

# September

Zion Reformed Church -- FLOODLIGHT 2025



## PASTOR'S P O S T S

Dear Members of Zion Reformed Church,

As a new school year begins, our hearts and prayers turn to our children and their teachers. This is a time of new challenges and opportunities. Let us be diligent in lifting them up to the Lord.

Pray that our children, as they navigate the complexities of school life, will stand firm in the faith and be a light for Christ. Pray that their teachers, whether in public or private schools, will have the wisdom to guide and the courage to live out their convictions.

Let us all pray for open doors—for every student and teacher to find opportunities to share the hope of the gospel. May the Lord use this school year to strengthen their faith and expand His kingdom.

In Christ,

Pastor Petri



## Consistory Highlights

### Consistory Notes

\*Last outside Service:

Sept. 14

\*Next meeting: Sept. 11



**Family  
Ministry  
Sept. 17  
6:30pm Meal  
7pm Ministry**

**HOSTS ARE NEEDED for 6:30pm meal, Please**



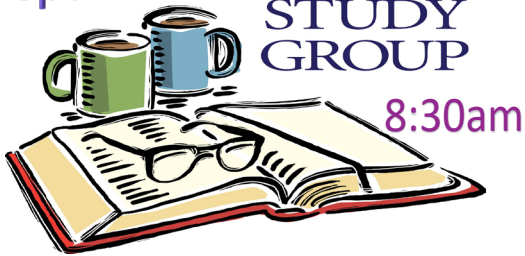
**FYI: To stay in touch with the Alliance of Reformed Churches, to read articles, receive updates**

please visit their webpage at:

**[https: //arc21.org](https://arc21.org)**

Sept. 7

## MEN'S STUDY GROUP



8:30am



Food  
Pantry  
Needs

Please  
Bring  
Items  
Every first  
Sunday

## Classroom News

Promotion Sunday: Sun, Sept. 14  
Following outside service. Games /  
Bring a chair.

SS: PreK-HS begins Sun., Sept. 21



**Please join us on Sunday, September 14**

9:15am Outside Service, bring a chair

10:30am Games/Treats for ALL

Back to Sunday School Celebration



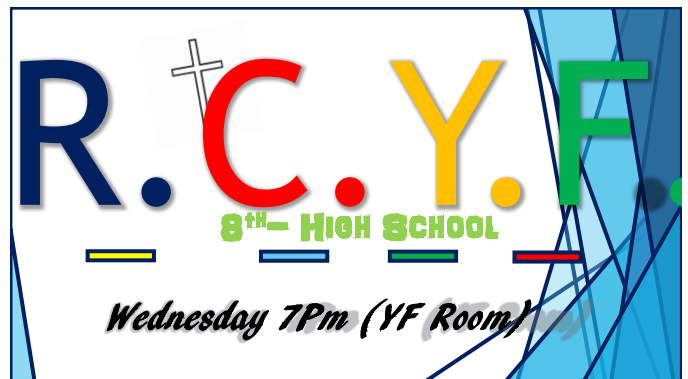
**Sunday, September 21:** 9:15 am Service  
10:30 am Sunday School begins for the new year  
For grades PreK – HS; along with Children's  
Choir. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bibles will be distributed during  
service.

**All welcome! Spread the word!**



### CHILDREN'S CHOIR !

Beginning Sept. 21 @  
10:30 am, ages PreK – 5  
should report to the  
basement for MUSIC! (then  
they will go to SS) **Children  
will sing on Sept. 28!**  
FYI: Children will sing the  
last Sunday of each  
month.

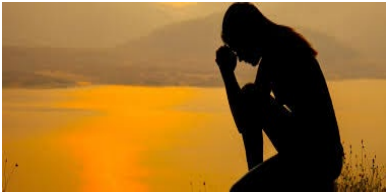


**RCYF:**

**Grades 8-HS**

**Begins: Sept. 24**

**Contact: Clayton/Mariah Miller**



## WOZ SPIRITUAL LIFE

### OUR DAILY BREAD

PASTOR'S RECENT SERMON GOT ME THINKING ABOUT GOD AS MY DAILY BREAD. IT LED ME TO ASK MYSELF:

AM I FEEDING MY SOUL WITH JESUS EVERY DAY? HOW AM I SPENDING MY TIME—FIRST THING IN THE MORNING, THROUGHOUT THE DAY, AND IN THE EVENING? IS GOD THE FIRST THOUGHT WHEN I WAKE UP AND THE LAST ONE BEFORE I SLEEP? AM I ACTIVELY SEEKING HIS PRESENCE THROUGHOUT THE DAY?

