

## YOU ARE WELCOME

The members of the Zion United Reformed Church of Ripon are pleased to welcome you to our place of worship. A sincere invitation is extended to you to participate in our programs of ministry.

We are a Protestant church, belonging to a federation of congregations known as the United Reformed Churches in North America. We believe in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and our only Savior from sin. By the name "Reformed" we say that we stand in the tradition of the historic Protestant Reformation, accepting the Bible as the inspired, inerrant, and unchanging Word of God, seeking to be Reformed by that Word and the power of the Holy Spirit.

As Christ ministers to us, we want to minister to others. Feel free to make use of any of our ministries for yourself and your family.

If you wish to become involved in our programs or would like more information, please contact one of the members of the Council or call 599-9399.

## THIS WE BELIEVE

We believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God, inerrant in its entirety, unchanging, and God's revelation of Himself.

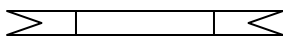
In our teachings, we subscribe to these Reformational creeds which constitute our forms of unity: The Heidelberg Catechism, The Belgic Confession, and the Canons of Dort. In our worship liturgy, we use these creeds which confess our unity with the historic Christian church: the Apostles' Creed, the Athanasian Creed, and the Nicene Creed.

We hold the world and life view by which we see all of reality in every area of life as being subject to the rule of Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION SCHEDULE: First Sunday of March (am); Good Friday; First Sunday of June (am); Second Sunday of August (am); First Sunday of October (am); New Years Eve/Day

ELDERS: Duane Bulthuis, Bill De Kok, Ray Enas, Leonard Enserink, Ken Koolhaas, Jake Sonke, Dan Van Groningen,

DEACONS: Gary Kroon, Larry Mouw, Eric Segaar, Dennis Sonke, Rick Van Duyn



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Rev. Kevin Efflandt, Pastor

Radio Program: Sunday 8:30 a.m.; 99.9 FM  
"The White Horse Inn"

*"Announcing freedom from guilt, the comfort of grace, and the joy of gratitude in the person and work of Jesus Christ."*



# ZION UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

*February 19, 2012*

*"In those days, at that time," declares the Lord, "The people of Israel and the people of Judah together will go in tears to seek the Lord their God. They will ask the way to Zion and turn their faces toward it. They will come and bind themselves to the Lord in an everlasting covenant that will not be forgotten."*

*Jeremiah 50:4-5*

# Zion United Reformed Church

February 19, 2012

*Morning Worship: 9:30 a.m.*

## Entering God's Presence

- \* Call to worship
- \* Votum
  - \* *Minister:* In Whom is your help?
  - \* *Congregation:* "Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth."
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Hymn of Praise: #89 "Within Thy Temple, Lord"

## Confession of Sin

Reading of God's Law

- \* Hymn of Confession: #355 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"
- Assurance of Pardon

## Offering Ourselves to God

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings: General Fund

Congregational Prayer

- \* Hymn of Preparation: #217 "O Praise the Lord, for He Is Good"

## God's Word

Scripture: Genesis 3:14-24

Sermon: **Consequences of the Fall**

Prayer of Application

## Closing With God

- \* Hymn of Commitment: #454 "Nearer, Still Nearer" (vs. 1,2,4)
- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology: #280 "O Bless Our God with One Accord" (v.3)
- \* Postlude

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

*Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.*

## Preparing for Worship

Song Service: "Lift High the Cross" (vs. 1,3,5) (#11 LB)

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder" (vs. 1,3,5) (insert)

"Oh to See the Dawn" (insert)

Call to Worship

- \* God's Greeting

## Confession of Faith

- \* Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed (page 3 in the Psalter Hymnal)
- \* Hymn in Response: #314 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
- Reading of the Psalms: Psalm 18:25-50

## Offering of Gifts and Offerings

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings: MARS International Student

Congregational Prayer

- \* Hymn of Preparation: #44 "Lord, I Lift My Soul to Thee"

## God's Word

Scripture: Ephesians 4:25-32

Confessional Reading: Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 51

Sermon: **Forgiveness**

Prayer of Application

## Closing With God

- \* Hymn of Commitment: #55 "How Blest Is He Whose Trespass" (vs. 1,3,5)
- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology: #488 "Now Blessed Be Jehovah God"
- \* Postlude

*"Those who are able, please stand"*

## Calendar

### Today

9:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
10:50 a.m. Coffee Fellowship; Church School, Adult Sunday School  
Toddler – 4<sup>th</sup> Time of singing before Church School  
4:30 p.m. Choir  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
7:15 p.m. Coffee Fellowship

