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*Let
the Peace
of Christ
Rule
in Your
Hearts...*
Colossians 3:15

OUR VISION

Mount Zion is called to be a Christ-Centered Church that addresses the needs of the total person through:

- Liberating worship
- Life-transforming Christian Education
- Progressive and timely ministries
- Effective social activism

OUR MISSION

Mount Zion Baptist Church exists to:

- Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- Develop mature Christian disciples
- Empower the hurting for victorious living
- Seek God's justice in the world

Scripture References:

Mark 16:15 and Matthew 28:19-20 and 25:34-40

One God... One People... One Purpose

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1946

HORACE R. CAYTON, SR.
(1859 - 1940)

Activist, Newspaper publisher:
The Republican, Cayton's
Weekly and Cayton's Monthly
Guest of Mount Zion and NAACP

Negroes to Hear Lawyer
Thurgood Marshall, legal counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, will address Seattle members of the N. A. A. C. P., Sunday, in Mount Zion Baptist Church.



1947

HON. THURGOOD MARSHALL
(1908 - 1993)
Legal counsel for NAACP
(Later US Supreme Court Judge)
Guest of Mount Zion

Zion Baptist Church

Horace R. Cayton, Negro sociologist and co-author of the book, "Black Metropolis," will speak at a public meeting at 8 o'clock tomorrow night in Mount Zion Baptist Church, 19th Avenue and East Madison Street. The meeting is sponsored by the Seattle Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Men's Fellowship Group of the church.



1947

WILLIAM PICKENS (1891 - 1954)

Author, Educator and Lecturer;
Yale graduate; Dean of Morgan State
Interracial Director US Department Treasury
Saving Bonds Division
Guest of Mount Zion Men's Fellowship Club

Dean William Pickens, educator and lecturer, will speak on "The Negro At Home and Abroad in the Second World War" at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening in Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

1947

JULIUS A. THOMAS
(1922 - 2012)

Director of Industrial Relations,
National Urban League
Consultant, US Department of Labor
Guest of Mount Zion Men's Fellowship Club and Seattle Urban League

Julius A. Thomas, director of industrial relations for the National Urban League and a consultant in retraining and employment for the United States Department of Labor, will address a public meeting at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening in Mount Zion Baptist Church, 19th Avenue and East Madison Street.

CARR NOTES: 1930's AND 1940's

While home, I spent time researching our Church history and former pastors. I discovered information previously omitted from our records that will be featured in future editions of The Zionews. I was excited to learn that during the early years, as now, many renowned personalities visited Seattle. This month highlights six distinguished leaders who spoke at Mount Zion during the 1930's and 1940's.

CONGRESSMAN OF NEGRO RACE WILL TALK HERE TODAY

Oscar De Priest Scheduled
at Mount Zion Church at

1929 and 1931

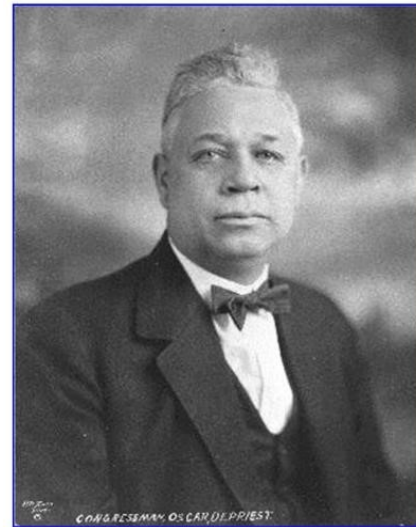
REP. OSCAR STANTON De PRIEST

(1871 - 1951)

Only African American in US Congress, Republican/Chicago

First African American elected to serve in 20th Century

Guest of Mount Zion and NAACP



1929

Congregants in Mount Zion Baptist Church tomorrow morning will hear the Rev. Dr. Harold M. Kingsley of Chicago preach. The evening service will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. George E. Haynes of New York. Both are directors of Negro work.

1931



1939

ASA PHILIP RANDOLPH

(1889 - 1979)

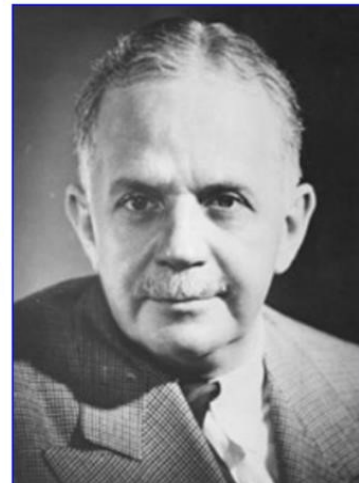
President, International Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

(Civil Rights Leader, Organizer for 1963 March on Washington)

Guest of Seattle Local Ladies' Auxiliary

DE PRIEST WILL SPEAK
Colored Congressman to Arrive in Seattle Saturday.
Congressman Oscar de Priest of the First Illinois District, the only negro in Congress, will arrive in Seattle Saturday. Sunday night he will appear in a public lecture at the Third Avenue Theatre, Third Avenue and Madison Street, at 8:30 o'clock, under auspices of the Seattle National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Saturday night he will be the honor guest of the Colored Republican Club of Seattle at a banquet at 6 o'clock in the Mount Zion Baptist Church.

