

January 2021

Zion Reformed Church

PASTOR'S P O S T S

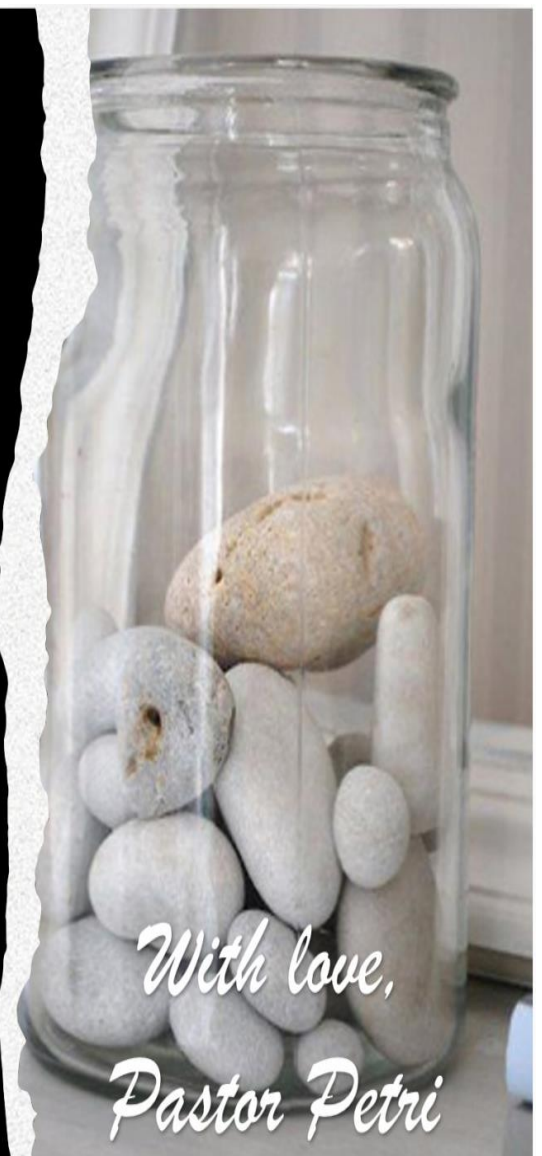
“Show and Tell”

My children love to prepare for a “Show and Tell” session at school. For those of you who do not know this term: “Show and Tell” is an activity where kids can come with visual aids. Such as photos, arts and crafts, toys and pets, to tell a story about that specific item. In this way, they can also enrich others with the world they live in.

The glass container represents something about your “Show and Tell” session to the world. What will be in your show case? With what will you fill 2021? Will you fill it with the “Fruits of the Spirit”; love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23)?

I pray that 2021 will be a year where you will remove all the evil from your life and replace it with things that you will be proud of to present to God and to the world.

Praise be to God for a blessed 2020. I pray that you will have a blessed 2021.





*The Annual Congregational Meeting took place on December 6, 2020.

*Installation of the new consistory members will be on Sunday, Jan. 10.

* Consistory members were elected for a three yr. term:

Elder: Sonna McMahon

Deacons: Darwin Butson, Jesse Mollenbeck



Consistory Highlights

*Holy Communion will take place on Sunday, Jan. 17.

*The Consistory will follow last year's format for announcing church cancellation due to inclement weather. The consistory will no longer call all members to announce the cancellation. The cancellation will be put on KLMJ Radio and Radioonthego.com. An all church email will also be sent out notifying the congregational members of the cancellation. You may also call a consistory member if you should have a question.

Dennis Crom, VP	641-425-4829
Vernon VanHorn, Education	641-425-6689
Sonna McMahon, Pulpit Supply	641-579-6415
Jerry Buseman, Clerk	641-425-2507
Jesse Mollenbeck, Treasurer	641-425-8861
Darwin Butson, Building	641-210-5898
Phil Markwardt, Ben./Music	641-420-6275
Joe DeVries, Grounds	641-425-7373

New \$ Budget

At the Annual Congregational Meeting a General Operating Budget (11/01/20-10/31/21) of \$169,505.45 was passed. To meet this obligation a weekly General Offering of \$3,259.72. is needed. A Benevolent Budget (11/01/20-10/31/21) of \$34,101.00 was also passed. To meet this obligation a weekly Benevolent Offering of \$655.79 is needed. As a member of the RCA, each member in 2021 is responsible to give \$95.71 annually (RCA Assessment offering) and each member is responsible to give \$12 annually for the MSC offering. All members of Zion are respectfully asked to prayerfully consider the gifts that God has so generously given.



A very Happy New Year to you! I am very excited in becoming the new president of WOZ! I know with all of your help we will continue to meet and glorify God in many ways.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite ALL women that attend Zion to join us. You may join a circle group, attend WOZ events or take part in the prayer pal program. All are welcome to attend!

I sincerely pray that this year will be a "new start" for our world with a vaccine for COVID. Enough is Enough! We all know God is in control and we pray this will end soon. I want to end with this prayer and scripture.

"I know you are feeling overwhelmed. I've been there. Today, I'm praying your soul will be refreshed with the pure love of Jesus."

