

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: Same God

Welcome & Greeting

Baptism of Harper Swan

Worship Songs: Open Up The Heavens

Rock of Ages

Announcements

Offering: New Wine

Children's Blessing

Children are invited to Zion Kids

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Isaiah 55:1-9

Message: Imagination

Closing Song: Another In The Fire

Blessing

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

A FAMILY ROOM is available for parents with babies and small children where you can watch the live stream of the worship service while comforting a baby or giving a restless toddler a little extra space to move around for part of the worship service. The Family Room is in the west hall of the education wing.

TODAY we celebrate with Bronson and Ashley Swan as they present their child Harper Alaina Swan for baptism. Baptism is a sign and seal of God's covenant of grace with us and our children. The sacrament of baptism is done in community; we as a church make promises to help nurture these children in their faith. One way we as a church family can tangibly express this commitment is by writing and sharing a blessing with the child being baptized. You may write this blessing on your own piece of paper and bring it with you, or on the note cards provided on the table in the narthex with the blessing jar on it. A blessing can include words of encouragement, empowerment, commendation & protection. You can find a scripture passage to use or you can write your own blessing. If you really want to make it personal, you can use the name of the child being baptized in your blessing.

PRAYER REQUEST: Continue to pray for those in our congregation who deal with ongoing health issues.

ZION'S PERSONNEL & Administration Team, with the support of Consistory, has approved a job description for a new Director of Youth Ministries at Zion. The open position is in the process of being posted and a Search Team has been formed. Search Team members include: Marcia Pratt (Lead Pastor), Adam Eriks (Chair of P&A), Tom MacGraw (Middle School Leader), Kim Schultz (High School Leader), Jacki Deiter (parent), Erin Eriks, Ryan and Austin Kwiatkowski (teens). Please join us in prayer for this process and for the person the Lord will lead to us.

MEN OF ALL AGES! Interested in being a part of a team to brainstorm and cast vision for a Men's Ministry at Zion? If so, reach out to Angie.

WOMEN OF ALL AGES! Interested in being a part of a brainstorming/vision casting team that thinks about what Women's Ministry could look like at Zion? If this is you, reach out to Angie

CAMP ZION: It is time to begin the search for our Teen Staff members for Camp Zion 2025. Any teen who attends Zion and/or Zion HS Youth Group is welcome to apply. Click on the following link to submit an application. Camp Zion Teen Staff Application. All applications are due by March 31. Interviews will be held in April, after spring break. Camp Zion 2025 quick details: June 16 - July 24, 2025. M-Th each week. (M/T: 8 am-1 pm, W/Th: 8 am-2 pm)

FIRST IMPRESSIONS is looking for a couple more volunteers to join our team! You would serve one Sunday morning a month as a greeter, child check-in assistant, usher, or making coffee. All positions are easy and training is available. If you'd be willing to be part of this team, contact Angie.

DEAR MEMBERS of Zion Reformed Church: Thank you for your ongoing. faithful support these many years. I am happy to report that I am coming to the end of writing the commentary on Matthew. I have written the commentary (with the help of consultants) and handed in all the chapters to my book editor, and he has approved chapters 1-23. He still has to approve the final chapters and the Introduction to the book, which I added to recently. I hope that when I next come to visit, this commentary will have been published and that I can present a copy of it to the congregation. Please pray with me that this will happen. And I pray that many translators will use it in order to understand the content of Matthew and be able to translate it into any language in the world. Thank you all for your participation in making this commentary a reality. It has been a long, detailed, difficult, and rewarding production. Also, thank you to those who attended my brother Will's funeral. It was appreciated.

~A fellow worker, Albertha Kuiper

ZION KIDS ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILD CHECK IN: All children from birth through 5th grade must be signed in at the Zion Kids Check-In Kiosk located in the lobby by the front doors prior to participating in our kids ministries.

ZION KIDS PROGRAMMING: Children age 3yr-5th grade will be invited to their classrooms part way through the worship service. Here are the room assignments for the year:

Nursery - birth-2yrs (hall to the west of the sanctuary)

3 yrs-Kindergarten - Room 206

1st -2nd grade - Room 205

3rd-5th grade - Room 207

All children must be picked up from their classroom following worship. Please bring the corresponding tag from check-in to pick up your child.

THIS WEEK

TODAY

4:00 PM High School Youth meet 5:45 PM Middle School Youth meet

MONDAY

6:00 PM Personal Care Pantry

6:00 PM Threads sorting

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM Praise Team practice

WEEKLY OFFERING: March 16, 2025

Weekly Budget: \$11,518.09 Year to Date Budget: \$483,759.78 General Fund: \$15,825.73 Year to Date Contributions \$430,766.46

Capital Campaign gifts received to date: \$217,095.00 Capital Campaign Outstanding Pledges: \$17,250.00