He establish the work of our hands for His glory. Now unto Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus, throughout all generations, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Hymn

To God Be The Glory

#56

Postlude

“How Great Thou Art”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Zion,

Greetings to everyone and thank you for joining us. Happy 139th Anniversary Zion! Today, we can reminisce on days gone by and think of those who helped to build Zion. We are blessed to be here together today, still going. May we continue to use the wisdom gained from our past to inspire new experiences.

We extend a warm welcome today to our Wesley friends who have come out for our service and to sing in our choir. We are so grateful for our musical guests who graciously accepted our invitation to come share their special musical gifts and talents with us today. Thank you so much to Kirsten Waymann, Peter Boczar, and Alex Lambermont. We very much appreciate Sandra Allen and Shelley Jodoin for giving their time to organize today's music.

***A Potluck Luncheon** will follow our service today to celebrate our Anniversary Sunday. Everyone is always welcome! Thank you to all our volunteers who contribute to this special time of fellowship.*

***The Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council Fall Meeting** has a different format. It will be divided into five meetings, and hosted by five different churches across the region on the same day. On **Saturday, November 1st**, Zion will host one of these meetings in our Fellowship Hall. This meeting is to be a scent-free gathering.*

New Sign Fundraiser

There still are some items you are welcome to purchase for yourself or as gifts in the Fellowship Hall. All proceeds go toward the purchase of our new sign. If you decide to donate to our new sign fundraiser, you can specify on your offering envelope beside, "Building and Improvement Fund".

***October is Food Bank Month.** Our donation box is set out in our entrance. We would greatly appreciate your support for this worthy cause. Monetary donations are also accepted.*

The Food Bank has provided a list of most needed items and has requested that we refrain as much as possible from giving glass containers and items containing high content of sodium.

***The Community Events Bulletin Board** outside of the office has some posts that may be of interest to you. Please check for details about upcoming events.*

**Then Let Us Sing! Hymn Music Festival—October 24th*

**Luncheon & Card Party—October 27th*

**Turkey Take-Out Supper—November 2nd*

**Royal Canadian Legion Christmas Craft & Bake Sale—Nov. 8th*

**Christmas Market—November 14th—12:00 to 7:00 pm*

November 15th—10:00 am to 12:00 pm

***A Christmas Market Work Bee** will be starting up on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30. Please don't hesitate to come out and have an enjoyable time taking part in crafting some items for our upcoming Market.*

***Keep in your prayers** those who are grieving the loss of loved ones, those experiencing or recovering from illness and surgeries and those going through challenging and difficult times. We especially ask that you remember in prayer, Rev. Dave Bauman & Maureen, Myrtle Gutz, Erna Maves, Evelyn Maves, Sandra Maves, Rev. Mandara, Doreen Schroeder and Martin Verkruijsen.*

***Food For Thought**—“Sometimes a single memory can brighten up the dullest day.”*

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