



ZION REFORMED

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: See A Victory

Call to Worship: Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Welcome & Greeting

Worship Songs: Always
Where The Spirit Of The Lord Is

Announcements

Children Dismissed to Zion Kids

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Luke 2:22-40

Message: A Long-Awaited Surprise

Offering: Be Still My Soul

Closing Song: Same God

Blessing

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

PRAYER REQUEST: Continue to pray for those in our congregation with ongoing health issues.

BOILER REPLACEMENT: We give thanks that we were able to replace our boiler this fall, before the cold weather arrived. The total boiler replacement cost is \$95,000. This amount was factored into our 2023/2024 budget. However, while we spread the cost over 12 months, the bill will need to be paid Dec. 21st, only 7 months into our budget year. We will pay the difference from our reserves. As you consider your year-end giving, would prayerfully consider an extra donation of any amount to our General Fund to help cover this bill? Thank you in advance for your generosity. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Marcia or Tom MacGraw, Chair of Deacons.

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES have been placed in your church mailbox if you are currently using the envelope system. (NOTE: Your envelope number may or may not have changed.) If you are not currently using the envelope system for giving but would like to, please contact Connie @ cstegeman@zionreformed.org or 534-7533 ext. 3. PLEASE DO NOT USE THE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2024.

HAND2HAND needs extra help in January! A few of our regular helpers are gone for the month of January so we need help with deliveries to the ECC and Grandview the next 4 weeks. Please contact Shawn Sanders or Shiela Johnson if you can help.

HAND2HAND: We are currently serving 100 kids each week! We could use food donations of the following: pudding cups, juice boxes (100% juice), beef stick, granola bars, Lance brand or that type of sandwich cracker and microwave popcorn.

DONATIONS of the following items (full size are needed for the Personal Care Pantry and can be placed in the box in the narthex marked "pantry donations". Laundry Soap, Bar Soap, Dish Soap, Disposable Razors, Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Paper grocery bags, Deodorant, Tampons, Maxi Pads, Paper towels (1 or 2 pack) and Toilet Paper.

ZION YOUNG ADULTS: Join us Tuesday night, January 2nd at 6:00 PM for dinner at Ken and Sheila Johnson's home. For the address and/or to RSVP, please text Pastor Marcia at (616) 334-0188. We look forward to a night of catching up with old friends and meeting new ones!

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. The nursery will be staffed for kids birth - 3 yrs. Preschoolers meet in room 206. K-2nd graders meet in room 205. 3rd - 5th graders meet in room 207. Please bring the corresponding tag to pick up your child.

ZION YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO YOUTH group meetings this week. Regular meetings will resume on January 14.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

6:00PM Young Adults dinner

WEDNESDAY

6:30PM Praise Team Practice

WEEKLY OFFERING: Dec 24, 2023

Weekly Budget: \$11,542.95 Year to Date Budget: \$346,288.50

General Fund: \$ 44,592.73 Year to Date Contributions: \$330,239.76