



ZION REFORMED

growing disciples who make disciples

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TODAY AT ZION

Message: As we continue our walk through the Gospel of John, we come to the point of Jesus baptism which also signifies the beginning of his ministry. But wait. Why would Jesus need to be baptized? And why doesn't John even mention the baptism? We will search out those answers and more to help us understand what is going on at this point in Jesus life.

SERVING TODAY

Welcome Table: Troy & Jill Austin

Ushers: Troy & Jill Austin, Fred Wallace

Greeters: Kelly Osterink, Judy Osterbaan

Coffee: Craig & Nancy Doornbos

Elder: Matt Eling

AN ELDER is available to pray with you in the Family Room after the worship service.

IF YOU WOULD like a copy of the worship service, contact Tom Verbrugge at verbrugge.family@att.net or in the balcony after the service. You can also find the weekly messages on our website.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Call to Worship: Open Up The Heavens

Welcome & Greeting

Worship Songs: Living Hope
Brokenness Aside

Children dismissed to Children & Worship

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17, John 1:29-34

Message: The Significance of Jesus' Baptism

Offering

Worship Song: Here Comes Heaven

Parting Blessing

Parting Song: 10,000 Reasons

Message by Pastor Rick VanderWall

OUR SANCTUARY is equipped with a hearing loop for the hearing impaired. Turn your hearing aid to the T-Coil position to use this feature.

A FAMILY ROOM where parents can feed their babies or sit with them during the worship services can be accessed by exiting through the front door on the west side (piano side) of the sanctuary. The Family Room is the first door on your left.

ZION KIDS ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILD CHECK IN: All children from birth through 3rd grade must be signed in at the Zion Kids Check-In Kiosk located by door D prior to participating in our kids ministries.

Check in Staff: Katie Wagner

Nursery: Our Infant and Toddler Nurseries are located on the main floor just off the narthex.

Infant Staff: Sheila Johnson, Beth DeVries

Toddler Staff: Justin & Amanda Vasquez, Amy & Sydney Mott

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP: Children ages 3 through 3rd grade will be dismissed part way through the service to meet in the following rooms:

Rm 207 3 year olds - M. Wallace, Dawn VanderZouwen, Audrey DeVries

Rm 206 4yrs-Pre-K - Andy & Andrea Boeskool, Kylee Austin

Rm 205 K-1st Grade -Katie Wagner, Cece Johnson, Julia Reynolds

Youth Rm2nd-3rd Grade - Steve Mott, Kelly Gore

SUNDAY SCHOOL: There is no Sunday School today due to Christmas break.



ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CARE NEED: If you have a pastoral care need or concern we encourage you to contact your elder (assigned by last name):

Matt Eling (A-D)

Josh Sanders (E-H)

Tricia Leistra (I-M)

Emily Morehouse (N-R)

Todd Kempema (S-U)

Mike Knott (V-Z)

Often, we come to church each week and put on our best face. We talk about plans for the weekend and the kids and grandkids, but some of us also carry worries about finances or maintaining homes. It is not always easy to tell who needs an encouraging helping hand. If you know of someone in our church family, or if you personally need some help, please contact our Chair of Deacons, Sarah McAnally, at 810-434-6841. Scripture encourages all of us to carry each others burdens (Galatians 6:2). You would bless us by letting us walk with you during this time.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Continue to pray for those in our congregation who deal with ongoing health issues.

LEADERS MEETING: Our next Leaders Meeting will be on Sunday, January 27 from 5-7 pm. We look forward to a great evening of fellowship, worship, and some training. Each of our ministry teams will have some specific training and discussion centered on their work together. It's going to be a great night. Come and join us! You can sign up today on the back of the Connection Card.

A NEW MEMBERS CLASS for those interested in learning more about joining Zion will begin on Sunday, February 10. This four week class meets during the Sunday School hour. This is a great chance to learn more about Zion, its history, mission, and values, get to know some new people, and is also a requirement for joining the church. You can sign up today on the back of the Connection Card.

DONATIONS of the following items (full size - not travel size) are needed for the Personal Care Pantry:

Laundry Soap	Bar Soap	Dish Soap	Disposable Razors
Shampoo	Conditioner	Toothpaste	Paper Grocery Bags
Deodorant	Tampons	Maxi Pads	Paper towels (1 or 2 pack)
Toilet paper (1-4 pack)			

Donations can be placed in the box in the narthex marked “pantry donations”.

