





#### **Open Books**

We are all readers. If I say that, some will immediately say: "Sorry, I don't like to read." We are constantly reading people. Remember, other people read us as well. When Janette and I visited Las Vegas a while ago, I could sit for hours on the strip and just stare at people passing us. In other words, I was reading the habits and lifestyle of people passing me. I am very sure there were other people staring at us. Reading our story by the way we interacted and behaved.

For our part, however, we must ensure that our life story is written by Christ. As Paul says in 2 Corinthians 3, we must make sure that we are living letters of Christ. We need to make good reading material. Usually, if the first chapter of a book is not very attractive to read, I put it down. Sometimes, people cross our paths, and only have one chapter to read in the time being with us. Every chapter must count. Our lives must trumpet such a fascinating story of His involvement that others want to read it and want to be close to us.

Writing a good, readable/reliable story with your own life requires that Jesus' light should always reflect in us. You are writing your story. Is Jesus the main character in your story?

Enjoy the summer, Pastor Petri



- \*Zion's Consistory met on May 13.
- \*It was noted that we have 14 RCYF members attending Rocky Mountain High, July 31-Aug. 4.
- \*A small group of people, known as Zion's Ambassadors, have a few summer events planned for the congregation and community. More details will follow.
- \*New Church Bylaws.
- \*Zion's next consistory meeting will be held on June 10.



## **WOZ MEETING**

The WOZ Quarterly Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 6, following service.



Trinity Sunday is May 3D. On this day we recall the three manifestations of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.





## Young Adults Bible Study

(HS grad – age 29)
Next meeting will be
Wed., June 2. For
planning purposes:
Meet the first
Wednesday of every
month.



America was founded as a "nation under God," and has been looked up to by other nations for over two hundred years. Unfortunately, other countries — and some of our own citizens — are disgruntled with America today. Even though our reputation has taken some hits, we're still a strong country with high ideals and proud people.

There's a simple way you can help show that to the world — by flying the flag. Every time you put a flag out, you're saying, "I'm an American and proud of what this flag represents." The flag stands for "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," for religious freedom, and for other rights that many nations lack. The flag represents our history and our goals for a better future for all.

Flag Day is celebrated each year on June 14. Fly your flag high!



JUNE 20



Zion's VBS will begin on June 14 – 18 9am-Noon (M-TH) 9am-1pm (F) with lunch provided

Monday Wear the color: Orange or Red

Memory Verse:

PreK-K: "Whoever does not fall down" Daniel 3:6

Grade 1-6: "Whoever does not fall down and

worship will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace." Daniel 3:6

**Tuesday** Wear the color: Purple

Memory Verse:

PreK-K: "Let no one lose heart" 1Samuel 17:32

Grade 1-6: "Let no one lose heart on account of

this Philistine. Your servant will go and fight him." 1Samuel 17:32

Wednesday Wear the color: Green

Memory Verse:

PreK-K: "Glory to God in Heaven" Luke 2:14

Grade 1-6: "Glory to God in Heaven and on earth

among those whom he favors." Luke 2:14

Thursday Wear the color: Blue

Memory Verse:

PreK-K: "It is I! Don't be afraid." Matthew 14:27

Grade 1-6: "But Jesus immediately said to them:

'Take courage! It is I! Don't be afraid."

Matthew 14:27

Friday Wear the color: Yellow

Memory Verse:

PreK-K: "Believe in the Lord Jesus." Acts 16:31

Grade 1-6: "They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus'

and you will be saved - you and your

household." Acts 16:31



#### Sunday, June 20

9:15 am – Service and VBS program Followed by Banana splits or Sundays hosted by the RCYF.



#### **OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE**

	General	Benevolent	Attendance
May 2	\$2,830.00	\$642.00	80
May 9	\$3,500.00	\$672.00	109
May 16	\$3,145.00	\$547.00	102





Vernon VanHorn, Jill Schade, Steve Wells,

Julie Dannen

Jolene – Duane Carsten's younger sister

Marcia Matheny – Brian Lupkes' sister Nancy Barkema – Niece to Esther DeVries and Sue Smit Liz Hilton – Niece to Carol Stock Jerry Corey – Amy Eberling's father

God Bless our world leaders and our nation



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



\*Sue Smit, Esther DeVries, Judy Dannen, Marge Jurgens (please remember our shut ins with cards, prayers, etc)



## **WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE**

#### **BALANCING LOVE AND OBEDIENCE**

Chapter Six of our Women of Zion Bible Study is entitled: Balancing Love and Obedience. 1 John 5: 3-8 shows that love and obedience go hand in hand.

