

Home Groups | Week of March 5, 2017
| True North | Giving my Resources

Icebreaker: What was the most memorable gift you ever received? Why was it memorable?

Lectio Divina (read; meditate; pray; contemplate): Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-15 and/or 2 Corinthians 9:1-15 aloud and have your group share what stands out to each of them in the passage(s).

Discuss:

1. Paul describes in 8:2 that for some churches “abundant joy” and “extreme poverty” “overflowed together in a wealth of generosity.” How would you describe “abundant joy?” How would you describe “extreme poverty?” How can those two go together?
2. Looking at 8:2 again, Paul says that suffering developed into a wealth of generosity. Have you experienced that? How does God’s grace (8:1) help us to develop this wealth of generosity?
3. Giving generously mirrors what God has already done for us. Some churches (2 Corinthians 8:3) gave as much as they could, “even beyond their means.” How could giving, even when it is beyond our means, shape us and mirror what God has done for us?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 8:13-15 and see where Paul says there might be “equality” in giving and receiving in Christian community. Has there been a time you gave and received equally in return? What was that like?
5. What present circumstances in your life provide opportunities to give away your resources for God’s purposes? What are some barriers that might stop you from being aware of giving opportunities?
6. What are some ways we can talk about giving or demonstrate giving that would help to shape our covenant children or our own children and grandchildren?
7. On a scale of 1 (out of obedience) to 10 (out of joy), how would you rate your attitude toward giving and generosity? Why did you give yourself that rating?

Prayer:

Share your prayer requests with one another and also remember those from our church family:

- > Prayers of healing for Sue Armstrong and Robie Strickland.
- > Prayers for the team members and guests of the Men’s Great Banquet taking place in our building this weekend and for the upcoming Women’s Great Banquet (March 16-19).

what’s coming up!

Got a green thumb?

Landscaping Team Meeting | Tuesday, March 7 | 7 pm | Chapel
We are looking for individuals to serve on ZPC’s Landscaping Team. This group keeps ZPC’s grounds looking pretty by creating and implementing landscaping plans for the outside of our building. Contact Tim with questions or come to the meeting on Tuesday.

> Tim King [timk@zpc.org; 317.873.8137x1011]

ZPC Inquirers Class

Friday, March 10 | 7-9 pm | Off-site

Saturday, March 11 | 9 am-12 pm | ZPC

If you have an interest in learning more about ZPC or joining the church as a member, sign up to attend the spring Inquirers Class. Friday night will include a dinner and relational time with Pastor Jerry Deck. Saturday you will learn all about ZPC with church staff and lay leaders. Register by Tuesday at zpc.org, calling the church office, or signing up at the Welcome Center. Childcare is available by advance registration only. Please indicate your childcare needs on your registration.
> Misty Soderstrom [mistysoderstrom@comcast.net; 317.847.3261]

Register now for ZPC Parenting Event

Saturday, March 11 | 2 - 7 pm | Sanctuary | \$30/person; \$50/couple
Join us as we welcome, for a second year, best selling authors and licensed counselors Sissy Goff and David Thomas. Their topic, *Modern Parents, Vintage Values*, will cover specific issues facing kids today. Register online at zpc.org.
> Lynn Strueh [strueh@tds.com]

Second Half Adventurers

March 14 | 11 am-1 pm | Gathering Space | Cost: \$10

Please join the Second Half Adventurers at our March luncheon. We will welcome host and creator of *Inside Indiana Business*, Gerry Dick. Sign up in the Gathering Space this morning.

> Barb Luther [barbarawluther@gmail.com; 317.669.7073]

Looking for “super shoppers”

Are you one of those people who always find the highest quality at the lowest price? We’re looking for a new source for our Easter flowers and need your help. Please contact Betsy for details if you are interested in being our shopping detective.

> Betsy Howden [betsyh@zpc.org; 317.873.8137 x1010]

Teachers needed at Noah’s Ark

Noah’s Ark is in need of 4 teachers—two full-time teachers from 9 am to 6 pm and two part-time teachers, one in the morning and one in the evening.

> Sherry Pipkin [sherryp@zpc.org; 317.873.3190]

March Prayer Calendar Available

We invite you to use ZPC’s monthly prayer calendar to pray for ZPC ministries. February’s calendar is available at the Welcome Center and at zpc.org/prayer.

> Jane Burgess [cjburgess1@att.net]

Chili Cook-Off and Movie Night

Saturday, March 25 | 5:30-8:30 pm | Gym & Chapel

Please join us for ZPC’s Chili Cook-off and Movie Night featuring samples from the best chili cooks at ZPC, family friendly movies, and homemade BBQ. Information is available in the Gathering Space.

> Scott Akin [akinscott@hotmail.com; 317.850.8444]



welcome to zpc

Called together by God to make disciples and release them for service in our broken world.

