

## Zion Reformed Church -- Floodlight



### *Myself in the Mirror...*

It is a lot of entertainment to watch my kids when they stand in front of the mirror. We all love to look at ourselves standing in front of a mirror. The older you get, the more wrinkles you see. The mirror might be the most honest scale in life. It doesn't lie about the shape of your body. Well, we can see a lot of things in a mirror.

The Bible reminds us about different types of mirrors... I challenge you for the month of October to stand in front of these mirrors...

*The first mirror*- "Now I look in a dim mirror and see a mysterious image, but one day I will see everything as it really is." (1 Corinthians 13)

We all stand in front of a holy mirror where the image is dull and remains elusive. I can't see, as if there were peels in front of my eyes. Can you imagine the day when God revealed the image? When will we finally see perfection, if what is now too bright for our earthly eyes? The day when we will see Christ! "Out of Him radiates the glory of God, and He is the image of the essence of God." (Hebrews 1)

*The second mirror* I think of is the one Paul speaks of in 2 Corinthians 3: "All of us reflect the glory of the Lord, for the veil has been taken away from our face. We are changed more and more to become the image of Christ. The glory of the Lord that radiates from us continues to increase."

I often look in the dim mirror and try my best to see what is hidden. Should I not turn away from the dim mirror and show Christ's face to the world? My face is the mirror in which others look to see Him. It depends on me whether the world sees Him. Moreover, I can see Him in the faces of other believers!

The other biblical mirror that comes to mind is the one in

James 1: Someone who always just hears the Word and never does what it says. It is like one who looks at his face in a mirror: he looks at himself and walks away from the mirror and immediately forgets what he looked like.

Actually, the three references to mirrors are very well connected: If I die as the person in James 1, the world will never be able to see Christ on my face, nor will I have the opportunity to look in God's bright mirror.

Your challenge for the month of October is to do a lot of reflection. Sometimes it might be good to ask someone else to tell you what they see of you.

Enjoy the fall.  
Pastor Petri

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### Consistory Highlights

- \*Holy Communion, World Communion Sunday: Oct. 6
  - \*Next consistory meeting: Wednesday, October 9, 8pm.
- If anyone would like to come before the Elders to inquire about membership or baptism, please do so.



### "The Holidays Are 'Apron' Us" Bazaar Sat., Oct. 5 - 11am-6pm

Please sign up to help out where you can on that day—many hands make light work!

If you have signed up to donate a centerpiece, please bring a package of napkins and a plastic tablecloth to go with your centerpiece. Centerpieces and food items must be at the church no later than Friday, Oct. 4 at noon—preferably sooner.

**PIES:** All women of the church are asked to bring one **UNCUT** pie in a **DISPOSABLE** pie tin for the kitchen

by 9:00am on the day of the bazaar. **To ensure a variety of pie throughout the entire bazaar, please sign your name under a pie category** (fruit / soft / pumpkin / pecan) **on the sheet posted on the bulletin board.**

If you have an item/s to donate for **the Silent Auction**, please have the item(s) to the church by Friday, Oct. 4, 9am.

**AUCTION:** All special auction items, centerpieces & remaining items will be sold at the auction. **The auction will start at 4pm.** (MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK HERE -- DO NOT BE AFRAID TO LEND A HAND CLEARING TABLES OR HELPING IN THE KITCHEN!!!!!!!)

**POSSIBLE IDEAS:** Holiday decorations, seasonal decorations, baked goods, candy, canned goods, collectibles, dish towels, greenery, pictures, pillows, pottery, quilts, table runners, table settings, trash-n-treasure, wall hangings, woodworking, etc.

**Donations:** If you would like to make a cash donation to purchase meat, casserole ingredients, or to go toward the bazaar's income, please see Marsha.

Donate to **Trash 'n Treasure**, and remember—no computers, printers, tv's or that type of electronic items, and no clothing. All items for Trash 'n Treasure must be placed in the downstairs RCYF room (near the hallway doors) no later than Thursday, Oct. 3, 9am. Items brought to Trash 'n Treasure the day of the bazaar may not be set out for sale at the bazaar.

**The Bakery.** Homemade yeast breads and rolls sell quickly, but any homemade baked goods will be so appreciated! **The Pantry**—canned goods, plants, fresh eggs, fresh produce are just a few ideas. Try your hand at **frozen casseroles/soups.** Please have all items to the church no later than 9am of bazaar.

**THE KITCHEN & MENU:** Pork loin sandwiches, beef burgers, baked potato bar, potato salad, beans, pie, desserts & beverages. Questions? See Carma DeVries.

**PRICING:** PLEASE indicate a selling price on your donated items. All items will be sold throughout the day or at the auction. To be considerate of Zion's guests, ALL members of Zion are requested to not purchase items prior to 1:30pm.

**ATTIRE:** Attire for the day is wearing a Zion T-shirt if you purchased one or a navy blue t-shirt will work. If you have an apron, please wear it as well! Nametags will be provided.

