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## **ZION EPISCOPAL CHURCH INCLUDED IN THE MVGIVES CAMPAIGN**

The Community Foundation of Oneida and Herkimer Counties started an online fundraiser last year called Mohawk Valley Gives to assist not for profit organizations in the area with their fundraising events. The Zion Vestry has voted to participate in this program this year, and we are quite excited about the potential results. The event will be held on September 20, 2023 from midnight to midnight, and we are hoping for a great participation from Zion members and friends. This is an online fundraiser, so no annoying phone calls or texts. The results will be followed on local TV news throughout the day, and on Facebook if you have access to that. Contributing to the event is simple:

Go to your internet browser, type in givegab.com, search for Zion Church, follow the directions and make a contribution. That easy. If you would like to give, but don't want to make an online contribution, just write a check, put MVGIVES in the notation and send your donation direct to Zion at 140 W. Liberty St, and your contribution will be included. Results will be posted throughout the day. There will be various contests, similar to what happens on the public radio fundraisers, of matches, etc, which you can participate in if you choose.

There is also a description of what Zion plans to use our donations on which are an outside ramp to Clark Memorial Hall for those needing handicap access from the parking lot, and also updating the Clarke Hall bathrooms to make them ADA compliant and accessible for those people using wheelchairs. The total expected cost of these 2(two) projects is \$250,000, and we would prefer to ask for community cooperation, rather than apply for grants for the needed funds.

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Rector	Vacant
Warden	Willie Talmadge
Warden	Jane Padrón
Treasurer	Michael Rescigno
Parish Secretary	Annette Clark-Hani
Financial Secretary	Vacant
Music Director	Erick Kroll
Facility Maintenance	Chris Klara

## Vestry 2023

Willie Talmadge, Warden ('24)  
 Jane Padrón, Warden ('25)  
 Brenda Outwater ('24), Sandie Latimer ('24),  
 Michelle Luvisi ('25), and Jack Kelly ('25).  
 Annie Deacon ('26), Wayne Osborne ('26),  
 Vacant- Clerk of Vestry  
 Michael Rescigno, Treasurer

## Happy September Birthday to:

September 11 Ed Kozak  
 September 13 Ann Watkins  
 September 17 Shirley Early  
 September 19 Linda Osborne

September 22 LeeAnn Towne  
 September 25 Cindy  
 DeProspero-Outwater  
 September 28 Misty Watkins



## Happy September Anniversary to:

September 22 Jennifer & Zeb Swinney

## Memorial Gifts and Flowers - Given to the Glory of God

### ALTAR FLOWERS-Cost \$35-Altar Flowers

September 3-Given By: Bill Stevens; In Memory of: Katherine Stevens  
 September 10-Given By: Grace Millington; In Memory of: Wynyard "Kirk" Millington  
 September 17-  
 September 24

### Candle Oil & Bulletins-Cost \$10-ALL THE TIME

September 3-  
 September 10-  
 September 17-  
 September 24

# *Our Prayer List*

*“Heavenly Father, watch over these your children, and grant that they may be restored to that perfect health which is yours alone to give, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen”*

Brett McDonell	Cindy DeProspero-Outwater	Marion Sweet
Shirley Reali	David Dutcher	Elena
Charles O'Neill	Georgia Northup	Velma Kirsch
Susan Bogart	Jess Sojka	Erick Kroll
Steven Richmond Jr.	Mary Sue	Brenda Outwater
Ann & Katherine Gambier	Vincent Rescigno	Chrissy O'Connor
Shelley & Dave Land	Christine Vecchio-Flaim	Lisa Newman
Ryan Pope	Beth Robinson-Cain	Lilla Weeks
Donald Wilson	Lucretia Reed	Kelly Lubeck
Jim Hoffman	Angela Markel	AnnMarie Hunter
Anne Staple	Deborah Grifa	Kristie Mancini
Melissa Weir & Baby	Kimberly Richmond	Joan Kielian
Roger Dominick	Leslie & Liney Beckbridge	Stan Davis
Dominick Ricci	Wayne Cadrette	Janine Waller
K. Howlett	Jackson Ricci	Jeff Dauback
Linda Tornberg		

*Though you cannot be with us in person at Zion Church, you are with us in thought and prayer.*

At Home .....Catherine Zbiegien  
John & Linda Hunter

At A Nursing Home.....Charles O'Neill  
Jim Hoffman  
Anne Staple



It is with the deepest sympathies that we inform you that Betty Crouch has passed away.

