



# ZION REFORMED

growing disciples who make disciples

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## TODAY AT ZION

**MESSAGE:** Someone once said Christians claim God came as a baby because no one would be scared of a baby. The Biblical account begs to differ. Immediately, the rulers of the day felt threatened by Jesus and his family finds themselves fleeing as refugees to Egypt. Herod driven by the fear of losing his power, uses that power to violently oppress his people. God, having all true power, sets it aside and chooses to stand with the poor and vulnerable of our world. The love of God leads to setting aside power and instead lifting up and standing with the least of these.

**COMMUNION**, also called The Lord's Super or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.

**THIS MORNING**, we welcome new members Debbie Coke and Danny and Ashley Copron into the Zion family. We thank God for the gift these people are to our church and look forward to seeing how God will use all of our gifts to impact our community with the good news of the Kingdom of God in Jesus. Danny & Ashley also present their son Odin Daniel to receive the sacrament of baptism. As they celebrate his life, we give thanks to God for the gift of new life he has made available to all who believe. We thank God as well for the covenant he has established all the way back with Abraham to include children in his family. We honor this faithful God as we welcome Odin into the covenant community at Zion.

### SERVING TODAY

**Welcome Table:** Ken & Sheila Johnson

**Ushers:** Troy & Jill Austin

**Greeters:** Ken & Sheila Johnson

**Coffee:** Don & Marcia Osterink



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: Your Name Is Power

Call to Worship: The Lion And The Lamb

Welcome New Members & Baptism

Worship Song: You Are God And You Are Good

Children dismissed to Sunday School

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 2:13-23

Message: From the Bottom Up

Offering: Stronger

Communion

Communion Songs: His Mercy Is More  
Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

Parting Blessing

Closing Chorus: Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

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.

**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.

## 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:** Justin & Amanda Vasquez

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

**Today's Staff:** Anna Sundberg, Justin & Amanda Vasquez

**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.

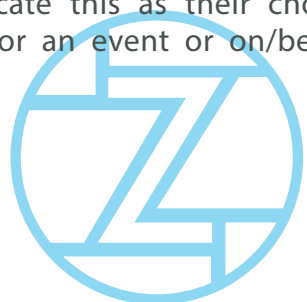
**REGULAR WEEKLY MEETINGS** will resume on January 12, 2020.

**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 will be posted on the youth website on January 8. 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:** Continue to pray for Thelma VanderZouwen as she undergoes rehab at Brookcrest and for those in our congregation who deal with ongoing health issues.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Rob and Sara Olger on the birth of their daughter Riley Irene. Riley arrived at 2:51am on Christmas morning weighing 6lbs 12oz. Praise God for this wonderful gift!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Chris and Katie Bremer on the birth of their son Parker James. Parker was born at 34 weeks on December 27 weighing in at 3lbs 11oz and was 16.5" long. We praise God for his life and give thanks for a safe delivery. Prayers for the family are appreciated as Parker continues to grow and develop in the NICU at Spectrum Hospital.

**JACKIE KOLKMAN** went to be with her Lord and Savior on December 31st. The family is planning a memorial service to be held in February. Details will be shared when they are available.

**THANK YOU** for your many expressions of sympathy in the loss of our Mom and Grandma. We are comforted by the fact that she is in no more pain and when she saw Jesus, it was with perfect eyesight!

Mike and Kathy MacGraw family

**STEVE BOERSMA'S** sister-in-law is going on a mission trip to the Congo the first week of 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 Jan. 5-19. Thank you!

**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.

**ZION LINKS MINI GOLF:** This Saturday, Jan. 11 from 12:00 - 3:00pm we will have our 18 hole Mini Golf course set up throughout the church. We will have plenty to eat in room 205 with 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!



## THIS WEEK AT ZION

### WEDNESDAY

6:30PM Praise Team practice

6:30PM Prayer Group Meets

### SATURDAY

12-3:00PM Zion Links Mini Golf

### WEEKLY OFFERING: December 29, 2019

Weekly Budget: \$11,091.82    Year to Date Budget:         \$343,846.42

General Fund:    \$14,673.00    Year to Date Contribution: \$330,398.84

**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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