



ZION REFORMED

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December 19, 2021

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TODAY AT ZION

Join us this Advent season as we consider the importance of prepositions in our spiritual lives. This year we celebrate the God who has not called us to live under, over, for, or from God, but in Jesus came to be with us. At Christmas, we remember again God loves us so much he came to be like us and with us. Unfortunately, we can often unintentionally live for God, finding out worth more in what we can do to serve God, than we do dwelling in the love and presence of God.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: Once In David's Royal City

Call to Worship: He Shall Reign Forevermore

Advent Candle: Marian Payne, Myra Renkema

Welcome & Greeting

Worship Songs: Joy To The World (Joyful, Joyful)
Hallelujah Christmas

Children dismissed to Sunday School

Announcements

Prayer of Confession

Worship Song: Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Message: With: For God

Offering: Christmas Eve

Closing Song: God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Blessing

Message by Pastor Greg Brower



ZION KIDS ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Kids birth through 5th grade must be signed in at the Zion Kids Check-In Kiosk located in the lobby before the service. Please bring the corresponding tag to pick up children (Kids in 3rd grade and younger)

Preschoolers Room 206

K & 1st graders Room 205

2nd & 3rd graders Room 204

4th & 5th graders Room 207

The nursery will be staffed for kids birth - 3 yrs.

FOLLOWING the Kent County Health Department guidelines, we will no longer be requiring children to wear masks in Zion Kids beginning January 2, 2022.

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CARE: If you have a pastoral care need or concern we encourage you to contact your elder (assigned by last name):

Pattie Grooters (A-D)

Ken Johnson (E-H)

Brandon Deiter (I-M)

Steve Boersma (N-R)

Arlyn Zoet (S-U)

Haley Stone (V-Z)

If you know of someone in our church family, or if you personally need some help, please contact our Chair of Deacons, Jerrod Holzgen at (616) 520-1771. You would bless us by letting us walk with you.

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

WE WANT to invite you to join us to celebrate the birth of Jesus this Christmas on either Friday, December 24 at 6:30 pm or Sunday, December 26 at 9:30 am. Both services will be very very similar (think almost identical) and will point us to the hope we have in our God who has come to dwell among us in the person of Jesus. Nursery will be available for kids ages 0-3yr. at our Christmas Eve service, and we will have "Christmas Eve Activity bags" available for kids attending the service with their family.

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY SERVICE: The Middle School Youth are offering a holiday card delivery service! Now through Christmas Eve, you can place your cards in the big post office box in the narthex and the youth will sort them and place them in the appropriate church mailbox. In exchange for this service, we ask that you make a donation to the Jr. High Youth to help support their summer mission trip. There is a jar on top of the post office box that you can place your donation in.

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

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| Laundry Soap | Bar Soap | Dish Soap | Disposable Razors |
| Shampoo | Conditioner | Toothpaste | Paper Grocery Bags |
| Deodorant | Tampons | Maxi Pads | Paper towels (1-2 pack) |

Toilet paper (1-4 pack)

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

OUR YOUTH are collecting recyclable cans and change to raise money for their Alaskan Mission Trip. Any money raised though change or cans donated prior to January 9 will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$3,000. You can drop off any \$.10 recyclables at Zion's garage on Sunday mornings. The door will be opened. Thank you for your generous support of our youth financially, through words of encouragements and in your prayers.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO REGULAR Youth Group meetings tonight.

THIS WEEK AT ZION

WEDNESDAY

6:30PM Praise Team Practice

FRIDAY

6:30PM Christmas Eve Service

WEEKLY OFFERING: December 12, 2021

Weekly Budget: \$11,210.27 Year to Date Budget: \$313,887.56

General Fund: \$ 8,983.50 Year to Date Contribution: \$237,249.51

