

Ice Breaker Question:
Jacob gives Joseph a multi-colored coat. Has anyone in your family ever given you something or have you given a family member something that created or strengthened your connection with them?

Read and discuss Genesis 37:12-36

1. Why do you think Jacob sent Joseph off to see his brothers, knowing (or did he?) the antipathy between him and his brothers? If you were Jacob, how might you have tried to resolve the anger between your sons?
2. Re-read verses 21-27. It seems that Reuben and Judah were coming to Joseph's defense. Why do you think these two brothers did this?
3. How do you see yourself being influenced by those around you (family, friends, society, etc.)? In what ways has this shaped you to be more like Jesus? In what ways has it taken you further from God?
4. The pit is a stark image in the story of Joseph (he will "descend" and "ascend" many times in his life). What point(s) in your life has felt like a pit? How did you react? What questions, if any, did you ask God?
5. Can you see the hand of God at work in this story? Where?
6. This story gives us insight into the importance of choices in our lives. The brothers had choices: to kill Joseph, to leave him behind, to sell him into slavery, or to do nothing to him. Each path brings about a different result and different consequences. How have your choices impacted your life? Where was God in the midst of those choices?

As your group closes, please keep the following prayer requests in mind:

- > Prayers of healing for Carolyn Barnes (Nancy Baker's mother), Pat Brown, Hadley Lehr, John Lindenschmidt, Laura Nelson, and Daniel Quick.
- > Pray for all of ZPC's 2016 graduates.

what's coming up!

Super Summer Sundays

Sundays through August 7
Supper Summer Sundays begin today! This means today and throughout the summer, all children age 4 through 4th grade will begin the worship hour with their parents in the Sanctuary and will be dismissed after musical worship and offering. Please pick up 4 year-olds and kindergarteners at the Treehouse (room 13) and 1st through 4th graders in room 106.

> Amy Crispin [amyc@zpc.org]

VBS Worship Arts Volunteers

VBS Worship Arts Meeting | Sunday, June 5 | 11:45 am | Sanctuary.

If you are interested in being part of the motions, drama, or tech team for VBS please join us this morning! We are looking for individuals who have completed 7th grade through adults of all ages. Must be in town and available for the entire week of VBS (July 17-21).

> Kristin Lehr [kristinl@zpc.org]

Second Half Adventurers

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

Please join the Second Half Adventurers at our June luncheon as we welcome a representative from Wheeler Mission, who will be discussing women's and children's programming. Sign up in the Gathering Space this morning.

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

Discovering the Life Worth Living

All Church Retreat | Friday, August 26-Sunday, August 28 | Brown County

Register for this year's All Church Retreat! Stop by the table in the Gathering Space for more information. Register there or at zpc.org.

> Philana Cunningham [philanac@gmail.com]

Ushers Needed at 9 am Service

Ushers serve as hosts for the Sanctuary, warmly welcoming and assisting guests as they enter the worship space and throughout worship. Tasks include passing out bulletins, seating guests, and collecting the offering. Please consider serving with one of our usher teams once a month.

> Karen Lankton-Schmidt [lankton@indy.rr.com; 317.873.1643]

Nursery Caregivers Needed

Help us make a critical impact on the youngest members of our covenant community. We need 10 caregivers in the nursery during the 9 and 10:30 services. Please consider volunteering... 1 hour every 5 weeks.

> Kristin Lehr [kristinl@zpc.org]

Finance Position Available at ZPC

ZPC is in need of a part-time financial controller to lead ZPC accounting functions and support the staff with financial information. More details at zpc.org/staff.

> Val Lindenschmidt [val@isi-alliance.com; 317.731.4740]



welcome to zpc

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

Thanks for being here!

Sunday, June 5, 2016 | 9 and 10:30 am

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



zionsville
presbyterian church

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Zionsville, IN 46077
317.873.6503 | zpc.org
Church office hours:
Monday-Friday: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

//Serve at Shepherd with ZPCHSM

Sunday, June 26-Friday, July 1 | Cost: \$225
Students in grades 9-12 and beyond are invited to serve kids at Shepherd Center's summer camp.

> Jon Graybeal [jong@zpc.org]

//Serve at Shepherd with ZPCMS

Thursday, June 9-Monday, June 13 | Cost: \$100
Students in grades 5-8 are invited to serve through beautification projects and relationship building.

> Calvin Bryant [calvinb@zpc.org]

Later Today, Sunday, June 5

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

Monday, June 6

Mexico Caravan Departs | June 6-June 14

ZPC Line Dancing | 1:30-2:30 | Gym

Mom-to-Mom Bible Study | 8-10 pm | Room 201

Tuesday, June 7

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

Session Meeting | 6:30-9:30 pm | Room 201

Wednesday, June 8

Open Gym | 1-2:30 pm | Gym

Mission Commission | 7-9 pm | Room 202

Thursday, June 9

Food Pantry | 5-6 pm | Room 109

Friday, June 10

Food Pantry | 12-2 pm | Room 109

Saturday, June 11

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, June 12

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

Study with Jim Livengood | 9 am | Chapel

Spiritual Formation Class | 10:30 am | Room 201

ZPC Financial Update: [6/1/15-5/29/16]

Budgeted need: \$2,200,000

Actual offerings: \$2,089,959

Sunday's Service Attendance: 368

worship

Sunday, June 5, 2016

Joseph

Scripture: Genesis 37:12-36

It's good to know that dysfunctional families have been around since at least the time of Joseph and his brothers! This summer we'll be taking a look at the story of Joseph and be reminded that God can work in amazing ways no matter what family you come from and despite the difficult things that may come your way. We look forward to joining you this summer at worship as we explore the life and relationships of Joseph, his father Jacob, and his 11 brothers.

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. Want a name tag? Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Interfaith Hospitality Network

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

June 19-June 26 we will be hosting up to fourteen homeless individuals. 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, ZPC will provide lodging, meals, and hospitality for these families.

Here ways you can help:

- > 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
- > Being 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 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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Invitation to Pray During Ramadan

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar and is observed by Muslims as 30 days of fasting to commemorate the first revelation of the Quran to Muhammad according to Islamic belief. This year Ramadan begins this evening and goes through the evening of July 5. Join the largest ongoing international call for Christians to pray for the Muslim World during Ramadan. Follow a prayer guide, which is available on the mission shelf, to help understand and persistently pray for Muslim neighbors and nations.

> Philana Cunningham [philanac@gmail.com; 317.507.8219]