THESE QUESTIONS LED ME TO REFLECT ON WHAT THE WORD SAYS ABOUT GOD BEING OUR DAILY BREAD. HERE ARE A FEW SCRIPTURES THAT SPOKE TO ME:

\*MARK 1:35 – “VERY EARLY IN THE MORNING, WHILE IT WAS STILL DARK, JESUS GOT UP, LEFT THE HOUSE, AND WENT OFF TO A SOLITARY PLACE, WHERE HE PRAYED.”

THIS VERSE REMINDS ME THAT, LIKE JESUS, STARTING MY DAY WITH GOD IS CRUCIAL. IT'S A TIME TO CONNECT WITH HIM, ACKNOWLEDGE HIS LOVE, AND SEEK HIS GUIDANCE.

\*PSALM 143:8 – “LET THE MORNING BRING ME WORD OF YOUR UNFAILING LOVE, FOR I HAVE PUT MY TRUST IN YOU. SHOW ME THE WAY I SHOULD GO, FOR TO YOU I ENTRUST MY LIFE.”

EACH MORNING, I CAN REMIND MYSELF OF GOD'S UNFAILING LOVE AND TRUST IN HIS DIRECTION FOR MY LIFE.

\*PSALM 4:8 – “IN PEACE I WILL LIE DOWN AND SLEEP, FOR YOU ALONE, LORD, MAKE ME DWELL IN SAFETY.”

THIS IS A COMFORTING REMINDER THAT ENDING MY DAY WITH THE LORD GIVES ME PEACE. TRUSTING HIM TO WATCH OVER ME BRINGS REST TO MY SOUL.

\*1 CHRONICLES 16:11 – “SEEK THE LORD AND HIS STRENGTH; SEEK HIS PRESENCE CONTINUALLY!”

THIS VERSE IS A CALL TO NOT JUST START AND END MY DAY WITH GOD, BUT TO SEEK HIS PRESENCE THROUGHOUT EVERY MOMENT. AND FINALLY, MY FAVORITE VERSE I FOUND, WHICH I BELIEVE ENCAPSULATES IT ALL:

\*PSALM 63:1 – “YOU, GOD, ARE MY GOD; EARNESTLY I SEEK YOU; MY SOUL THIRSTS FOR YOU, MY BODY LONGS FOR YOU, IN A DRY AND WEARY LAND WHERE THERE IS NO WATER.”

THIS SPEAKS TO THE DEEP LONGING WE SHOULD HAVE FOR GOD, LIKE A THIRST THAT ONLY HE CAN SATISFY.

GOD BLESS,  
MEGAN OEHLERT  
SPIRITUAL LIFE SECRETARY



WHAT IS THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER KNOWN FOR SPIRITUALLY? THE SPIRITUAL MEANING FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER REVOLVES AROUND THE THEMES OF SERVICE, RESPONSIBILITY, AND SELF-SACRIFICE. ISN'T IT INTERESTING TO KNOW! IT'S A GREAT MONTH TO HARVEST IN PREPARATION FOR THE COMING MONTHS. WE ARE THINKING OF OUR UPCOMING ZION BAZAAR AND PREPARATIONS WE NEED TO MAKE FOR THAT. WE TAKE ON RESPONSIBILITIES TO CREATE FUNDS FOR THE MISSIONS THAT WE GIVE TO EACH YEAR. WE SACRIFICE TIME AND EFFORTS TO WORK ON PROJECTS AND FOOD TO BLESS THOSE WHO ATTEND OUR BAZAAR.

“YES, ALL OF YOU BE SUBMISSIVE TO ONE ANOTHER, AND BE CLOTHES WITH HUMILITY, FOR GOD RESISTS THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE.” 1 PETER 5:5  
THE BOTTOM LINE IS TO HAVE PEOPLE SEE GOD'S LOVE THROUGH OUR ACTIONS. WE ARE TO CONTINUALLY GIVE OF OURSELVES. IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT JESUS PROMISES GOODNESS BY A WILLINGNESS TO BE A SERVANT.

KEEP THESE REMINDERS AND DATES IN MIND AS WE LOOK AHEAD! REMEMBER TO SIGN UP ON THE BULLETIN BOARD FOR ANYTHING NEEDED FOR OUR BAZAAR. REMEMBER YOU PRAYER PAL! PRAY FOR OUR SCHOOL CHILDREN AND THEIR TEACHERS AS THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS! PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK AND SHUT-INS.

