

growing disciples who make disciples

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TODAY AT ZION

MESSAGE: Life is full of tests. Driving tests when we turn 16. End of the semester tests in school. But there are also the less predictable tests: losing a job, health concerns, relationship challenges and so on. Every day, we all face tests of our will, our values, our habits that reveal who we have become. Sadly, we all fail these tests some of the time. So did the Israelites in the Old Testament. They failed to live God honoring lives. They failed to worship God alone. The disciples failed to understand Jesus' teachings. They failed to stay loyal when he was arrested. We all fail sometimes. Thankfully, as Jesus reveals during his testing in the desert, though we may fail the test, Jesus has passed every test for us.

SERVING TODAY

Welcome Table: Kathy MacGraw

Ushers: Arlyn & Carla Zoet, Steve Mott

Greeters: Tom & Robbi Boeve **Coffee:** Maurie & Lorraine Lemmen

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: Let It Be Jesus

Call to Worship: Great Things

Welcome & Greeting

Worship Songs: Keeper Of My Heart

Holy Ground

Children dismissed to Sunday School

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Message: Passing the Test

Moment For Missions: Deacon's Update

Offering: In The Garden ~ Eric Schripsema~solo

Worship Song: Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

Parting Blessing

Closing Chorus: Counting Every Blessing

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:** Chris Smith

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

Today's Staff: Kathy VanderWall, Chip & Becky Harkes

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

ON SUNDAY MORNING, February 2, there will be no Sunday school during church for our 4th and 5th graders. We want them to be able to stay in church for the Youth Service; so they can get a glimpse of what they'll be doing in youth group in a year or two.

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 today, 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)

Brandon Deiter (I-M)

Todd Kempema (S-U)

Josh Sanders (E-H)

Steve Boersma (N-R)

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: Brooklyn Friar, hospitalized with RSV, Influenza A, and pneumonia, continues to improve. Her family hopes to bring her home some time this weekend. Parker Bremer remains in the NICU and is doing well. Continue to pray for those in our congregation who deal with ongoing health issues.

NORMAN VAN HORN went to be with his Lord and Savior on Thursday January 9. We express our sympathy to Corrine VanHorn (daughter-in-law) and his family and ask the you pray for peace and comfort for the family during this difficult time.

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.

ZION LINKS MINI GOLF has been rescheduled for February 1 from 12:00 - 3:00pm. We will have our 18 hole Mini Golf course set up throughout the church. There will be plenty to eat in room 205, hotdogs, chips, desserts, and drinks. This is an event for all ages. Come on out, invite your friends! It's all fun and completely FREE!

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

Laundry SoapBar SoapDish SoapDisposable RazorsShampooConditionerToothpastePaper Grocery BagsDeodorantTamponsMaxi PadsPaper 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 will set up for packing following worship today. If you are willing to help please join them in the basement. We are still 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

10:50AM H2H set up - basement

4:00PM High School Youth Group meets

4:30PM Middle School Class meets

5:30PM Capital Campaign Organizational Meeting

5:45PM Middle School Youth Group meets

WEDNESDAY

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

WEEKLY OFFERING: January 12, 2020

Weekly Budget: \$11,091.82 Year to Date Budget: \$366,030.06 General Fund: \$15,280.00 Year to Date Contribution: \$353,659.72

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

OUR STAFF

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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
Josiah & Alyssa Walcott, Youth For Christ
Geoff & Tammy Kooistra, HCJB
Jeremiah & Mary Kuria, Kenya
Keith & Denise Krebs, RCA
Bob Offringa, Activation Int.
Doug & Dianne McClintic, RCA

Harry & Pat Miersma, RCA
Haluk & Wendy Bilgen, RCA
Jibit Asha International
Albertha Kuiper, Wycliffe
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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