



## Zion Reformed Church Floodlight - 2025



### PASTOR'S P O S T S

Dear Zion Family

Just as a tree that ceases to grow inevitably begins to wither and die, so too is our spiritual life. The principle is simple yet profound: what does not grow, dies. This truth applies not only to the natural world but powerfully to our faith. Our journey with Christ is not static; it is a dynamic process of sanctification, a lifelong pursuit of becoming more like Him.

Therefore, let us strive to grow in grace and knowledge, pressing forward with diligence. Let us commit to daily nourishment from the Scriptures, fervent prayer, and active participation in the life of the church. For in growing, we not only preserve our own spiritual vitality but also bring greater glory to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Regards,

Pastor Petri



### Consistory Highlights

\*Zion's Consistory will meet on Aug. 14, 7pm.  
(Closing prayer: Keaton./Coffee: Jerry)



### WHEELS & WORSHIP August 3 – 9:15am Service



Following Worship: Stay for a freewill offering light meal of Dutch Pannpkoek (similar to crepes)! All proceeds will go to support the Texas Flood Relief Fund.



**August 10**  
**\*Bring a**  
**chair**



## Festival

**\*Corn Festival:** August 10: Corn Festival will be served inside. A sign up sheet to help serve and make food is on the bulletin board! Freewill offering: All proceeds will go toward Zion's new playground. Q: See Ann



August 12 @ 2pm  
 Hampton FGH Program  
 Program: Judy K\*, Ann L, Nadine G.



BEST WISHES to  
 Zion's families as  
 school begins later  
 this month.



When Rose asked for favorite hymns that we would like to sing as special music, it got me thinking about all the wonderful words in those songs that have helped get us through good times and hard times. Many hymns and Sunday School songs bring back special memories. Often the lyrics seemed written just for what I was going through.

They still apply to situations today. Some of the newer songs we sing are wonderful too! (Like A Deer/Pastor's favorite is one we love to sing!) We can be so thankful for the joy of singing each Sunday! Psalm 96:2 says, "Sing to the Lord, Bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day".

Hymns can help us get through life and press on in our faith. Even in great adversity we can sing hymns and songs like Paul and Silas in prison. What is your favorite song or hymn?

### Reminders:

- \*August 12: Hampton FGH Program by Judy K., Ann L, Nadine G.
- \*Over 60's Lunch is August 30. Information is coming!
- \*Sept. 10: WOZ Business Meeting
- \*Sept. 15: Sheffield Care Center Program /Linda W, Esther D, Molly A
- \*October 4: Zion's Bazaar/ "Christmas at Grandma and Grandpa's"

Yours in Christ,  
 Sonna McMahon  
 WOZ President

## WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE

Here is a devotional I read this week and wanted to share.....

John 8: 31-32: 31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Father, I love your Word because it's filled with truth – truth for knowing Your heart, knowing how to live, and knowing safeguards to take for being safe within your care. When my mind is free from lies from the enemy – the kind that cause doubt and worry, fear and shame – I am free to simply "be" and rest my soul in spite of being in a very chaotic world. Thank you for Your truth and the saving grace it is for my heart. All glory to You. Amen.

Blessings,  
 Megan Oehlert, Spiritual Life



Sunday School Teachers/Helpers; Music Leaders are needed for 2025-26! If you are interested or have Q: See Megan Mollenbeck



HOSTS ARE NEEDED, PLEASE



Sunday, Aug. 31  
All kiddos please bring your backpack

## ZION OVER 60's

Plan to attend the appreciation luncheon:

"Avoid Being Scammed"

**Zion Reformed Church**  
**Saturday, August 30 – 11:30am**

Program presented by members of **WOZ**  
For planning purposes, please let Marsha or Tonya know if you will be attending by  
**Sunday, August 24.**



## FYI: PROMOTION SUNDAY – Sept. 14

Plan to stay for games following the outside Sunday service! Please share with friends, family and community that Zion's Sunday School and Children's Choir will be starting on Sunday, Sept. 21, following 9:15 am service. Ages PreK-HS welcomed! More information to follow.