Porters' President Coming
A. Philip Randolph, international president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, will arrive in Seattle Thursday to confer with the Seattle division of the organization. Randolph will speak at a public meeting at 8 o'clock Sunday evening at Mount Zion Baptist Church, 19th Avenue and East



1940

WALTER F. WHITE

(1893 - 1955)

Executive Secretary, NAACP

Civil Rights Leader

Guest of Mount Zion

**Negro Leader, Here, Seeks
Fair Deal for Race in U. S.**

White spoke last night at the Mount Zion Baptist Church and was to speak this afternoon at the University of Washington.

THE GREAT COMMISSION



"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Matthew 28: 18-20

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<https://mountzion.net> or
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THE ZIONEWS is distributed on the first Sunday of each month. The deadline for submitting articles/information:

15TH OF EACH MONTH.

Articles and announcements should be typed and saved on USB or sent as an attachment via e-mail. (See p. 2)

Mount Zion announcements receive priority and all other announcements will be considered based on content and space availability.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS



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Pray for everything that hath breath and let everything that hath breath praise the LORD.

With Sympathy

Our prayers, love and condolences are extended to the family and friends
of

Mr. John Earl Hollins

brother of Winona (John) Hollins-Hauge and nephew of Anna B. Rivers

Mr. Ray Godinez

husband of Rebecca A. Godinez, father of Max Godinez and brother of Daniel H. Godinez

Ms. Toni Ervin

niece of Deacon John (Malinda) Ervin and cousin of Yvonne Ervin Carr, Charles (Beverly) Ervin and Sarah Dean

Mr. William Finister

brother of Elizabeth Beaver, Bonita Moton and Gigi Finister



Mr. George Bell

brother of Sam (Belinda) Bell

HEALTH MINISTRY: COMMUNITY RESOURCES

With your help, the **Mount Zion Health, Guidance and Wellness Ministry** we will continue to connect our faith community members and families with **COVID 19 Strategies and Resources**.

Helpful Numbers and Websites to use are as follows:



Department of Health 1-800-525 0127 www.doh.wa.gov

CDC (Center for Disease Control) 1-800-232-4636 www.cdc.gov

National Disaster Relief Help LINE (24rs) 1-800-985-5990 or Text TALK WITH US 66746

Local Resources: Call 211

COMMUNITY PARTNER TESTING SITES 1- 206 520-2285 (UW)

Swedish Hospital 206 386 6000 Mobile Testing locations

UW Tests at Rainier Beach High School lot on Wed and Sat 10am to 3pm

International Health Services Testing

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

www.NAMI.org Help Line 1-800-950-6264 or 206 723 4288 OR

in a CRISIS TEXT "NAMI" to 741741

Therapeutic Health Services Rainer Branch 206-723-1980 call for appointment and/or referral

National Suicide Prevention LIFELINE toll free at 1-800-273-8255

Need help for Domestic Violence call 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE)

CRISIS TEXT LINE text HOME 741741 24/7

Help with Drugs and Alcohol : AA 1-844-289-0879 substance abuse SAMHSA 1-800-662 HELP

(4357) or www.mentalhelp.net Anxiety Help LINE 24/7 at 1-888-993-3112

COVID19 LOCAL SEATTLE, WASHINGTON AGENCIES

Washington State unemployment contact [www. Access.wa.gov](http://www.Access.wa.gov)

City of Seattle [www. CITY](http://www.CITY) (206 684- 2489)

King County COVID19 www.kingcounty/covid

United Way King County www.uwkc.org/ COVID19 (RELIEF NOW FUNDING) 206 461 3700

for help with housing, rent assistance, food and utility bills

LOCAL COVID COMMUNITY RELIEF AND RESOURCE AGENCIES

Center for Multicultural Health 206 461-6910 website www.cschc.org Contact: Eudora Carter

Outreach Manager helping families connect to health and resources

Central Area Senior Center 206 726 4926 www.centralareaseniorcenter.org

Metropolitan Urban League Seattle 206 461 3792 Housing, utility and rent assistance referrals

African American Reach and Teach Programs www.aarth.org

COVID 19 specific help and assistance call 206 850 2070

Robert Byrd Barr Place (formerly known as CAMP) www.byrdbarrplace.org

call for COVID19 relief information 206 812 4940

Seattle Parks and Recreation and www.seattle.gov Food programs and general information

206 684-4075 COVID19 with www.togetherwashington.com /World Vision

www.worldvision.org 1-888-511-6548.

SEATTLE PUBLIC SCHOOL RESOURCES

Get Your Questions Answered

Our central office is closed to the public, but we are still open to support you! Click on the orange "contact us" tab on our website at www.seattleschools.org or leave a voicemail or text us at **206-260-2044**.

SACK MEALS

Seattle Public Schools has 26 schools that are serving as a hub for student meal support. These schools provide sack meals prepared by our central kitchen for all Seattle Public Schools students **Monday through Friday, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** for the duration of the school closure.

