

# OCTOBER



2022

## Zion Reformed Church -- Floodlight



Dear Zion,

There are some things in life that no one can prepare you for. No textbook could have prepared us for this new world we currently live in. The Corona virus has made us part of a world of constant change. Nothing in society lasts for a long period anymore. Systems fall into disuse sooner than the time it took to set them up.

In this upside-down world, where everything is changing faster than ever before, we must learn to find our steadfastness in the Lord. Hebrews 13:8 precisely teaches us that Jesus Christ always stays who He is. He is always true to Himself, whether it is yesterday, or today, or to the farthest eternity. This means that Christ is always full of grace and love. He is always kind and full of compassion.

Therefore Zion:

- \* Even though everything and everyone around us changes, Christ is always our eternal Rock.
- \* Even though bad news wins across the land and throughout the world, Christ is always good news. His gospel remains unchanged.
- \* Even if the winds of change blow devastation in the world, Christ is with us. He will never leave us alone.
- \* Even though structures and systems collapse all around us, Christ endures forever. Everyone who takes refuge in Him is safe forever.

Love,  
Pastor Petri



Oct. 2

World  
Communion Sunday



Consistory  
Highlights

\*Next consistory meeting: Thursday, Oct. 13, 7pm. If anyone would like to come before the Elders to inquire about membership or baptism, please do so.

FINANCIAL  
BUDGET

All Financial reports are due to the office by October 31 to prepare for the end of the fiscal year. (Sewing Group, Sunday School, WOZ, RCYF)



CONSISTORY

**NOMINATION** letters for  
1 Elder and  
2 Deacons will be  
available in church  
mailboxes on Oct. 30.



**October is  
Pastor  
Appreciation!  
Zion is  
blessed with  
Pastor Petri  
and family.**



**A Season of Change**

## **WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE**

AS WE APPROACH FALL, AS WITH ANY SEASON, THERE IS A FEELING OF ANTICIPATION OF WHAT LIES AHEAD. SOME ENJOY THE COOL CRISP AIR OF A FALL MORNING, OTHERS LOOK FORWARD TO A BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY OF FALL FOLIAGE AND STILL OTHERS, PARTICULARLY FARMERS; LOOK AT THE CHANGING FIELDS WITH THE PROMISE OF A BOUNTIFUL HARVEST.

AS A CHURCH CONGREGATION, WE ARE IN A SEASON OF CHANGE. WE CAN REFLECT ON OUR HISTORY AS PART OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA, BUT WE CAN ALSO LOOK FORWARD WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION. OUR CONGREGATION HAS A PROMISING FUTURE WITH MANY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THAT COME WITH OUR NETWORK IN ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES.

LET US REMEMBER THAT GOD HAS PLACED US IN THIS TIME AND PLACE TO OPTIMIZE HIS KINGDOM PURPOSES. HE HAS GIVEN EACH OF US A JOB, POSITION, RESOURCES AND MUCH MORE. AS WE LIVE IN ANTICIPATION OF OUR NEW JOURNEY WITH A NEW NETWORK OF CHURCHES, MAY WE BE LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT TO HUMBLY SERVE OTHERS, BOLDLY PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST, AND IN ALL THINGS, GLORIFY GOD.

*1 PETER 3:15*

*BUT IN YOUR HEARTS REVERE CHRIST AS LORD. ALWAYS BE PREPARED TO GIVE AN ANSWER TO EVERYONE WHO ASKS YOU TO GIVE THE REASON FOR THE HOPE THAT YOU HAVE. BUT DO THIS WITH GENTLENESS AND RESPECT.*

LOVINGLY IN CHRIST~  
ANN LUPKES  
WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE



As I'm writing this article, it is mid-September. We are still enjoying some nice summer-like days with cool evenings. It is such a beautiful time of year. WOZ is blessed to have women willing to serve our women's group.

