



# ZION REFORMED

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude: Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

Call To Worship: Your Name Is Power

Welcome & Greeting

Worship Songs: Promises  
Graves Into Gardens

Announcements

Children dismissed to Zion Kids

Moment In Mission: Hand2Hand

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Mathew 18:21-35

Message: The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

Offering: Forgiven

Closing Song: Gratitude

Blessing

**WE HAVE** a Family Room available for parents with babies and small children where you can watch the live-stream of the worship service while comforting a baby or giving a restless toddler a little extra space to move around for part of the worship service. The Family Room is across from the nursery. Upon exiting the sanctuary/worship gathering space, turn right and it is the first room on your right.

April 30, 2023  
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## **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)      Eric Zondervan (I-M)  
Tim Mekkes (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.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Jeremy Zoet on his graduation from Western Theology Seminary with a Master of Divinity on Saturday, April 29.

**WE EXPRESS** our sympathy to Tim and Tracy Lobbes and family in the passing of Tim's mother, Ruth Lobbes who went to be with her Lord on April 18. Please pray for peace and comfort for the Lobbes family during this difficult time.

**SHAREHOLDERS:** Our youth are looking for Shareholders for their 2023 Mission Trip to Nashville. Detailed information can be found in your church mailbox or on the round table with the donation box on it in the narthex.

**IF YOU** were unable to have your photo taken for our online directory and would like to have one posted you can email a photo (jpeg format) to Connie at [cstegeman@zionreformed.org](mailto:cstegeman@zionreformed.org) and she will upload it to your profile.

## **ZION KIDS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALL KIDS** birth through 5th grade must be signed in at the Zion Kids Check-In Kiosk located in the lobby. All Zion Kids must be picked up by a parent following worship. Nursery is available for kids birth - 3 yrs. Preschoolers meet in rm 206. K-2nd graders meet in rm 205. 3rd - 5th graders meet in rm 207.

**THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held in the sanctuary after worship on Sunday, May 7 . The annual congregational meeting is open to anyone who attends Zion, but only active confessing members can vote. Childcare is not provided. There will be a brief time for refreshments and picking up children from Zion Kids between the service and the meeting. This year's double slate of nominated and consenting individuals are:

**Elder**

Michelle Holzgen  
Andrew Moore  
Steve Northuis  
Nancy Steenbergen

**Deacon**

Andy Boeskool  
Austen DeHaan  
Adam Morehouse  
Justin Steere

From the four Elders and four Deacons, two of each will be chosen by the drawing of names at the meeting.

A copy of the proposed budget is available in the back of the sanctuary. This year, we want to provide an opportunity outside of the meeting for you to ask questions or share input with the Consistory. Therefore, we will have two Deacons (Tom and Jerrod) and two Elders (Ken and Haley) present in the sanctuary following worship today. Please address questions or share input with them ahead of the May 7 meeting.

**THIS WEEK**

**WEDNESDAY**

6:30PM Praise Team practice  
7:00PM Search Team meets

**WEEKLY OFFERING:** April 23, 2023

Weekly Budget: \$10,261.17      Year to Date Budget:      \$482,274.99  
General Fund:    \$ 9,255.45      Year to Date Contribution: \$488,355.65

## Message Notes

### **Series: Learning from the Parables**

Message: The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

Mathew 18:21-35

#### **The Grace of the Master (vss. 23-27)**

1. What a \_\_\_\_\_!  
1 talent = about 20 years of wages  
10,000 talents = about 200,000 years of work
2. Jesus paid a huge debt for us  
- Romans 6:3, 5:8, and 8:1

#### **The Going Out of the Servant (vss. 28-31)**

1. A shocking \_\_\_\_\_  
- vss. 28-30  
1 denarius = about one day's wage  
100 denarii = about one hundred days of work
2. God's forgiveness and ours is linked  
- Matthew 6:12 and 6:14-15

#### **The God we answer to (vss. 32-35)**

1. We are held \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Three Guidelines for Forgiving**

1. Forgiveness follows \_\_\_\_\_
2. Forgiveness is not accepting the \_\_\_\_\_
3. Forgiveness \_\_\_\_\_ God

#### Questions to consider:

Who? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your next step?