
MISSION STATEMENT

Zion Episcopal Church is a Christian community called to bear witness and celebrate the love of Christ in our parish family and throughout the world.

Welcome to historic

Zion Episcopal Church, Rome, New York

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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. Please pick up a cup at either side of the Altar. You will then receive and partake in the communion at the Altar. Please put cup into the little trash receptacle on your way down the stairs before going back to your pew. If you would like just a blessing; please fold your arms across your chest at the Altar.

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.

The Sunday of the Resurrection
EASTER CHORAL FESTAL EUCHARIST
Sunday, April 9, 2023

All the Baptized People of God may receive the sacrament.

Prelude: Trumpet Voluntary in D Major *John Bennett (1735-1784)*

Processional Hymn: **205** Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD **BCP pg. 355**
The people standing, the Celebrant sings

S 76 - The Holy Eucharist Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is Risen.
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant may say :

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

Gloria for Zion *Carol Stack*

The Collect
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson – Acts 10: 34-43

Reader: The First lesson is the reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."

- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

The Second Lesson: **Colossians 3: 1-4**

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

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

The Gospel: John 20: 1-18

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that

it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. H. Alan Smith

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 for the Season of Easter

The People stand as they are comfortably able to do so.

Leader then says

Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered God's people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us lift our voices and pray,

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings he showers upon us: For our lives and for those whom we love, For the beauty of this home God has created for us, for our families and our friendships, let us give thanks to the God of Life.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for the Church, and especially for Zion of Rome, that it may carry forward the redemptive works of God: For the many lay people who serve the church, especially the wardens and vestry of this parish, and all who serve the world through the church. For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our presiding bishop, DeDe our diocesan bishop, and all other clergy and bishops that they may make your wisdom in its rich variety known through all faithful people. For those who gather here or in other places for worship and prayer.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray for the all the baptized, that the joy of Easter may ever grow within them, and that the Spirit may guide them in lives of active faith. That all branches of your holy church be granted grace to bear the gifts of truth and love to all your children on earth.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader Let us pray that God shall give justice to the nations and their leaders, and grant mercy to all whose decisions affect the peace and well-being of the world. Where we have power ourselves, pray that we open our ears to the cries of the weak, the poor, and the needy, and open our hearts to answer their call. Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, and that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader: Let us pray for mercy upon 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:**

Brett McDonell	Cindy DeProspero-Outwater	Marion Sweet
Shirley Reali	David Dutcher	Elena
Charles O'Neill	Georgia Northup	Velma Kirsch
Mark Maginn	Jess Sojka	Erick Kroll
Fr. Jim Heidt	Mary Sue	Brenda Outwater
Meribeth Seaman	Vincent Rescigno	Chrissy O'Connor
Shelley Land	Christine Vecchio-Flaim	Lisa Newman
Ann & Katherine Gambier	Beth Robinson-Cain	The Bird Family
Sandie Latimer	Lucretia Reed	The Allesi Family
Jim Hoffman	Angela Markel	AnnMarie Hunter
Anne Staple	Deborah Grifa	Kristie Mancini
The Howanietz Family	Kelly Lubeck	

as well as those unnamed by us yet so well known to and loved by God. Pray that they may meet God on God's road with rest, peace, and good cheer.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,
People: **Hear our Prayer.**

Leader: Heaven is come down to earth, and earth is raised to heaven. Pray that God will hold all those who have passed through death in the hope of your coming kingdom, including those loved ones who have passed on and who we now name, aloud or silently in our hearts (.....). Pray that the hope born of Easter give them peace and that they have communion with God who redeems, restores, and renews.

Special intentions are offered silently or aloud.

Leader: Risen Lord,

People: **Hear our Prayer.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer Today: In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Ezekiel Kumir Kondo. We also join the worldwide Anglican Communion in praying for the Peace of Jerusalem on this Easter Sunday.

And in the Episcopal Church: We pray for the people of the people of the Diocese of Florida and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Samuel Johnson Howard.

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 the people of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in South New Berlin and their priest, the Rev. W. Steven White, and the people of St. John's Episcopal Church in Speedsville and their priest, Rev. Patricia Kinney.

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, and our loved ones, our communities and your church.

Confession of Sin

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

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: **204** Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain

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 will then receive and partake in the communion at the Altar. Please put cup into the little trash receptacle on your way down the stairs before going back to your pew. If you would like just a blessing; please fold your arms across your chest at the Altar.*

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

Eucharistic Prayer for the Season of Easter

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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS S-130 (Celebrant and 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. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the Highest.

The People stand, kneel or sit . Then the Celebrant continues

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world. You are unceasingly at work, from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life. Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in light. Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise and thanksgiving, Lord of all, for by the Cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery dawned that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, welcoming weary fishermen on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me." We now obey your Son's command; We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and, with them ourselves, a single, holy living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of blessed mother Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

We now obey your Son's command; We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and, with them ourselves, a single, holy living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

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

The Lord's Prayer (Kneel or stand)

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: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Alleluia

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 Post-communion Prayer (Kneel or stand)

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 Hymn: **207** Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

The Dismissal

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

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

Postlude: Gloria Laus et Honor

Philip G. Kreckel (1886-1963)



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Supply Priest: The Rev. H. Alan Smith
Erick Kroll, Organist and Music Director
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ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

For all those who celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries: especially; Charles O'Neill, Diane Sroka

Altar Flowers: Given By: **Annette Clark-Hani**; In Celebration Of: **EASTER, Trisha Clark & Serenity Miller's birthdays.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

4/22/23-Community Dinner Shepherd's Pie 4-5 PM Clarke Hall

**THIS SUNDAY: The Sunday of the Resurrection:
EASTER SUNDAY**
April 9, 2023-9 AM-Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & on Zoom

Priest:	The Rev. H. Alan Smith
Acolyte	Jane Padrón
Lay Readers	Jennifer Swinney
Altar Guild	Harriet Brennan/Grace Millington
Church Opener	Tina Rescigno– Month of April



NEXT SUNDAY: The Second Sunday of Easter
April 16, 2023-9 AM-Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & on Zoom

Priest:	Rev. Naomi Sorrwar-Randall
Acolyte	Rick Weltz
Lay Readers	Tina Rescigno
Altar Guild	Annie Deacon/Annette Clark-Hani
Church Opener	Tina Rescigno– Month of April