

Ice Breaker Question:

Do you enjoy having people into your home or does it make you anxious or somewhere in between?

Read and discuss: Mark 12:28-31, Genesis 18:1-15

1. Hospitality of strangers is still virtuous in the Middle East. How did Abraham in Genesis 18 show hospitality to the strangers in the story? How does this story encourage you to show hospitality?
2. Abraham and Sarah offer food, “a choice tender calf,” to the visitors. Sharing food with others is a common and important theme in the Bible. Why is food important to welcoming visitors, even today?
3. One definition of hospitality refers to the host receiving the guest with goodwill, kindness and warmth; including the reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers. In trying to be good neighbors as God has called us to be, what do you think is most important about hospitality?
4. In Genesis 18, God shows up to Abraham and Sarah through three strangers. How might God show up in visitors to your home?
5. In the book, *The Art of Neighboring*, the authors say it is also important to let our neighbors serve us. This is the art of receiving. Can you describe a time when someone was hospitable to you?
6. What are the things that make hospitality a challenge to you? What current needs do you have that a neighbor might be able to help you with?
7. A couple of weeks ago we looked at the story of Mary and Martha. How are the actions of Martha and Abraham similar? How are they different? How do you explain the difference in the way God responds to them?

Prayer:

Keep the following prayer requests from our church family in mind as you close:
> Prayers of healing for Laura Nelson, John Lindenschmidt, Pierce Robb, Hadley Lehr, Talbott Sumners, and Chuck Vogt.

what’s coming up!

Finance Position Available at ZPC

Would you like to work in the ZPC office or do you know of someone with accounting experience to send our way? ZPC is in need of a part time financial controller to lead the accounting functions of the church and support the church staff with financial information. More details at zpc.org/staff.
> Val Lindenschmidt [val@isi-alliance.com; 317.731.4740]

Second Half Adventurers

May 10 | 8:30 am-4 pm | Richmond Area | Cost: \$25
Please join the Second Half Adventurers for a spring bus trip to the Richmond area where we will tour the Levi Coffin House in Fountain City; stop at the Warm Glow Candle Company Store; and eat lunch at The Old Richmond Inn. Please invite friends and neighbors. Sign up in the Gathering Space.
> Barb Luther [barbarawluther@gmail.com; 317.669.7073]

Join us at Middle Ground

Thursday, May 12 | 7:30-9 pm | Room 202
If you are a mother of a middle school, high school, and/or college age child, please join us this month. Our guest speaker will discuss ways to keep our children engaged in their faith and spiritually focused during the tween, teen, and college years.
> Lisa Paul [lisapaul@outlook.com; 317.873.2892]

Mom to Mom Bible Study

Mondays | May 16 - Aug 1 | 8-10 pm | Room 201 | Cost: \$25
Join us this summer for Mom to Mom, a biblically based parenting study that will encourage you in your relationships with your children and spouse. Explore our need to nurture as women and wives, learn to build a firmer foundation for your family, and experience heart-to-heart relationships with other moms.
> Pam Kovac [kovac.pamela@gmail.com]

Messy Mission Run

Saturday, May 21 | 9 am | Zionsville Rail Trail | Cost: \$30
Join us for the Messy Mission Run, a fun, non-competitive, 5 K run/walk/crawl. Proceeds benefit ZPC’s summer high school mission trips. Register online at zpc.org or the day of the run beginning at 7:30 am.
> Jon Graybeal [jong@zpc.org; 317.873.6503x1015]

Blood and Bone Marrow Drive for Hadley Lehr

Sunday, May 22 | 9 am-2 pm | South Gym
In September 2015, Hadley was just 21 months old when she was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. Since then, Hadley has had 40 transfusions to help her fight her disease. Please help Hadley and others have a second chance in life by donating blood and registering for BeTheMatch. Sign up for a time at zpc.org. Walk-ins welcome
> Lisa Price [lisap@zpc.org; 317.873.8137 x 1013]

Volunteer for VBS 2016

Cave Quest | Sunday, July 17-Thursday, July 21 | ZPC
Volunteers are needed for this year’s VBS, Cave Quest, where we hope to ground kids in the rock-solid foundation of God’s love. Sign up to volunteer at zpc.org.
> Margi Peake [mpeake@indy.rr.com]

All Church Retreat Take Two!

