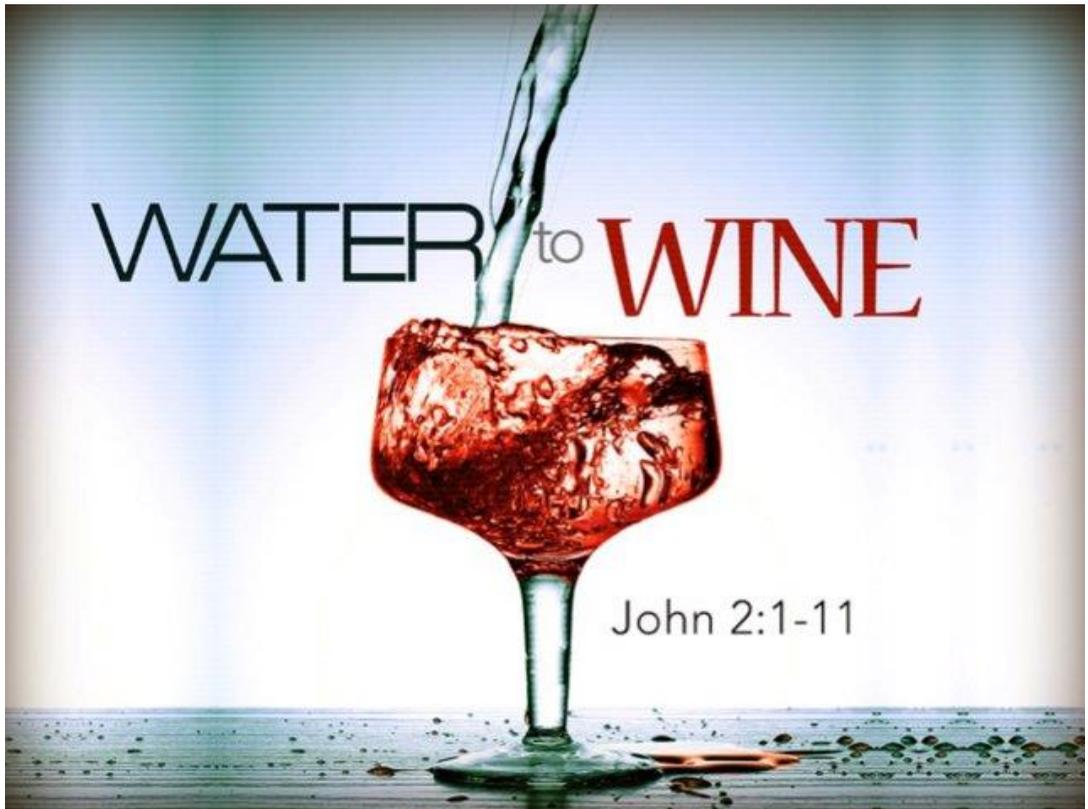

MISSION STATEMENT

Zion is a Christian family called to provide fellowship and joy through our service with and to the community.

Welcome to historic
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Please silence all cell phones and other personal devices during worship

We are delighted that you chose Zion as your place of worship today.

Small children are most welcome during the service. Really! That's right. We believe their voices and natural motion are gifts of life from God to be celebrated by all. However, should you choose, there is a small play area in the middle pew section of the church, and a big rocking chair located in the vestibule if you need some quiet time.

All Baptized persons are invited to share in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood, kneeling or standing at the altar rail. You will receive both bread and wine during communion. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come up to the altar rail for a blessing. Also, we now offer a **gluten-free wafer**, just please let one of the ushers know before service that you would like a **gluten-free wafer**.

The **hymns and service music** are in the **Hymnal 1982** which is the blue book in your pew. The service music is at the front of the Hymnal, arranged by number preceded by an S. **The Book of Common Prayer** is the red book with the cross on it. The liturgy for our 9:00 a.m. service can be found here with accordance to the bulletin schedule page number. **The service bulletin** contains the readings of the day. The bulletin also lists announcements and activities happening at Zion this week. Please take this bulletin home with you.

