



Zion Episcopal Church

We share Christ's love and grace with joy, respect, and compassion.

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Parish Office Hours

Monday through Thursday | 9:00 am — 2:00 pm

Rector's Office Hours

Monday through Thursday | 10:00 am — 3:00 pm, *or by appointment*

If you have news you would like to share with our congregation, please send word to our parish administrator, Eric Ott, at office@zionaepiscopal.net.

News items received each week by Wednesday morning will be published in our Weekly Tidings on Friday.

Upcoming Services and Events at Zion...

Sunday, January 18th

Epiphany 2

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Betina and Mark Peyton in loving memory of their grandfathers Robert Curphey and Curtis Moore, and by Pam and Elwood Wagoner and family in loving memory of Bill Jones.

9:30 am — 11:30 am

Annual Meeting together with Holy Eucharist

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild

Beverly Raines, Ann McKee

Verger

Lee Wilson

Crucifer

Erin Delaney

Torch Bearers

Rightly Wildman, Lucy Peyton

Gospel Book

Winnie Wildman

Lay Reader

Jamie Wilson

Prayers of the People

Don Twyman

Chalice Bearer

Brenda Whittington

Ushers

Sandy Coughlin, Ken Fanelli

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Monday, January 19th

Martin Luther King Jr. Day | Office Closed

8:45 am — 9:45 am

Exercise Class | Gym

10:00 am — 11:00 am

Exercise Class | Gym

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Exercise Class | Gym

6:30 pm — 8:00 pm

Choir Rehearsal | Church

Tuesday, January 20th

8:45 am — 9:45 am

Exercise Class | Gym

10:00 am — 11:00 am

Morning Prayer | Parlors

10:00 am — 11:00 am

Exercise Class | Gym

7:00 pm — 8:00 pm

Beginning Biblical Hebrew | Online via Zoom

Wednesday, January 21st

9:00 am — 12:00 pm

Thrift Store

9:15 am — 10:45 am

Exercise Class | Gym

10:00 am — 11:00 am

Morning Prayer | Parlors

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Exercise Class | Hauser Room

5:30 pm — 6:30 pm

Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Thursday, January 22nd

8:45 am — 9:45 am

Exercise Class | Gym

10:00 am — 11:00 am

Exercise Class | Gym

10:00 am — 11:00 am

Morning Prayer | Parlors

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Exercise Class | Gym

Sunday, January 25th

Epiphany 3

8:00 am — 9:00 am

Holy Eucharist : Rite I

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild

Linda Work, Laurie Ruddy

Lay Reader

Phil Porterfield

Ushers

Sam and Lanette Byrer

Hospitality

Jim Ruddy, Linda Work

9:15 am — 10:15 am

Bible Study | Hauser Room

9:15 am — 10:15 am

Holy Eucharist: Rite II | St. Philip's

10:30 am — 11:30 am

Choral Eucharist : Rite II

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild	Beverly Raines, Ann McKee
Verger	Lee Wilson
Crucifer	Lucy Peyton
Torch Bearers	Levi Yuhasz, Porter Yuhasz
Gospel Book	Colin Harp
Lay Reader	Julia Yuhasz
Prayers of the People	Kenny Floyd
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Kenny Floyd
Ushers	Sue Floyd, Jamie Wilson

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, kindly find a replacement and let our parish administrator know so that our scheduling accurately reflects those serving!

**WARRANT for the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH
Sunday, January 18, 2026**

Notice is hereby given for the Call of the Annual Parish Meeting of Zion Episcopal Church, Charles Town, West Virginia, *together with* Holy Eucharist on the Second Sunday after the Epiphany, Sunday, January 18, 2026 at 9:30 am at 301 East Congress Street.