We have a full slate of officers for 2023: Carma- Pres, Judy C- V. Pres, Pauline- Secretary, Diane H-Treas, Teresa B & Cheryl- Education, Janette & Liz- Organization, Linda W & Jan- Service, and Shelly- Spiritual Life. Thank you so much to all the ladies who held offices in 2022, and to the new officers for 2023!

Our 50 th Zion Bazaar will be held on Oct. 1. It will sure promise to be a fun day with great fellowship within Zion and with our surrounding communities. Thank you to the Bazaar Committee for all your hard work.

Our next WOZ meeting will be Saturday, December 3 rd . We will enjoy a nice luncheon together, have a short WOZ meeting with installation of officers, and a beautiful Christmas program to start the Christmas season. I hope all the ladies of Zion will be able to join us for this special Christmas meeting.

God Bless!  
Diane Hughes,  
WOZ President



**2023 WOZ PROGRAM BOOKS -  
All forms are due Oct. 9.**

**2023 WOZ PLANNING COMMITTEE:  
Oct. 20, 6:30pm, Fellowship Hall  
We will need all officers and Circle Chairmen to participate to make plans for the coming year.**





# ZION'S BAZAAR

SATURDAY,  
OCT. 1

10:30am -  
11:00am

Praise Singing in  
the Sanctuary

11:00am – 2:00pm

## SHOPS – Inside

Large Bakery / Cards & Napkins /  
Pantry (Canned Meat) / Crafts /  
Frozen Meals

Preorder meals/soups: Please pick  
up and pay on Friday, Sept. 30.

## MENU – Fellowship Hall

Pork Loin / Beef Burgers / Hot Dogs /  
Calico Beans

Baked Potato Bar / Homemade  
Potato Salad

Coleslaw / Pie & Ice Cream /  
Assorted Beverages

## FAMILY EVENTS –

### Outside Activities

**(\$5 wristband)**

Bounce House / Face Painting / Duck  
Pond

Make 'n' Take Craft / Golf /  
Hay Ride (\$1 ride only)

## ONLINE AUCTION ITEMS

Online bidding only:

Bids close on 9/30, 7pm;

[www.zionreformed.com](http://www.zionreformed.com)

Please pay and pick up your  
auction item on the day of the  
bazaar.

**Please help  
spread the word  
with enthusiasm!  
Your support is  
appreciated. All  
proceeds support  
WOZ Missions –  
WOZ Bazaar  
Committee**

In Christ,  
Marsha, Janeen, Judy, Linda, Janette, Jean, Carol, Ardith,  
Diane B.

Sunday, Oct. 2, our 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bazaar  
celebrations will continue during Sunday  
service with special music, praise singing  
and fellowship following. Please invite  
friends and family to share in God's love.

## CIRCLE MEETINGS

HOPE CIRCLE - Oct 4 @ 7:00pm  
(Fellowship Hall)

Devotions/Lesson: Jean Host: Rose

Joy Circle - Oct. 9 @ 7pm

Devotions/Lesson/Host: Teresa

Vesper Circle - Oct. 10 @ 1:30pm  
(Fellowship Hall)

Devotions/Lesson: Linda Host: Sue

Sunrise Circle - Oct. 12 @ 9 am

Devotions: Lenora Lesson: ALL Host: Lenora  
(Fellowship Hall)

Faith Circle – Oct. @ 7pm

Conversation: Please bring a Bible Verse to share  
about obedience.



**Zion Over 60's!!**

If you are 60 years of age or older, please plan on joining us for lunch following fellowship on Sunday, Oct. 16. More information will follow in your church mailbox.

Q: See Carma.



Children's Choir will sing on the last Sunday of every month.



### ANNUAL CHURCH CLEAN UP

Be looking for more information in your church mailbox. All members of the church will be assigned a cleaning task.



Please make sure that the office has your updated contact information. (phone, address, email)  
Deadline: Oct. 9



### Birth Announcements

Congratulations to Duane and Karen Carstens on the arrival of grandbaby #2! Aria Rose was born on Sept. 16 to Chris Carstens and Stephanie Nielsen. She weighed 7lbs, 6oz, 20 1/2" long.



