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Choosing Where to Live

Which world do you live in? If given a choice, which one would you rather live in?

The world around us churns on, day after day...in various forms of strife, and agony, and suffering. Watch the news. Read the paper. Heaven help you should you live according to the dialogue found on social media.

We live in a culture, a world of wanton sex, of violence, of horror, of suspense, of drama. We do NOT live in a culture or a world of peace, of love, of compassion, of mutual respect.



I think of the gospel reading about Jesus, after the Resurrection, telling his fishing buddies to cast the net on the right side of the boat. Jesus...the carpenter, the wood worker showing them the way to the fishing hole. Here they are, these expert fishermen, doing what they do naturally, and Jesus is telling them to try something different. Why? Why is this message in the gospel?

Jesus wants us to do it differently. To live life another way. Away from all of that...the despair, the violence, the disruption, the drama that our lives often drop into.

Similarly, when we literally give control of our lives to God, Jesus helps us to see what he did to these fishermen...telling these fellows to do the ordinary in another way...to cast the net to the right side of the boat, he tells us to go about our lives....day by day...in a different way. To try it another way. To be creative within the compassion, and caring, and sensitivity that God's Holy Spirit whispers in our direction.

So, in this approaching Easter season, we are reminded of new life, of new possibilities. It is the old story being retold, and relived over and over again. Jesus points us to a different way of living life, all in a very calm and loving and reassuring way. Indeed, following "the Way".

This Easter Message was written by Fr. Heidt for the April 2021 Newsletter

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

Vestry 2024

Jane Padrón, Warden ('25)
 Willie Talmadge, Warden ('26)
 Michelle Luvisi ('25),
 Annie Deacon ('26), Wayne Osborne ('26),
 Brenda Outwater ('27), Pat Corbett ('27)
 Sandie Latimer- Clerk of Vestry
 Michael Rescigno, Treasurer

April 5 Meribeth Seaman
 April 6 Mark Savery
 April 12 Charles O'Neill
 April 17 Wayne Osborne

Happy April Birthday to:

April 18 Harriet Brennan
 April 22 Dave Grow
 April 22 Randy Jones, Jr.
 April 28 Stacey Foley



Happy April Anniversary to:

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR
 BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY TO
 APPEAR IN THE NEWSLETTER JUST
 DROP A LINE TO THE OFFICE



Memorial Gifts and Flowers - Given to the Glory of God

ALTAR FLOWERS-Cost \$35-Altar Flowers

April 7-Given By: Linda Wilson & Doreen Kiedrowski; In Memory Of: Mona & Marley Overrocker
 April 14-OPEN
 April 21-OPEN
 April 28-Given By: Linda Wilson; In Memory of: Dakotha Wilson

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

April 7-OPEN
 April 14-OPEN
 April 21-OPEN
 April 28-OPEN

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
Shirley Reali	Lilla Weeks
Ann & Katherine Gambier	Christine O’Connor
Richard DeProspero	Jim Hoffman
Bobby DeProspero	Christine Vecchio-Flaim
Kelly Lubek	Leslie & Linley Beckbridge
Terri Waters	Marion Sweet
David Dutcher	Lucille Cook
Ryan Pope	Joanne Waller
Donald Wilson	The June Family
Ann Staple & Family	Craig Williamson
The Gulla Family	The Grow Family
Rick Wiggins	Ezra, Adelaide, and Alice Jenkins
Justin Pope	Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
Andrew Staple & Family	Baby Evan
Baby Jones	Bill & Sylvia Smith
Linda Osborne	Theresa Coppola
Karen Stepanick	Daneika Russell
Kimberly Richmond	Linda & John Hunter
George Schnell	Lynn Anderson
Jack Kelly	

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

At HomeCatherine Zbiegien
John & Linda Hunter

At A Nursing Home.....Charles O’Neill



● **Newsletter Calendar abbreviations**

- **C.H.=Clarke Hall**
- **VR=Vestry Room**
- **AA=Alcoholics Anonymous**
- **NA=Narcotics Anonymous**

Who's scheduled at a glance ...

SCHEDULE FOR APRIL

1st SUNDAY: The Second Sunday of Easter
April 7, 2024-9AM- *Reserved Sacrament Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom*

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

2nd SUNDAY: The Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 2024-9AM- *Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & On Zoom*

Priest Rev. Naomi Sorrwar-Randall
Acolyte Jane Padrón
Reader Jennifer Swinney
Altar Guild Brenda Outwater/Jane McDonnell
Church Opener Tina Rescigno-Month of April

3rd SUNDAY: The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024-9AM- *Reserved Sacrament Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom*

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

4th SUNDAY: The Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024-9AM- *Reserved Sacrament Service in Sanctuary & On Zoom*

Priest Mother Perry Mouncey
Acolyte Annette Clark-Hani
Reader Sandie Latimer
Altar Guild Harriet Brennan/Grace Millington
Church Opener Tina Rescigno-Month of April

