

Zion Reformed Church -- FLOODLIGHT 2022





Dear Zion.

Sometimes we are inclined to overthink things. It happens a lot with me. When I have to write a devotion or have to preach, I tend to preach and to write about "heavy" topics. As if the heavy topics are the "game changers" in life.

For this month, I want to remind you about a topic that we all know, but we're not always aware of the deep impact it can make or has already made in our lives. This topic is all about how much God loves you. It is easy to forget some things, like where you put your keys or when it is my next doctor's appointment.

One thing is for sure: God never forgets us as His children. He used the example in Isaiah 49:15-16 that it is almost impossible for a mother to forget about her children. God reminds us that His love is even greater than that. God loves you so much that He's drawn a picture of you on His hand. He can't forget about you, because you are part of Him.

Remember: God loves you more than you can ever imagine. It is a love that changes your life and Jesus even has the physical marks on His hands that He loves you!

With Love, Pastor Petri





Consistory Notes

*Last outside Service: Sept. 11
*The fall Classis will be held on Sept. 13, 9am.
*Next meeting:

Sept, 8: Coffee: Joe

Prayer: Vernon



SATURDAY, OCT. 1

10:30am-11:00am
Praise Singing in the
Sanctuary

11:00am - 2:00pm

SHOPS - Inside Basement

Large Bakery / Cards & Napkins / Pantry (Canned Meat) / Crafts / Frozen Meals – preorder by 9/15 (www.zionreformed.com)

MENU – Fellowship Hall

Pork Loin / Beef Burgers / Hot Dogs / Calico Beans

Baked Potato Bar / Homemade Potato Salad Coleslaw / Pie & Ice Cream / Assorted Beverages

FAMILY EVENTS – Outside Activities (\$5 wristband)

Bounce House / Face Painting / Duck Pond Make 'n' Take Craft / Golf / Hay Ride (\$1 ride only)

ONLINE AUCTION ITEMS Online bidding only: Bids open 9/15 and Bids close on 9/30, 7pm;

www.zionreformed.com

Please pay and pick up your auction item on the day of the bazaar.

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

*Zion's 50th Birthday Bazaar: To celebrate, a slideshow will be created. If you have pictures from past bazaar's and are willing to share, please bring them with your name on the back as they will be returned to you and place them in the secretary's mailbox no later than Sept. 11.

*Please look in your church mailbox for a detailed information sheet regarding Bazaar. We are excited for a fun filled day of fellowship.

DONATIONS are being sought to help pay for the meat and for the ingredients for frozen meals/soups or to the Bazaar in general. All donations should be given to Judy Crom, WOZ Treasurer by Sept. 15.

PREORDERS are being taken for frozen meals/soups. Please place your order on the sign up sheet on bulletin board by Sept. 15. The preorders will also be available online at www.zionreformed.com

<u>AUCTION ITEMS</u> are being sought! Please have your auction items to Marsha by Sept. 11. Online bids open on Sept. 15 and close on Sept. 30, 7pm.

We hope to make this a bazaar for all of our church members to work together —men, women, teens, children and all! We really appreciate your help making this a fun, fabulous bazaar that will be welcoming to all our visitors. It is our big fundraiser for WOZ, but it is so much more than that. It's part of our mission to welcome others to Zion. So THANK YOU for helping where you can—working, donating goods or money, praying for us and all who come... whatever you do is appreciated.

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



WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE

IT'S NOT ABOUT YOU. THE PURPOSE OF YOUR LIFE IS FAR GREATER THAN YOUR OWN PERSONAL FULFILLMENT, YOUR PEACE OF MIND OR EVEN YOUR HAPPINESS. IT'S FAR GREATER THAN YOUR FAMILY, YOUR CAREER, EVEN YOUR AMBITIONS.

WE TYPICALLY BEGIN SEARCHING FOR OUR PURPOSE AT THE WRONG STARTING POINT, OURSELVES. WE ASK SELF-CENTERED QUESTIONS LIKE, "WHAT DO I WANT TO DO WITH MY LIFE?" RATHER, WE SHOULD FOCUS ON BECOMING WHO GOD HAS CREATED US TO BE. WE NEED TO REMEMBER THAT LIFE IS REALLY ABOUT LIVING FOR GOD, NOT OURSELVES.

GOD'S BLESSINGS,

SARA STEVENSON
SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE



SUMMER PASSED QUICKLY, BUT WE NEED TO SOAK IN THE BEAUTY OF AUTUMN—ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SEASONS GOD GAVE US HERE IN IOWA.

WE WILL HAVE OUR NEXT WOZ MEETING ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH. EXECUTIVE MEETING AT 6:30 P.M. AND WOZ MEETING AT 7:00 P.M. I HOPE ALL THE LADIES OF ZION WILL ATTEND.