**CONTAINERS/BAGS/BOXES:** No more are needed at this time.

**Golf/Hay Rides/Face Painting:** 11-3pm

**Games:** Games begin at 1:30-3pm

**Live Music:** 3-4pm

**Mission Chicken:** 4pm- Will make its fowl debut!!

Thank YOU to all who donated to the free will offering on Sunday, Sept. 22, to go toward Bazaar WOZ Missions!

We hope to make this a bazaar for all of our church members to work together —**men, women, teens, children and all!** We really appreciate your help making this a fun, fabulous bazaar that will be welcoming to all our visitors. It is our big fundraiser for WOZ, but it is so much more than that. It's part of our mission to welcome others to Zion. So THANK YOU for helping where you can—working, donating goods or money, praying for us and all who come... whatever you do is appreciated.

In Christ, Marsha, Judy, Linda, Janette, Sonna, Jean, Carol, Janeen



**2020 WOZ PROGRAM BOOKS -**  
All forms are due Oct. 13.

**2020 WOZ PLANNING COMMITTEE:**  
Oct. 17, 6:30pm, Fellowship Hall



Greetings Women of Zion,

We have ushered in the fall season and eagerly anticipate our Fall Bazaar. The day is always filled with fun and fellowship. It provides an excellent opportunity for everyone at Zion to share their talents and show the love of Jesus with the community. This day is dedicated to working together and volunteering in different ways to bring glory to God.

**Our service focus this month is to explore Reformed Church in America service projects.** There are some special stories of volunteer projects on the RCA website that may inspire you to look for opportunities to serve others near you. Take some time to checkout a story or two. <https://www.rca.org/volunteers>

*"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16*

Lovingly in Christ,

Ann Lupkes, WOZ President

# CIRCLE MEETINGS

**HOPE CIRCLE** - Oct 2 @ 7:00pm  
(Fellowship Hall)

Devotions/Lesson: Jean Host: Sonna

**Vesper Circle** - Oct. 14 @ 1:30pm  
(Fellowship Hall)

Devotions/Lesson: Esther Host: Judy

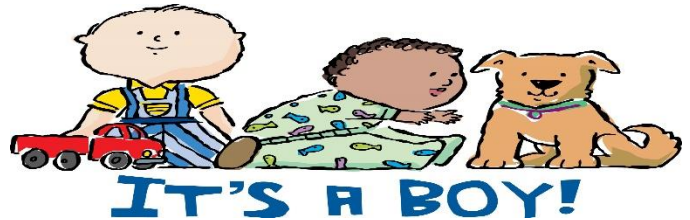
**Joy Circle** - Oct. 15 @ 7pm

Devotions/Lesson/Host: Melanie

**Sunrise Circle** - Oct. 16 @ 9 am

Devotions/Lesson: Deone (?) Host: Lenora

**Young WOZ** - Oct. 17 @ 7pm - RCYF Room



Congratulations to LaVonne Conlon on the birth of her first great grandchild. Winter Dean was born on Sept. 7 to David and Erin Burrow. (8lbs!!)



Please make sure that the office has your updated contact information. (phone, address, email)



Donna Meints, Marie Jurgens, Red Haugland, Larry Moore. Prayers for safety and patience as harvest begins.



Norma Miller /Darlene Meints  
Dorothy Jurgens / Pat Blau / Bob McCormick



**Wednesdays @ 8:00pm (YF Room)**  
Questions? See Joel/Mindy Meier.



## Tithes Attendance

	General	Benevolent	Attendance
SEP 01	\$2,960.00	\$562.00	83
SEP 08	\$2,435.00	\$187.00	85
SEP 15	\$1,822.00	\$437.00	88
SEP 22	\$2,918.00	\$1,052.00	91



Please return your ballots by Sunday, Oct. 6, to the catch all box.

Voting for 1 Elder and 1 Deacon.



- OCT 06** Dave and Deanna
- OCT 13** Ted and Diane
- OCT 20** Ryan and Jen
- OCT 27** Brian and Ann



	<u>AUDIO</u>	<u>VIDEO</u>
<b>OCT 06</b>	Mavis	Tonya
<b>OCT 13</b>	Duane	Kolton
<b>OCT 20</b>	Jerry	Duane
<b>OCT 27</b>	Dave	Carma

## FELLOWSHIP

- OCT 06** Hosts are needed
- OCT 13** VanHorns
- OCT 20** Hosts are needed
- OCT 27** Millers/Muhlenbruch



## ANNUAL CHURCH CLEAN UP

Be looking for more information in your church mailbox. All members of the church will be assigned a cleaning task.  
 The cleaning dates: Oct. 14 – Nov. 2  
 Questions, see Deanna Harms.



Flowers were left in celebration of Willy's life on Sunday, Sept. 8. Willy DeVries' funeral was at Zion on Sept. 4.



