





Dear Zion,

Can you relate with the following statements? "Many people no longer serve the Lord."

"It is going badly because the people of the United States do not put God first."

"If people just return to the Lord, He will bless our country."

"If people just want to come to church, our people will be better off."

Every time I hear such expressions, I am confused, worried and I do feel that we are not doing enough for the Kingdom of God. I have been thinking about this for a long time. There was no perfect era in the history of mankind. We love to say: "In the good old days...."

Sometimes people make it sound like God was more present in the past as He is today. The fact is, there have always been too many sinners and too few saints. I suspect it will remain exactly that way until the Lord returns one day. We are constantly trying to convince

each other how bad it is because OTHER people disappoint God. Then the fault always lies with them. If they just want to change, things will go much better. But the good news is that many of "them" have already changed, for the Lord is still bringing his kingdom. Poor people get food everywhere; the sick is healed, and people repent in many places. We just have to change our way of looking. We need to see less of what is wrong and more of what God is doing in front of and behind the scenes.

We are not called to point out the world and the church's mistakes from a safe distance. We need to move from spectators to active players. Then we do right. Only then will we notice that God's kingdom is engaged in an unstoppable march into the world. I mean, did Jesus not himself say that the kingdom is like mustard seed that grows bigger and bigger all the time, but then we must have the right eyes, eyes that look at God's work. God is providing every day. Zion, I challenge you, let us do not sound like people without hope.

Remember, Jesus is the Living Water for every generation.

Pastor Petri



*Zion's Consistory will meet on Thursday, Aug. 11, 7pm. (Closing prayer: Eric./Coffee: Jon)



At our last WOZ meeting it was decided that the extra funds we received (\$469.29) from hosting Spring Conference at Zion would be donated to the South Sudan well projects (same as VBS and the Corn Festival proceeds). We also agreed to pay for the ingredients to furnish 12 pies for Franklin County Relay for Life on July 22 nd.

August 7 th Zion will have a church picnic at Beeds Lake- same area as last summer. This is a fun night to enjoy food and fellowship with your Zion friends and family. August 10 th WOZ will provide the Hampton FGH program.

Summer seems to be going by quickly as usual. Don't forget to make plans for how you will participate in our 50 th Zion Bazaar on October 1 st. Be sure to sign up for the things you want to furnish or do on the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board. It's a fun day, not just for the women of Zion, but for all members. It is our biggest fundraiser for WOZ to support our missions and projects, and a great opportunity to interact with our local communities and friends.

Enjoy your summer! God bless... Diane Hughes, WOZ President



August 9 @ 2pm Hampton FGH Program Program: Sue, Arlene, Janette



WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE

Matthew 11:28

28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

This time of year seems to be a bit chaotic for most. Fairs, ball games, weddings, and many other events fill our days and nights and we may become overwhelmed. I know that I get so wrapped up in life that I sometimes forget to give time to God. The next time you are feeling overwhelmed or stressed about all the events and appointments that you have on your plate take a minute to tell God about your worries and know that he will give you rest.

May God Bless & Keep You, Liz Symens, Faith Circle WOZ Spiritual Life Committee Member

Back To School



FYI: PROMOTION SUNDAY - Sept. 11

Plan to stay for games following the outside Sunday service! More information to follow.



Date	General	Benevolent	Attendance
JULY 3	\$2,401.00	\$535.00	84
JULY 10	\$4,397.28	\$515.00	95
JULY 17	\$1,630.00	\$625.00	70

Thank you so much for your continued tithes. Please remember the "special offerings": RCA General Fund: Each member's responsibility is \$95.71/yearly; MSC is \$12/member.



Sara Stevenson*, Elaine Parks, Linda Wells, Audrey VanHorn



Darlene Meints / Marie Jurgens / Gordon Meyer



Please keep our friends in your prayers: Charlane Janssen, Jill Schade, Angie DeVries

Brittany, friend of John Lupkes

Elizabeth Nannenga's father, Christ Nannenga Jon Suntken's sister, Sandy

Jay Bushbaum Family and Friends: Amber passed away on Sat., July 16, she blessed Zion many times with her musical talent.

Christian sympathy to Dave and Deanna Harms and family on the passing of Dave's mother, Anna



Congratulations to Clayton and Mariah Miller on the arrival of Genevieve Marie on July 7. Big brother Sutton, Gpa Al and Gma Marsha, Great gma Marie are so very excited!



Children's Time during church service

AUGUST 7 PASTOR PETRI

AUGUST 14 WENDY – OUTSIDE SERVICE

August 21 Dave August 28 Megan M.



DAYCARE PROVIDERS!

After Children's Time

August 7 Shelly/Marli
August 14 NA – Outside Service
August 21 Tonya/Marli

AUGUST 28 SILAS, WHITNEY, JUSTIN



DATE	Audio		VIDEO
AUGUST 7	JERRY		CARMA
AUGUST 14		OUTSIDE	
AUGUST 21	DUANE		Kolton
AUGUST 28	JESSE		KENDAL



AUGUST 7
AUGUST 14

HOSTS NEEDED
JURGENS/JOHNSON

AUGUST 21 AUGUST 28 HOSTS NEEDED HOSTS NEEDED



Vesper: Aug 8 Devotions/Lesson: Judy; Host: Sara **Sunrise:** Aug 10 Devotions/Lesson/Host: Sharon Bring a Bible Verse to share about Acceptance



Blueberry Blitz: Thank you to everyone who purchased blueberries in support of Lake View Camp. Think of the young campers as you use your berries throughout the year! Thank you to Ann and Carol for helping organize/pickup and deliver the blueberries.