***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.**

FROM THE ORGAN BENCH



ORGANIST SEARCH

Zion Episcopal Church is seeking an organist/pianist for our 9 am Sunday services. A musician experienced in the music of the Episcopal Church would be greatly appreciated. We have a 1976 tracker organ by Noack (pictured to the left) and a Baldwin concert grand piano, and we often use both or either instrument for services. Presently we have no choir, but would like to have a musician include that in the position. The organist position

includes: being responsible for the choosing of all the Sunday hymns, and service music, writing a monthly article for the parishes monthly newsletter, attending at least one monthly meeting of Worship Committee to ensure continuity of music presentation, maintaining a schedule of regular semi-annual repair and tuning of the organ and 3 pianos, maintaining and ordering all music. Music planning and coordination, both liturgical and no-liturgical, will be collaborative with the Rector the Wardens. The Episcopal Musicians Handbook will be used to plan all service music, choral responses and hymns. All music for weddings and funerals will be the responsibility of the Organist. Responses should include a resume, and be addressed to Zion Episcopal Church 140 W. Liberty St. Rome, NY 13440, 315-336-5170 or zionchurch@twcny.rr.com

Women of Distinction



On Friday March 8th at the Hart's Hill Inn our very own Brenda Outwater and Cindy DeProspero-Outwater received the Women of Distinction award; Brenda Outwater for visionary and caretaker of those in need and Cindy DeProspero-Outwater for pillar of society, compassionate, humanitarian. Congratulations on this fine achievement.

Zion News

COMMUNITY DINNER SCHEDULE

April 27-Shepherd's Pie

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 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 8-NAACP Meeting 6-8 PM Clarke Hall

April 27-Community Dinner from 4-5 PM Shepherd's Pie

April 29-Vestry Meeting 6 PM Vestry Room

April 30-Ultreya 7 Pm by Zoom

**Zion Episcopal Church – Vestry Meeting
Monday, January 29, 2024**

Present: Wardens: J. Padron, and W. Talmadge. Vestry members: Wayne Osborne, Jack Kelly, Michelle Luvisi, Annie Deacon, Pat Corbett. Secretary- Sandra Latimer. Treasurer- Mike Rescigno

Excused: Brenda Outwater

Warden Padron called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm and W. Osborne led with an opening prayer. S. Latimer was thanked for her term of service on the Vestry, and Pat Corbett was welcomed as the new member.

The minutes of the meeting of December 18, 2023 were accepted as corrected. November 27, 203 should be 2023, and Whatsapp, under New Business should be corrected to read not Facebook, but “texting and email”. W. Osborne made the motion, seconded by J. Kelly. None opposed, one abstained. Motion was passed.

The Treasurer’s Report was accepted as presented, and filed for audit.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

- **CARE-H.** Brennan and T. Rescigno visiting 3 parishioners.

- **Community Outreach & Initiatives** – The Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner (2/13/24) will not be an event this year due to lack of participation and shortage of volunteers last year. The Community dinner served 35 meals and the February (2/24/24) menu is spaghetti and meat sauce.

- **Property-** see the 2023 Annual parish Report

- **Worship-** the committee has been reactivated. The Rev. Beverly Messenger-Harris will celebrate a 12 Noon service on Ash Wednesday, 2/14/24 in the church. She will be asked for her possible services during Holy Week, and if not available, Annette and Jane will work the clergy list. Andrea Radesi and Peg Corbett will continue as guest organists until that position is filled. In recent years, we have had 4 services during that week, Palm Sunday- 9 am, Maundy Thursday evening, Good Friday evening, and Easter Sunday – 9 am. A. Radesi is assigned as organist for those 4 services as needed, but no clergy as yet.

- **200th Celebration** – no report. S. Latimer will contact past members to set up a meeting: H. Brennan, B. Outwater, J. Padron, W. Talmadge, M. Luvisi, and A. Deacon

Wardens Report- see reports in the Annual Report. J. Padron read thank you cards from staff members.

The reports were all accepted on a motion by A. Deacon, seconded by J. Kelly. None opposed. Motion was passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Organ** – following some discussion the matter was tabled to permit Attorney D. Grow to review the agreement with Kerner & Merchant.

- **Messiah Sing!** a success as usual. G. Roberts Kolb and Sar Shalom-Strong have both agreed to conduct and accompany respectively, for another year.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Catholic Charities-** Annie Deacon reported that their social group has requested the use of some possible space at Zion for meetings during daytime of their adult social group, and possible use of the kitchen. The request was granted for use of the basement Youth room and kitchen and J. Padron requested that the Zion agreement and donation forms be given them to them for signature.

- **Bishop's Visit** –the gathering was held with the Vestry and Search Committee in Executive session.
- **NARCAN training**- because of the daily use of the Zion buildings for meetings, and the Monday and Tuesday lunch program, it was suggested that NARCAN training be made available to staff and congregation. B. Outwater will get a trainer, and the training will be held in the Zion Parish Hall on Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 11 am. All are welcome. There is no charge. A motion to made by J. Padron and seconded by P. Corbett. None opposed. Motion passed.
- **ER&D** – A note of thanks was received for the congregational gift in memory of Father Jim Heidt.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Warden J. Padron at 7:53 pm.
Respectfully submitted by: Secretary, Sandra Latimer

Next scheduled Vestry meeting: Monday, February 26, 2024

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE AT ZION



Easter Sunday Service at Zion was a rebirth of something that has not happened at Zion for some time; we had a choir. Top picture on left Sandie Latimer, Michael Corbett, Annie Deacon, Jane Padrón, & Jennifer Swinney. Andrea Radesi on piano and Peg Corbett playing the tambourine. Top right picture Annette Clark-Hani (Me) and our Celebrant Mother Perry Mouncey. Bottom middle picture the congregation with a picture of our organ. Thank you to our choir with the direction of Andrea Radesi and Peg Corbett. This was just for Easter but we do hope our choir comes back for every week soon. Also thank you to Pat Corbett for pictures.