

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

Upcoming Services and Events at Zion...

Saturday, October 31st

5:30 pm — 6:30 pm Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Sunday, November 2nd Commemoration of All Saints Day

The candles on our Holy Table and reredos are given to the glory of God by Mrs. Roger Perry in loving memory of Roger Perry.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Henry P. Porter, Jr. in loving memory of his parents, Mary Gravatt Porter and Henry P. Porter, Sr.; grandparents, The Rt. Rev. William Loyall Gravatt and Mrs. Sidney Peyon Gravatt; and brothers William Loyall Gravatt Porter and Cary Gravatt Mason.

8:00 am — 9:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite I

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild Kathleen Willis Lay Reader Phil Porterfield

Ushers Jim and Laurie Ruddy Hospitality Jim Ruddy, Linda Work

9:15 am — 10:15 am Bible Study | Hauser Room

9:15 am — 10:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II | St. Philip's

10:30 am — 12:00 pm Choral Eucharist: Rite II

Tom Lang, Guest Organist

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild Beverly Raines, Ann McKee

Verger Lee Wilson

Crucifer Colin Harp, Lucy Peyton

Torch Bearers Isla Wildman, Rightly Wildman

Gospel Book Winnie Wildman
Lay Reader Don Twyman
Prayers of the People Jamie Wilson
Lay Eucharistic Minister Jamie Wilson

Ushers Steven Hall, Urath Gibson

Hospitality Mari Campbell

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Monday, November 3rd

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

Tuesday, November 4th

8:45 am - 9:45 am Exercise Class | Gym 10:00 am - 11:00 am Exercise Class | Gym

7:00 pm — 8:00 pm Beginning Biblical Hebrew | Online via Zoom

5:30 pm — 6:30 pm Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Wednesday, November 5th

9:00 am - 12:00 pm Thrift Shop Open 9:15 am - 10:45 am Exercise Class | Gym

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm Exercise Class | Hauser Room

5:30 pm — 6:30 pm Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Thursday, November 6th

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

Friday, November 7th

5:30 pm — 6:30 pm Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Sunday, November 9th Pentecost 22

8:00 am — 9:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite I

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild Laurie Ruddy, Linda Work

Lay Reader Richard Seckinger

Ushers Donald and Patsy Noland Hospitality Jim Ruddy, Linda Work

9:15 am — 10:15 am Bible Study | Hauser Room

9:15 am — 10:00 am Holy Eucharist: Rite II | St. Philip's

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Choral Eucharist: Rite II

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild Sue Floyd and Family

Verger Lee Wilson Crucifer Erin Delaney

Torch Bearers Porter Yuhasz, Levi Yuhasz

Gospel Book Winnie Wildman

Lay Reader Ken Fanelli Prayers of the People Greg Harp Lay Eucharistic Minister Greg Harp

Ushers Stephanie Harp, Randy Hilton

2:00 pm — 4:00 pm Veteran's Party | South Jefferson Memorial Library

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Guest Organist, Sunday November 2nd...

Plan to join us for worship this Sunday as we commemorate the Feast of All Saints' and welcome Tom Lang as our guest organist. Tom is an accomplished choral director, organist, pianist, singer, and carillonneur with over 35 years of experience leading church music programs. Many of you will recall Tom served as Zion's Organist/Music Director in the past.

Stewardship Committee News...

Music that Moves You
An Interview By the Very Rev.
Julia McCray Goldsmith



Everyone loves the hymn version of "Tell Out My Soul." It's just so singable, and also so central to how e think about church. Stewardship may be about nuts and bolts, but—like everything we do in church—it needs theological context. The Magnificat beautifully supports a generous theology. There is an innate beauty to what Mary is saying, but it is framed within an expectation of justice and equality. Her words are a Gospel imperative. Church music should always be like that: it should grab people where we are and take us to a new place. Through the music, the message gets into our souls and minds and hears, where we cant's get rid of it.