Coffee Hour is held in Clarke Hall after the service which you enter through the double doors on your right at the front of the church. Please stop by to have a cup of coffee or tea, something to eat and a chance to meet the people of Zion. If you would like to know more about us or would like to become a member, please fill out the **welcome sheet** in the pew book holder before you, and give it to an usher or the priest or any parishioner. Also regular parishioners: please use the welcome sheet to update your own information with the church.

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany
Sunday, January 16, 2022
9 AM- **Chorale Eucharist**

All the Baptized People of God may receive the sacrament.
All hymns can be sung by congregation and please stand.

😊**MASKS PLEASE**😊

Prelude: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

arr. Franklin Ritter

Processional: **533** How wonderous and great thy works, God of praise
With interlude between verses

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people standing, the Celebrant sings

S 76 - The Holy Eucharist Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria for Zion (yellow card in pew)

Carol Stack

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People Sit.

The Lessons

The First Lesson-**Isaiah 62: 1-5**

Reader: The First lesson is a reading from the Book of Isaiah

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 36: 5-10

5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O Lord.

7 How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the well of life, *
and in your light we see light.

10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

The Second Lesson-1 **Corinthians 12: 1-11**

Reader: The Second lesson is a Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God**

The Gospel: John 2: 1-11

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Reverend Dr. James K. Heidt, Rector & Priest

Second Sunday after the Epiphany, Year C January 16, 2022 (John 2: 1 - 11)

In the Name of the Living God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Today's story of the beginning of the ministry of Jesus gets off to a very strange start. The other gospels start off with something a bit more significant, but in John? In John, the first act of ministry performed by Jesus is that he turns water into wine. Supplies wine for a party.

Somewhat strange way to start a ministry....or so it would seem to us.

But a first-century Jewish wedding in a village named Cana was a big deal. Weddings back then and there were an even bigger deal than they are now.

I know...tell that to the parents of the bride today. But, in truth, weddings in the time of Jesus had little competition....they did not have sports teams, television, movie theaters, or computer games...but they did have weddings, which were the best things going for entertainment.

And a wedding did not last for a few hours. It went on for seven days — seven days! The entire community was invited, and wine was essential to these weddings. People did not generally get drunk...as they drank wine mixed with water, and they drank in a social context. Drinking in terms of substance abuse to the point of alcoholism disease is known to have been a very rare problem for them in that time.

So, here we have this young couple, just married, and they ran out of wine in the middle of their wedding feast....clearly a major social disaster in the making. And, ok...it may not be as dramatic as the future miracles performed by Jesus....raising the dead, bringing sight to the blind. Those are more serious in terms of their life changing effect. But, here he is with Mary, his mother, and the problem of the moment presents itself.

She is a sharp one, that Mary. She notices when the last wine jug is emptied and wants to prevent a social disaster. A blot on the future of this fine young couple. She brings the matter to the attention of Jesus...and, at first, he seems to shrug it off.

Most of you have heard or read this passage many times, but have you ever wondered why the writer of this gospel makes a point of recording this little back-and-forth between Jesus and his mother? She sees the problem clearly, and points it out to him...worried about the party that will crash without the wine. His reply? I ask you to think about it.

Is not his response similar to what all we parents hear from our kids when we want them to do something? When it is our idea, and not theirs? “Ok, ok, I’ll do it right after I finish this video game.” Or, “Yeah, yeah, maybe tomorrow”. Or, how about, “Hey, why should I care? I am not ready?”

Is not this last one: “Hey, why should we care? I am not ready.” essentially what he says back to his mother, Mary? I am not ready to brush my teeth. Clean my room. Go to bed. Do my homework?

As we get older, and have children and grandchildren of our own, we realize that it is natural progression of human life.