"When he saw the crowds, He felt compassion for them, because they were weary and worn out, like sheep without a shepherd." Matthew 9:36

Have a wonderful January and remember God is always there!

God bless you all,
Linda Wells
WOZ President





WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE

Leading a Life of Balance is the study book that will be used by each Circle in 2021. Each lesson will focus on a particular area of our life and allow us to examine our physical and spiritual life balance.

The key verse in Lesson One, "The Juggling Act", is 1 Corinthians 15:44 "It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body." With this verse and others, we will begin to study the balance between our physical needs and our spiritual needs.

As the Women of Zion Spiritual Life Committee, we invite any woman to join a Circle and study God's Word with other members and friends of Zion. If you are interested in getting connected with a Circle group, please contact any of the following people:

Hope Circle (1st Wed. of the month @ 7PM) Ann Lupkes
lupkesa@gmail.com

Joy Circle (2nd Sunday of the month) Teresa Schultz
teresaschultz@gmail.com

Vesper Circle (2nd Monday of the month 1:30 PM)
sarastevenson@frontiernet.net

Sunrise Circle (2nd Wednesday of the month 9AM)
Sharon Havor

Faith Circle (Date set monthly 7PM) Janette van Rooyen
janette.vanrooyen@yahoo.com

Come learn and grow in the importance of maintaining spiritual balance, with Jesus as the example.

In Christ,
Ann Lupkes, Hope Circle
WOZ Spiritual Life Secretary

Spiritual Life Committee
Teresa Schultz, Joy Circle
Sara Stevenson, Vesper Circle
Liz Symens, Faith Circle

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.



"ZUBER" Driver's Needed!

Name/Contact Number:

Are you willing to pick up/drop off a Zion member in order for them to attend Sunday Service? **Return to Marsha by January 10 OR email zionref@wbfreq.com**

___ Yes, in Hampton

___ Yes, in Sheffield

___ Yes, in Latimer

___ Yes, in Belmond

IF you are wanting a ride to Sunday church service during the winter months or on a particular Sunday, please return to Marsha by Jan 10 OR email.

Name: _____ Yes, I would like a ride to Sunday service during the winter months.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

GIVING BACK TO GOD

DATE	GENERAL	BENEVOLENT	ATTENDANCE
Dec. 06	\$4,350.00	\$982.00	82
Dec. 13	\$1,605.76	\$392.00	98
Dec. 20	\$2,715.00	\$662.00	103



Ted Hughes, Donna Meints, Jill Schade
Zion's homebound members
Nancy Barkema – Niece to Esther and Sue
Liz Hilton – Niece to Carol S.
Jerry Corey – Amy Eberling's father



Marie Jurgens / Dean Miller
Darlene Meints / Dorothy Jurgens
Donna Meints / LaVonne McCormick

Homebound Visitation Team



*Carma DeVries, Ardith Parks, Mindy Meier,
Jan VanHorn



	<u>AUDIO</u>	<u>VIDEO</u>
JAN 03	Dave	Carma
JAN 10	Mavis	Tonya
JAN 17	Duane	Kendal
JAN 24	Jerry	Duane
JAN 31	Dave	Tonya

Ready for
**SPECKEN
DICKEN??**



JAN 3 – after service
Pancakes/Batter served TO GO

The RCYF will be accepting a freewill donation



Youth Leaders: Joel and Mindy; Pastor and Janette

WEDNESDAYS @ 7:00pm

Grade 8 -12th



Orphan Grain
Train and Country
View Nursing
Facility are
needing donations.
See Bulletin Board



HOPE CIRCLE - Jan 06 @ 7:00pm

Devotions/Lesson: Ann; Host:

JOY CIRCLE - Jan 10 @ 7:00pm

Devotions/Lesson/Host: Carma

VESPER CIRCLE - Jan 11 @ 1:30pm (Fellowship Hall)

Devotions: Elaine; Lesson: Mavis; Host: Arlene

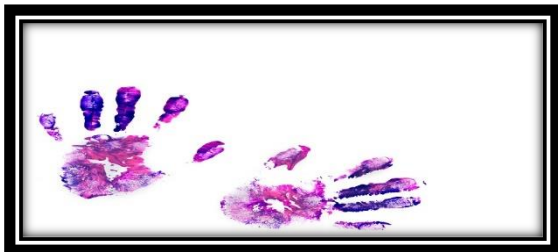
Faith Circle – TBA @ 7pm

“WHAT WAS THE HARDEST THING FOR YOU IN 2020?”



Children's Time during church service

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Jan. 3	Pastor
Jan. 10	Megan M
Jan. 17	Addie
Jan. 24	Ann
Jan. 31	Dave



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>
Jan. 3	Janette
Jan. 10	Megan M
Jan. 17	Marsha
Jan. 24	Ann
Jan. 31	Shelly



Flowers were left on Nov. 1 in celebration of Larry Moore.

The floral bouquet in December was left from the funeral of Harold Buseman.



The flowers were left in celebration of Lauren Moore's 21st birthday.