The business of the meeting will be to:

1. Receive reports of the Rector, Wardens, Treasurer, and all other reports necessary.
2. Elect Vestry persons and fill all other positions as required by Canon Law.
3. To transact such other business as may legally come before the Annual Meeting of the parish.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Fanelli,
Clerk of the Vestry

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, January 19, 2026



Lord, we thank you for your church, founded upon your Word, that challenges us to do more than sing and pray, but go out and work as though the very answer to our prayers depended on us and not upon you. Help us to realize that humanity was created to shine like the stars and live on through all eternity. Keep us, we pray, in perfect peace. Help us to walk together, pray together, sing together, and live together until that day when all God's children — Black, White, Red, Brown and Yellow — will rejoice in one common band of humanity in the reign of our Lord and of our God, we pray. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Breakfast
Monday, January 19th at 9:30 am | Rain Date: Saturday, January 24th

Asbury United Methodist Church, 4257 Kearneysville Pike, in Shepherdstown on January 19th at 9:30 am. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults and \$15.00 for youth. Children 5 and under are free. For Tickets contact Mrs. Delores Foster (201) 415-8769 or Mrs. Karen Hames (240) 367-4119.

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Legacy

The civil rights icon is the only non-president with a federal holiday in their honor. The federal government closes on the day, and U.S. residents are given the opportunity to reflect on King's legacy. King rose as a civil rights leader in 1955 during the Montgomery bus boycott in Alabama. Two years later, he founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. In 1963, he led the March on Washington, delivering the famed "I Have a Dream" speech on the National Mall. King was assassinated on April 4, 1968 while standing on a second-floor balcony outside his room at the Lorraine Hotel in Memphis, Tennessee. James Earl Ray confessed to shooting King and was sentenced to 99 years in prison. King was 39 at the time of his death.

Michelle Del Rey is a trending news reporter at USA TODAY.

Thank you Notes Received...

From Wright Denny (Adopt-a-Family Tree)

Alice Ellis has shared the following expression of gratitude for Zion's participating in Wright Denny's efforts to spread joy to others during the holidays by buying gifts for families on our at Christmas time.

Dear Zion Congregants,

Thank you, yet again, for adopting Wright Denny families for Christmas. Your generosity eased stress and brightened Christmas morning for many kids. Keep up the kindness—you've made a difference!!

Leslie Slover

From AA Christmas Party in the Social Hall

This past week our parish office received a thank you note (below) from AA District 15. Enclosed with the note was a donation of \$100.00.

Dear Rev. Johanna,

On behalf of Alcoholics Anonymous, District 15, I want to express our deep appreciation for being allowed to use your lovely social hall for our holiday party. As the party coordinator, I was grateful for the excellent help of your office administrator, Eric, and your Sexton, Bill.

The party was a great success and I am sure that having a comfortable, convenient and beautiful space contributed to this.

Please accept this gift as an expression of our gratitude.

Warmly,

AA, District 15

AARP Free Tax Preparation...

Beginning Saturday, February, 1, 2026, Zion will once again provide space in our social hall for **AARP's Free Tax form Preparation Assistance**. The service will begin on Saturday, February 1st and continue every Saturday thereafter through Saturday, April 11, 2026. Goodwill offerings are accepted and appreciated.

Parish News...

We have learned **Sharon Steptoe** has experienced a significant case of the flu. While she continues to convalesce at home, cards and warm wishes may be sent to: 500 South Mildred St., Charles Town, WV 25414.

Richard Seckinger has sent word that **Rev. Melanie McCarley** is convalescing at home following recent surgery. Cards and well wishes may be sent to: Rev. Melanie McCarley, 59 Court Street, Dedham, MA 02026.

Candle and Altar Flower Memorials...

If you would like to offer the candles on our reredos and altar in memory of a loved one, the months listed below remain available. Candles may be purchased for \$15.00 per month.

Months Available: January
 March
 July
 September
 October
 December

If you would like to offer our altar flowers in memory of a loved one, the following dates listed below remain available. The cost per vase is \$30.00.