For our love for God means that we obey his commands. And his commands are not too hard for us, 4 because every child of

God is able to defeat the world. And we win the victory over the world by means of our faith. 5 Who can defeat the world? Only the person who believes that Jesus is the Son of God. 1 John 5: 3-5 (Good News Translation)

As children of God, we not only love God for His mercy and grace, but we also keep His commands. When we say we believe in the triune God, God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, we must put that faith into action. Our deeds are in response to His love. Consider how you can serve in response to God's love at Zion, in the community and wherever you are called.

Lovingly in Christ~ Ann Lupkes WOZ Spiritual Life Secretary





SUNRISE CIRCLE - JUNE 9@ 9:00am

Devotions/Lesson: Lenora; Host: Sharon

HOPE CIRCLE – JUNE 9 @ 6:30PM; RIDGESTONE GOLF CLUB DEVOTIONS/LESSON: ROSE

CONVERSATION STARTER: A MEMORY OF YOUR FATHER



JUNE 6 AUDIO: MAVIS VIDEO: TONYA

JUNE 13 - OUTSIDE SERVICE

June 20 Audio: Jerry Video: Duane June 27 Audio: Dave Video: Carma

# **FELLOWSHIP**

June 6 Flower Committee

June 13 Outside Service - Markwardt Family

June 20 RCYF

June 27 Hosts are needed



## Children's Time during church service

June 6 Pastor

JUNE 13 OUTSIDE SERVICE – WENDY

JUNE 20 ADDIE - ?? NOT SURE DUE TO VBS PROGRAM

JUNE 27 DAVE



#### **DAYCARE PROVIDERS!**

After Children's Time

June 6 Janette June 20 Tonya June 13 NA Outside Service June 27 Megan M.



To Zion's Prayer Warriors! Thank you so much for all the prayers, cards, phone calls, texts and visits since my heart surgery. Thank you to Pastor Petri for his visits and special words of encouragement. I am very humbled and blessed by this showing of love and concern.

God Bless you all! -Vernon VanHorn

Thank you to Zion's Mission Team, Pastor Petri, Hope Circle and others of the congregation that helped out with the Drive Thru Community Meal held at Grace Church in Sheffield. Thank you to those that supported the meal with donations and fellowship.

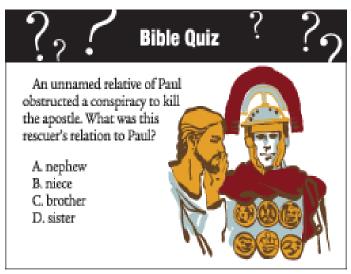
Thank you to Pastor Petri and Janette for the beautiful landscaping at Zion! (and to Milo for his help in digging!)

Miller-Muhlenbruch: A heart felt "Thank You" to every single one of you for taking time to recognize me during Secretary's week. Your cards, emails, words of encouragement and hugs mean so much. Thank you to Pastor Petri for putting up with me and for his humbling words in the sanctuary.





03	Hannah Lupkes
04	Parker Dixon / Sydney Heinz
07	Keaton Buseman
13	Calvin Primus / Randy & Deb Meyer
14	Brandon Dixon
15	Abby Sheeler
17	Cole Rodemeyer
18	Brooke Rother
19	Phil & Rose Markwardt
22	Sawyer Dixon / Amy Eberling / Justin Schulz
23	Megan Mollenbeck
24	Larry Meints / Jeff & Shelly Buseman
26	Vernon & Audrey VanHorn
27	Harlyn & Charlane Janssen
28	Joe DeVries / Paxton Francis /
	Shaun & Heather Koenen
29	Dale & Sharon Haver



Answer: A (See Acts 23:12-22, esp. v. 16.)

### **Zion Reformed Church**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 *Food Pantry*  9:15am Worship  *WOZ Quarterly mtng following worship	7	8	9 9am Sunrise Circle Hope Circle @Ridge Stone, 6:30pm	10 7:00pm Deacons/Elders 8:00pm Consistory	11	12
13 9:15am Worship Outside service	14 VBS BEGINS!!!!! 1:30pm Vesper Circle Flag Day!	15	16	17	18	19
20*Floodlight Deadline *Happy Father's Day*  9:15am Worship VBS Program/ Ice Cream Sundays	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:15am Worship - Leader: James Koop	28	29	30			