



Zion Reformed Church Floodlight - 2024



Dear Zion Family,

Two more months and another year bites the dust. November is always a special time of the year. We have Thanksgiving and the excitement of Christmas is in the air.

For a lot of us, it is a sad and uncomfortable time. Why? We struggle getting along with a family member or with even more than one member. A lot of times we work with someone that manipulates us or you might be the one manipulating others. Emotional manipulation is a toxic way of dealing with problems. The month of November will be the time where we will focus on dealing with emotional manipulation. How to stop it and how to deal with it.

I will have a sermon series about it and during Family Ministry we will focus on how to create a safe environment for every family member to live in freedom.

With Love,
Pastor Petri



Sunday, November 3 - 2am



Consistory Highlights

*Next consistory meeting: Thursday, Nov. 14. If anyone would like to come before the Elders to inquire about membership or baptism, please do so. Zion's annual meeting is Sunday, Dec. 1, following service.





In case of implement weather: Tune into KLMJ for church delays/cancellations



Dear Women of Zion,

The month of November is the time of year when we think of thankfulness and gratitude. We can find comfort in knowing that the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit work together to inspire us and put joy within us. We have so many blessings that surround us, even in challenging times.

Numerous verses in the Bible remind us of God's grace and love in this season of Thanksgiving.

Psalm 118:28-29 "You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love endures forever."

1 Thessalonians 5:18 "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

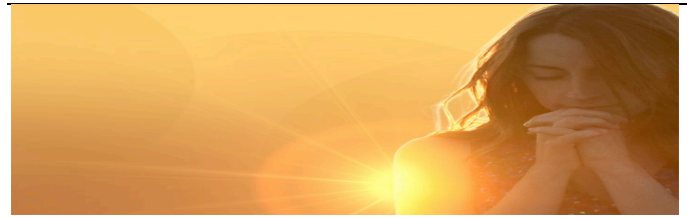
Enjoy this time of year with family and friends as you gather around your Thanksgiving table. Make some great memories! I do want to inform you that I spoke with Diane Hughes about the bazaar and at the time I'm writing this we have taken in \$12,600.00. Money is still coming in and still some bills to pay.

She will have a break down of the shops when this happens. Thank you to all that made this another successful year. Your donations and hard work are very much appreciated. It's always a great time of fellowship and reaching out to our surrounding communities. God has blessed us! Details of our meeting in December will be published in the bulletin.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Yours in Christ,

Judy Crom, WOZ President (641-425-2223)



2025

Prayer Pal Program:

Women of Zion, please return the slip stating if you would like to participate by Nov. 10. Please return to the "catch all" box.



I was chatting with a member of our church last Sunday in the sanctuary after the worship service. We were talking about the times we've experienced the evidence of God's hand in our lives — and how those times are just the ones we're aware of! We agreed it would be a good idea to write down these instances, recalling how God worked in different situations and brought about His blessings to us.

Thinking about this leads me to share with you, this month of November, a particular writing by Charles Stanley: After bringing His people safely out of Egypt and through the Red Sea, God miraculously provided another dry path by piling up the Jordan's waters in a heap upstream. He knew the Israelites were about to enter Jericho and would, by His power, overcome that city. It was certainly compassionate of God to give that tangible illustration of His strength and presence before the battle. But He also knew how quickly they had forgotten Him before. The Lord had a plan to help His people recall the miracle at the river. He told them to create a memorial with 12 stones, each representing a tribe of Israel that had passed safely through the waters (Josh. 4:7-8). Then they would have a lasting visible reminder of divine rescue.

We're much like the Israelites: When God works in big, obvious ways, it's easy to trust Him. But in time, we drift toward self-reliance until we're reminded of our need for

Him and repent. How can you create reminders of God's faithfulness? Whether it's by journaling or creating a "thankfulness list," make sure you have a way to remember the Lord's involvement in your life.

This month of Thanksgiving, write down the ways you've witnessed the Lord's hand in your life so far. Looking at it will be a reminder that He has always been there, and always will be there for you, in every aspect of your life, today and always.

May God Bless & Keep You,
Shelly Buseman
WOZ Spiritual Life



On November 3 the Sunday School will begin collecting funds for the **White Gift Offering**. Monetary donations may be left in the container at the back of church. Proceeds will be used to provide winter coats, boots, snow pants & Christmas gifts for area families currently experiencing financial difficulties. The donation deadline is Dec. 1.



Nov. 11



Family Ministry
Wed,
Nov. 20
@ 6:30pm

Janette, Tonya, Heather will host the meal



Shoe Box forms and boxes are on display. Shoe Boxes + \$10. Shipping fee must be at the church by Nov. 24, noon. You may also just donate to the cost of shipping the boxes. You may leave your donation in the "catch all" box or give to Marsha. Zion's goal: 100 Shoeboxes!



Nov. 24



- Nov. 6: 7pm
- Nov. 13: 7pm
- Nov. 20: 8pm following Christmas Practice (?)
- November 24: Leave at 11:30am to take shoeboxes to Mason City drop off location; have lunch together
- Nov. 27: 5:00pm Meal (until 6:30pm) before Thanksgiving Service
- 8:00pm Clean-up
- Sunday, Dec. 1: Watch children during Annual Meeting



RCYF Supper
Nov. 27
5:00-6:30pm
Freewill donation



November 27 @ 7:00pm



Visitation Team:
*Carma, Pam L,
Jan D. Molly A.