### Monday

7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

### Tuesday

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. Ladies Coffee Time Bible Study  
(Lesson 42; refreshments - Harriet Leensvaart)  
9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study with Story Hour  
(Lesson 4: "Proverbs Words on Words")

### Wednesday

6:30 p.m. GEMS  
6:30 p.m. Cadets  
7:00 p.m. Youth Group at Sikkema's Home  
(Snacks - Harms; Drinks - Vander Helm)

### Thursday

7:00 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study

## Church Family

Remember those of our congregation who have ongoing needs: Binie Den Dulk, Cindy Hoeksema, Connie Mays, Don Paauw, Carl & Evelyn Plett, Berneice Van Duyn, Fred Veenstra, and Rhondalynn Whitehead.

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We welcome you and pray you will receive God's blessing in your worship with us today. Please be sure to sign our guest book on the table in the narthex if you have not already done so. We invite you to a time of fellowship immediately following each worship service.

## Church Announcements:

Church School Classes will not meet today.

Next Sunday Morning, we have the privilege of witnessing the baptism of Walter Elliott Drost, infant son of Will and Lynette Drost. May the Lord give his blessings to this family.

Sam Flores was accepted for membership at Zion following an interview with the council. He comes to us from Shelter Cove Church in Modesto. He will be welcomed at a future service.

Next Sunday Evening we are privileged to welcome the Ripon Christian Knightsounds, as they take part in our evening service. Please join us for this service of praise.

The Tuesday morning Men's Bible Study group will begin a new study, this coming Tuesday. This study will cover Genesis 1-11 and is written by Rev. Mark Vander Hart. We invite all new and past members to join us for the study and breakfast at Frank's afterward. Look for the new study books on the table in the fellowship hall.

Men's Book Club will meet this Tuesday night at 7:00 pm and this Saturday morning at 8:00 am.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS and help support the Youth Group's Pulled Pork Dinner Fundraiser on Wednesday, March 7th. Dinners will include a pulled pork sandwich, beans, cole slaw and your choice of apple or berry pie, for just \$12. Look for order forms in your mailbox. Pre-paid orders can be given to youth group leaders or members on or before March 1st. Checks can be made payable to Zion URC Youth Group. These delicious dinners will be ready for curbside pick-up at the Zion URC Parking Lot on March 7 between 5:30 and 7 pm. If you have any questions or need help placing your order please contact Sherrie Vander Helm at 545-4143 or [svanderhelm@yahoo.com](mailto:svanderhelm@yahoo.com); Joanne Sonke at 545-4901 or [dsonke@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dsonke@sbcglobal.net); or Cindy Hoeksema at 599-5829 or [choeksema@charter.net](mailto:choeksema@charter.net)). We thank you in advance for helping make this a successful fundraiser for the youth group to attend RYS Convention this summer!

Save the date: Cadets and Dads, join us for an exciting overnight experience on the USS Hornet. On May 11, we will travel to Alameda and board the ship. We will then spend the night in the original crew bunks. We will have dinner and breakfast in the Crew's Mess, and will take part in various special activities. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Fellowship Hall for all Cadets interested in attending. Any questions, contact John Sikkema (595-6177).

White Horse Inn Radio Program: For anyone who is interested, we now have CD's of Zion's weekly radio program available. Each Sunday, there will be copies of the CD of the program that is broadcast that morning available on the book table. These will be in addition to the monthly CD's that we have been providing. Please feel free to pick one up! Thank you so much!

VBS Dates have changed: VBS will now be held June 25-29.

Items for the bulletin are due Wednesday by 6:00 p.m.

Hearing assistance receivers with earplugs or headsets are available upon request. Inquire at the sound table.

Prayer Chain: Nettie Roos, 599-7404; Adrianna Miedema, 599-6639

Tapes and CD's of the morning and evening worship services will be available after each service at the sound desk or contact Chuck De Jong. A suggested donation of \$1 per tape or CD is appreciated.

### **Community Announcements:**

Bethany Christian Services Guild will be hosting their annual Spring Tea on Saturday, March 17 at 2:00 p.m. It will be held at Zion URC in Ripon. Save the date on your calendar. More information will be announced later.

Dordt College Concert Choir from Sioux Center, Iowa will be performing a concert on Tuesday, March 13 (more info will follow). Seventeen host families are needed to house two or more students that evening. If you are willing to host a few students contact Judy Van Groningen @ [jvangroningen@rcschools.com](mailto:jvangroningen@rcschools.com) or 402-1492.