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

POINSETTIAS

In Loving Memory of:

*Linette Bosman (Janette's mom)
 *David Dannen
 *Mark Dannen
 *Tanner Pals
 *Grandpa Paul Jurgens &
 Therron Miller
 *John Mollenbeck, Bill & Audrey
 Jurgens, Bill & Gracie Mollenbeck
 *Dennis Smit

Given By:

Petri, Janette, Marli, Edrich
 Judy
 Julie
 Dick & Mom
 Your family
 Jean, Amber, Garrett
 Sue

In Honor of:

*Meghan, Matt, Max, Alli, Luke
 Gramma



Dear Zion Reformed Church Members-

Thank you once again for the blessed year we have had with all you wonderful people! Although it has been a tough year for us all and some of you have been through very difficult times, we still have so many things to be thankful for. The Lord carried us through and He will continue to guide us in 2021.

We want to thank you for the generous Christmas gift we have received from you, and also the gift for Janette from WOZ! Our hearts are overflowing with your kindness, love and generosity! We will spend it wisely!

May 2021 be a good year for you all, filled with blessings and God's eternal peace and love!

Lots of Love:

Petri, Janette, Marli and Edrich van Rooyen

White Gift-

Thank you so much, Zion family, for your prayers and generous donations to the White Gift Fund. The total amount donated was \$1,166.00. Amazing!! This year we provided winter boots, clothing, Fareway grocery gift cards, and toys to twelve children, ages 6 months to 12 years of age! Our Tonya Halsne, Usborne books consultant, also added to the White Gift donation -- from your orders of Usborne books during her book sale, she donated her proceeds of books to these families.

What a blessing these gifts will be to the children, especially during this year of Covid 19 and the stress and strain to families caused by this pandemic. May your heart feel warm knowing you brought several smiles and happiness to these kids this Christmas! Thank you so much for spreading the love of Jesus to these families through your kindness and compassion!

In His Name --

Shelly B.
 Sunday School Superintendent

Moore-

We want to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers, cards and memorials during Larry's illness and passing. It has been a long journey for him and us but he finally reached his heavenly home.

Thank you,

Bev, Chance, Lauren, Travis

Carol Stock - Food Pantry-

This is the thank you received for the food we delivered in October. I also took the food from December's collection to Sheffield. They were very grateful stating that they are serving 82 families.

Zion Reformed,

Thank you so much for the generous monetary donation and the bags from Pack the Pickup delivered on Friday.

Both were such awesome surprises and have gone a long way to help us feed the neediest in our community.

Thank you for your special blessings to our ministry!

-West Fork Food Pantry

Dear Zion Family-

I would like to Thank YOU for the phone calls, cards, notes and visits from Pastor Petri. They are so much appreciated as I only go out to the doctor and grocery store every two to three weeks and sometimes to the post office. Most of all, I want to thank you for prayers for my family and myself. Update on family: My daughter in law, Jill, is spending Christmas in heaven. She passed away in March due to cancer. My son in law, Mike, is hanging in there. He was able to have his shoulder surgery and he is now in therapy. He receives his cancer shot once a month to keep the cancer under control. My granddaughter, Bobby, had her thyroid removed due to a small cancer tumor. She is doing wonderful with no treatment. She is only 38 yrs old but the cure rate is high. My daughter, Kristy, a nurse in Des Moines, had her first COVID shot with no ill effects besides a sore arm. Let's pray this maybe a start to get this virus under control. I am hanging in there and still taking chemo pills to keep the cancer under control. With God, family, doctors and prayers, I have so much to be thankful for. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and the best in 2021.

In God's Love,

Marie Miller Jurgens



Zion's Food Pantry Drop off:
1st Sunday of the month
 Carol Stock will deliver to
 Hampton/Sheffield



?? ? Bible Quiz ? ??

In the story of the Magi, what word is used to give a sense of Jesus' age when the wise men visited? What does it tell us?

- A. "baby"; Jesus was still a newborn in a manger
- B. "child"; when the wise men visited, Jesus had grown past infancy
- C. "youth"; Jesus was probably between 10 and 14
- D. No word is used to suggest Jesus' age at the time of the wise men's visit.

Answer B (See Matthew 2:1-12.)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
REMINDER Office Hours: M,W,TH: 8-Noon *Bad Weather: KL MJ*	* Every Sunday * 9:15am Worship 10:30am Sunday School / Kids' Choir				1	2
3*Food Pantry* 9:15am Worship 10:30am Sunday School 10:30 am Speck N Dicken "to go"	4	5	6 7:00pm RCYF Hope Circle	7	8	9
10 9:15am Worship Consistory Installation 10:30am Sunday School Joy Circle – 7pm	11 1:30pm Vesper Circle	12	13 7:00pm RCYF	14 7pm Elders Mtng 8pm Consistory	15	16
17*Floodlight Deadline* 9:15am Worship Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School	18	19	20 7:00pm RCYF	21	22	23
24 *RCA Assessment* 9:15am Worship 10:30am Sunday School	25	26	27 7:00pm RCYF	28	29	30
31 9:15 am worship/10:30am Sunday School						