Friday, August 26-Sunday, August 28 | Brown County
Save the date for this year’s All Church Retreat –same weekend and same place. Registration begins next Sunday!
> Philana Cunningham [philanac@gmail.com]

All Church Brunch

Sunday, May 15 | After each service | Gym
Please join us next Sunday as we connect with one another over yummy brunch in the Gym.

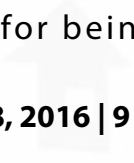
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welcome

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



YOU ARE HERE



Thanks for being here!

Sunday, May 8, 2016 | 9 and 10:30 am

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



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Church office hours:
Monday–Friday: 8:30 am–4:30 pm

Later Today, Sunday, May 8

ZPCHSM | 6-7:30 pm | Youth Hall [grades 9-12]

Monday, May 9

Choir Practice | 7-9 pm | Choir Room

Bible Study Fellowship | 6:55-9:30 pm | Sanctuary

Tuesday, May 10

2nd Half Adventurers Day Trip | 8:30 am-4 pm | Richmond

ZPC Staff Retreat | 11 am | Off-site

Open Gym | 1:30-2:30 pm | Gym

Kairos Cookie Bake | 6:30-9 pm | ZPC Kitchen

Wednesday, May 11

ZPC Staff Retreat | Through 2 pm | Off-site

Open Gym | 1-2:30 pm | Gym

Thursday, May 12

Men's Morning Study | 6:15-7:30 am | Gathering Space

Food Pantry | 5-6 pm | Room 109

Middle Ground | 7:30-9 pm | Room 202

Friday, May 13

Food Pantry | 12-2 pm | Room 109

Saturday, May 14

Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic | 9-11 am | ZPC Cabin [pro bono legal representation and preventive law education to low income families, including immigrant families]

Sunday Morning, May 15

Children

Nursery Care | 9 and 10:30 am | birth-age three | check in at the Children's Welcome Center

Children's Classes | 9 and 10:30 am | age four-fourth grade | check in at the Children's Welcome Center or in the Gathering Space.

Students

Middle School Ministry | 9 am | Room 205 [fifth through eighth grades]

Adults

Five Love Languages of Children | 9 am | Room 208 [men] & 209 [women]

Study with Jim Livengood | 9 am | Chapel

Spiritual Formation Class | 10:30 am | Room 201

ZPC Financial Update: [6/1/15-5/1/16]

Budgeted need: \$2,069,164

Actual offerings: \$1,935,533

Sunday's Service Attendance: 567

worship

Sunday, May 8, 2016

Hoosier Neighbor | Hospitality

Scripture: Mark 12:28-31

Genesis 18:1-15

Sermon Notes:

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. Introduce yourself to someone new. Want a name tag? Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Interfaith Hospitality Network

Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice Hospitality Romans 12:13

What?

ZPC is serving homeless children and their caregivers with Family Promise/Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN), a national, faith-based, organization whose mission is to provide temporary, emergency shelter for homeless families.



How does it work?

Each week up to fourteen homeless individuals are provided with housing at network church facilities. During the day, guests stay at a day center in downtown Indianapolis, where they receive social services. Older children attend school. Between 5 pm and 6 am, local congregations serve as hosts on a weekly rotational basis, providing lodging, meals, and hospitality. ZPC will host from June 19 through June 26.

How can I serve?

Volunteers are the heart of the program. They share their time and talents in many ways:

- > Setting up guest bedrooms in the church
- > Cooking and serving meals
- > Playing with the children and helping them with homework
- > Staying overnight with the families
- > Providing transportation to and from the day center
- > Tearing down guest bedrooms
- > Doing laundry
- > Donating food items and supplies or making a financial donation to purchase needed items
- > Be a prayer warrior, sign up online to pray daily for our guests
- > Most importantly, demonstrating Christ's love

This is a volunteer opportunity for all ages. Please consider serving as an individual or with your family, friends, or Home Group. Details and registration are available in the Gathering Space or at zpc.org.

Questions?

Contact one of our congregational coordinators:

- > Margaret Gordon [cgqiemom@gmail.com; 317.219.9017]
- > Mary Leman [maryhleman@yahoo.com; 317.656.9942]
- > Joe Loudonback [jloudonback@indy.rr.com; 317.769.5621]

prayer concerns

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