It takes time to recognize self-awareness. That is the essence of maturity. We have to grow, over time, into seeing and living into the world around us. Hearing the loving voices of our mentors and caring adults. Figuring out that, at life in general, “looking out only for number 1”...as we do when we are little children...is not the safest, healthiest, and happiest way for good old number 1.

The next intriguing part of this gospel is that, even though Jesus says “no way”, Mary goes off and tells the servants to “Do whatever he tells you”, which

presumes either they had a further conversation that is not written here, or that she has faith that he will do the right thing (in her opinion), regardless of what he said.

Either way, she is right. Jesus eventually tells the staff to fill with water a half dozen big stone jars and drag them over to the banquet manager. They fill up those jars, the size of small barrels, and roll them over to the banquet manager, who takes a sip....only to find it is really good wine, and that there is enough to float a boat. The equivalent of some 750 bottles.

It is an odd way to start a ministry....or is it?

First, what Jesus does is an act of compassion, meeting the needs of people where they are. Sure, it does say something about the significance of marriage in the eyes of God. But something more is going on here, something that concerns everybody, not just the married among us or those in need of immediate help. John's Gospel speaks of this episode as a sign, one in a series of signs about Jesus found in that Gospel....and when we look at the wedding episode or any of the other signs in John, what stands out is: some people understand their significance, and some people do not.

First, the recorded reluctance of Jesus to act in the first place, and Mary's statement to the servants to get ready for action. In fact, you and I have these very subtle, "give and take" sessions with God all the time...the Holy Spirit whispering to us to do, or not do, something, and we respond right away...or we do not, right away. But the Spirit eats away at us, until hopefully that call gets answered. And this gospel shares that, in his complete humanity which we often forget or do not understand or otherwise ignore, Jesus is no different from you or me. God among us, alright...in a very real way.

Also, consider the cast of characters at the wedding celebration. Mary, the disciples and the serving staff apparently catch on to the wonder of water changed into wine...but, on the other hand, the banquet manager, the groom and his bride, and most of their guests apparently do not have a clue about what is going on. But, still, the wine is there for them as well as for the others. We see that in our lives as well....blessings all around for all, whether the next guy knows it or deserves it. God's love for all.

Finally, this story reveals a secret about life....and that is: miracles happen. That there are signs of Jesus at work, and appear all around us. They happen whether we see them or not, whether we hear them or not. Whether or not we acknowledge them. They benefit us whether or not we notice them. Yet it is a joy to see these signs for what they are and believe in the one to whom they point.

We should think of miracles as not being weird exceptions to the orderly laws of the universe. They have the same origin as those laws, and they teach us the context of those laws. George Macdonald says in this regard: "The miracles of Jesus

were the ordinary works of his father, wrought small and swift that we might take them in.” Or consider some words of St. Augustine about this morning’s gospel: “He who made the wine that day at the marriage feast does this every year in vines. But we do not wonder at the latter because it happens every year; it has lost its marvel by its constant occurrence.”

Perhaps the Miracle of Cana story appears first in the Gospel of John because, in reality and in the sight of God, the world is a wedding celebration. Think about that. Reflect on that from this reading.

In the eyes and heart of God, life in the world is a celebration.

Jesus changes ordinary water into the wine of miracles, which is really a reflection of the way that God wants us to see, and hear, and live in the world.

What does it mean for each of us to grow in grace? It is to become increasingly aware that everything in life is a miracle, a sign pointing to Christ. That all persons, and all of creation, benefit from these transformations...symbolized by this water into wine...though some persons know the cause of them, and others do not. To share our faith means this: letting others know that signs are abundant, and Jesus is the one to whom they point.

So, the vast, days-long party at Cana continues...because God sees the celebration that life really is, and says it is good. And not simply the celebration of the Eucharist here, at this table, this feast of grace, but also when we leave here to encounter Christ active throughout the wide world. He changes the ordinariness that we tend to ignore by our oversight, into the wonder that renews us and makes us glad.