Sunday, March 5, 2017 | 9 & 10:30 am

listen to last week's message at zpc.org/resources/sermon

zionsville
presbyterian church

4775 West 116th Street
Zionsville, IN 46077
317.873.6503 | zpc.org
Church office hours:
Monday–Friday: 8:30 am–4:30 pm

worship

Sunday, March 5, 2017
True North | Living Generously

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 8:1-12; 9:1-8, 12-15

Notes:

Sanctuary Bibles: Bibles are available to use during worship on the shelves as you come into the Sanctuary. Please return them to the shelves when you leave or if you don't have a Bible, you are welcome to take one with you.

Prayer : If you would like someone to pray with or for you, please go to the west alcove by the cross after the service. It would be our privilege to pray on your behalf.

who we are

- Our focus is to become and make life-long learners of Jesus through:
- 1. Creating a Caring Community
 - 2. Centering Our Worship and Study on Christ
 - 3. Encouraging Hands-on Missions

Thank you for coming to ZPC! We would love to get to know you. We encourage you to record your attendance on the welcome pad at today's worship. Please provide your name, address, and contact information. Especially if this is your first time with us, we would welcome the opportunity to connect with you and even deliver a yummy treat!

Join us in the Gathering Space before and after services. Want a name tag? Sign up at the Welcome Center.

the week ahead [zpc.org for more] 2017

Sunday, March 5 Men's Great Banquet Closing 5 pm Sanctuary ZPCHSM 6-7:30 pm ninth-twelfth grades Youth Center		
Monday, March 6 Intercessory Prayer Team 9-10 am Chapel ZPC Line Dancing 1:30-2:30 Gym BSF 6:45-8:45 pm Sanctuary		
Tuesday, March 7 Open Gym 1-2:30 Gym Session Meeting 6:30-9:30 pm Room 201		
Wednesday, March 8 Open Gym 1-2:30 pm Gym Mission Commission 7-9 pm Room 202		
Thursday, March 9 Thursday Men's Bible Study 6:15 -7:30 am Gathering Space LifeChanges 9:30-11:15 am Chapel		
Friday, March 10 MOPS 9-11:30 am Gathering Space Food Pantry 12-2 pm Room 109		
Saturday, March 11 Inquirers Class 9 am-12 pm Room 205 Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic 9-11 am ZPC Cabin [pro bono legal representation and preventive law education to low income families, including immigrant families] Parenting Conference 2-7 pm Sanctuary		
Sunday, March 12		
Children Nursery Care 9 and 10:30 am birth-age three check in at Children's Welcome Center ZPC Kids 9 and 10:30 am age four-fourth grade check in at Children's Welcome Center, Room 106, or in the Gathering Space.		
Students Middle School Ministry [MSM] 9 am fifth through eighth grades Room 205 High School Ministry [HSM] 6 -7:30 pm ninth through twelfth grades Youth Hall		
Adults Study with Jim Livengood 9 am Room 201 Christian Spiritual Formation 10:30 am Room 201		

prayer requests

Joining us this morning are Karl and Sun Dahlfred. Karl, a missionary with OMF International, teaches church history and missions at Bangkok Bible Seminary, and assists with translation and editing at Kanok Bannasan, one of the few publishers of Thai Christian books. Living right next to the seminary campus in downtown Bangkok, both Karl and Sun have opportunities to invest in the lives of students, the next generation of Thai church leaders. They are also involved in a new church plant called Grace City Bangkok, where Karl is an elder.

From January through August 2017, Karl, Sun, and their children (Joshua, 10; Caitlin, 7; and John, 3) are on home assignment (furlough) in the United States.

In September 2017, they will move to Edinburgh, Scotland for Karl to do a Ph.D in World Christianity at the University of Edinburgh. Upon completion of the Ph.D in 2020, they plan to return to Thailand to continue with seminary teaching and church planting ministry.

More information about the Dahlfred family and ministry in Thailand can be found at dahlfred.com

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Setting our hearts on the God who has already set his heart on us.

Lent is a time set aside for spiritual renewal and growing in faith so our goal during Lent is to set our wholeselves – heart, mind, body, and soul – in complete trust and commitment on God.

Please join us in a 40-day reading of the gospels as a way to set our hearts on God. Reading schedules are available at the Welcome Center or at zpc.org.

Want to discuss what you're reading? Join us virtually at zpc.org or on Facebook or face-to-face on Thursdays at noon or Sundays at 8:30 am in the Chapel



Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. Matthew 6:20		
ZPC Stewardship Update:	[6/1/16-2/26/17]	
YTD Budget:	\$1,767,054	
YTD Actual Offering:	\$1,721,670	Last Service Attendance: 505