



ZION REFORMED

growing disciples who make disciples

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TODAY AT ZION

MESSAGE: Have you ever waited for a new movie to come out only to be disappointed when you finally get to see the movie? Or, picked up a book by your favorite author only to discover this book is a spy novel and not a romantic story or vice versa? Or more seriously, started a new job that did not live up to the company's sales pitch? We all have times in life when something we have anticipated does not quite match up to our expectations. The same is true for John the Baptist who came to prepare the way for the Messiah to bring God's judgment and wrath, but then Jesus came humbling preaching about grace and restoration. John had to adjust his expectations to match the reality of God. We all do. This morning we meet Jesus at the Jordan River as he comes to be baptized among a sea of sinful humanity.

SERVING TODAY

Welcome Table: Dianne Kooiker

Ushers: Steve Stegeman, Mike & Julie Bond

Greeters: Steve & Kathy Northuis

Coffee: Ken & Linda Hollenbeck

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 or in the balcony after the service. You can also find the weekly messages on our website.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Call to Worship: Your Name Is Power

Welcome & Greeting

Worship Songs: Raise A Hallelujah
Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

Children dismissed to Sunday School

Announcements

Commissioning of Sarah McAnally

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17

Message: Unmet Expectations

Apostles' Creed

Offering

Worship Songs: Great Are You Lord
Living Hope

Parting Blessing

Closing Chorus: Living Hope

Message by Pastor Greg Brower

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:** Kelly Osterink

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

Today's Staff: Jonelle VanderWall, Stacy, Olivia & Reagan Davis

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.

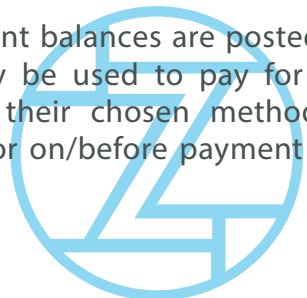
REGULAR WEEKLY Youth Group Meetings are held in the youth room. Meeting times are as follows:

- * High School (9th-12th Grade) meets from 4:00-5:30PM
- * Middle School (6-8th Grade) meets from 5:45-7:15PM

PAYMENT(S) are due on Sunday, January 19 for the following event(s):

- * High School Mission Trip (Pymt 3/5) \$100.00
- * Middle School Mission Trip (Pymt. 2/3) \$50.00

NOTE: Current student fundraising account balances are posted on the youth website. Account money may be used to pay for any event. Students must indicate this as their chosen method of payment when signing up for an event or on/before payment due dates.



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 receiving care at home. Merle Ezinga continues to undergo rehab at Willow Wood. Parker Bremer remains in the NICU. Continue to pray for those in our congregation who deal with ongoing health issues.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE for Jackie Kolkman will be held at Sunset Manor on February 29 at 10:00AM.

RUTH KUIPERS went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, January 6. Ruth was a charter member of Zion. Please pray for peace and comfort for her family during this difficult time.

WE WOULD like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and caring words during all my tests and then my open heart surgery. We would also like to thank Pastor Rick and Pastor Greg for all their visits & prayers. We could feel all of your prayers, love, & caring during my hospitalization and even after I came home. Thanks again! Barb & Jim Overweg

DO YOU WANT some good food, friends and fellowship? Then this is the opportunity for you! 729 groups bring 7 to 9 willing people together to meet for a meal 3x in 3 months. The goal is simply to get to know some people in church better. Once groups are formed, the host will contact members to arrange the details for the first gathering. Dinner groups are encouraged to be creative; consider picking a dinner "theme night" (i.e. Italian, dessert or soup night), and everyone can bring a dish that goes along with that theme or meet at a restaurant or church. You can sign-up through the 729 cards found in the bulletin or call the church office at 616-534-7533. Sign-up deadline is Sunday, February 2.

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.

STEVE BOERSMA’S sister-in-law is going on a mission trip in February to minister to the villages along the Amazon River. Some items she is collecting to take with her are used prescription eye glasses, reading glasses, toothbrushes, and small tubes of toothpaste. If you would like to donate any of these items there will be a box in the narthex from through February 2. Thank you!



THIS WEEK AT ZION

SUNDAY

- 4:00PM High School Youth Group meets
- 4:30PM Middle School Class meets
- 5:45PM Middle School Youth Group meets

TUESDAY

- 7:00PM Deacons meet
- 7:00PM Elders Meet
- 8:00PM Consistory meets

WEDNESDAY

- 6:30PM Praise Team practice
- 6:30PM Prayer Group Meets

THURSDAY

- 9:00AM YAH Breakfast at Russ' Grandville

WEEKLY OFFERING: January 5, 2020

Weekly Budget: \$11,091.82 Year to Date Budget: \$354,938.24
General Fund: \$ 7,950.88 Year to Date Contribution: \$338,379.72
Benevolent Offering: 266.00

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 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