I was a childhood church nerd who felt called to music ministry from a young age. I've been fortunate to have worked in many fabulous places, and each place opened up new horizons for me. I've had to be o pen to each parish and their traditions, which means that I was learning as much as I was teaching. I feel especially grateful to my home parish in Kennewick, Washington. They took the risk of having me serve as their music director while I was still in high school!

Church musicians have a strange and mysterious gift. It can't be seen, and people can't always tell you what they've received, but I know that they do. All of our arts "tell out" what our bodies and souls are doing, but music has a pride of place. Alignment to the liturgy is what makes it principal. And because of this, music serves to deepen community and strengthen commitment. It builds energy around belonging to each other. If we're not doing



Questions for Reflection

Music is one way that we tell story and align our words and actions, what are others that you have experienced or practice? How do you engage your creative efforts with your story?



After having served several parishes and cathedrals over the course of a halfcentury, Bruce Neswick now works in "semi-retirement" as the Artist-in-Residence at St. James by-the-Sea, La Jolla, California.



that as church musician, then why are we doing it? Our work is to amplify the Gospel, life people up, and bring them into the fold.

Stewardship Corner...

Tell Out My Soul Why I Love and Appreciate Zion Episcopal Church By Kenneth Fanelli

Zion Episcopal Church holds a special place in our local and regional history, which I enjoy exploring. On a personal level, his parish is a refuge where my spiritual self finds expression through communal worship with fellow parishioners – many of whom have become my friends.

Zion is also a place where my strong desire to give of my time and talents through serving as a lector, usher, vestry member, and vestry secretary – and in other roles – has helped me become self-actualized by honing my public speaking and leadership skills. I have gone on to serve at the diocesan level where efforts and decision making have a broad impact.

I know that at Zion Episcopal I will encounter the eloquent and familiar passages of the liturgy in the pages of The Book of Common Prayer. I know that at Zion Episcopal I will sing the uplifting melodies found in the Episcopal Hymnal. And I know that at Zion Episcopal I will experience the humbling encounter with the divine through prayer and the receiving of the Eucharist.

All of this is more than worthy of my financial support, which I increase with every annual pledge.

Stewardship Information...

If you are not receiving the Stewardship mailings, please contact our parish office (304.725-5312) and let us know!

November 1st Stewardship Mailing from Senior Warden, Alice Ellis

November 15th Stewardship Mailing with 2026 Pledge Cards from

stewardship chair, Michael Spensley

November 23rd In-gathering of 2026 Pledge Commitment Cards

Zion's Monthly Meal Ministry News...

During October's Meal Ministry meeting, there was a discussion about the need for a better understanding of who plans to attend the monthly meal ministry and what they will be doing while serving. The outcome of the discussion was a decision to create a 'SignupGenius' link so that individuals could signup in advance of each meal for particular tasks.

If you wish to sign up to serve at our November Meal Ministry please click on the following link:

Zion's November 30th Meal Ministry Sign Up

Please Note: The next two monthly meal ministry dates fall on the Saturdays following Thanksgiving and Christmas, respectively.

JCCM News...

A Night For Neighbors | Charles Town Moose Lodge #948 Featuring Chad Laughlin Band Friday, November 14th | 7 pm to 11 pm

Plan to attend JCCM's upcoming fundraiser, *A Night For Neighbors!* Enjoy live music, dancing, concessions, and raffles—all while helping neighbors in need. Tickets are \$15.00/per person. All proceeds benefit Jefferson County Community Ministries. Zion will be providing a 'Coffee and Tea' basket for the raffle. If you would like to contribute to the basket, gift cards and/or appropriate items may be dropped off at our parish office by November 10th.

Thank you for your abundant generosity in supporting those in our community in need. Last week Zion contributed 38 pounds of food to JCCM'S food pantry.

Shopping List for JCCM: Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti/Pasta, Ramen Noodles, Crackers, Canned meat (chicken, spam, ham, tuna), Canned vegetables (not green beans/corn), Hearty soups, Canned Pasta (Ravioli, Spaghetti O's, etc.), Canned Chili, Canned Fruit, Cereal, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Sugar, Laundry Detergent, Dish Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Conditioner, Deodorant, Copy Paper, Paper towels, Toilet Paper, and Feminine Hygiene products.

