
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 come to the Altar and please pick up a cup at either side of the Altar; then all will be given instructions on how to receive the Bread & Wine.

The hymns and service music for the service is in the 1982 hymnal provided in each pew. **This service bulletin** contains the readings of the day, as well as listed announcements and activities happening at Zion as we continue to re-gather. 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 request a **welcome sheet** from any usher before you leave and you can place it in the collection plate. Also, regular parishioners: please use the welcome sheet to update your own information with the church.

Please Disinfect Slip-You will notice in your bulletin we have placed a "Please Disinfect" slip; please place this slip in the pew in which you are sitting. This lets our sexton Chris Klara know where to concentrate his cleaning duties.

The First Sunday after Christmas
Morning Prayer
January 1, 2023

Please stand if comfortably able to do so for all hymns.

Prelude: The Coventry Carol

arr. Robert J. Hughes

HYMN: 93 Angels, from the realms of glory

Officiant: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Confession of Sin

BCP 79

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All say together:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought word, and deed, by what we have done, and 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.

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

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

BCP 80

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All say together:

Glorify to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant: Our King and Savior now draws near: Come let us adore him.

VENITE

All read together

BCP 82

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

PSALM 147: 13-21

BCP 805

- 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.

20 He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

Please be seated for the lessons

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson – **Isaiah 63: 7-9**

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

I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD, the praiseworthy acts of the LORD, because of all that the LORD has done for us, and the great favor to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love. For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely"; and he became their savior in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

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

Canticle 16-*All read in unison*

BCP 92

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.**

**He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.**

**Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.**

**He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.**

**You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,**

**To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,**

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Second Lesson-**Hebrews 2: 10-18**

Reader: The Second lesson is a reading from the Letter of Paul to the Hebrews

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason, Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Here am I and the children whom God has given me." Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Canticle 21 - *All read in unison*

BCP 95

You are God: we praise you;

You are the Lord: we acclaim you;

You are the eternal Father:

All creation worships you.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,

Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

**Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you;
Father, of majesty unbounded,
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.
You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.
When you became man to set us free
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.
You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
Come then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints
to glory everlasting.**

The Third Lesson- Matthew 2: 13-23

The Third lesson is a reading from the Book of Matthew

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Her'od is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Her'od. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When Her'od saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremi'ah: "A voice was heard in Ra'mah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more." When Her'od died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the

land of Israel. But when he heard that Archela'us was ruling over Judea in place of his father Her'od, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazore'an."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

BCP 97

Officiant : The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant : Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer (Kneel or stand)

Officiant 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

Suffrages A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Officiant:

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant:

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Announcements

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: 450 All hail the power of Jesus Name

Officiant and People together, all standing.

All things come of thee, O Lord; and of thine own, have we given thee. Amen.

The Prayers of the People in the Season of Christmas

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord Father, your Son our Savior was born in human flesh. Renew your Church as the Body of Christ. Holy God,

People:: Hear our prayer.

Leader: There was no room for your Son in the inn. Protect with your love those who have no home, all who live in poverty, and all throughout the world who only know want. Holy God,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Mary, in the pain of labor, brought your Son to birth. Hold in your hand those on our prayer list, namely [...],

Art Baker	Catherine Zbiegien	Anne Staple
Brett McDonell	Cindy DeProspero-Outwater	Marion Sweet
Shirley Reali	David Dutcher	Dominick Patierno
Charles O'Neill	Georgia Northup	Velma Kirsch
Stephen Abbott	Jess Sojka	Erick Kroll
Fr. Jim Heidt	Cathy Ziemba	Brenda Outwater
Meribeth Seaman	Vincent Rescigno	Chrissy O'Connor
Carmine Franco	Christine Vecchio-Flaim	Lisa Newman
Ann & Katherine Gambier	Beth Robinson Cain	Arlo Bird
Joe Burgher	Angela Markel	Susan Bogart
Jim Hoffman	Jerry Smith	The Alles Family
Johnna Rockenstyre & Family	Georgianna Robinson	The Parsons Family
Ryan Pope		

as well as those unnamed who are known to you alone in pain or distress. Holy God,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Your Christ came as a light shining in the darkness. Bring comfort to all who suffer in the sadness of our world. Holy God,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: The angels sang, 'Peace to God's people on earth.' Strengthen those who work for peace and justice in all the world. Holy God,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Shepherds in the field heard good tidings of joy. Give us grace to preach the gospel of Christ's redemption. Holy God,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Strangers found the Holy Family, and saw the baby lying in the manger. Bless our homes and all whom we love. Holy God,

People: Hear our prayer.

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

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Christians the world over celebrate Christ's birth. Open our hearts that he may be born in us today. Holy God,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Father, angels and shepherds worshiped at the manger throne. Receive the worship we offer in fellowship with Mary, Joseph and the saints through him who is your Word made flesh, our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen** .

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer Today: We pray for the people of La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico and their interim prime bishop, the Rt. Rev. Enrique Treviño Cruz.

And in the Episcopal Church: We pray for the people of the Episcopal Church in Colorado and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Kimberly (Kym) Lucas.

In our Diocese of Central New York; we continue to pray for all essential workers, first responders, and health care professionals; we pray also for the people of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Hamilton and their priest, the Rev. Brooks Cato, and the people of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Horseheads. 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.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

The General Thanksgiving
Officiant and People

BCP 101

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

HYMN: 435 At the name of Jesus

The Dismissal

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us evermore. **Amen.**

Postlude: Festivity on “Here We Come-A-Caroling” *arr. Douglas E. Wagner (b.1952)*

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Leader for this Service: Annette Clark-Hani
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
PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED TOMORROW JAN. 2ND FOR THE NEW
YEAR HOLIDAY

For all those who celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries: especially: Eric Deeley

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M-F: 9-10 AM & 12-1 PM
District ~1st Sat. of the month

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Mon: 7 PM
Fri: 7 PM
Sat. 11:30 AM

UPCOMING EVENTS

1/16/23-MLK Breakfast & Service
1/22/23-Annual Meeting

Note from Treasurer-Thank you to all who have turned in your pledge card for 2023. As of 12/28/22, we have received 32 pledge cards totaling \$51,165 in pledge commitments. Our 2023 parish budget assumes we will have \$52,125 in pledge income, so we are around \$1,000 short. If you have not turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible so we have sufficient pledges to back up the budget. If you have already turned in your pledge card but feel like you maybe can give an extra dollar or two each week, it would help. If each of us who have pledged gave an additional \$30 in 2023, we would meet the budgeted target. Please prayerfully consider if this is something you will commit to. Thank you!!!

THIS SUNDAY: The First Sunday after Christmas
January 1, 2023-9 AM-Morning Prayer in Sanctuary & on Zoom

Leader	Annette Clark-Hani
Lay Readers	Sandie Latimer
Altar Guild	Annie Deacon/Annette Clark-Hani
Church Opener	-Month of January



The First Sunday after the Epiphany:
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
January 8, 2023-9 AM-Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & On Zoom

Priest:	Rev. Naomi Sorrwar-Randall
Lay Readers	Annette Clark-Hani
Acolyte	Wayne Osborne
Altar Guild	Jane Padrón/Michelle Luvisi
Church Opener	-Month of January