2025 PRAYER CHAIN:
ALL men, women, youth who would like to add/remove their name or make a change to current contact information in order to receive prayer concerns by email or by the calling tree, please see Megan Oehlert by Dec 8



Children's Christmas Program Practice Schedule:
Wednesdays:
Nov. 20 (FM)
Dec. 4, 11, 18
Dec. 22: During SS

Children's Christmas Program will take place on Sunday, Dec. 22 @ 3pm followed with fellowship. Children arrive by 2:40PM!
* ALL INVITED to support our Sunday School children.



WOZ INSTALLATION/MEETING/LUNCHEON:
December 7, Fellowship Hall, 10:00am. All ladies of the church are welcome! For planning purposes, please sign up on the bulletin board by Nov. 24 if you plan to attend. Lunch will be provided. 2024 Prayer Pals will be revealed/2025 Prayer Pals will be chosen.



Duane and Lenora Payne / Maynard Koenen / Phyllis Nelson



Congratulations to Zion's young people who will receive their Bibles on Nov. 17:



HOPE CIRCLE - Nov 06 @ 7:00pm (Fellowship Hall)
Devotions/Lesson: Sonna; Host: Rose

Journey Circle – Nov. 7 @ 7pm

JOY CIRCLE - Nov 10 @ 7:00pm
Devotions/Lesson/Host: Amy

VESPER CIRCLE - Nov 11 @ 1:30pm (Fellowship Hall)
Devotions: Elaine; Lesson: Arlene; Host: Molly A.

SUNRISE CIRCLE - Nov 13@ 9:00am
Devotions/Lesson: Mardel; Host: Sharon

Faith Circle – Nov. 21?? @ 7pm

***IF YOU COULD ONLY EAT 1 THING THE REST OF YOUR LIFE,
 WHAT WOULD IT BE?***



November 3: Allen/Goodwin/S.Parks
 November 10: T. Suntken
 November 17: Jan D/Cheryl S.
 November 24: Hosts are needed



Dear Zion Family,
 I want to thank you all for your thoughts, prayers, cards, and gifts as we have been dealing with the health issues and related challenges of getting back to strength to face the next steps. I'm hoping that I will be up to returning to church by the end of November. I look forward to sharing with you the power of prayer that you possess!
 -Kelly Bennett

Zion's Bazaar: What an amazing and blessed bazaar we had on Oct. 5! Thank you to EVERYONE for all of your time, donations, and prayers.
 -Zion's Bazaar Committee



	<u>AUDIO</u>	<u>VIDEO</u>
Nov 03	Jerry	Molly
Nov 10	Dave	Kolton
Nov 17	Kendal	Carma
Nov 24	Jesse	Tonya
Nov 27 THANKSGIVING SERV.	Duane	Kolton



Children's Time during church service

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Nov. 3	Pastor
Nov. 10	Dave
Nov. 17	Megan M.
Nov. 24	Shelly



DAYCARE PROVIDERS

After Children's Time !

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Nov. 3	Megan S/Gavin
Nov. 10	Steph C/Marli
Nov. 17	Sammy/Edrich
Nov. 24	Shelly/Barrett



Kelly Bennett, Brian Lupkes, Angie DeVries,
 Diane Hughes, Ted Hughes, Duane Payne,
 Lenora Payne
 Haisley – daughter of Steph Carstens



Eunice Brandt
 Westbrook Acres, 605 Garfield St,
 Gladbrook, IA 50635



- 02 Ryan Koenen
- 03 Jan VanHorn
Jon & Rebekah Ault
- 04 Kevin Vander Schaaf / Sara Vander Schaaf
- 05 Gabby Webb
- 07 Nick Bretz
- 08 Duane Carstens / Arlene Maifeld / Phil Markwardt
- 09 Cheryl Schnoes
- 10 Frank Schnoes
- 11 Jan Dorenkamp, Kelly Bennett
- 12 Sarah Dirksen / Molly Bird
- 15 Chris Oehlert
- 17 *Dale & Janeen Butson*
- 23 *Francis & Linda Brass*
- 27 Elizabeth Nannenga
- 29 Colin Bird / Teresa Schulz






Sunday, December 1, following church service.
 All congregante members should report to the fellowship hall. All budgets will be reviewed. Voting will take place for one nominated Deacon and two Elders. Please take time to thank Eric Barkema, Deacon; Jon Suntken and Ann Lupkes, Elders, for their commitment to Zion over the past three years. Their leadership on consistory will remain in effect until the new installation in January 2025. God Bless Zion.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>* Every Sunday * (9:15am Worship 10:30am Sunday School / Kids' Choir)</p>					1	2
<p>3 *Food Pantry* 8:30am Men's Bible Study 9:15am Service 10:30 Sunday School</p> 	4		6 7pm Hope Circle 7:00pm RCYF	7 7pm Journey Circle	8	9
<p>10 9:15am Service 10:30 Sunday School 7pm Joy Circle</p>	<p>11</p>  <p>1:30pm Vesper</p>	12	13 9 am Sunrise Circle 7:00pm RCYF	14 6pm Elders 7pm Consistory	15	16
<p>17 9:15am Service 10:30 Sunday School</p>	18	19	20 Family Ministry:630pm Children's Christmas Practice Begins	21 7pm Faith Circle?	22	23
<p>24 Christ the King Sunday! 9:15am Service Children Sing 10:30 Sunday School Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes are due</p>	25	26	27 5-6:30pm RCYF MEAL 7:00pm Thanksgiving Svc		29	30