PLANNING FOR the Israel 2019 trip is underway. This trip is with Prof. Dan Kroeze from Kuyper College and is a trip that is amazing! For more information (i.e. itinerary, dates, cost, etc.) check out the website www.landofthetext.com. You can also talk to Pastor Rick if you have any questions.

DO YOU WANT an easy way to start a conversation about church and Jesus? Carry around a cup with our church logo on it! You can get your very own Zion travel mug this Sunday. We will be selling the mugs for \$20 and you can buy as many as you want. They come in two colors, silver and gunmetal and both have a cool looking Zion logo. Cups will be available for purchase in the lobby following worship. (If you don't want to buy one on a Sunday, they will also be available from the office during the week.)

HAND2HAND: We are serving 73 students from West Elementary, Grandview Elementary, and Grandville Middle School, providing students with a backpack full of weekend food. We are in need of 8 oz Jar of Peanut Butter, cans of chicken or tuna, small cans of chicken noodle soup, tuna helper, Rice Krispie treats, granola bars, individually packaged applesauce, fruit cups, and pudding. Food donations can be put in the grocery cart in the back of church.



THIS WEEK AT ZION

WEDNESDAY

6:30PM Prayer Group meets

WEEKLY OFFERING: December 23, 2018

Weekly Budget: \$10,875.20 Year to Date Budget: \$326,256.00

General Fund: \$11,981.70 Year to Date Contribution: \$319,434.22

2019 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES have been placed in your church mailbox if you were currently using the envelope system. (NOTE: Your envelope number may or may not have changed.) If you are not currently using the envelope system for giving but would like to, please contact Connie in the church office cstegeman@zionreformed.org or 534-7533 ext. 3. **PLEASE DO NOT USE THE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2019.**

PASTOR GREG is on vacation through January 2. Please contact Pastor Rick or your assigned elder if a pastoral care need arises.

ZION YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHECK THE YOUTH WEBSITE <https://www.zionreformed.org/youth-group/> for announcements, upcoming events, fundraising info, etc.

REGULAR WEEKLY YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS are cancelled for the holidays and will resume on January 13, 2019.

OUR STAFF

Rev. Greg Brower, Sr. Pastor gbrower@zionreformed.org
Rick VanderWall, Pastor of Congregational Life rvanderwall@zionreformed.org
Jeremy Zoet, Director of Youth Ministries/Worship jzoet@zionreformed.org
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Rachel Verbrugge, Director of Camp Zion campzion@zionreformed.org
Roxie VanderHeide, Nursery Coordinator rvanderheide312@gmail.com

CONSISTORY*

ELDERS**

Tricia Leistra '19
Matt Eling '20
Mike Knott '21
Emily Morehouse '19 (Clerk)
Todd Kempema '20 (Vice President)
Josh Sanders '21

DEACONS**

Tracy Lobbes '19
Rachel Eriks '20 (Secretary)
Chip Harkes '21 (Asst. Treasurer)
Sarah McAnally '19 (Chair)
Shanda VandePol '20 (Treasurer)
Aaron Huizenga '21
*(meets quarterly) **(meets on the second Tuesday of each month)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Personnel & Administration - Brandon Deiter
Worship - Dianne Kooiker
Congregational Care - Rick VanderWall
Evangelism - Sean McAnally
Building & Grounds - Rick VanderWall
Education - Rachel Brower

MISSIONARIES

Paul & Grace Closius, Wycliff
Youth For Christ
Geoff & Tammy Kooistra, HCJB
Jeremiah & Mary Kuria, Kenya
Keith & Denise Krebs, RCA
Bob Offringa, Activation Int.
Comunidad Christiano Int.
Harry & Pat Miersma, RCA
Haluk & Wendy Bilgen, RCA
Nepal Church Planting
Albertha Kuiper, Wycliff
Albino & Sandy Rodriguez, RCA
Downtown Church Plant
Bethany Refugee Resettlement

TV MINISTRIES

WCET Jenison-Grandville & WCET Hudsonville: Fri 12:00PM, Sun 4:00PM
WKTV Wyoming: Thurs 8:00PM; BCTV Byron Center: Sun 2:00PM & 6:30PM

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