Congratulations to Elijah and Karter Kinseth on the holy baptism of their daughter, Everette Genevieve, on Sunday, Sept. 25.



\*Grades PreK – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday School: Meets every Sunday after service; PreK-6<sup>th</sup>: Children's choir



**Wednesdays @ 7:00pm (YF Room)**

Questions? See Pastor Petri



## Welcome Our New Members

**Congratulations to Tanner Buseman, Keaton Buseman, Sammy Alphs and Addie Buseman on becoming members at Zion by professing their Christian faith on Sunday, Sept. 25.**



Please keep our friends in your prayers:

Jill Schade, Anna Dirksen, Angie DeVries

Darren Peil, husband to CAL teacher, Ciana.

Darren was in a serious car accident a few weeks ago and remains hospitalized.

Brittany, friend of John Lupkes

God Bless Zion, our farmers during harvest season,  
our world leaders and our nation



Darlene Meints/ Marie Jurgens/ Gordon Meyer



Shirley Ludens\*, Arlene Maifeld  
Teresa Schulz, Karen Carstens



Flowers were left on the altar on Sept. 25 to celebrate the baptism of Everette Genevieve.

Flowers were left on the altar on Sept. 25 to celebrate Tanner Buseman, Keaton Buseman, Sammy Alphs and Addie Buseman on becoming members of Zion through professing their Christian faith.



Dear Zion Reformed Church Family,  
We are grateful for your prayers, cards, meals, visits and kind words during my sudden surgery and recovery. We were stronger knowing others had us in their prayers. Harlyn and I will continue to thank our Lord God for this church family, Pastor Petri and his family. Our thanks to everyone, Harlyn and Charlane Janssen  
***"This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it". Psalm 118:24***

Kinseth:

Thank you for always showing us Christian love and support especially on the day of Everette's baptism. We appreciate your continued prayers and guidance as we raise Ev to live for Jesus. A special thank you to Jen Koenen for sharing her beautiful voice and to Pastor Petri for his continued guidance.

-Elijah and Karter

Thank you to the "crew" that painted the downstairs SS/music area. The area looks bright and inviting.



**Family Ministry**  
**Oct. 12**  
**6:30pm**  
**ALL AGES**



**DAYCARE PROVIDERS**  
**After Children's Time !**

\* If your Sunday does not work, please find a replacement. Your efforts are very much appreciated.\*

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Oct 2	Janette - Barrett
Oct 9	Megan M - Gavin
Oct 16	Shelly - Marli
Oct 23	Sammy - Gavin
Oct 30	Ann - Barrett

**Tithes**  **Attendance**

	General	Benevolent	Attendance
SEP 04	\$2,478.00	\$1,565.00	77
SEP 11	\$1,701.00	\$515.00	110
SEP 18	\$2,656.00	\$405.00	87
SEP 25	\$2,959.00	\$775.00	127



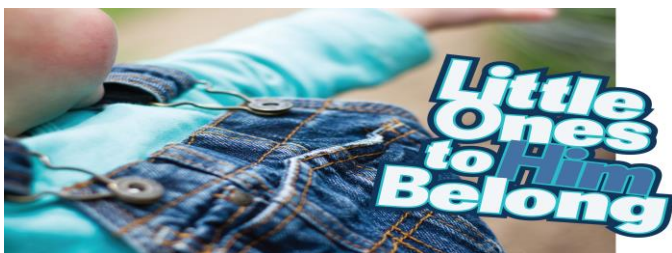
	<u>AUDIO</u>	<u>VIDEO</u>
Oct 02	Jesse	Kendal
Oct 09	Dave	Tonya
Oct 16	Jerry	Carma
Oct 23	Duane	Kolton
Oct 30	Jesse	Kendal

**FELLOWSHIP**

Oct. 2	Bazaar Comm.
Oct. 9	Crom's
Oct. 16	Hosts needed
Oct. 23	Judy D/Myron & Jan
Oct. 30	Hosts needed



