

Zion Lippe UCC – 2nd Sunday of Lent
Pastor: Rev. Jeff Long
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Ken Scherry
Pianist: Carol Jo Droege
Technicians: Kyle Hoenert & Greg Schmitt
Greeters: Nancy Dougan and Mary Schauss
Liturgist: Jim Droege

March 8, 2020 – 10 am

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RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL AND GREETING

*Now is the time to prepare our hearts and minds for worship*

PRELUDE *Here is Love*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come this day hoping to encounter Christ.

**Many: We come with burdens and questions that  
only He can answer.**

One: May we open our hearts to Him.

**ALL: May our lives be healed and strengthened for  
service. Amen.**

\* OPENING SONG For the Beauty of the Earth #341 (1-4)

\* MORNING PRAYER (unison)

**Just and merciful God, help us to be honest with you and  
ourselves this Lenten season. And in doing so, allow us to  
experience the passion, crucifixion and resurrection of our  
Savior. We pray in his glorious name. Amen.**

\* RESPONSE Gloria Patri

A TIME WITH OUR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

Musical Response

OFFERING INVITATION & COLLECTION

OFFERTORY

\* Doxology

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**Faithful God, let these gifts be like food and drink in the  
wilderness for those who have suffered and longed for Your  
presence. May these offerings strengthen those who are  
resisting temptation and lead us to attend to all who need  
Your healing touch. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our  
example and Savior. Amen.**

\* HYMN Beneath the Cross of Jesus #184

SCRIPTURE READING John 3. 1-17

ZION CHURCH CHOIR

Wouldn't Miss Heaven for the World

SUNDAY MESSAGE

The Courage to Grow

\* CLOSING HYMN I Have Decided to Follow Jesus #497

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*\*If you are able we invite you to stand*

(see announcements on back)

## Announcements

**March Voice of Zion Newsletter** is available in the foyer, at back of sanctuary, and online at [zionlippe.org](http://zionlippe.org).

**See VOZ or website for calendar.**

Zion Nursery Center is having a **Hop-A-Thon** during their class sessions March 18, 19 & 20, to benefit Riley Children's Hospital. Look for **Red Bucket in foyer to make a donation.**

**Lenten Services** will be held at Zion each Wed through April 1, 7 pm. A light meal will be served 6 pm before the Services. Volunteer groups are needed to plan the meals. **Choir** will practice after the Lenten Services.

**Women of Zion** will have Ladies Night Out this Thursday, March 12, 6 pm at the new home of Carl & Delene Schmitz. All ladies of Zion are invited for dinner and a fun evening. *Please RSVP today to Irma Donner or Delene.*

**Bids for mowing New Cemetery** (behind church) are due March 15. Turn bid in to New Cemetery Committee: Nancy Dougan, Larry Droege or Russ Roehr.

**Bids for mowing Old Cemetery** (across from parsonage) should be turned in to Terry Schroeder before March 10.

**Operation Christmas Child** March collection items are brushes, combs, soap and washcloths. You also may visit the Zion Facebook page and get the link to the Amazon Wish list for OCC. Contact Ashley Lashley if questions.

**March UCC Special Offering** is One Great Hour of Sharing. [ucc.org/oghs](http://ucc.org/oghs) OGHS envelopes at foyer bulletin board.

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