



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...

Friday, November 7th

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

Sunday, November 2nd Pentecost 22

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 Sue and Ken Floyd in loving memory of Bernard W. Markwood, Jr. and Jack L. Floyd.

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild

Kathleen Willis

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

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild
Verger
Crucifer
Torch Bearers
Gospel Book
Lay Reader
Prayers of the People
Lay Eucharistic Minister
Ushers

Choral Eucharist: Rite II

Beverly Raines, Ann McKee
Lee Wilson
Erin Delaney
Porter Yuhasz, Levi Yuhasz
Winnie Wildman
Ken Fanelli
Greg Harp
Greg Harp
Stephanie Harp, Randy Hilton

5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Monday, November 10th

8:45 am — 9:45 am
10:00 am — 11:00 am
10:00 am — 11:00 am
5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Exercise Class | Gym
Morning Prayer & Conversation | Parlors
Exercise Class | Gym
Exercise Class | Gym

Tuesday, November 11th

8:45 am — 9:45 am
10:00 am — 11:00 am
7:00 pm — 8:00 pm
5:30 pm — 6:30 pm

Veteran's Day | Office Closed
Exercise Class | Gym
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Beginning Biblical Hebrew | Online via Zoom
Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall

Wednesday, November 12th

9:00 am — 12:00 pm
9:15 am — 10:45 am
5:00 pm — 6:00 pm
5:30 pm — 6:30 pm
7:00 pm — 9:00 pm

Thrift Shop Open
Exercise Class | Gym
Exercise Class | Hauser Room
Community Meal Ministry | Social Hall
Vestry Meeting | Parlors

Thursday, November 13th

8:45 am — 9:45 am
10:00 am — 11:00 am
5:00 pm — 6:00 pm

Exercise Class | Gym
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Friday, November 14th

2:00 pm — Diocesan Convention | Glade Springs Resort
7:00 pm — 11:00 pm JCCM Fundraiser | Charles Town Moose Lodge #948

Saturday, November 15th

All Day Diocesan Convention | Glade Springs Resort

Sunday, November 16th

10:00 am St. Stephen's Beckley
Convention Eucharist and Ordination

8:00 am — 9:00 am Morning Prayer I

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild	Kathleen Willis
Lay Reader	Linda Work
Ushers	Sam and Lanette Byrer
Hospitality	Jim Ruddy, Linda Work

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

10:30 am — 12:00 pm Morning Prayer II

Scheduled to Serve

Altar Guild	Sue Floyd and Family
Verger	Lee Wilson
Crucifer	Colin Harp
Torch Bearers	Isla Wildman, Rightly Wildman
Lay Reader	Julia Yuhasz
Prayers of the People	Kenny Floyd
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Kenny Floyd
Ushers	Eileen Davis, Joanne McIsaac

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!

Stewardship Committee News...

How My Soul Sings Out Through Artwork

By Ellen Sinclair

I have a limited time on this earth, so it has been my goal to wake up every day and use my God given talents to the best of my ability. I don't think I am alone when I say I doubt myself in this process, but I do keep striving to create something that I hope will touch the lives of others and bring to recognition the light I see in the world around me. God is light to me. From an artist's perspective there is no color without light. I am thankful for the light because I love color.

In my travels I have learned to appreciate the differences of others and what they and their different surroundings, and lifestyles have to offer to all of us. I like to paint these and hope that my viewers can see the light that shines in them too. We are all people of God and I hope this shows in my art.

I also like to capture the light in landscapes. Whether it is shimmering water on the Caribbean Sea, a river in Virginia, lights on a dark road, or in a house late at night. That light tells me we are not alone. God is nearby. There is nothing to fear.

I am not a portrait artist, but I do like to paint people. I try to paint the light that shines in their souls. Eyes tell us so much about a person. Recently, I have been painting the neighbors at my mother's memory care facility to recognize those lives who were once full. Their light should not be forgotten.

I do believe that something greater than me has guided me through this creative process using me as a paint brush to tell a story. I love that relationship. It is pure joy.



Questions for Reflection:

Where do you see
God's light?



Ellen Sinclair is from Virginia Beach; married to Deacon Carter Sinclair and now attends Eastern Shore Chapel after having been at Emmanuel Church for 8 years while Carter served as Deacon.
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Stewardship Corner...