THANK YOU TO TONYA HALSNE AND HER COMMITTEE FOR MAKING ALL THE PREPARATIONS FOR ZION OVER 60! THANK YOU TO THE HAMPTON FGH PROGRAM COMMITTEE (JUDY KLICK, ANN LUPKES, AND NADINE GOODWIN).

SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> IS OUR WOZ MEETING WITH THE BUSINESS MEETING BEGINNING AT 7:00. OUR PROGRAM WILL BE CREATING A CRAFT FOR BAZAAR AGAIN THIS YEAR.

SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> IS THE SHEFFIELD CARE CENTER PROGRAM WITH LINDA WELLS, ESTHER DeVRIES, AND MOLLY ALLEN AS THE COMMITTEE.

CONTINUE TO PRAY AND WORK TOWARD A SUCCESSFUL “CHRISTMAS AT GRANDMA AND GRANDPA'S” BAZAAR ON OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup>!

YOURS IN CHRIST,  
SONNA MCMAHON  
WOZ PRESIDENT



Sept. 10 -- Fellowship Hall

6:30pm Executive Meeting / 7:00pm Program

Following program is lunch: Executive Committee

Following lunch: Business Meeting-Election of officers



Sunday, September 7 – Grandparent's Day

Grandparents  
are a delightful blend of  
Laughter,  
Caring deeds,  
Wonderful stories,  
and Love!



**SATURDAY, OCT. 4**

**11am-2pm**

**SHOPS – Inside Basement**

Large Bakery / Cards & Napkins /

Pantry (Canned Meat) / Crafts /

Frozen Meals – preorder by 9/15

([www.zionreformed.com](http://www.zionreformed.com)) or

Call Zion Reformed at 641-579-6186

**11am-6pm**

**MENU – Fellowship Hall**

Pork Loin / Beef Burgers / Hot Dogs /

Calico Beans

Baked Potato Bar /

Homemade Potato Salad

Coleslaw / Pie & Ice Cream /

Assorted Beverages

**6:30pm LIVE AUCTION**

(Auction items and centerpieces: Sealed bids during the day) 6:30pm auction on centerpieces, auction items and more with sealed bids noted.

**AUCTION ITEMS**

**If you are not present at the 6:30pm live auction but you won an item through a sealed bid, you will be contacted. Thank you!**

**Please help spread the word! Your support is appreciated.**

**All proceeds support WOZ Missions.**

**– WOZ Bazaar Committee**



**\*Bazaar Décor is needed:** If you have any vintage Christmas décor to lend to use for bazaar, please label your items and leave them at Zion before Sept. 21.

**\*All women of the church:** Please bring an uncut baked pie to the kitchen on Friday, Oct. 3, 5-7pm or before 9am on Sat., Oct. 4. The pies will be cut and sold as part of the menu items.

**\*Please refer to the Bazaar information sheet that was placed in your church mailbox** for detailed information. 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 or to the Bazaar in general. All donations should be given to Sammy Buseman, WOZ Treasurer by Sept. 14.

**\*PREORDERS are being taken for frozen meals.**

Please place your order on the sign up sheet on bulletin board by Sept. 14. The preorders are now available online at [www.zionreformed.com](http://www.zionreformed.com); click under "Bazaar".

**\*Food Pantry Items are appreciated** and will be used to help decorate the entry ways on the day of bazaar. Please have your items to the church by Sept. 28.

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, Carol, Tonya, Janette, Heather, Rose, Cheryl and Teresa S.



Duane and Lenora Payne, Phyllis Nelson



**Please keep the following in prayer** Arlene Maifeld, Bev Moore, Dale Butson, Darwin Butson, Brian Lupkes, Phil Markwardt, Charlane Janssen, Diane Hughes, Ted Hughes



### Children's Time during church service

Sept 7	Ann Lupkes
Sept 14	Megan M. – Outside Service
Sept 21	Wendy Buseman
Sept 28	Shelly Buseman



### DAYCARE PROVIDERS!

After Children's Time – AGES 5 and Under

Sept 7	Shelly & Barrett
Sept 14	NA – Outside service
Sept 21	Molly B & Tatum
Sept 28	Morgan, Marli, Barrett