ON SEPTEMBER 19TH OUR WOMEN WILL PRESENT A PROGRAM AT THE SHEFFIELD CARE CENTER (LINDA, ESTHER, AND SARA). OF COURSE, OUR BIG EVENT IS OUR 50TH ANNUAL BAZAAR HERE AT ZION. THIS WILL BE A FUN DAY. IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED UP TO HELP, PLEASE GET WITH MARSHA OR JANEEN. YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS OUT. THIS IS A GREAT TIME FOR US TO REACH OUT TO OUR SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES WITH FELLOWSHIP AND FUN.

WE HAVE MANY BLESSINGS HERE AT ZION. I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE WOMEN OF THIS CHURCH FOR ALL YOU DO, AND HOW YOU SHOW YOUR LOVE HERE AT ZION. HAVE A GREAT SEPTEMBER!

BLESSINGS,

DIANE HUGHES, WOZ PRESIDENT



Sept. 15 -- Fellowship Hall 6:30pm Executive Meeting / 7:00pm Program Following program is lunch: Executive Committee Following lunch: Business Meeting-Election of officers



Zion's Family
Picnic has been
rescheduled for
Sept. 25, 1pm @
Beeds Lake.
Please bring a
chair.





EVERY MONTH THERE WILL BE A MISSION SUNDAY FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN!



CHILDREN'S CHOIR!

Beginning Sept. 18 @ 10:30 am, ages PreK – 5 should report to the basement for MUSIC! (then they will go to SS)
FYI: Children will sing during service the last Sunday of every month unless noted.



There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board to provide snacks to our SS children. They will be served snacks following service in the basement prior to class time.



Crop Walk – Hampton Sept. 18, Registration at 1pm

You may form a group, walk on your own, donate money. Donations may be left in the "catch all" box. All money will be given to Crop Walk to help feed the hungry. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board if you choose to walk. If you walk, please wear your Zion t-shirt if you have one.

ZION T-SHIRT ORDERS ARE COMING DUE

*Zion t-shirts are being ordered! If you would like a Zion t-shirt, please sign up on the bulletin board. Please make your check payable to Zion and place in Marsha's mailbox.

Deadline to order and pay: Sept. 7



Sunday, September 11 – Grandparent's Day



The following books have been donated to the library:
A Long Walk to Water – by Linda Sue Park, based on a true story.

Two stories of two young people from one country –
Sudan. Nya is going to the pond
and back to fetch water for her family, she walks 8 hours
every day. Salva is walking away from
his ruined village to find safely in his war-torn homeland.
His journey across Africa, Ethiopia
and then to Kenya & Deyond. Two survivors
determined to find the future they are hoping for.
Children's book –

Nya's Long Walk – Based on the adult version. Nya's Long Walk tells a story of determination, perseverance, and love, told for the Children.

Other books donated recently include:

Novels:

Spirit of the Season by Fern Michaels A Bride for Donnigan – Janette Oke Christian Living:

Overcomer – by Dr. David Jeremiah
We would like to thank everyone for donating to Zion's
Library!
Thank you!

The Library Committee



	General	Benevolent	Attendance	
Aug 7	\$2,505.00	\$690.00	77	
A UG 14	\$1,963.00	\$705.00	80	
Aug 21				
A UG 28	\$2,673.00	\$785.00	99	



Darlene Meints / Gordon Meyer / Marie Jurgens



Please keep our friends in your prayers:

Please pray for our children returning to school and college.

Gordon Meyer, Lenora Payne, Jill Schade,

Angie DeVries

Brittany, friend of John Lupkes

Jon Suntken's sister, Sandy

Marie Jurgen's son-in-law, Mike Oswald



Children's Time during church service

Sept 4 Pastor Petri

Sept 11 Megan M. – Outside Service

Sept 18 Shelly Sept 25 Dave



DAYCARE PROVIDERS!

After Children's Time

Sept 4 Beth & Barrett
Sept 11 NA – Outside service
Sept 18 Megan O & Gavin
Sept 25 Tonya & Marli

FELLOWSHIP

SEP 4 Lisa, Tami, Marlys SEP 11 Promotion Sunday

SEP 18 Ryan and Jen

SEP 25 Kinseth/Miller/Muhlenbruch



AUDIO VIDEO
Sept 4 Dave Carma
Sept 11 - Outside
Sept 18 Jerry Carma
Sept 25 Duane Kolton

July 24: Flowers were left to celebrate the life of Anna, mother to Dave Harms.

July 31: Flowers were presented to celebrate Lilli's 4th birthday.