Sure, there are disasters. Horrible crimes. Personal loss and pain. It can be hard to celebrate the life around us. And yet even though he wept at the death of his dear friend Lazarus, and became angry to the point of disruptive violence in the temple, and even endured his own torture and death, the life of Jesus...then and now...was and is always sustained by the love and grace that he knows in God the Father, and the answers to prayers that heaven would begin to come to the earth.

Going from the water of this earth into the wine of heaven that indicates the celebration of life every day, every moment, in the very presence of God....known to us in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant and people:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son

of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

The Prayers of the People in the Season of Epiphany

Leader: In the silences throughout these prayers, we are invited to hold up to God, either silently or aloud, the names of those we remember especially today. Bathed in starlight, we pray together to the One who created all things, saying, Show us your child, O God,

People: For we observed a new star at its rising and have traveled far, bearing gifts.

Leader: Make your wisdom in its rich variety known through all faithful people, especially to Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our presiding bishop, DeDe our diocesan bishop, James our rector & priest. Give all branches of your holy church grace to bear the gifts of truth and love to all your children on earth.

[silence, for all faithful people and ministers]

Show us your child, O God,

People: For we walk together in faith.

Leader: Give your justice to the nations and their leaders, and give your mercy to all whose decisions affect the peace and well-being of the world. Where we have power ourselves, open our ears to the cries of the weak, the poor, and the needy, and open our hearts to answer their call.

[silence, for leaders and decision-makers]

Show us your child, O God,

People: For we walk together in hope.

Leader: Bless this community, that in your light we may each become a servant, one to the other. Bring us together in story, song, joy, and sorrow; and let every daughter and son who comes among us find kinship in this place.

[silence, for this community]

Show us your child, O God,

People: For we walk together in love.

Leader: Have mercy on those who serve in the armed forces both here and abroad, as well as those of us who journey in sickness, fear, or any kind of trouble and who we now name from our **prayer list (.....)**,

Aileen & Wheeler	Chris	David Dutcher
Pat & Peg Corbett	Kurt, Ronna, & Ron	Anne Staple
Sharon Parsons	Catherine Zbiegien	Harriet Brennan
Brett McDonell	Cindy DeProspero-Outwater	Sara Ennis
Shirley Reali	Janice McNaughton	John & Linda Hunter
Charles O'Neill	Grace Pirillo	Georgia Northup
Barbara	Blaze	Lee Northup
Charlotte Rice	Shelly Land	David Land
Chrissy O'Connor	Julie Pangborne	Dave Pangborne
Fusco Family	Dr. Jessica	Marion Sweet
Reali Family	Wuthrich Family	Renzi Family
Jim Hoffman	Jewel Carver	Outwater Family
Cook Family		

as well as those unnamed by us yet so well known to you and loved by you. Meet them on your road with rest, peace, and good cheer.

[silence, for those with pain or sickness in body or spirit]

Show us your child, O God,

People: For we walk together by your side.

Leader: Heaven is come down to earth, and earth is raised to heaven. Hold in your hand all those who have passed through death (**especially...**) in the hope of your coming kingdom.

[silence, for those who have passed]

Your star goes before them. Show them your child, O God,

People: For they have traveled far to be with you.

Leader: Dearest God, with longing and thanksgiving, knowing that you hold this world and each of all of its children dear in your heart, we pray this day for the grace to receive your gifts, to lift up our eyes and look around, and to offer back those same gifts to you and your world, with love.

Show us your child, O God,

People: For we observed a new star at its rising and have traveled far, bearing gifts.

Leader: Loving and Passionate God, receive from the depth of our hearts, the greatest thanksgivings for all of your mercies and for all the blessings given to all of us; for our loved ones, for this nation, for and your world, including those blessings we now name aloud (**such as...**), or hold joyfully in our hearts.

