
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. 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 Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ
A Service of Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament
August 6, 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.

Please stand if comfortably able to do so for all hymns

Prelude: Oh, How I Love Jesus

arr. William Ringham

Processional Hymn: **7** Christ, whose glory fills the skies

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, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson – **Exodus 34: 29-35**

Reader: The First lesson is the reading from the Book of Exodus

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader:

The Word of the Lord

People:

Thanks be to God

Psalm 99

BCP pg. 728

1 [The LORD is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.

2 The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."]

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

The Second Lesson: **2 Peter 1: 13-21**

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

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at

any time to recall these things. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So, we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

The Third Lesson- **Luke 9: 28-36**

Reader: The Third lesson is a reading from the Book of Luke

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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

Homily

The Apostles' Creed

Leader 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 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
Steven Richmond Jr.	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
Jim Hoffman
Anne Staple
Jason Rutherford
Melissa Weir & Baby
Roger Dominick
Dominick Ricci
Jackson Ricci

Lucretia Reed
Angela Markel
Deborah Grifa
Kimberly Richmond
Leslie & Liney Beckbridge
Wayne Cadrette
Ann & Katherine Gambier

Kelly Lubeck
AnnMarie Hunter
Kristie Mancini
Joan Kielian
Stan Davis
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 the Anglican Cycle of Prayer Today: In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Georges Titre Ande.

And in the Episcopal Church: We pray for the people of the Diocese of Maryland and their bishop, The Rt. Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton.

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. Peter's Episcopal Church in Cazenovia and their priest, the Rev. Rebecca Roberts, and the people of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Chenango Bridge and their priest, the Rev. Dawn-Victoria Mitchell.

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: **314** Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen

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 celebrated the Holy Eucharist at Zion on July 9th with whom we now share Communion through the reception of this sacrament

People: **Though 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: **522** Glorious things of thee are spoken

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: This Little Light of Mine

arr. Randall Hartsell

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Leader: 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

For all those who celebrate Birthdays & Anniversaries: especially: Nina & Ray Charles

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M-F: 9-10 AM & 12-1 PM

District ~1st Sat. of the month (Last meeting until Sept. 2023)

NA

Mon: 7 PM

Fri: 7 PM

Sat. 11:30 AM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 13th-Parish Picnic

Aug. 26-Community Dinner-Sausage w/Peppers & Onions

Parish Picnic-Parish picnic is Aug. 13th and sign-up sheets for the picnic are now in Clarke Hall; this service will begin at **11AM** and picnic will immediately follow after the service in the courtyard (weather permitting) or in Clarke Hall. Thank You.

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!!!!

**THIS SUNDAY: The Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ
Aug. 6, 2023-9 AM- *Holy Communion from Reserved Sacrament in the Sanctuary & on Zoom***

Leader

Annette Clark-Hani

Reader
Altar Guild
Church Opener

Tina Rescigno
Annie Deacon/Annette Clark-Hani
Tina Rescigno—August 6, 2023



NEXT SUNDAY: The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
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PARISH PICNIC

**Aug. 13, 2023-11 AM- *Holy Communion from Reserved Sacrament in
the Sanctuary & on Zoom***

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Rick Weltz
Sandie Latimer
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Volunteer Please—Month of August