



# January 2019

Zion Reformed Church

FLOODLIGHT



## Consistory Highlights

- \*The Annual Congregational Meeting took place on December 9, 2018.
- \* Consistory members were elected for a three yr. term:  
Elders: Jerry Buseman, Dennis Crom  
Deacon: Phil Markwardt
- \*Holy Communion and the installation of new consistory members will be on Sunday, Jan. 13.

## New \$ Budget

At the Annual Congregational Meeting a General Operating Budget (11/01/18-10/31/19) of \$174,561.00 was passed. To meet this obligation a weekly General Offering of \$3,357. is needed. A Benevolent Budget (11/01/18-10/31/19) of \$34,635.56 was also passed. To meet this obligation a weekly Benevolent Offering of \$666.07 is needed. All members of Zion are respectfully asked to prayerfully consider the gifts that God has so generously given.



Dear Women of Zion,

We welcome the New Year with anticipation and excitement for God's direction and leading as we are called as the Reformed Church Women to Glorify God! United we are to devote ourselves to

Jesus Christ, disciplining one another in love, developing a responsibility for mission through the enabling power of the Holy Spirit.

Our Bible Study journey in 2018 taught or deepened our understanding of the Holy Spirit within us. It taught us how we can draw closer to our Heavenly Father with our relationship with Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. We will continue to learn and grow as we continue to study God's word in 2019. I encourage all women to become acquainted and grow spiritually with others in the church through Bible Study in a Circle of Friends:

HOPE, see Ann Lupkes

JOY, see Carma DeVries

SUNRISE, see Sharon Haver

VESPER, see Esther DeVries

In addition to meeting and growing in God's Word, we are also called to serve. This year, instead of Conversation Starters during Circle meetings, a list of serve opportunities have been provided within the WOZ booklet to move our faith into action in response to God's love for us. In January, visit a shut in or send a card to someone for any reason. Take to opportunity to share what God has done for you. Remember, this is one of the practical applications Jay Rudolph shared with us to avoid, "Losing Jesus".

The Wise Men brought Frankincense to worship the Christ child. Frankincense, when subjected to a flame, gives off a sweet and powerful aroma. Let our service to others be as Frankincense, a sweet aroma of worship and praise for our God. We have been created and wonderfully made to serve together as one. May the New Year bring many blessings to each of you and Zion Reformed Church.

- Lovingly in Christ, Ann Lupkes

# WOZ BOOKLET CHANGE:

\*\*SPIRITUAL LIFE SECRETARY FOR 2019:

MAVIS MEYER(V)

ALONG WITH: CAROL STOCK, DEONE DEAM, AMY EBERLING



## IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR

Although Zion does have a calling tree, please be sure to tune to KLMJ radio should the winter weather be questionable on Sunday mornings.

# SNOW

If you are at Zion during the week, please use the **south driveway & east parking area** as these will be kept clear throughout the week. The remainder of the grounds will only be cleared on Sunday mornings & for funerals.



DATE	GENERAL	BENEVOLENT	ATTENDANCE
Dec. 02	No Church due to weather		
Dec. 09	\$3,480.00	\$1,350.00	65
Dec. 16	\$4,275.00	\$612.00	73
Dec. 23	\$1,765.00	\$437.00	125



Jill Miller (daughter-in-law of Marie Jurgens),  
Corey Campbell, Red Haugland, Larry Moore,  
John Mollenbeck, Pastor Van Rooyen & Family



\*Mavis Meyer, Dixie Anderson,  
Ashley Francis, Deb Meyer



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



JAN 06	Al & Marsha
JAN 13	Jerry & Wendy
JAN 20	Jon & Tami
JAN 27	Roger & Carol



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

## FELLOWSHIP

Jan 06 Al & Marsha  
Hosts are needed the rest of the month



## CIRCLE MEETINGS

**HOPE CIRCLE** - Jan 02 @ 7:00pm (Fellowship Hall)  
*Devotions: Teresa; Lesson: Ann; Host: Jean*

**VESPER CIRCLE** - Jan 14 @ 1:30pm (Fellowship Hall)  
*Devotions/Lesson: Mavis; Host: Audrey*

**JOY CIRCLE** - Jan 15 @ 7:00pm  
*Devotions/Lesson/Host: Teresa*

**MISSION: VISIT OR SEND A CARD TO A SHUT IN**



Vesper circle represented WOZ by sending a gift box for Christmas to the Beebouts. This is their response ....