The annual board meeting of Ripon Inter-faith Ministries will be held on Tuesday, March 6 at 7:30 p.m. at its facility on 816 W. Main St. The ministry, supported by the local churches, has been serving residents of Ripon since 1987. The public is invited to come and hear how the ministry is helping to meet some of the needs in our community.

### **Ripon Christian School Announcements:**

Ripon Christian School is starting to plan for the 2012-2013 school year and would like to *pre-register any new families* with children starting kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade next fall. You will find an admission application and pastoral recommendation on the information table in your church, or you may get one from the elementary office. Once we receive your application and completed pastoral recommendation, the admissions office will send you additional paperwork to complete. Kindergarten Beginner's Day (an opportunity for your child to get the "feel" of school) is being scheduled for *April 19 and 20*. Should you have any questions, please contact Pam in the elementary office at 599-2155, ext. 205.

Announcing the upcoming fourth and fifth grade performance of Roger's & Hammerstein's musical Cinderella! Our evening performance is on Friday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. A freewill offering will be taken to help defray expenses. Please come and enjoy the evening.

Ripon Christian School Circle will be meeting again on Friday, February 24, at Almond Valley CRC. Refreshments served at 8:20; meeting to follow. Nursery provided; T.R.I.P. sold here. Polo shirt uniform sale will also take place at this location. Bring your clean, gently-used looking shirt donations. Shop for the next polo size you need at a reduced cost. Must be present to win the T.R.I.P. drawing. We look forward to seeing you there!

Tri-tip Sandwiches at Festival: The Ripon Christian Close-Up Club will be selling tri-tip sandwiches on Almond Blossom Saturday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> at two locations this year. Stop by the Community Center between 9am and 2pm for a sandwich or drive through the RC High School gymnasium parking lot between 11am and 6pm. Tickets are \$7.00 for a whole sandwich and \$5.00 for a half of sandwich. Tickets are available for pre-sale from RC students in the Close-Up Club or in the front office of the High School. Tickets will also be available at the two locations. The Ripon Christian High School Close-Up Club is composed of approximately 85 students, who plan to attend a 6-day trip to Washington, D.C. in March, 2013. During the course of the trip, students will attend about 15 workshops, seminars, and speeches as well as visit many of the sites of the city. The trip is geared toward education, covering such topics as: how government works, what other students and government leaders think of the diverse political issues, how to interact constructively with people of other viewpoints, and how to defend individual views and values. Help support the Close-up Club by enjoying a great sandwich at one of the locations!

## Schedules

Greeters today: John & Melinda Sikkema  
Greg & Nicole Snodgrass  
Greeters next week: John & Melinda Sikkema  
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Organists today: AM: Glenn De Jong PM: Kelli Sikma  
Organists next week: AM: Glenn De Jong PM: Joann Veenstra  
Nursery today: AM: Infants: Angel K., Letha E., Emily H.  
Toddlers: Brenda H., Kayla S., Kim E.  
PM: Infants/Toddlers: Char V.V., Ada B., Alyssa S.  
Nursery next week: Infants: Trisha M., Kristina F., Vanessa V.H.  
Toddlers: Laurie V.G., Jennifer D.J., Jonathan W.  
PM: Infants/Toddlers: Jan W., Teresa A., Corinne E.  
Ushers today: Harry Van't Voort, Jon Stelpstra, Greg Snodgrass  
Ushers next week: Vince Van't Voort, Greg Kamper, Steve Andriese  
Coffee servers today: Jake & Ruth Sonke  
Coffee servers next week: Woody & Sandy Mouw  
Library today: Nettie R., Char V.V.  
Library next week: Letha E., Adrianna M.  
Hospitality Hosts today: Jim & Mary Brower  
Hospitality Hosts next week: Hoeksema & Efflandt  
Refreshments today: AM: Melissa B., Gert V., Jennifer D.J.,  
Joanne P., Kim M., Annette B.  
PM: Anita S., Judi V.R., Sena L., Melinda Sikkema  
Refreshments next week: AM: Irene W., Leslie H., Sandy F.  
Nicole S., Hermina O., Gloria J.  
PM: Alyda S., Sherrie V.H., Jeanny T., Nettie R.  
Truck Stop Ministry today: AM: Ralph R., Les H., John M.  
PM: \*Bill D.K., John S.  
Truck Stop Ministry next week: AM: Ralph R., Les H., John M.  
PM: \*Ralph R., Ben S.  
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Sound today: Chris Del Santo, Rick Van Duyn  
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