Month	Weekend	Vases	Month	Weekend	Vases
February	2 nd	1	July	4 th	1
March	1 st	1	August	4 th	1
March	2 nd	1	November	1 st	1
March	3 rd	1	March 29	5 th	2
June	1 st	1	November 29	5 th	1

Please contact Richard Seckinger at (304) 671-2686 to make arrangements for candles or flowers.

Community Outreach Opportunity...

Hospice of the Panhandle

Share a little love through snacks!



Each year on Valentine's Day to show appreciation to the many professional doctors, social workers, facility staff, pharmacists, funeral directors, and others—who walk alongside patients and their families, Hospice of the Panhandle pauses to recognize the incredible people who help fulfill their mission.

To keep this tradition going, Hospice of the Panhandle is collecting individually wrapped, store-bought snacks to share with our partners. These small treats brighten long shifts and remind our colleagues that their work is deeply appreciated.

The following donations are welcome: Granola or protein bars, snack-size chips, popcorn, or pretzels, individually wrapped nuts or trail mix, wrapped snack cakes, brownies, or cookies, and hard candies, candy bars, or gum.

Items may be dropped off during our parish office our office hours, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm through Monday, February 9th.

Peterkin News...

A Peterkin Preview on Zoom: January 18

Join a Peterkin Preview Zoom meeting on Sunday, January 18, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm to hear about transitions and life at Peterkin. The hour will include the Bishop sharing his vision for Peterkin, hopes and plans for the future, updates about leadership and staffing transitions, and time for questions.



[Click here to join the Zoom meeting.](#)

Apply to be a Peterkin Counselor or CIT

Come build holy community in God's wilderness

[Click here for a 2026 Summer Application](#)

Save the Date!

Women's Retreat at Peterkin

April 16—19, 2026

Shopping List for JCCM: Food Items: Spaghetti Sauce, Ramen, Crackers, Canned Meat (chicken, tuna, beef stew, chili) Canned Vegetables, Cereal, Hearty Soups, Canned Pasta (Ravioli, Spaghetti O's, etc.) Rice, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Bottled Water.



Non-food items: Laundry Detergent, Dish Soap, Shampoo, Body Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Conditioner, Deodorant, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper.

Zion contributed 57 pounds of food to JCCM last week!

Prayer Requests...

For Those Who Are Housebound...

Marian Auer, Jean Hale, Earl and Bertha Kelican, Edna Phillips, Doris Starks

For Those on our Parish Prayer List...

Those in nursing homes, assisted living, and rehabilitation centers, Alex, Edna, Emma Anne and Nick, Doris, Annette, Pat, Doug, Michael, Mary Bruce, Jim, Leo, Peggy, Donna, Lucas, Ava, Owen, P.T., Tom, Sharon, Jim, Mary Jane, Bobbie, Don, Cassidy, Kelly, Ruth, Lousie, Becky, Barbara, Wanda, Jennifer, Karmen, Karen, Tyler, Walter, Bob, Alison, Ned, Richard, Dennis, Renee, Lori, Evan, Bertie, Brad, Robert, Rusty, and Joshua.

For Those Who Have Died...

Robert Curphey, Curtis Moore, Bill Jones

For Those Celebrating Birthdays in January:

Philip Fanelli, 1 st	Leslie Slover, 13 th	Tom Floyd, 18 th
Colin Harp, 2 nd	Linda Work, 14 th	Evan Miller, 19 th
Taylor Seibert, 6 th	Sharon Steptoe, 17 th	Mindy Maye, 24 th
Betsy Splawn, 6 th	Mary Davis Roxer, 17 th	Sandra Raymond, 26 th
Jane Tarner, 7 th	Phil McDonald, 17 th	Shannon Jenkins, 28 th
Katie McGivern, 12 th		

If you are celebrating a birthday this month and your name does not appear on the list above, please send an email to our parish administrator, Eric: office@zionepiscopal.net or call him (304) 725-5312, to add your birthday to our list!