

Ice Breaker Question:
Do you prefer to be with people or alone?

Read and discuss Psalm 23; Matthew 1:18-25

1. What does it say about God that he became human to be close to us/pursue us?
2. God is a God who works in unexpected ways. Where do you see that in Matthew's story? Where have you seen this in your story?
3. Other than becoming human, what other things does Matthew show us about God?
4. Are there things you can do (practices you can engage in) that help you experience more deeply the reality that God is with you?
5. Can you think of a time when you particularly felt as if God was with you? Share that experience with others.
6. Have there been times (or are there areas of your life) when you would prefer that God wasn't with you?! If you are comfortable sharing, when were those times or what are those areas?

Group Activity
Before prayer time, ask one member to read Psalm 23. Have the others in the group close their eyes and reflect on the words and pictures that come to mind. Share your thoughts with the group.

- As your group closes, please keep the following prayer requests in mind:**
- > Prayers of healing for Wanda Baker, Stan Johnson, Greg Lanham, and Mona Ruby.
 - > Prayers of comfort for the Gastineau family in the death of Sandy Gasteneau.
 - > We celebrate with Rachel and Brian Jackson in the birth of their son Dean Otis and with Calvin and Amber Bryant in the birth of their daughter, Piper Quinn.

what's coming up!

New secure entrance for Noah's Ark
The Noah's Ark or east entrance into the building may only be used by Noah's Ark from 6 am-6 pm. Everyone else entering the building during that time is to use the main entrance. The east entrance will be open for evening activities after 6 pm.

Men's Thursday AM Study
Thursdays | 6:15-7:30 am | Gathering Space
Join this men's group for coffee, donuts, and discussion as they explore the Book of Revelation.
> Harry Milli [hmilli@certifiedfloor.com; 317.873.6086]

Lunch with the Mygatt's
Sunday, September 18 | 11:45 am | Chapel
Join us today, after the 2nd service and Congregational Meeting to hear what Josh and Kelsey will be doing as they enter the mission field.
> Philana Cunningham [philanac@gmail.com; 317.507.8219]

Men's Fellowship Event
Wednesday, September 21 | 7 pm | Stacked Pickle
Please join ZPC Men for food and fellowship at the Stacked Pickle on Michigan Road.
> Greg Rankin [greg@deeringdowntown.com]

MOPS caregivers needed
MOPS is looking for anyone (men, women, or youth) with availability on Friday mornings to help with childcare as a volunteer substitute.
> Megan Deck [meganmselby@yahoo.com; 317.450.6870]

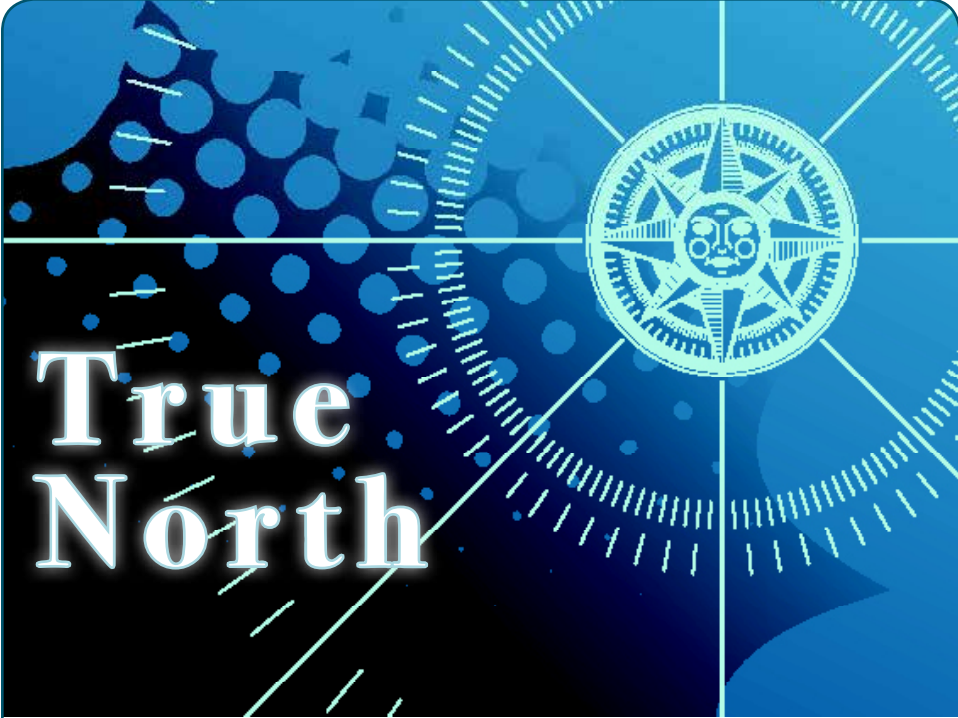
Fresh look at discipleship
Sunday, Sept 25 | 10:15-11:30 am **or** Tuesday, Sept 27 | 7-8:15 pm | Room 202
Come consider resources for spiritual growth and check out new ideas and training opportunities for a variety of spiritual "seasons." Give your ideas too. Light refreshments provided.
> Donna Bahler [dbahler@indy.rr.com; 317.581.8910]