Amy Eberling\* / Teresa Schulz  
 Bev Moore/Linda Brass



- 01 Dorothy Jurgens
- 02 Joel & Mindy Meier
- 03 Judy Crom/ Miranda Dixon/Bev Moore/Reagan Willms
- 06 Al Muhlenbruch
- 08 Sonna McMahon, McKayla Drake
- 09 Clayton Miller
- 10 Ty Eberling / Stuart Riggins/Audrey VanHorn
- 11 Janette van Rooyen / Dennis Crom  
Kellen Suntken / Amber Zewert
- 12 Dean Miller
- 14 Chris Carstens/Stephanie Carstens
- 15 Micayla Schulz  
Ted & Diane Hughes
- 17 Teresa Butson
- 18 Jesse & Megan Mollenbeck
- 22 Carl Barkema
- 25 Morgan Meier
- 26 Deanna Harms
- 27 Karter Miller
- 28 Judy Dannen / Michael Halsne
- 30 Sara Buseman / Ardith Parks

Dear family and friends,

To begin I would like to tell you a little bit about my life right now. I am in my Junior year of nursing at Northwestern. I am loving the program and feel that I have grown a lot in my faith and as a person. I have been running a lot and always seem to be training for one race or another. Running allows me to spend time in the Lord's presence and let go of the worldly things we become so worried and attached to. I attend a church in Orange City, Trinity Reformed Church, while at school and have loved it there. It has been my home church for the past two years. I grew up in Zion Reformed Church and have greatly appreciated the people there who helped to shape me into the person I am today. Because of your important role in my life, I'd like to share with you about a great opportunity that I believe God is leading me to – an opportunity to serve people in Cusco, Peru on a short-term service-learning trip. That's why I'm writing...I'd love for you to be a financial and prayer partner in this mission with me.

For the past few months, I have been thinking and praying about going on a service trip to Cusco, Peru with the Medlife movement organization. I believe this is a new step that God is asking me to make. I am excited for all that I will learn in the months leading up to the trip, during the trip, and after I return home. I believe God is going to "do a good work in me" as a result of this incredible opportunity. I am excited for the opportunity to serve with the Medlife movement.

For a little bit about the Cusco trip I have included the description from the Medlife website, "The largely indigenous population of Cusco and its surrounding communities continue to live in extreme poverty. In the rural mountainside pueblos, roads are often unpaved and unsafe, schools are stocked with only the most basic teaching supplies, and the nearest hospital may be up to two hours away by car. Like the rural communities, we serve in Ecuador, residents of Cusco and its surrounding territory strongly identify with the indigenous Quechua culture, and the economy relies heavily on agriculture. Heavy rains and earthquakes frequently produce further hardships, as evidenced by the January 2010 flooding, which wiped out roads, utility grids, and structures alike. Not spared from the destruction were many of the area's few medical clinics."

I will be gone for eight days. Two days will be for travel, two days for orientation and sightseeing, and I will serve in the mobile health clinic for four days. Mobile clinics include, "free, high-quality healthcare directly to communities who lack access to basic health services. Staffed by local practitioners, clinics offer basic medical treatment and preventative screens

and are designed to find patients who are in need of long-term assistance. Volunteers shadow medical professionals, help in the running of the clinic and learn about local medical practices, global medicine and the effect of poverty on health"

Above all, I am devoted to serving the local people and developing relationships with them! This was Christ's model for evangelism and I am excited to be a part of the Great Commission in Cusco, Peru. Additionally, I will be immersed in the indigenous Quechua culture of Peru and get to visit the Sacred Valley and Machu Pichu.

I am very excited to be a part of this team! As I prepare for the trip, I need your prayers for safety and for God to work in and through me, and I want to humbly ask you to consider supporting me financially. The cost of the trip is \$2,300. Any amount would be great, but if you would be willing to contribute \$20, \$50, \$100 or more, it would really help me to reach my goal!

Please prayerfully consider how you would be willing to support me during this trip—either through prayer, financial support or both. Thank you for partnering with me and supporting me as I prepare for this adventure! I look forward to letting you know how the trip impacted my life when I return! If you would like more information or other ways to donate, please feel free to contact me!

Blessings,

Alyssa Eberling

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>* Every Sunday *</b>                      9:15am Worship                      10:45am Sunday School / Kids' Choir</p>		1 9:30am Sewing Group	2 7:00pm 3-HS Catechism 7pm Hope Circle 8pm RCYF	3	4	5 "The Holidays are 'Apron' Us" Bazaar; 11am – 6pm
6 *Holy Communion* *Food Pantry donation *2020 Consistory Ballots are due!	7	8 9:30am Sewing Group	9 7:00pm 3-HS Catechism 7pm Deacons/Elders 8:00pm Consistory RCYF	10	11	12
13	14 1:30pm Vesper Circle	15 9:30am Sewing Group 7:00pm Joy Circle	16 9:00am Sunrise Circle 7:00pm 3-HS Catechism 8:00pm RCYF	17 6:30pm 2020 WOZ planning meeting 7pm Young WOZ Circle	18	19
20 *Floodlight articles are Due*	21	22 9:30am Sewing Group	23 7:00pm 3-HS Catechism 8:00pm RCYF	24	25	26
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