



# ZION REFORMED

growing disciples who make disciples

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## TODAY AT ZION

**MESSAGE:** We have just celebrated the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Sometimes the business of the holiday season can take away from the true joy we find in this very significant event. Back when Jesus was born, the times probably were not too much different. But there were some who took the time to stop and see this newborn child. The shepherds and the wise men came and paid a visit to see this "One born king of the Jews." After reading about the shepherds encounter with the angels we can understand why they would check it out but what prompted the wise men? And what is the significance of their visit? Matthew chapter two may give us some clues as we continue our journey through this book of the Bible.

**PASTOR JEREMY** is on vacation, returning to the office on January 8. Sarah McAnally and the praise team will lead us in worship. We thank God for the many people who offer their gifts so freely to our congregation.

### SERVING TODAY

**Welcome Table:** Dianne Kooiker

**Ushers:** Bernie & Pattie Grooters, John York

**Greeters:** Mark & Sue Gazan

**Coffee:** Dave Hewitt

**IF YOU WOULD** like an Elder to pray with you they are available as you exit the sanctuary following worship.

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

**COMMUNION:** Next Sunday, January 5, we will celebrate the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper. A special offering will be received for the Benevolent Fund. If you are unable to attend and would like to receive communion in your home, contact Pastor Rick at 534-7533 ext. 4.



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: Who You Say I Am

Call to Worship: Great Things

Welcome & Greeting

Worship Songs: Raise A Hallelujah  
Brokenness Aside

Children dismissed to Sunday School

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12

Message: The Star Over And Of Bethlehem

Communion Preparatory

Offering: In Christ Alone

Worship Songs: Reckless Love  
Christ Lives In Me

Parting Blessing

Closing Chorus: Christ Lives In Me

Message by Pastor Rick VanderWall

**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.

**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.

## 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:** Andy & Andrea Boeskool

**NURSERY:** Our nursery is located on the main floor in room 207.

**Today's Staff:** Kathy MacGraw, Ashley Gross, Kendyll & Ella Bond

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** room assignments:

Nursery - Room 207

3 yr. olds - Room 208

4 yr. & young 5's - Room 206

Kindergarten - Room 203

1st grade - Room 204

2nd & 3rd grade - Room 209

4th & 5th grade - chapel

## ZION YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**REGULAR WEEKLY MEETINGS** will resume on January 12, 2020.



## 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)

Brandon Deiter (I-M)

Steve Boersma (N-R)

Todd Kempema (S-U)

Mike Knott (V-Z)

It's 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, Shanda VandePol, at 616-308-0700. 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:** Thelma VanderZouwen is at Brookcrest undergoing rehab. Continue to pray for Chris & Katie Bremer as Katie remains hospitalized due to complications with her pregnancy and for those in our congregation who deal with ongoing health issues.

**PASTOR GREG** is on vacation, returning to the office on January 2. Please contact Pastor Rick or your elder if a pastoral care need arises.

**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”.

**HAND2HAND:** Hand 2 Hand is in need of Granola Bars, Rice Krispie Treats, Fruit Snacks, and Belvita or Breakfast Bars. We are serving students from West Elementary, Grandview Elementary, and Grandville Middle School, providing students with a backpack full of food for the weekend.

**EVER THINK ABOUT GOING TO KENYA?** We are in the early stages of planning a trip to Kenya in June of 2021. While there, we will see the progress on Jeremiah’s church we have been supporting, have a project planned to work on, do some visiting and touring of Mahi Mahui where Jeremiah and Mary live, and finish off this trip with a Safari. If this sounds interesting to you, please contact Pastor Rick. Asante sana.

**2020 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](mailto:cstegeman@zionreformed.org) or 534-7533 ext. 3. **PLEASE DO NOT USE THE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2020.**



# THIS WEEK AT ZION

## MONDAY

6:00PM Personal Care Pantry

## THURSDAY

6:30PM Praise Team Practice

### WEEKLY OFFERING: December 22, 2019

Weekly Budget: \$11,091.82 Year to Date Budget: \$332,754.60

General Fund: \$19,718.65 Year to Date Contribution: \$315,725.84

**NEW GIVING OPTIONS:** We have recently begun accepting donations to the General Fund and Building Fund online or via text. If you are interested in supporting the ministries of Zion financially, you can do so from our website [www.zionreformed.org](http://www.zionreformed.org) by clicking on "Give Online Now" or **text 1-616-219-2181** using one of the commands listed below:

- **Text 'give'** to be prompted on how much you'd like to give.
- **Text 'update'** to change the credit card or bank account you give from or to modify recurring gifts you've set up by text
- **Text '50 weekly'** to set up a weekly gift of \$50. Replace 50 with the amount you'd like to give. You can also replace 'weekly' with 'biweekly', 'monthly' or 'yearly'.
- **Text '50 fundname'** to give \$50 to a specific fund. Replace 'fundname' with the keyword **General or Building** to designate to specific fund. Replace 50 with the amount you'd like to give.
- **Text 'unlink'** to unlink your phone from the text giving service so that your phone is no longer authorized to make donations

## OUR STAFF

Rev. Greg Brower, Sr. Pastor [gbrower@zionreformed.org](mailto:gbrower@zionreformed.org)  
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## CONSISTORY\*\*

### ELDERS\*

Matt Eling '20 (Clerk) Todd Kempema '20 (Vice President)  
Mike Knott '21 Josh Sanders '21  
Steve Boersma '22 Brandon Deiter '22

### DEACONS\*\*

Rachel Eriks '20 (Secretary) Shanda VandePol '20 (Chair)  
Chip Harkes '21 (Treasurer) Aaron Huizenga '21  
Robbi Boeve '22 Dan Sundberg '22 (Asst. Treasurer)

\*\* (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

Chris & Christie Winkler, Wycliffe Harry & Pat Miersma, RCA  
Josiah & Alyssa Walcott, Youth For Christ Haluk & Wendy Bilgen, RCA  
Geoff & Tammy Kooistra, HCJB Jibit Asha International  
Jeremiah & Mary Kuria, Kenya Albertha Kuiper, Wycliffe  
Keith & Denise Krebs, RCA Albino & Sandy Rodriguez, RCA  
Bob Offringa, Activation Int. Downtown Church Plant  
Doug & Dianne McClintic, RCA 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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