Family-friendly mission trip
Oct 14-17 | Williamsburg, KY | Cost: \$200/adult; \$100/child
Looking for a way to serve, enjoy fellowship, and worship? Join our family friendly mission trip to Kentucky. Projects may include light construction, helping at local thrift store and food pantry, and hosting a community event! Deadline to sign up is 9/25/16. Max participants: 50.
> Scott Nolan [snolan@uwbadesign.com; 317.418.3739]
> Tracy Nasser [tracy.nasser@gmail.com; 317.513.0219]

Fall Great Banquets are coming
Men's Banquet #119 | Thursday, Sept 29 - Sunday, Oct 2
Women's Banquet #120 | Thursday, Oct 6 - Sunday, Oct 9
The Great Banquet is a 3-day spiritual retreat where we explore God's grace and the basics of Christian thinking. More information is available at zpc.org/great-banquet. Hope you will join us!
> Clay and Karen Barnes [zionsvillegb@gmail.com; 317.873.8137 x1098]

Serving outside our walls
ZPC seeks to build community, and one way we can do that is by helping each other connect with service opportunities in which our members are involved. We are facilitating this by providing a place for you to let us know the organizations with which you are serving and to invite others to join you. Go to zpc.org/current-service-opportunities for more information.
> Linda Jackson [lindajackson@indy.rr.com]

HSM Fall Retreat
November 11-13 | Camp PYOCA | Cost \$85
HSM will have its fall retreat at Camp PYOCA. It will be an opportunity to play, laugh, grow, worship, eat, and learn together as a community. Visit zpc.org/hsm for more information.
> Jon Graybeal [jong@zpc.org; 317.873.8137 X 1015]



welcome to zpc

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

Thanks for being here!

Sunday, September 18, 2016 | 9 & 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

worship

Sunday, September 18, 2016

True North | God (Part 2)

“If the heart is like a compass...then we need to (regularly) calibrate our hearts, tuning them to be directed to the Creator, our magnetic north.”
James K. A. Smith

Scripture: Psalm 23; Matthew 1:18-25

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]

2016

Later Today, Sunday, September 18

Congregational Meeting | 11:30-11:45 | Sanctuary
Lunch with the Mygatts | 11:45 am-1 pm | Chapel

ZPCHSM | 6:30-8 pm | ninth-twelfth grades | Youth Center
Youth Inquirers Class | 6:30-8 pm | sixth graders | Room 205

Monday, September 19

ZPC Line Dancing | 1:30-2:30 pm | Gym
BSF | 6:45-8:45 pm | Sanctuary

LifeChanges | 7-9 pm | Room 209
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7-9 pm | Worship Arts Room

Tuesday, September 20

Open Gym | 1-2:30 pm | Gym
Deacon's Meeting | 7-8:30 pm | Room 205

Wednesday, September 21

Open Gym | 1-2:30 pm | Gym

Thursday, September 22

Loose Threads | 9:30 am-1 pm | Room 202
LifeChanges | 9:30-11:15 am | Chapel
Food Pantry | 5-6 pm | Room 109

Friday, September 23

MOPS | 9-11:30 am | Gathering Space
Food Pantry | 12-2 pm | Room 109

Saturday, September 24

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, September 25

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 or in the Gathering Space.

Students

Middle School Ministry [MSM] | 9 am | fifth through eighth grades | Room 205
High School Ministry [HSM] | 6:30 pm | ninth through twelfth grades | Youth Hall

Adults

Relationship Study | 9 am | Rooms 208 & 209
Study with Jim Livengood | 9 am | Chapel
Christian Spiritual Formation | 10:30 am | Room 201

ZPC Financial Update:

[6/1/16-9/11/16]

Budgeted Need: \$550,039

Actual Offering: \$511,157

Sunday's Service Attendance: 527

congregational meeting

Everyone is invited to attend the congregational meeting after the 10:30 am service on Sunday, September 18 for the purpose of electing Deacons and Elders.

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates for members to vote on for the Class of 2019. Those nominated are:

Deacon Nominees:

Judy Barnes	Jill Bonnell	Steve Furst	Anne Kelvin
Susan Berry	Lori Fulk	John Hicks	Mark Purvis

Elder Nominees:

Gary Ball	Andrew Perrin
Margaret Gordon	Lynn Thomas

The Nominating Committee will present a candidate for members to vote on to fill one vacant Elder position for the Class of 2018 (two-year term).

Craig Boyle

We hope as many as possible will make plans to attend this important meeting. Everyone is welcome to be part of the process and discussions. Only active members will be able to vote on these nominees.

Please be aware that parents of children birth through 3 years will need to pick up their children immediately after the service. You are welcome to bring your children back to the Sanctuary for the meeting.

serve on the mission commission

You are invited to consider two opportunities for those who have a heart for missions and desire to become actively involved with ZPC missions:

1. The twelve members of the Mission Commission oversee the many local, national, and international mission programs in which ZPC is involved. They are looking for four new members to serve three year terms.
Contact Chairperson Philana Cunningham [philanac@gmail.com or 317.507.8219]
2. The Mission Commission Finance Committee was created to allocate funds budgeted for missions and outreach. They are now accepting applications for two at-large members to serve three year terms.
Contact Finance Committee Chair Mike Lunsford [mlunsford@indy.rr.com or 317.833.8154]

Applications for either are being accepted until September 30, 2016.

prayer concerns

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