



2023

## Zion Reformed Church -- Floodlight



### PASTOR'S P O S T S

#### Jesus invites us into HIS STORY

The last quarter of the year has kicked off. For some of us, time was flying. For others, it felt like time was standing still. During this quarter the church is preparing herself for the birth of Jesus Christ. I want to make you aware that Jesus invites you into His story. For the last 4 Family Ministry events of the year, we are going to focus on the four gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Take time and read these gospels.

The more you read them, the more you will hear that Jesus waits for you with open arms. The great thing is, when you enter His story, you will feel His love, His care, and His forgiveness. You will feel wanted, refreshed, calm, peaceful and you can just be yourself.

I encourage you to escape from the rat race and go and sit at Jesus' feet while He shares His story with you in the Gospels. Jesus included all off His children in this story of salvation.

Regards,  
Petri



Oct. 1



### Consistory Highlights

\*Next consistory meeting: Thursday, Oct. 12, 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)



**NOMINATION** letters for  
1 Elder and  
2 Deacons will be  
available in church  
mailboxes on Oct. 29.



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

---

## **WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE**

"THE HEAVENS DECLARE THE GLORY OF GOD, AND THE SKY ABOVE PROCLAIMS HIS HANDIWORK." PSALM 19:1

TAKE A WALK THROUGH TOWN OR A DRIVE THROUGH THE COUNTRY AND YOU WILL SEE THE BEAUTY OF AUTUMN NOW BEGINNING. LET'S MAKE IT A HABIT TO SEE GOD THROUGHOUT OUR DAYS. HE GIVES US GLIMPSES OF HIMSELF THROUGH THE BEAUTY OF NATURE — THE LEAVES TURNING THEIR SHADES OF YELLOWS, REDS, AND ORANGES; THE GLORIOUS SUNRISE SHEDDING LIGHT ON THE CRYSTAL DROPS OF DEW ON THE GRASS AND DRYING SOYBEAN FIELD; THE MAJESTIC "V" OF THE CANADIAN GEESE FLYING IN FORMATION.

LET'S PUT REMINDERS IN OUR HOMES TO SPARK US TO THINK ABOUT GOD. MAYBE PUT YOUR FAVORITE BIBLE BESIDE YOUR CHAIR, KEEP YOUR FAMILY MINISTRY SCRIPTURE POSTED WHERE YOU CAN SEE IT EVERY DAY, SUBSCRIBE TO A DAILY EMAIL DEVOTIONAL, AND TUNE YOUR CAR OR PICKUP RADIO TO A CHRISTIAN STATION OR PODCAST.

LET'S NOT LET A DAY GO BY WITHOUT SEEING GOD AT WORK!  
SHELLY BUSEMAN, SPIRITUAL LIFE SECRETARY

---



**2024 WOZ PROGRAM BOOKS -**  
All forms are due Oct. 8.

**2024 WOZ PLANNING COMMITTEE:**  
Oct. 25, 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. 7**

**11:00am – 2:00pm**

**SHOPS – Inside**

**Large Bakery / Cards & Napkins /  
Pantry (Canned Meat ) / Crafts /  
Trash 'N Treasure / Frozen Meals  
Preorder meals/soups: Please pick  
up and pay on Friday, Oct. 6.**

### **MENU – Fellowship Hall**

**Pork Loin / Beef Burgers / Hot Dogs /  
Calico Beans  
Baked Potato Bar / Homemade  
Potato Salad  
Coleslaw / Pie & Ice Cream /  
Assorted Beverages**

**4pm – 6pm**

**Serving same great MENU as above**

**6:00pm**

### **LIVE AUCTION**

**of auction items and  
centerpieces**

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

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



**JOURNEY CIRCLE** - OCT. 5 @ 7PM

**HOPE CIRCLE** - OCT 11 @ 7:00pm  
(Fellowship Hall)

*Devotions/Lesson: Jean Host: Sonna*

**Joy Circle** - Oct. 8 @ 7pm

*Devotions/Lesson/Host: Teresa*

**Vesper Circle** - Oct. 9 @ 1:30pm  
(Fellowship Hall)

*Devotions/Lesson: Linda Host: Sue*

**Sunrise Circle** - Oct. 11 @ 9 am

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

**Faith Circle** - Oct. 26 @ 7pm

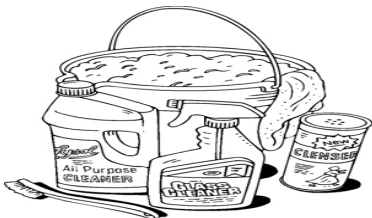
**Conversation: Have You been a Christian Your Whole Life?**



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

Newly married? Babies? Birthday month/year is appreciated

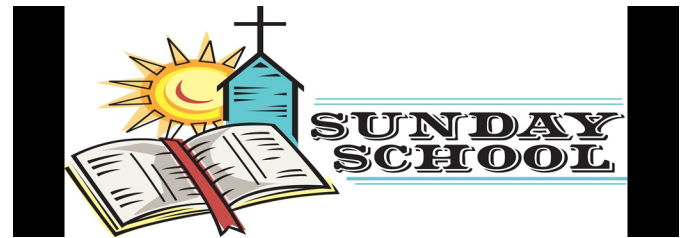
Deadline: Oct. 8



## ANNUAL CHURCH CLEAN UP

Reminder: If you have a sheet in your mailbox that means that you are the contact person of the group you have been assigned. Please contact the other workers on the sheet and be working to fulfill the duties listed. Thank you.