Growing Faith

By Linda Work



I once asked my middle school Sunday school students how they would rank their faith (belief in God's word and promises) on a scale of 1 through 10. This created quite a discussion, and we all decided that our faith needed to grow. So, how do we grow our faith?

My faith journey began when I chose a church community that fitted my needs. Zion was that church. The loving and caring support of my church family plus the beautiful liturgy and gospel-based sermons suited me well. But more than attending church services regularly, growing faith requires more.

Growing faith requires frequent prayer, reading Scripture, and even Bible study. The Scriptures teach humility and gratitude and set standards for Christian behaviors. Growing in faith allows us to accept God's will and allows fear to be replaced by faith.

Faith and works go together to offer us salvation and forgiveness of sins. Faith requires serving, giving, ministering, and going out and showing your faith by your actions.

Faithful parishioners are crucial to Zion's growth and outreach. As we begin to rebuild our church, Zion can become the brilliant "beacon on the hill" that it once was. Let us show our faith by supporting our beautiful and historic church during this stewardship campaign and always.

"So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers."

—Acts 16:5

Stewardship Information...

If you are not receiving the Stewardship mailings, please contact our parish office (304.725-5312) and let us know! Our next stewardship mailing will be mailed on November 15th. It will contain a letter from our Stewardship chair, Michael Spensley, and a 2026 Pledge Card.

November 23rd | In-gathering of 2026 Pledge Commitment Cards

Parish News...

Morning Prayer & Conversation in the Parlors

Monday — Thursday at 10 am | Come as you are able, all are welcome!

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

Enjoy live music, dancing, concessions, and raffles—all while helping neighbors in need. Tickets are \$15.00/per person. Donations for Zion's 'Coffee and Tea' basket for the raffle may be dropped off at our parish office by **November 12th**.

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 143 pounds of food to JCCM last week!

Community Outreach Opportunity...

If you would like to donate to the Martinsburg South Middle School effort to provide full Thanksgiving meals for students in need. Please be sure to drop your donations off to our parish office by 2 pm, **Monday, November 10th**. 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.

Turkey (18 to 24 p lbs.)	Boxes of Stuffing	Roasting Pan
Cans of Green Beans	Large Jars of Turkey Gravy	Can of Evaporated Milk
Cans of Corn	Box of Instant Potatoes	Cans of Yams

Diocesan News...

Seeds of Faith
Advent Godly Play Days
Saturday, November 22 | 10 am—1 pm
Trinity, Shepherdstown



Seeds of Faith Initiative is having its first round of **Advent Godly Play Days**. This event we will have catechetical formation for both children and adults in preparation for the season of Advent. The day will include time for children — a Godly Play story and a craft — while adults get their own time of spiritual renewal.

There will be an Advent prayer service and a shared meal. The cost of this event is being provided by the Lilly Endowment's Nurturing Children's Spirituality Initiative. Most of the formation is geared to children 0-12 and their families. But all ages are invited as we begin this new Advent tradition in our diocese!

Come and celebrate the beauty of this Advent season with all those around our Episcopal community.

Register for the Advent Godly Play Day using the QR code to the right.



Peterkin Camp and Conference Center News...

Be sure to check out what's going on at Peterkin as the fall season comes to an end! Follow Peterkin on social media @PeterkinCCC on Facebook and Instagram or check out diocesan camp and conference center at www.peterkin.org. If you are looking for summer camp information, a new brochure from Peterkin is now available in our Narthex (a fancy Episcopal word for the entrance of our church).

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, 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, Nancy, Bob, Alison, Michele, Ned, Richard, Dennis, Renee, Lori, Evan, Bertie, and Brad.

For Those Who Have Died...

Walter Burke, Jack L. Floyd, Bernard W. Markwood, Jr., and Roger Perry.

For Those Celebrating Birthdays in November

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

Liz McDonald, 1 st	Bill Chesley, 13 th	Leigh Anne Cassell, 20 th
Debra Cornwell, 4 th	Janet Barker, 13 th	Chris Chesley, 21 st
James Gibson, 5 th	Bill Noble, 14 th	John Lustrea, 23 rd
Barbara Porterfield, 7 th	Donald Noland, 14 th	Rob Salisbury, 26 th
Susan Skinner, 9 th	Kenneth Fanelli, 14 th	Jill Beck, 27 th
Karen Shefner, 10 th	Faye Davenport, 17 th	Sandra Coughlin, 27 th