
MISSION STATEMENT

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

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 and please pick up a cup at the Altar; then all will be given instructions from 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.

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost:

Proper 9

Sunday, July 9, 2023

All the Baptized People of God may receive the sacrament.

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

Processional Hymn: **436** Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates

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.**

The Celebrant may say:

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.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson: **Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, & 58-67**

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

The servant said to Laban, “I am Abraham’s servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master’s wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, ‘You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father’s house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.’ “I came today to the spring, and said, ‘O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, “Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,” and who will say to me, “Drink, and I will draw for your camels also” —let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master’s son.’ “Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, ‘Please let me drink.’ She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, ‘Drink, and I will also water your camels.’ So, I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, ‘Whose daughter are you?’ She said, ‘The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to him.’ So, I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master’s kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.” And they called Rebekah, and said to her, “Will you go with this man?” She said, “I will.” So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham’s servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, “May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes.” Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus, the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, “Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?” The servant said, “It

is my master.” So, she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah’s tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So, Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

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

PSALM 45

BCP pg. 648

1 "Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; *
forget your people and your father's house.

12 The king will have pleasure in your beauty; *
he is your master; therefore do him honor.

13 The people of Tyre are here with a gift; *
the rich among the people seek your favor."

14 All glorious is the princess as she enters; *
her gown is cloth-of-gold.

15 In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; *
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

16 With joy and gladness they are brought, *
and enter into the palace of the king.

17 "In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; *
you shall make them princes over all the earth.

18 I will make your name to be remembered
from one generation to another; *
therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

The Second Lesson: **Romans 7: 15-25a**

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

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So, I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Reader: The Word of the Lord
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The Gospel: **Matthew 11: 16-19, & 25-30**

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come

to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Reverend Naomi Sorrwar-Randall

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 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
Judy Kozma & Family	Mary Sue	Brenda Outwater
Meribeth Seaman & Family	Vincent Rescigno	Chrissy O'Connor
Shelley & Dave Land	Christine Vecchio-Flaim	Lisa Newman
Ryan Pope	Beth Robinson-Cain	Lilla Weeks
The Heidt Family	Lucretia Reed	Kelly Lubeck
Jim Hoffman	Angela Markel	AnnMarie Hunter
Anne Staple	Deborah Grifa	Kristie Mancini
Jason Rutherford	Kimberly Richmond	Joan Kielian
Melissa Weir & Baby	Leslie & Liney Beckbridge	Stan Davis
Roger Dominick	Wayne Cadrette	Janine Waller
Donald Wilson		

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 our parishes, we pray for the people of St. John's Episcopal Church in Black River and Trinity Episcopal Church in Boonville and their priest, the Rev. Linda Logan.

In The Episcopal Church, we pray for the people of the Diocese of Long Island and their bishop The Rt. Rev. Lawrence C. Provenzano.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of the Anglican Church of Burundi and their archbishop, the Most Rev. Sixbert Macumi.

The 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

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: **516** Come down, O Love divine

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 tables before altar. 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 consume right at altar and place the cup in the receptacle at the stairs. 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.

Eucharistic Prayer for the Season after Pentecost

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.

Celebrant - It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed

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. X2

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

Hosanna in the highest. X2

Celebrant continues - Father, you never forget us or turn away from us, even when we fail you. You sent your Son Jesus who gave his life for us. He healed those who were sick, and cared for those who were poor. He forgave sinners and taught us to forgive. For all your love we give you thanks in the way that Jesus showed us.

On the night before he died, while he was having supper with his friends, 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."

So, as we do what he told us, we open our hearts to him; we remember how he died and rose again to live now in us. Together with him we offer you these gifts: in them we give you ourselves. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on this bread and this wine, that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ, and that, sharing your life, we may travel in your company to our journey's end.

With all your people we give you thanks and praise through the Son and in the Spirit, now and for ever. **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 Hymn: 482 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy

The Dismissal

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

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

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Reverend Naomi Sorrwar-Randall
Erick Kroll, Organist and Music Director
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For all those who celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries: especially: Jacqueline Nelson, Margee & David Grow

The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

**7/22-Community Dinner for July will Baked Chicken w/asst. sides
(sign-up in Clarke Hall)**

7/29-~~STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE FESTIVAL~~

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!!!!

Strawberry Shortcake Festival-This year seems to be flying by and before you know it the festival will be among us; we have several sign-up sheets in Clarke Hall for various duties and donations we are seeking please look them over and help out for the day of the event. Thank You.

**THIS SUNDAY: The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost:
Proper 9
July 9,2023-9 AM-Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary & on Zoom**

Priest:	Rev. Naomi Sorrwar-Randall
Acolyte	Jane Padrón
Lay Readers	Tina Rescigno
Altar Guild	Brenda Outwater/Jane McDonnell
Church Opener	Annette Clark-Hani-Month of July



NEXT SUNDAY: The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost:
Proper 10
July 16, 2023-9 AM- *Holy Communion from Reserved Sacrament in the Sanctuary & on Zoom*

Leader	Annette Clark-Hani
Reader	Sandie Latimer
Altar Guild	Brenda Outwater/Jane McDonnell
Church Opener	Annette Clark-Hani–Month of July