Community Outreach Opportunity...

Martinsburg South Middle School is hoping to provide 25 to 30 Thanksgiving meal to families in need. There are a number of ways you can contribute to this worthy project. You may wish to purchase items from the list below, donate a gift card for local grocery stores, or purchase a whole meal—either by buying everything or donating the money for it to be purchased. The cost of each meal is approximately \$75.00. You may bring your donation to our parish office by Tuesday, November 11th during our normal operating hours: Monday through Thursday, 9 am to 2 pm. The following food items are currently needed:

Turkey (18 to 24 pounds) 1 Large Box of Instant Potatoes 3 Cans of Green Beans 1 Large Roasting pan for Turkey

3 Cans of Corn 1 Can of Evaporated Milk 3 Boxes of Stuffing 1 Large Can of Yams

2 Large Jars of Turkey Gravy

Community News...

Veteran's Day Party | South Jefferson Public Library Sunday, November 9th | 2 pm to 4 pm

South Jefferson Public Library will host a Veterans Day party including 1940s era food and entertainment by the barbershop quartet, Four Old Parts, for all service men and women.

Kazakh National String Quartet and Timur Mustakimov Sunday, November 2 at 3 pm | Asbury United Methodist Church

The Kazakh National String Quartet and Timur Mustakimov will be performing works of Mozart and Brahms on Sunday, November 2nd at 3:00 pm at Asbury United Methodist Church, 110 W North Street, Charles Town, WV 25414. The Quartet is currently on its 30th Anniversary World Tour, which will culminate in a recital at CARNEGIE HALL, where Timur Mustakimov will join with them to perform Brahms's Piano Quintet in F minor, Op. 34. The very same program will be performed here at Asbury, making this occasion especially meaningful for our local community. The concert will be filmed as part of a documentary which follows the Quartet's journey through Spain, France, and the USA. All proceeds will benefit JCCM.

Prayer Requests...

For Those Who Are Housebound...

Marian Auer, Jean Hale, Edna Phillips, Doris Starks, and Doris Whiting.

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, Doris, Michael, Mary Bruce, Jim, Leo, Peggy, Donna, Lucas, Ava, Kevin, Owen, P.T., Tom, Sharon, Jim, Mary Jane, Bobbie, Don, Kassidy, Kelly, Ruth, Lousie, Becky, Laurie, Barbara, Wanda, Jennifer, Karmen, Karen, Tyler, Walter, Nancy, Bob, Alison, Michele, Ned, Richard, Dennis, Renee, Lori, Evan, and Bertie.

For Those Who Have Died...

Roger Perry, Mary Gravatt Porter, Henry P. Porter, Sr.; The Rt. Rev. William Loyall Gravatt, Mrs. Sidney Peyon Gravatt; William Loyall Gravatt Porter, Cary Gravatt Mason.

For Those Celebrating Birthdays in October.

Holy God, thank you for the strength you provide, the grace you extend, and the mercy you grant us. May those celebrating birthdays this month always feel your presence, knowing that they are deeply loved and cherished by you. Grant them wisdom for the days ahead, strength for life's challenges, and a heart that continually seeks after you. May their faith grow stronger, and may they be a source of light and inspiration to those around them. May they continue to grow into the person You made them to be. Amen.

Bill Chesley, 13 th	Leigh Anne Cassell, 20th
Janet Barker, 13th	Chris Chesley, 21st
Bill Noble, 14 th	John Lustrea, 23 rd
Donald Noland, 14th	Rob Salisbury, 26th
Kenneth Fanelli, 14 th	Jill Beck, 27 th
Faye Davenport, 17 th	Sandra Coughlin, 27 th
	Janet Barker, 13 th Bill Noble, 14 th Donald Noland, 14 th Kenneth Fanelli, 14 th