Show us your child, O God,

People - For we journey with you in faith, hope, and love, with joyful hearts

Leader: To the One who is the road on which we travel, our companion along the way, and our journey's end, we pray in boldness and confidence through faith in Christ Jesus, **Amen.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer Today: In the Anglican Communion, we pray for we pray for the people of the Church of England and the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Justin Welby, and the Archbishop of York, the Most Rev. Stephen Cottrell. **In The Episcopal Church,** we pray for the people of the Diocese of Puerto Rico and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Rafael L. Morales Maldonado.

For our companion Diocese El Salvador: We pray for Bishop Juan David Alvarado and the staff of the Diocese of El Salvador.

In our Diocese of Central New York; we continue to pray for all essential workers, first responders, and health care professionals. We also pray for In our parishes, we pray for the people of St. John's Episcopal Church in Cape Vincent and their priest, the Rev. Lisa Busby, and the people of Grace Episcopal Church in Carthage.

We pray to you, Loving God, for all who are impacted, here and abroad, directly or indirectly, by the coronavirus pandemic, and we especially pray for our families, our friends, our loved ones, our communities, and your church.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant and People together:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen

The Peace

The Celebrant uses this or another authorized absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Offertory

Offertory: **316** This is the hour of banquet and of song

Celebrant and People together: **All things come of thee, O Lord; and of thine own, have we given thee. Amen.**

The Holy Communion

The Invitation

ALL persons, baptized at any place and of any age, are encouraged and welcomed to receive and share in the communion of Christ's sacramental Body and Blood from God's holy table in this place.

*The Bread and Wine will now be served from the Altar rail; so, when invited, please come up to the Altar (if you are physically and comfortably able to do so) and take a plastic cup from either side. Then proceed to the Altar where the priest will give you the wafer (**gluten-free available**). Then the Acolyte will pour some wine into the plastic cup. You take both wafer and cup back to the pew when we will All consume together. If unable to come to the Altar rail, let an usher know and you will be served while seated in the pew.*

In place of Communion, you may receive a blessing at the altar rail.

The Celebrant will review the above in addition to offering the Words of Invitation prior to the celebration.

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer for the Season of Epiphany

*The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and together sing the **Sursum Corda***

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lifegiving God, your Word speaks in the void, calling into being things that are not, inviting us to share your work of creation.

We thank you for the ages long of gathering stars and cooling earth, of life evolving and waking eyes of wonder. We thank you for the creatures with whom we share this world, for their lives so different from our own and the richness they reveal. We thank you for the Son of Man, your child now shown to us, formed from Mary's flesh and nurtured by her faith; he walked the growing earth and proclaimed a fearless kingdom of bird and lily, child and stranger, the beggar and the deaf and the blind.

On the cross, he joined the labor of all creation's yearning; in his rising, he hallowed all flesh to bear the glory of you, loving and eternal God; he gives the brooding Spirit to bring to birth a living hope.

Therefore, with all that live through him and all who hope for a new creation, we share the song of love which sounds from all eternity:

SANCTUS-130 (*Celebrant & People Together*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. (X2)

Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. (X2)

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. (X2)

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts, that this bread and this wine as these fragile, earthly things from your creation may be to us the Body and Blood of our Lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and said; "Take. Eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new Covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me."

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all that words can hold. Great is the mystery of faith:

(Celebrant and People together)

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

(Celebrant continues)

Therefore, we come to him in whom all is created in heaven and on earth, whose cross and resurrection makes all things new. We offer this to you, O God, asking you to honor the gift we bring, for you, alone, are the Giver and Christ the Gift through which we live, once and for all. Through him who was emptied to bear your fullness, we make our prayer with all created life to the glory of you, Eternal God, who fills all in all, now and forever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer (Kneel or stand)

Celebrant and People together:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast; Alleluia**

Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God; take them in remembrance that Christ died for us, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen**

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen**

The Post-Communion Prayer (Kneel or stand)

Celebrant and People together:

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen

The Blessing

Recessional: 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia**

Postlude: Alle Menschen Mussen Sterben (hymn tune Salzburg and Variation)
arr. Johann Pachebel (1653-1706)