Q: Please see Linda Wells or Jan VanHorn



\*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 or Clayton and Mariah Miller



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



Please keep our friends in your prayers:

Angie DeVries, Maynard Koenen, Dale Butson, Brian Lupkes, Kim Klashen Mollenbeck

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



Shirley Ludens / Darlene Meints/ Gordon Meyer



Visitation Team: Teresa Schulz\*, Arlene Maifeld,  
Charlane Janssen, Karen Carstens



Flowers were left on the altar on Sept. 24 to celebrate the life of Marie Jurgens.



Dear Zion Family,  
We are grateful for your prayers, cards, visits and kind words during Marie's time in Hospice and now her passing. Thank you to WOZ for preparing and serving the lunch and to Pastor Petri for his numerous visits and phone calls and thank you to Janette for accompanying. I (Marsha) have to share that Marie has a very large family and they were all so pleased on the funeral service and on how kind and accommodating the women in the kitchen were that day. I am always so proud to tell people where I attend church because of this very nature of kindness and giving and believe me when Marie's family shared their gratitude with me I just simply said "I love my church and church family" and they replied, "I can see why!"

God's love to you all, Marie Jurgen's Family

Zion Over 60's: Thank you so very much to Judy Crom, VP of WOZ for organizing the luncheon. Thank you to everyone that assisted to make this event special. Dennis and Judy, the slide show of South Africa was enjoyable.



**Hosts are needed to supply and serve the Family Ministry meal for October. Thank you.**

### Family Ministry - October 2023

The Gospel of Mark

Purpose: To present the person, work and teachings of Jesus.

Original Audience: The Christians in Rome, where the gospel was also written.

Date written: Between A.D. 55-65

Key verse for the discussion: "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many. Mark 10:45

Catechism Questions:

83 Q. What are the keys of the kingdom?

A. The preaching of the holy gospel and Christian discipline toward repentance. Both preaching and discipline open the kingdom of heaven to believers and close it to unbelievers.

84 Q. How does preaching the gospel open and close the kingdom of heaven?

A. According to the command of Christ:

The kingdom of heaven is opened by proclaiming and publicly declaring to all believers, each and every one, that, as often as they accept the gospel promise in true faith, God, because of what Christ has done, truly forgives all their sins. The kingdom of heaven is closed, however, by proclaiming and publicly declaring to unbelievers and hypocrites that, as long as they do not repent, the anger of God and eternal condemnation rest on them.

God's judgement, both in this life and in the life to come, is based on this gospel testimony.





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. 12. **Declare His glory among the nations!** Psalm 96:3



	<u>AUDIO</u>	<u>VIDEO</u>
OCT 01	Jerry	Molly
OCT 08	Nick	Kolton
OCT 15	Duane	Kendal
OCT 22	Dave	Tonya
OCT 29	Jesse	Carma



### Children's Time during church service

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Oct 1	Kelly Bennett
Oct 8	Molly Allen
Oct 15	Shelly Buseman
Oct 22	Wendy Buseman
Oct 29	Ann Lupkes



### 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 1	Marsha - Marli
Oct 8	Steph - Gavin
Oct 15	Sammy - Marli
Oct 22	Kirsten - Barrett
Oct 29	Alexandria - Gavin

### FELLOWSHIP

Oct. 1	Bev Moore
Oct. 8	Crom's
Oct. 15	van Rooyen's
Oct. 22	Potluck
Oct. 29	Judy, Marge, Sue



"OCTOBER'S PARTY"

October gave a party;  
The leaves by hundreds came—  
The Chestnuts, Oaks and Maples,  
And leaves of every name.  
The sunshine spread a carpet,  
And everything was grand,  
Miss Weather led the dancing,  
Professor Wind the band.

—George Cooper



Pumpkins wanted!! If you have extra pumpkins that could be donated to Zion families on Oct. 22nd? Please see Diane Hughes



**CELEBRATE ZION's new denomination with the Alliance of Reformed Churches on Sunday, Oct. 22.** Tim Vink with the ARC will be our guest!

Following the service there will be a potluck. Everyone, please bring a dish or two to share. Tableware and drinks will be provided.

The Zion Ambassadors will be providing a hayride for everyone's enjoyment!

# Zion Reformed Church

2029B Jonquil Avenue  
Sheffield, IA 50475  
(zionchurch2029@gmail.com) 641-579-6186 /  
www.zionreformed.com  
Pastor Petri van Rooyen; 641-231-2361



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>* Every Sunday *</b> 9:15am Worship 10:30am Sunday School / Kids' Choir	<b>Pastor appreciation month!</b>					
1 World Communion Day! Holy Communion 9:15 am Service 10:30am Kids Choir PreK-HS SS	2	3	4	5 7pm Journey Circle	6	7 Zion's Bazaar; 11am - 2pm- Shops;meal; 5pm-Meal, 6pm Live Auction
8 9:15 am Service 10:30am Kids Choir PreK-HS SS 7:00pm Joy Circle	9 1:30pm Vesper Circle	10	11 9:00am Sunrise Circle 7pm Hope Circle	12 7pm Deacons/Elders 8:00pm Consistory	13	14
15 Welcome, Red Haugland 9:15 am Service 10:30am Kids Choir PreK-HS SS	16	17	18 6:30 pm Family Ministry	19	20	21
22 9:15 am Service 10:30am Kids Choir PreK-HS SS Potluck 29- Reformation Sunday 9:15 am Service; Kids Sing ; 10:30am SS	23	24	25 6:30pm WOZ 2024 Planning	26 7pm Faith Circle	27	28
	30	31				