Hello Women of Zion,

I can't tell you how surprised and delighted we were to receive your package! Thank you so much for thinking of us at this time. Lydia has been beside herself crocheting up the yarn and Ben and Abby are enjoying the craft supplies and the toys. Thank you also for the goodies. I see smores in our near future, assuming Jeremy will share some graham crackers with us.

We are celebrating Christmas in northern Benin. We have been friends with the missionaries down here since language school in 2007. They invited us to come cover at a new clinic they built so we are spending a week here. It's so peaceful out here, away from the chaos of Niamey. We're surrounded by cotton fields and Fulani cattle herds. There are 7 other missionary kids down here so our children are having a wonderful time. It's neat to see how the mission is developing down here and is giving me some useful ideas for our rural clinic.

Thank you again for blessing us with so many treats. We pray that your individual and shared celebrations of Christ's birth are blessed.

In Him,  
Susan



- 02 Corey Eberling
- 07 Jennie Barkema
- 08 Dale Haver
- 11 Roger Stock
- 16 Carma DeVries  
Dave & Deanna Harms
- 21 Jane Elphic
- 22 Kendrick Suntken
- 26 Bob & Ardith Parks
- 30 Bob Parks



### In Loving Memory Of ...

Mr & Mrs. Else Dannen

Mr & Mrs. Jesse Oehlert

Paul Jurgens / Therron Miller

Grampa

from David & Judy Dannen

from their family

Meghan / Matt / Max / Luke

### In Celebration Of ...

Christmas

Dick & Sara Stevenson



Thank you to the Sunday School students, Christmas program committee, Dave, Shelly, and everyone involved to make the children's program a success! Thank you to Esther DeVries for the yummy popcorn balls.



A note from the office:

Wishing Zion a remarkable 2019. Beyond blessed to be serving our God with all of you.

Office Hours: M/W/TH (8am to Noon)

\*\*Office will be closed the week of Jan. 28.

(**Bulletin deadline:** Thurs., Jan. 24, for Sundays, Jan. 27 & Feb. 3)



## PASSAGES TO INSPIRE ....

"A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other. Make 2019 stick!" —Unknown

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"True peace is not merely the absence of tension; it is the presence of justice." —Martin Luther King Jr.

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"Pursue some path, however narrow and crooked, in which you can walk with love and reverence." —Henry David Thoreau

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"Learn to light a candle in the darkest moments of someone's life. Be the light that helps others see." —Roy T. Bennett

# MISSION REPORT


\*\* MISSION UPDATES FROM: NIGER & INDIA  
(Hard Copy Only – On church bulletin board)



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><u>*REMINDER*</u>                      Office Hours:                      M,W,TH: 8-Noon</p>	31	<p>1  </p>	<p>2                      9:00am A/V Deadline                      7:00pm Hope Circle                      RCYF</p>	<p>3                      9:00am Bulletin Deadline</p>	4	5
<p>6*Food Pantry*</p> <p>9:15am Worship lead by                      Brent Howland;                      Prep. For Communion                      10:45am Sunday School</p>	7	<p>8                      9:30am Sewing Group</p>	<p>9                      9:00am A/V Deadline                      7:00pm RCYF</p>	<p>10                      9:00am Bulletin Deadline</p>	11	12
<p>13                      9:15am Worship lead by                      Pastor Jack Ritsema                      Holy Communion                      Consistory Installation                      10:45am Sunday School</p>	<p>14                      1:30pm Vesper                      Circle</p>	<p>15                      9:30am Sewing Group                      7:00pm Joy Circle</p>	<p>16                      9:00am A/V Deadline                      7:00pm RCYF</p>	<p>17                      9:00am Bulletin Deadline</p>	18	19
<p>20*Floodlight Deadline*</p> <p>9:15am Worship lead                      by Lauren Dykstra                      10:45am Sunday School</p>	21	<p>22                      9:30am Sewing Group</p>	<p>23                      9:00am A/V Deadline                      7:00pm RCYF</p>	<p>24                      9:00am Bulletin Deadline                      For Dec. 27 &amp; Feb. 3</p>	25	26
<p>27 *RCA Assessment*                      (\$88.72/member)</p> <p>9:15am Worship lead by                      Pastor Brett Vander Berg                      10:45am Sunday School</p>	<p>28                      *OFFICE CLOSED --</p>	<p>29                      9:30am Sewing Group                      -----</p>	<p>30                      9:00am A/V Deadline                      7:00pm RCYF                      -----</p>	<p>31                      -----</p>	-----*	