Date	General	Benevolent	Attendance
JULY 6	\$2,460.00	\$820.00	95
JULY 13	\$4,497.69	\$310.00	105
JULY 20	\$.00	\$.00	141



\*Audrey VanHorn / Elaine Parks



# Remember Our Homebound Members

Phyllis Nelson / Duane and Lenora Payne



Elaine Parks, Arlene Maifeld, Bev Moore,  
Dale Butson, Darwin Butson, Brian Lupkes,  
Diane Hughes, Ted Hughes



## Children's Time during church service

AUGUST 3	ANN LUPKES
AUGUST 10	OUTSIDE
AUGUST 17	MOLLY ALLEN
AUGUST 24	KELLY BENNETT
AUGUST 31	MEGAN MOLLENBECK



## DAYCARE PROVIDERS!

*After Children's  
Time*

AUGUST 3	SAMMY / MARLI
AUGUST 10	NA – OUTSIDE SERVICE
AUGUST 17	MOLLY B / TATUM
AUGUST 24	MEGAN S / EDRICH
AUGUST 31	KIRSTEN / GAVIN



DATE	AUDIO	VIDEO
AUGUST 3	JERRY	TONYA
AUGUST 10	OUTSIDE	
AUGUST 17	DAVE	DUANE
AUGUST 24	JESSE	CARMA
AUGUST 31	NICK	TONYA



AUGUST 3	HALSNE/AULT
AUGUST 10	OUTSIDE
AUGUST 17	HOSTS NEEDED
AUGUST 24	ROSE AND PHIL MARKWARDT
AUGUST 31	HOSTS NEEDED



**Hope:** Aug 6 Devotions/Lesson: Carol /Host: Sonna

**Vesper:** Aug 11 Devotions/Lesson: Linda; Host: Sara

**Sunrise:** Aug 13 Devotions/Lesson/Host: Sharon

**Faith:** Aug. 28 @ 7pm

What is the best piece of advice you have ever received?



**\*Blueberry Blitz:** It truly was a Blueberry Blitz. We set a record...3,725 pounds of blueberries were delivered to Iowa to financially support our Lake View Christian Camp!

Thank you to Carol Stock for making the run to Parkersburg and doing "pick-up" @ Zion.

-Ann

**\*A HUGE thank you to the Zion Ambassador's** for arranging Zion to have a float in community parade.

**\*Hughes:** Thank you, my Zion family, for so many prayers, cards, and love over the past year. A year with 5 different types of chemo, keytruda, surgery and more-- and I got through it all remarkably well with your prayers and God's mighty power. I am so humbled and grateful. I know it will take time to get past all the side effects, but I so appreciate and love all of you. A special thanks to Pastor Petri for the calls, visits, and help. God has truly blessed me and Zion.

-Diane



October 4, 2024; 11am-2pm Shops  
11am -6pm Meal (auction @ 6:30pm)

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 will be online for preordering and auction items will be silent bidding. **Silent auction items must be brought to the church by Sept. 14** and will be on display. FROZEN MEALS: there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for preorders. Deadline to preorder is Sept. 14. Zion, please plan to pick up your frozen meals/soups on FRIDAY, Oct. 3, 5-7PM. Centerpieces will be silent bidding on the day of bazaar. You may raise the bid on an auction item and/or centerpiece at the evening auction.

The bazaar booths will be bakery, pantry, crafts, frozen food, cards/napkins. A full lunch and supper menu! Now is the time to be thinking what type of craft(s) you can contribute, items for the pantry such as SALSA, 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 placed in your mailboxes. Seeking money donations to help cover the expense of meat and Bazaar costs in general. Donations may be given to Sammy Buseman. Please spread the word and fire up for another amazing bazaar with community fellowship. **YOUR time, contributions and prayers to help make "Christmas at Grandma and Grandpa's" Bazaar the very best yet is very much appreciated.**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD WOZ MISSIONS**



### **SHEFFIELD PEOPLE IN THE PARK**

Zion will be participating in the parade! Once again, riders and walkers are needed. The walkers will be handing out Zion information. The date is August 23. The time is TBA. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to ride or walk on Aug. 23.

-Thank you, Zion Ambassadors



- 03 Wells Sheeler / Dick & Sonna McMahon
- 04 Shawn Francis, Joel Rodemeyer, Rebekah Ault  
Jerrad & Sarah Dirksen
- 06 Jace Halsne, Randy Meyer
- 07 Marge Jurgens, Amanda Rodemeyer  
Carter & Lexis Barkema
- 09 Sharon Haver
- 10 Ron & Marge Jurgens
- 11 Jon & Tami Suntken
- 12 Frank & Cheryl Schnoes
- 13 Maci Pralle
- 14 Addie Buseman
- 15 Elijah & Karter Kinseth
- 16 Eric & Brittnee Meyer / Myron & Jan VanHorn
- 17 Duane Barkema
- 18 Travis & Gabby Webb
- 19 Darwin Butson / Kellen & Megan Suntken
- 20 Megan Suntken, Chance Moore  
Kendrick & Alli Suntken
- 21 Diane Barkema, Hayden Kloetzer
- 22 Theo Sheely / Ryan & Jen Koenen
- 23 Mike & Tara Pralle
- 24 Gavin Rodemeyer, Aubree Lahner
- 25 Alli Suntken / Keaton & Sammy Buseman
- 27 Corey Campbell, Andrew Lupkes
- 28 Eric Meyer, Mike Pralle
- 30 Michael & Tonya Halsne
- 31 Silas Buseman/ Clayton & Mariah Miller



