

April 11, 2021 ZionReformed.org

# **TODAY AT ZION**

**MESSAGE**: Today we begin a new sermon series looking at the letters Peter wrote to various churches experiencing persecution for their faith in Jesus Christ. The culture around them made it difficult to hold fast to their beliefs. In some respects, we too are seeing the culture around us change and at times this can be very discouraging. Peter's letter spoke to them and speaks to us today giving us what we need to encourage and stand fast in the One who brings us the hope we need to hear and hold on to. Join us as we dig into this letter and find all we need to navigate these changing times.

**THIS MORNING** we celebrate with Mike and Jacquie Knott the baptism of their son Gibson David Knott. 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 Gibson into the covenant community at Zion.

**PASTOR JEREMY** is on vacation today. Kimberly Verbrugge 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.

# ZION KIDS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's programming is held during the worship service for kids Preschool through 5th grade. We will practice social distancing by requiring masks for children in K-5th and attempting to keep unrelated children 6 feet apart. We are following the recommendations in the MI Safe Start for Schools documentation. All children must be signed in at the Zion Kids Check-In Kiosk located in the lobby prior to participating in our kids ministries.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL room assignments:

Preschoolers - Room 206 3rd-5th grade: Room 207 Kindergarten - 2nd grade: Room 205



### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude (Piano) He Lives One Day

Call to Worship: Counting Every Blessing

Welcome & Greeting

Baptism of Gibson David Knott

Worship Songs: 10,000 Reasons Christ Is Enough

Children Dismissed to Sunday School

Announcements

Prayer of Confession

Worship Song: I Will Rise

**Congregational Prayer** 

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:1-12

Message: A Living Hope

Closing Song: The Blessing

Parting Blessing

Message by Pastor Rick VanderWall

#### WEEKLY OFFERING: April 4, 2021

 Weekly Budget:
 \$10,506.28
 Year to Date Budget:
 \$462,276.32

 General Fund:
 \$11,078.00
 Year to Date Contribution:
 \$442,583.98

## 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):

Pattie Grooters (A-D) Josh Sanders (E-H)

Arlyn Zoet (S-U)

Brandon Deiter (I-M) Mike Knott (V-Z)

Steve Boersma (N-R) 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, Chip Harkes at (616) 299-4804. Scripture encourages all of us to carry each others burdens (Galatians 6:2). You would bless us by letting us walk with you.

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

**CAMP ZION** is in need of empty cereal boxes and paper towel tubes. Donations can be placed in the tote marked Camp Zion in the narthex. 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 Conditioner Toothpaste Shampoo Deodorant Tampons Maxi Pads Toilet paper (1-4 pack)

**Disposable Razors** Paper Grocery Bags Paper towels (1 or 2 pack)

Donations can be placed in the box in the narthex marked "pantry donations"

## ZION YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WEEKLY** Youth Group meetings are cancelled today due to Spring Break.

#### THIS WEEK AT ZION TUESDAY

7:00PM Deacons meet 7:00PM Elders meet 8:00PM Consistory meets **WEDNESDAY** Praise Team Practice 6:30PM