A HUGE thank you to the Zion Ambassador's for their planning and providing for Zion's 2nd Corn Festival and the upcoming Zion's Cookout at Beeds Lake on August 7.

Harms: I want to thank everyone for their prayers, warm wishes, cards and words of support during the past few days as I worked through the passing of my mother. The experience made me acutely aware that the ones we know and love in our lives make the time we have so precious. I'm grateful that our friends and family include all of you here at Zion.

-David



FLOWERS: July 31: Lilli Mollenbeck's 4th Birthday



Please plan to help us
Celebrate on Aug. 14 during
Fellowship hour ...
Marge's 80th birthday &
Ron and Marge's 60th Anniversary
-Jurgens Family



ZION'S 50TH BIRTHDAY BAZAAR!!

Sat., Oct. 1, 11am-2pm

CELEBRATE 50 YEARS AND BEING BACK INSIDE!

Please consider giving food donations, working, all women are asked to bake a pie for the kitchen; consider making centerpieces and making auction items! Sign up sheets are now posted on the bulletin board.

FYI: Frozen meals/soups will be online for preordering as well as the silent auction items for bidding. Silent auction items must be brought to the church by September 11 and will be on display. FROZEN MEALS/SOUPS: there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for preorders. Deadline to preorder is Sept. 15. Zion, please plan to pick up your frozen meals/soups on FRIDAY, SEPT. 30, 5-7PM. AUCTION ITEMS: Will be online bidding only. (If you do not have access to a computer, Marsha will be happy to help you bid) Online bidding will open on Sept. 15 and will close on Sept. 30, 7pm. (www.zionreformed.com) Centerpieces will be open bid only on the day of bazaar. Highest bidder by 2pm wins.

The inside bazaar booths will be bakery, pantry, crafts, frozen food, cards/napkins. Bringing back a full lunch menu! Outside activities (weather permitting): golf, bouncy house, face painting, make 'n take craft, duck pond, hayrides. Now is the time to be thinking what type of craft(s) you can contribute, items for the pantry such as canned veggies, jelly/jams, the ladies are working on canned meat; what types of breads/cakes/bars/cookies/candies/mini or full size pies can you make for the bakery.

A detailed information sheet will be handed out in August in your mailboxes. Seeking money donations to help cover the expense of meat and Bazaar costs in general. Donations may be given to Judy Crom. Please spread the word and fire up for another amazing bazaar with community fellowship. YOUR time, contributions and prayers to help make Zion's 50th bazaar the very best yet is very much appreciated.

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD WOZ MISSIONS

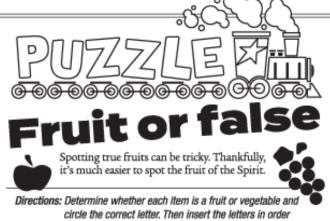


- 03 Wells Sheeler / Dick & Sonna McMahon
- 04 Shawn Francis Joel Rodemeyer
- 06 Jace Halsne, Randy Meyer
- 07 Marge Jurgens Amanda Rodemeyer
- 09 Sharon Haver
- 10 Ron & Marge Jurgens
- 11 Jon & Tami Suntken
- 12 Frank & Cheryl Schnoes
- 14 Addie Buseman
- 15 Elijah & Karter Kinseth
- 16 Eric & Brittnee Meyer / Myron & Jan VanHorn
- 17 Duane Barkema
- 18 Darlene Meints
- 19 Darwin Butson
- 20 Chance Moore
- 21 Diane Barkema
- 22 Ryan & Jen Koenen
- 24 Gavin Rodemeyer / Aubree Lahner
- 27 Corey Campbell / Andrew Lupkes
- 28 Eric Meyer
- 30 Michael & Tonya Halsne
- 31 Silas Buseman/ Clayton & Mariah Miller



Christ is like a river that is continually flowing. There are always fresh supplies of water coming from the fountainhead, so that a man may live by it and be supplied with water all his life. So Christ is an ever-flowing fountain; he is continually supplying his people, and the fountain is not spent. They who live upon Christ may have fresh supplies from him for all eternity; they may have an increase of blessedness that is new [and] never will come to an end.

—Jonathan Edwards



below to complete the verses.

	Fruit	Vegetable		Fruit	Vegetable		
Apple	٧	Р	Pepper	0	U		
Carrot	Ε	0	Spinach	R	S		
Tomato	Υ	R	Watermelon	Н	Р		
Grape	C	F	Broccoli	G	N		
Eggplant	Т	D	Pumpkin	Т	Υ		
Celery	1	N	Pear	F	C		
Banana	K	M	Asparagus	L	R		
Cucumber	N	W					

But the fruit of the Spirit is lo_e, j_ _, pea_e,

pa_ie_ce, _ind_ess, go_dne_s,

fait_ful_ess, gen_leness, sel_-cont_ol.

GALATIANS 5:22-23, ESV

Answer: love, Joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness,



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2022

C In	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Office Hours: M, W, TH 8am - Noon	1	2	3	4	5	6
7*Food Pantry* 9:15am Worship Worship Leader: Brent Howland Zion picnic @ Beeds Lake	8 1:30pm Vesper Circle	9 2pm FGH Program	10 9:00am Sunrise Circle	11 7pm Consistory	12	13
14 9:15am Worship Outside Service	15	16	17 6:30pm Family Ministry	18	19	20
21 *Floodlight Deadline* 9:15am Worship	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 *Capt. Maint. offering* 9:15am Worship	29	30	31			