## A New Addition to Zion Reformed Church

A committee consisting of Stephanie Kloetzer, Gabby Webb, Janette van Rooyen, Sammy Buseman, Jess Sheely, and Shelly Buseman in addition to Consistory, are excited to announce the addition of a brand new church playground — a place designed for fun, connection, and growth for the children of Zion Reformed Church and beyond!

The new playground features age-appropriate equipment for both toddler ages through teens. Inclusivity was a priority when the committee discussed the features a new structure would need. This playground will allow the children with many different abilities to play alongside with their peers, fostering a welcoming environment. The playground will be a gathering place for parents to connect — building community and support networks within the church family. It will also be valuable for the youth programs hosted such as Vacation Bible School and other functions.

Having a safe playground structure was also a key consideration to the committee. The equipment meets industry safety standards, and the surfacing materials being considered will be designed to minimize any risk of injury. The new playground will be located in the same place that the current play area is. Keeping it in this location will not interfere with the cemetery parameters, will allow for safety and easy supervision, and will provide some shade from the sun.

Consistory graciously granted funding for the new structure. It has been paid for and ordered and will arrive between the end of September/mid October. Fundraising will be done with the proceeds from Corn Fest (to be held August 10th) providing money in the hopes of purchasing swings, a spinner ride, and/or a park bench or two. Be watching for photos to be put up in the church of the new playground structure and these other items!

The goal of the committee is to make the new playground, a place where laughter echoes, friendships bloom, and the church family strengthens its bonds, creating memories that will last for years to come!

Sincerely,  
Shelly Buseman

## Zion's Meet the Family

Introducing another Kentucky Ministry Family this month:



Martin and Lilly Van Wyk

Martin and Lilly have 3 children: Kyle, Chad and Mekayla, and 2 grandkids: Brooks (3 yrs), Birdie (14 months) and 3rd grandchild due in October. Kyle and his family lives in San Antonio, Texas. The rest of them live in Alvaton, Kentucky and love it there!

Martin works for Nova Steel and was just promoted to VP of Operations: North-America. Lilly is a hobby farmer; they have pony's, donkeys, sheep, peacocks and too many chickens and genies.

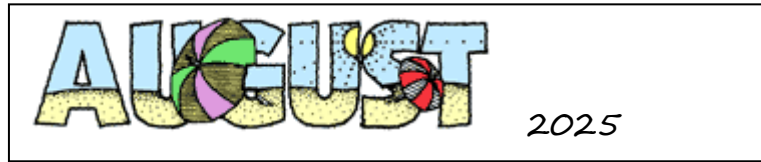
They left South Africa in 2000 and started a new life in Canada. After 7 years they made the decision to immigrate to the USA and moved their family to Bowling Green, Kentucky. With God's grace, they feel they have been blessed to live the American Dream.

They love all things outdoors: weekend meanders exploring the small towns of Kentucky and Tennessee, and road trips to explore the sights and beauty of this amazing country. Lately they enjoy spending time with the grandchildren and exploring what Texas has to offer.

They enjoy attending their local church on Sundays, but feel it is truly something amazing to be able to worship God together in your mother tongue and experience God's Word with fellow Afrikaans Christians. "We have become a very tight community, or rather family. Personally, it has helped us grow into what God created us to be."

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday						
Office Hours: M, W, TH 8am - Noon					1	2
3*Food Pantry* 8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:15am Worship Wheels & Worship Service with freewill meal to follow	4	5	6  7pm Hope Circle	7	8	9
10 9:15am Worship Outside / Corn Festival	11 1:30pm Vesper Circle	12 2pm FGH Program	13 9:00am Sunrise Circle	14  Consistory	15	16
17 9:15am Worship	18	19	20  6:30pm Family Ministry	21	22	23 Parade - Sheffield Bazaar Crafters: Church will be open 9am-5pm
24 9:15am Worship Holy Communion 31 9:15am Worship Bless the Backpacks	25	26	27	28 7pm Faith Circle	29	30 Zion Over 60's luncheon at 11:30am with program to follow