# Who's scheduled at a glance ...

## SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

**1st SUNDAY: The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**PROPER 17**

**September 3, 2023-9AM- *Reserved Sacrament Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom***

**Leader** Rick Weltz  
**Reader** Tina Rescigno  
**Altar Guild** Jennifer Swinney/Nancy Troutman  
**Church Opener** Tina Rescigno-Month of September

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY: The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**PROPER 18**

**September 10, 2023-9AM *Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & On Zoom***

**Priest** Rev. Naomi Sorrwar-Randall  
**Reader** Sandie Latimer  
**Acolyte** Annette Clark-Hani  
**Altar Guild** Jennifer Swinney/Nancy Troutman  
**Church Opener** Tina Rescigno-Month of September

**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY: The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost:**

**PROPER 19**

**September 17, 2023-9AM— *Reserved Sacrament Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom***

**Leader** Wayne Osborne  
**Reader** Mike Rescigno  
**Altar Guild** Brenda Outwater/Jane McDonnell  
**Church Opener** Tina Rescigno-Month of September

**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY: The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**PROPER 20**

**September 24, 2023-9 AM— *Reserved Sacrament Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom***

**Leader** Jane Padron  
**Reader** Jennifer Swinney  
**Altar Guild** Brenda Outwater/Jane McDonnell  
**Church Opener** Tina Rescigno-Month of September

**\*Acolytes-due to the fact that we are now using supply Priests when it is your turn to Acolyte you will be leading MP if we don't have a Supply Priest. Thank You.**

## ERICK KROLL'S FROM THE ORGAN BENCH



As you heard last Sunday, my final day as organist & music director will be Sept. 17. A few weeks ago, I underwent a portable EEG test to see if I have epilepsy. Since there is a strong possibility that the EEG will have a positive result for epilepsy, I decided to take two organist positions at churches in the Syracuse area where I live that I can take the bus to in case I lose my driving privileges. According to state law, an epilepsy patient has to go one year without seizures before driving privileges can be restored. This is better this way instead of me waiting for the test results and possibly throwing Zion into a lurch to find someone else at the last minute.

Since this is my final article, I will give you the Reader's Digest version of the remaining stops on our organ. Closing out the Great division, there is a V Sharp Mixture which has five pitches for every key with higher pitches than the III Mixture; and there is an 8' Trumpet which is a very prominent reed. In the Pedal division which is played with the feet and provides the bass line there is a 16' Stopped Bass which is made of wood with a very subtle flute sound. The 8' Open Bass and 4' Choral Bass are metal and have a principal sound. The 2' Night Horn is basically the same as its counterpart in the Great division, The VI Mixture has six pitches for every pedal key. And finally, the 16' Basson and 8' Trumpet are, of course, reeds with the Trumpet being the more prominent of the two.

I have enjoyed being your organist and hopefully I can come to the Messiah Sing.

Cheers,  
Erick



# Zion News



## ROME REFUGEE SERVICES

The Rome Refugee Services are a nonprofit organization that empowers refugees and immigrants in the Rome, NY area through education, social & economic development services and resettlement. They held a pancake breakfast (using Zion's facilities) on August 19<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to learn more or to make a donation, please contact through their e-mail [romerefugeeservices@gmail.com](mailto:romerefugeeservices@gmail.com) Donations can also be mailed to Rome Refugee Services, PO Box 324, Rome, NY 13440. Thank You.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## COMMUNITY DINNER SCHEDULE

September 23-TBA

All going to be served on a Saturday, between 4-5 PM for eat-in or take-out; we do ask that you please make a reservation by either e-mailing Zion at [zionchurch@twcny.rr.com](mailto:zionchurch@twcny.rr.com) or calling the church at 315 336-5170. You can leave a message on the answering machine. This is asked so we know how much food will be needed. Thank you, ladies for your hard work and dedication to this ministry.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SPIRITUALLY LEADERSHIP FOR THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**Prayer for Next Presiding Bishop-**Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Prayer for our next Rector:** Almighty God, you know the needs of your Church in every place: look graciously upon us, the people of Zion, and grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new Rector for this parish. Give us discernment, wisdom, and confidence in your timing. Grace us with continuous direction and inspire us toward genuine self-reflection. All this we ask as we walk in your ways to the glory of your name. *Amen.*



# For the Chipmunk in My Yard

BY ROBERT GIBB

I think he knows I'm alive, having come down  
The three steps of the back porch  
And given me a good once over. All afternoon  
He's been moving back and forth,  
Gathering odd bits of walnut shells and twigs,  
While all about him the great fields tumble  
To the blades of the thresher. He's lucky  
To be where he is, wild with all that happens.  
He's lucky he's not one of the shadows  
Living in the blond heart of the wheat.  
This autumn when trees bolt, dark with the fires  
Of starlight, he'll curl among their roots,  
Wanting nothing but the slow burn of matter  
On which he fastens like a small, brown flame.

## ZION EPISCOPAL CHURCH WILL BE PARTICIPATING



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