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Reverend Dr. James K. Heidt, Rector & Priest
Erick Kroll, Organist and Music Director
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The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED JANUARY 19, 2022

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

01/17/22-Martin Luther King Service 9 AM at Zion

01/18/22-Genealogy Clarke Hall 2 PM

01/22/22-Community Dinner pick-up between 4-5 PM

AA: AA Room

M-F: 9-10am; 12-1pm

Wed: 7pm

Thurs: 8pm

Fri: 8pm

Sat: 12pm; District - 1st Sat. of the month: 6pm

Sun: 12pm

NA: NA Room

Mon. 7pm

Fri. 7pm

Sat. 11:30am

For all those who celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries: especially; Michael Rescigno, Rick Wertz, Jeff Foley, Annette Clark-Hani, David Sroka

Altar Flowers: Given By: **Tina & Francesca Rescigno;** In Celebration of: **Mike Rescigno's Birthday**

Martin Luther King Service-The Martin Luther King Jr. Service will be virtual only on Zoom; on Monday, January 17th at 9 AM. **No breakfast this year.** To watch it virtually the link to do so is on our Facebook and web -site pages. Thank You!

A Note from the Treasurer-We were notified recently by the printing company that handles our offering envelopes of a delay in shipping the box sets in time for January 2022. In the meantime, we have packets of generic (un-dated and un-numbered) envelopes available for your use. These were placed on the check-in tables at the Christmas weekend services, and will be available at services going forward as. There should be enough envelopes in each packet to get through January, if you use one each week. If we don't receive the box sets before February, we will make more of these envelopes available. If you would like a set reserved for you, please contact the church office and arrange a time to pick them up. If you are unable to come to Zion, we will get them mailed to you or dropped off.

In lieu of an offering envelope, you can also use a plain envelope for your offering. Regardless of what envelope you use, please make sure to include your name on the outside so we can properly account for your donations. This is especially important if your offering is made in cash.

If you mail your offering to Zion, please be judicious in your use of the generic offering envelopes. For example, if you mail your pledge for the entire month with a single check, you don't need to send multiple offering envelopes. You can simply note on your check the dates you would like the offering to cover, or include a short note inside the mailing explaining your intentions.

Thank you for your patience as we work through this situation. While it is not ideal, it's certainly "small potatoes" compared with the very significant challenges many of our family members, friends and neighbors are dealing with. Always count your blessings, both large and small.

We are deeply saddened-This Thursday, January 20th at 10 AM we will hold the funeral for Janet Renzi. You may pay your respects to the family an hour before the service.

Community Dinner-Our dinners have returned and the first one of the new year will be on January 22nd; there is a sign-up sheet in Clarke Hall if you would like to sign-up after service. It will be turkey tetrazzini and you may pick it up on January 22nd between 4-5 PM. Thank You.

Phone Directory-We have our Phone Directory in Clarke Hall please make sure that all information is correct and make any changes if necessary-if you are not in the Directory and would like to please add your name in the back of the book. Deadline for the directory is January 23rd. Thank You.

Annual Meeting-The Annual meeting will be held on January 23rd; just a friendly reminder to those who have too hand in reports please have them to the office no later than January 20th.

THIS SUNDAY: The Second Sunday after the Epiphany:
January 16, 2022 -9AM – *Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & on Zoom*

Priest:	Fr. Jim Heidt
Chalice/Acolyte	Wayne Osborne
Lay Readers	Jennifer Swinney
Altar Guild	Harriet Brennan/Grace Millington
Church Opener	Willie Talmadge

NEXT SUNDAY: The Third Sunday after the Epiphany:
ANNUAL MEETING
January 23, 2022 -9AM – *Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & on Zoom*

Priest:	Fr. Jim Heidt
Chalice/Acolyte	Rick Weltz
Lay Readers	Georgia Northup
Altar Guild	Annie Deacon/Annette Clark-Hani
Church Opener	Willie Talmadge