The challenge is on!! Zion's goal is to send off 100+ shoeboxes to children across the globe so their Christmas is brighter. Begin your shopping or perhaps you have been gathering throughout the year. Shoeboxes will be set out after bazaar. There is a \$10 shipping fee per box. You may also donate money to support this worthy cause. Zion's RCYF will help in the distribution. More information will follow. Deadline is Nov. 13. **Declare His glory among the nations!** Psalm 96:3



**Children's Time during church service**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Oct 2	Pastor
Oct 9	Megan
Oct 16	Shelly
Oct 23	Wendy
Oct 30	Ann



- 03 Judy Crom/ Miranda Dixon/Bev Moore  
06 Al Muhlenbruch  
08 Sonna McMahon, McKayla Drake  
09 Clayton Miller  
10 Ty Eberling / Stuart Riggins/Audrey VanHorn  
11 Janette van Rooyen – 40!!! / Dennis Crom  
Kellen Suntken  
14 Chris Carstens/Stephanie Carstens  
15 Micayla Lahner  
*Ted & Diane Hughes*  
17 Teresa Butson  
18 Jesse & Megan Mollenbeck  
22 Carl Barkema  
26 Deanna Harms  
27 Karter Kinseth  
28 Judy Dannen / Michael Halsne  
29 Beth Bretz  
30 Sara Buseman / Ardith Parks

### BE-ATTITUDES

- Be understanding of your enemies.  
Be loyal to your friends.  
Be strong enough to face the world each day.  
Be weak enough to know you cannot do everything alone.  
Be generous to those who need your help.  
Be frugal with what you need for yourself.  
Be wise enough to know that you do not know everything.  
Be open enough to believe in miracles.  
Be willing to share your joys.  
Be eager to share the sorrows of others.  
Be a leader when you see a path others have missed.  
Be a follower when you are shrouded by uncertainty.  
Be the first to congratulate an opponent who succeeds.  
Be the last to criticize a colleague who fails.  
Be loving to those who love you.  
Be loving to those who don't love you; they may change.  
Be yourself, above all.



Create some invisible art and then reveal the seasonal design.

#### What you need:

- Leaves
- White paper
- White crayon (label removed)
- Watercolor paints
- Water
- Paintbrush



#### What you do:

1. Gather leaves of different shapes and sizes. On a table, arrange them flat without overlaps. Set the paper over them.
2. Hold the crayon sideways and use the long edge to color over the leaves. You'll make an invisible rubbing of them.
3. Then paint over the paper with watercolors. The areas with crayon will resist the paint and reveal the hidden leaf designs.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>* Every Sunday *</b>                      9:15am Worship                      10:30am Sunday School / Kids' Choir</p>	<p><b>Pastor appreciation month!</b></p>				<p>30                      Bazaar set up                      7pm Bids close</p>	<p>1 Zion's 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bazaar; 10:30-11am Praise Singing; 11am – 2pm-Shops</p>
<p>2 World Communion Day! Holy Communion                      9:15 am Service                      10:30am Kids Choir                      PreK-HS SS</p>	3	<p>4                      7pm Hope Circle</p>	<p>5                      7pm RCYF</p>	6	7	8
<p>9                      9:15 am Service                      10:30am Kids Choir                      PreK-HS SS                      7:00pm Joy Circle</p>	<p>10                      1:30pm Vesper Circle</p>	11	<p>12                      9:00am Sunrise Circle                      6:30pm Family Ministry</p>	<p>13                      7pm Deacons/Elders                      8:00pm Consistory</p>	14	15
<p>16                      9:15 am Service                      10:30am Kids Choir                      PreK-HS SS                      Zion Over 60's Lunch</p>	17	18	<p>19                      7pm RCYF</p>	<p>20                      6:30pm 2023 WOZ planning meeting</p>	21	22
<p>23 9:15 am Service                      10:30am Kids Choir                      PreK-HS SS                      30 - Reformation Sunday                      9:15 am Service                      10:30am Kids Choir                      PreK-HS SS</p>	<p>24                      31</p>	25	<p>26                      7pm RCYF</p>	27	28	29