
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 Fifth Sunday in Lent
A Service of Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament
March 17, 2024

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: O Dearest Jesus

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Processional Hymn: **337** And now, O Father, mindful of thy love

Leader: 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.**

Leader: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and Prophets.

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Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit,**

Leader: Let us pray.

O Almighty God, you alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson – **Jeremiah 31: 31-34**

Reader: The First lesson is the reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Psalm 119: 9-16

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9 How shall a young man cleanse his way? *

By keeping to your words.

10 With my whole heart I seek you; *

let me not stray from your commandments.

11 I treasure your promise in my heart, *

that I may not sin against you.

12 Blessed are you, O Lord; *
instruct me in your statutes.

13 With my lips will I recite *
all the judgments of your mouth.

14 I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees *
than in all manner of riches.

15 I will meditate on your commandments *
and give attention to your ways.

16 My delight is in your statutes; *
I will not forget your word.

The Second Lesson: **Hebrews 5: 5-10**

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

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader:
People:

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Prayers of the People for the Season of Lent

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, DeDe our Diocesan Bishop and, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor who we now name from our **prayer list (.....)**,

Brett McDonell

Shirley Reali

Ann & Katherine Gambier

Richard DeProspero

Bobby DeProspero

Cindy DeProspero-Outwater

Lilla Weeks

Christine O'Connor

Jim Hoffman

Christine Vecchio-Flaim

Kelly Lubek
Terri Waters
David Dutcher
Ryan Pope
Donald Wilson
Ann Staple & Family
The Gulla Family
Rick Wiggins
Justin Pope
Andrew Staple & Family
Baby Jones
Linda Osborne
Karen Stepanick
Kimberly Richmond
George Schnell

Leslie & Linley Beckbridge
Marion Sweet
Lucille Cook
Joanne Waller
The June Family
Craig Williamson
The Grow Family
Ezra, Adelaide, and Alice Jenkins
Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
Baby Evan
Bill & Sylvia Smith
Theresa Coppola
Daneika Russell
Linda & John Hunter

all those who serve in the military here and abroad. And all who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [**especially _____**], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer Today: In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of the Church of Wales and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Andrew John.

And in the Episcopal Church: We pray for the people of the Diocese of San Joaquin and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. David C. Rice.

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 Ss. Peter & John Episcopal Church in Auburn and their priest, the Rev.

John Rohde, and the people of the United Ministry of Aurora and their pastor, the Rev. Dr. Barb Blom.

All joining saying together:

Prayer for Next Presiding Bishop-Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for our new Rector and Organist: Almighty God, you know the needs of your Church in every place: look graciously upon us, the people of Zion, and grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new Rector and a new Organist for this parish. Give us discernment, wisdom, and confidence in your timing. Grace us with continuous direction and inspire us toward genuine self-reflection. All this we ask as we walk in your ways to the glory of your name. *Amen.*

Prayer to End Gun Violence: Dear God, we ask that you touch our hearts with your love, heal our brokenness, and turn us toward peace. Help us transform our hearts to seek peaceful ways to resolve our differences. We ask this in the name of the God who desires that we live together in peace. *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 thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy 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: **473** Lift high the cross

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 March 10th 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:

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn: **441** In the cross of Christ, I glory

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

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Verset

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Leader: Rick Weltz
Peg Corbett Supply Pianist
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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: Zachary Thomason, BettyAnn Bormann, Michael Corbett

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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

Bible study being held by Aaron Mejias and Rachel Green. It meets Tuesdays at 6:30 in the parlor. We are discussing the book of Matthew. Please join us.

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!!!!

Easter Flowers-Even though we are still in Lent; we have put out the envelopes for Easter Lily Flowers. If you would like to make them in memory of a loved one, please fill them out and either put the envelope in the collection plate or give to Annette before March 27th. Thank You.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 19-Ultreya 7 PM St. John's Oneida

March 23-Community Dinner Irish Stew 4-5 PM Call to reserve

March 24-Palm Sunday Service 9AM at Zion

March 25-Vestry meeting 6 PM Vestry Room

March 29-Good Friday Service at 1:30 PM

THIS SUNDAY: The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024-9 AM- *Reserved Sacrament in the Sanctuary & on Zoom*

Leader	Rick Weltz
Reader	Tina Rescigno
Ushers	Willie Talmadge
Altar Guild	Michelle Luvisi/Jane Padrón
Church Opener	Jane Padrón-Month of March



**NEXT SUNDAY: The Sunday of the Passion:
PALM SUNDAY**

March 24, 2024-9 AM- *Holy Eucharist in the Sanctuary & on Zoom*

Priest:	Mother Percy Mouncey
Acolyte	Wayne Osborne
Lay Reader	Sandie Latimer
Altar Guild	Michelle Luvisi/Jane Padrón
Church Opener	Jane Padrón-Month of March