Rose Markwardt*, Tonya Halsne, Pam Lage, Amy Eberling



Sept 19 @ 2:30pm -- Sheffield Care Center Linda Wells*/Esther DeVries/Sara Stevenson

CIRCLE MEETINGS

HOPE CIRCLE - Sep 07 @ 7:00pm (Fellowship Hall)

Devotions/Lesson: Sonna; Host: Deanna

Joy Circle - Sept. 11@ 7:00pm Devotions/Lesson/Host: Carma

VESPER CIRCLE - Sep 12 @ 1:30pm (Fellowship Hall) Devotions/Lesson: Doreen; Host: Marge

SUNRISE CIRCLE - Sept 14@ 9:00am

Devotions/Host: LaVonne; Lesson: Lenora

Faith Circle – TBA

CONVERSATION STARTER: BIBLE VERSE TO SHARE ABOUT SALVATION

2023 WOZ PROGRAM BOOK

Circle Chairs, check your mailboxes in the near future! All forms are due to the office no later than October 9 with early turn-ins being greatly appreciated!



REMINDER: We are still collecting empty ink cartridges for recycle. We use this money to purchase coffee and other items.

See Bev Moore for questions.



Thank you to Carol Stock for handling Zion's food pantry items every month.

Relay for Life: Thank you for the continued support of Relay for Life of Franklin County. We appreciate you matching sponsors with KLMJ, wonderful pies, Pastor Petri's opening prayer and good sportsmanship in the dunk tank. 2023 Relay for Life will be help in Sheffield.

Payne: Thank you so very much for all of your prayers and good wishes. -Lenora

Jurgens: Thank you all for the birthday wishes and anniversary wishes! We are thankful to be blessed by such awesome family and friends! -Ron and Marge

Maifeld: Thank you for the prayers, cards, phone calls, visits and emails I received in the past weeks. It was all appreciated. It is so good to belong to a church family who cares. I am humbled with the welcome back I have received. Thank you all.

-Arlene



Congratulations on the marriage of Kendrick Suntken and Alli Arndt on August 20. May God richly bless you as a married couple.



Congratulations on the baptism of Kolson Borcherding, son of Ryan and Katelyn and grandson of Jon and Tami Suntken. Kolson was baptized at Zion on Aug. 21.

Love is the spark that kindles the fire of compassion. Compassion is the fire that flames the candle of service. Service is the candle that ignites the torch of hope. Hope is the torch that lights the beacon of faith. Faith is the beacon that reflects the power of God. God is the power that creates the miracle of love.

—William Arthur Ward





- Linda Wells 02
- Mark & Carma DeVries 03
- 07 Carol Koenen
- 80 Sharon Parks
- 09 Cayde Eberling
- 11 Tami Ballhagen Kirsten Suntken
- 16 Myron VanHorn
- 19 Zach DeVries
- Kinnick Campbell / Cayden Campbell
- 22 Andy & Abby Sheeler
- Elaine Parks
- 25 Dick Stevenson
- 27 Eric Barkema, Julie Dannen
- 28 Darwin & Teresa Butson
- 29 Jerrad Dirksen

LABOR DAY LAUGHS

TAKE A BREAK AND ENJOY THIS WORK-RELATED HUMOR!

- My first job was in an orange juice factory. I got canned because I couldn't concentrate.
- When I couldn't hack it as a lumberjack, I got
- I wasn't suited to being a tailor.
- Working in the muffler factory was too exhausting.
- I was a banker ... until I lost interest.
- I realized there was no future in being a historian.
- Any way I sliced it, I couldn't cut the mustard at
- I studied to become a doctor but had no patients.
- My job at the coffee shop was always the same old grind.
- When I worked as a plumber, the tasks were too draining.
- I was hired at a gym but wasn't fit for the job.
- Finally, I got a job at a bakery; I kneaded dough!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
EVERY SUNDAY beginning on 9/18:	PreK-5 th Choir: 10:30 am PreK-12 th : 10:45 am SS			1	2	3
4 9:15am Service	LABOR DAY	6	7 7pm Hope Circle	8 7:00pm Consistory	9	10
11 Outside service 9:15am Service SS kickoff: Promotion Sunday – fun for all ages!	12 1:30 pm Vesper Circle	13	14 9am Sunrise Circle 6:30pm Family Ministry	15 6:30pm WOZ Ex. Mtng; 7:00pm - Business Mtng	16	17
18 9:15am Service Welcome: Shawn Hill SS: PreK-HS after service *Crop Walk*	19 2:30pm Sheffield Care Center Program	20	21	22	23	24
25 9:15am Service Baptism; following service- SS: PreK-HS 1pm Zion Picnic	26	27	28	29	30	Oct. 1 Zion's 50 th Birthday Bazaar 11am-2pm; Full lunch menu, bakery, pantry, crafts, frozen foods, cards/napkins