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## MISSION STATEMENT

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

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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. 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 **from the Reserved Sacrament** 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. 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 Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**A Service of Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament**  
**April 30, 2023**

*Sisters and brothers, we have come together in the presence of God to offer praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive the Word of God, to bring before God the needs of the world and to ask for the forgiveness of our sins. Today the bread and wine for our Communion was consecrated as part of a Eucharist celebrated in another time and place. For centuries the church has reserved consecrated elements in order to include those unable, because of infirmity or distance, to be present at Eucharist, and also to include worshiping communities on occasions when no priest is available to preside.*

Prelude: The Good Shepherd

*Gregg Sewell (b. 1953)*

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

Processional Hymn: **645** The King of love my shepherd is

*Leader:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Leader:* 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.**

*Leader:* Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and Prophets.

Gloria (yellow card in pew)

*Carol Stack*

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

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **THE LESSONS**

The First Lesson – **Acts 2: 42-47**

*Reader:* The first lesson is a reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

## **PSALM 23**

**BCP pg. #612**

1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil; \*  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

### The Second Lesson-1 **Peter 1: 17-23**

*Reader:* The Second lesson is a reading from the First Letter of Peter

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

*Reader:*  
*People:*

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**



## The Prayers of the People from BCP pg. 385 modified Form II

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s): Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our presiding bishop, DeDe our diocesan bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in need or any kind of trouble and for those 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
Susan Bogart	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
The Howanietz Family	Lucretia Reed	Kelly Lubeck
Jim Hoffman	Angela Markel	AnnMarie Hunter
Anne Staple	Deborah Grifa	Kristie Mancini
Jason Rutherford		

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed [**especially \_\_\_\_\_**].  
Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. [**especially \_\_\_\_\_**].

*Silence*

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer Today:** In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of The Episcopal Church and for our presiding bishop, the Most Rev. Michael Curry.

**And in the Episcopal Church:** We pray for the people of the Eglise Episcopale D'Haiti and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Jean Zache Duracin.

**In our Diocese of Central New York:** We continue to pray for all essential workers, first responders, and health care professionals. We also pray the people of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Syracuse and their priest, the Rev. Philip Major, and the people of the Church of the Epiphany in Trumansburg.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **Confession of Sin**

*Leader:* 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.**



*Leader:* 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 Peace***

*Leader:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

### **Announcements**

### **The Offertory**

*Please stand as you are able*

*Leader:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn: **708** Savior, like a shepherd lead us

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

### **Eucharistic Preparation Prayers**

*Leader:* Gracious and most merciful God, we remember before you those who celebrate the Holy Eucharist at Zion today with whom we now share Communion through the reception of this sacrament.

*People:* **Through many, we are one body, because we all share in the one bread and one cup.**

*Leader:* We thank you, Lord our God, for this world which you have given us; you never cease to make it new, and you call us to work with you; you accept the work of our hands.

*People:* **Glory to you for ever**

*Leader:* You have made humankind in your image; each one of us is fashioned in your likeness, and we are able to recognize your face in the faces of our brothers and sisters.

*People:* **Glory to you for ever**

*Leader:* You have never desired to live apart from us, and you have taught us to know you through the Law and Prophets, the Apostles and Evangelists, who told us the marvelous story of your love.

*People:* **Glory to you for ever**

*Leader:* And you have come to us in your Son, Jesus Christ. In him you have walked along our roads, looked at us with human eyes, done the kind of things that we do, and shared with us the joy that can never be lost.

*People:* **Glory to you for ever**

*Leader:* Now you give us his Body and Blood, and we give ourselves to you. Through the death and resurrection of your Son, through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us, we can make you our eternal home.

*People:* **Glory to you for ever**

*Leader:* So, with all Christians who are gathered together today everywhere, throughout the world, and with the great procession of your Saints, as brothers and sisters we pray to you, as our Savior has taught us.

**The Lord's Prayer** (Kneel or stand)

*Leader 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**

## Administration of Communion

*Leader:* The gifts of God for the people of God. All are invited to God's table.

## Post-Communion Prayer

*Leader and People:*

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: **210** The day of resurrection!

*Leader:* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

*Leader:* Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

**Postlude:** Hornpipe from the Water Music Suite *G.F. Handel (1685-1759)*

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Leader: Wayne Osborne

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**

**For all those who celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries:** especially: Jonathon Jones

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**M-F: 9-10 AM & 12-1 PM**  
**District ~1<sup>st</sup> Sat. of the month**

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

**Pantry-** The first and third Sundays are dedicated to our food drives for Zion and the Vets. We divide among the 2 all that is brought in for the month. Thank You!!!!

**Safe Church-**There will be an in-person safe church to be held at St. John's church on 341 Main St. Oneida, NY. Annette has a list of members who need to attend; it will be held on Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 PM. I will be contacting the members who need to attend ASAP. Thank You.

**Nicholas Saulnier's Ordination-**if you would like to watch the ordination service on Sunday, it will be streamed on YouTube at 3pm Eastern on the Cathedral's page (<https://www.youtube.com/@christchurchcathedralfton/streams>).

**THIS SUNDAY: The Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 30, 2023-9 AM- *Holy Communion from Reserved Sacrament***

<b>Acolyte</b>	Wayne Osborne
<b>Lay Readers</b>	Mike Rescigno
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jane Padrón/Michelle Luvisi
<b>Church Opener</b>	Tina Rescigno– Month of April

**NEXT SUNDAY: The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 7, 2023-9 AM- *Holy Communion from Reserved Sacrament***

<b>Acolyte</b>	Rick Weltz
<b>Lay Readers</b>	Jennifer Swinney
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jane Padrón/Michelle Luvisi
<b>Church Opener</b>	Tina Rescigno– Month of April