## FELLOWSHIP

SEP 7	Hosts are needed
SEP 14	Promotion Sunday
SEP 21	Wells/Allen
SEP 28	Elphic/Campbells

**FUTURE HOSTS ARE NEEDED FOR FELLOWSHIP**



	AUDIO	VIDEO
Sept 7	Jerry	Molly
Sept 14	– Outside	
Sept 21	Dave	Duane
Sept 28	Jesse	Carma



Ann Lupkes\* / Nadine Goodwin



Sept 15 @ 2:30pm -- Sheffield Care Center  
Linda Wells\*/Esther DeVries/Molly Allen

## CIRCLE MEETINGS

**HOPE CIRCLE** - Sep 03 @ 7:00pm (Fellowship Hall)  
*Devotions: Teresa / Lesson: / Host: Teresa*

**JOURNEY CIRCLE** – SEPT. 04 @ 7PM

**VESPER CIRCLE** - Sep 8 @ 1:30pm (Fellowship Hall)  
*Devotions/Lesson: Molly; Host: Sue*

**SUNRISE CIRCLE** - Sept 10@ 9:00am  
*Devotions/Lesson: LaVonne; Host:*

**JOY CIRCLE** - Sept. 14@ 7:00pm  
*DEVOTIONS/LESSON/Host: Carma*

**Faith Circle** – Sept. 25 @ 7pm

**CONVERSATION STARTER: WHAT IS A SKILL YOU WOULD LIKE TO MASTER?**

## 2026 WOZ PROGRAM BOOK

Circle Chairs, check your mailboxes in the near future!  
All forms are due to the office no later than October 5 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.

Thank you to Zion Ambassadors for their time and efforts in making Zion's Corn Festival a fun and yummy event.



Flowers were left on the altar in celebration of Lilli Mollenbeck's birthday on July 27.

Flowers were left in memory of Jon Rieman on August 21.



All women of Zion are invited to celebrate  
Brittany Rooney, Bride Elect of John Lupkes, on  
Saturday, September 20, at Zion.  
Open house brunch: 10:30am-12:30pm with a short  
program beginning at 10:30am

Registry: [www.theknot.com](http://www.theknot.com) (wedding month: Oct)



Mark your calendars!! Everyone is invited to celebrate  
Elaine Parks turning 90 on Sat., September 27,  
11am-4pm Open House at Zion  
Hosted by her family



September  
BIRTHDAYS



September  
ANNIVERSARIES

- 01 Michael & Nadine Goodwin
- 02 Linda Wells
- 03 Mark & Carma DeVries
- 07 Carol Koenen / Austin Neff
- 08 Sharon Parks
- 09 Cayde Eberling
- 10 Shane & Leann Braun
- 11 Kirsten Suntken
- 14 Nora Stock
- 15 Gary Bennett
- 16 Myron VanHorn / Payton Ault
- 19 Zach DeVries
- 20 Austin & Miranda Neff
- 21 Kinnick Campbell / Cayden Campbell
- 22 Andy & Abby Sheeler; Shaun Koenen / Jon Ault  
Melissa Sifert
- 24 Elaine Parks / Stephanie Kloetzer
- 25 Eli Webb / Ryan Stock
- 26 Maddie Pralle
- 27 Eric Barkema
- 28 Darwin & Teresa Butson
- 29 Jerrad Dirksen
- 30 Teaghan Bird



Please update your church directories:

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September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>EVERY SUNDAY beginning on 9/15:</b>	<b>PreK-5<sup>th</sup> Choir: 10:30 am PreK-12<sup>th</sup>: 10:45 am SS</b>					
	1 	2	3  7pm Hope Circle	4  7:00pm Journey Circle	5	6
7 9:15am Service Welcome, Justin Schulz	8 1:30 pm Vesper Circle	9	10 9am Sunrise Circle 6:30pm WOZ Ex. Mtng; 7:00pm - Business Mtng	11  7pm Consistory	12	13
14 Outside service 9:15am Service SS kickoff: Promotion Sunday – fun for all ages! 7pm Joy Circle	15 2:30pm Sheffield Care Center Program	16	17 6:30pm Family Ministry	18	19	20 Rooney/Lupkes Bridal Shower 10:30am-12:30pm
21 9:15 am Service SS: Begins! PreK-HS after Service 28 9:15am Service	22  29	23  30	24	25 7pm Faith Circle	26	27 Elaine Parks-90 <sup>th</sup> ! 11am-4pm  BAZAAR Oct 4 !!!!