WEEKEND STUDENT MEAL SUPPORT:

Meal support for weekends, provided by the Backpack Brigade and Food For Schools, provides non-perishable food such as canned goods, snacks, juice for all families in need to pick up on **Fridays**.

- Students and families can't stay at the school to eat meals because of social distancing restrictions.
- All students can pick up meals at the 26 sites. Parents and guardians may pick up meals for students. Students **do not** need to be in attendance.
- If an adult is delivering to non-family members and needs more than 10 meals, they should have an agency badge, be Seattle Public Schools staff, or provide evidence that they are vouched for by staff.

STUDENT LEARNING RESOURCES

SPS teacher generated educational programming airs on **SPS TV (local channel 26)**, social media (**Facebook: @SeattlePublicSchools**, **Twitter: @SeaPubSchools**), the **SPS TV YouTube channel**, and on KOMO4 news. You can watch the TV broadcast or view individual on-demand lessons. Learn more by visiting the **SPS TV webpage**.

Printed packets at each of the 26 student meal sites: The district will also distribute printed materials aligned to SPS TV programming at school lunch distribution sites for families who do not have access to the SPS TV broadcast or internet. These weekly supplemental learning packets are available now and can be picked up at any Meal Distribution site. They have also been distributed to affordable housing sites and the current K-5 packets can be downloaded from the [elementary learning resources webpage](#).

Online resources: Staff have curated Learning Resource Webpages organized by grade band (preschool, elementary, middle, and high school). You can find sample daily home learning schedules, emotional support guidance, supplemental learning resources coordinated by the Curriculum and Instruction Dept., SPS TV learning packets, and other online sites by visiting the [learning resources webpage](#).

CHILD CARE CURRENTLY OPEN FOR PRE-SCHOOL AND SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

We have asked these child care providers to prioritize students experiencing homelessness, children whose families qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch supports, and children of first responders which includes medical personnel, hospital/clinic personnel, EMTs, firefighters, essential SPS staff providing meals, child care workers, grocery store and pharmacy workers. Please contact these agencies directly.

Boys and Girls Club at B.F. Day Elementary **Spaces Available**
Contact: James Innelli, jinnelli@positiveplace.org

Boys and Girls Club at Lawton Elementary **Spaces Available**
Contact: Lisa Oordt, loordt@positiveplace.org

Boys and Girls Club at Salmon Bay K8 School **Spaces Available**
Contact: Amelia Reynolds, areynolds@positiveplace.org

Boys and Girls Club at Daniel Bagley Elementary /John Marshall building **Spaces Available**
Contact: Haylee Harper, hvisitacion@positiveplace.org

Boys and Girls Club at Sacajawea Elementary **Spaces Available**
Contacts: stalley@positiveplace.org and sswain@positiveplace.org

The Child Care Aware of Washington Family Center is a statewide referral center that helps families find and pay for child care. They have a [COVID Child Care Referral Webpage](#) or call the center at **1-800-446-1114**.

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Herman L. Williams
Kori P. Yates

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Melvin R. Harris

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Lyndell Johnson

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Arlene F. Hargis
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Regina L. Brown
Anteia S. Delaney
Nathaniel J. Wilcox

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LaToya Michel
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Sandra Hailey

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Doris J. Smith

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Andre Wooten

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Mattie T. Bailey
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Juanita Riddick

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Nancy Mitchell

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Philip Branham
Lee A. Gaylor

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Geramy Hudson

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Glenn E. Pennington

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Ivory J. Harris
Ruth Nelson

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Willie A. Grant

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Jovon N. Smith

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Brian K. Wells

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Julea L. Edwards
C. Barry B. Howard

April 30
John H. Ervin
Shelley E. Hightower
Kathleen M. Wilcox



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Butler-Bell, Belinda J.
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Butler, Victoria A.
Harris, Fayth
Harris, Lyric
Rice, Norman B.
Washington, K'ana I.

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Beaver, Jeffrey A.
Jackson, Anesha M.
Smith, George K.

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Miles, Leslie R.

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Scott, Dr. Joseph W.

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Pollard, Carolyn
Randall-Gort, Karita D.
Tharpe, Jim

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Boone, Gary D.
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Beaver, Morgan F.
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Riggins, Stephen

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Bennett, Chris H.
Harper, Shirley M.

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Gray, Mical K.
Hale, Kendra S.

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Foster, Lawayne C.
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Walker, Max

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Corley, Victoria A.

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***Thomas, Willie Rean**

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Mungin, Dorothy L.

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Howard, Alberta M.
Light, Jacob F.
Mieldon, Kiana A.

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Borman, Leon
Garrett, Kimberly A.
Harris, Heather O.
McDougald, Derrik
Vester, Malakia

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MAY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS



THEME: JUSTICE AND THE PROPHETS

The study this quarter focuses on justice as presented in Scriptures from the prophets. The prophets communicated God's will to the people. They called for repentance and justice.

UNIT 3: CALLED TO GOD'S WORK OF JUSTICE

This unit has five lessons that explore ways that people are called to participate in God's work of justice. Zephaniah presents both a judgment against the wickedness and injustice of Jerusalem and a vision of restoration. Zechariah calls for a return to God's ways of justice. In Jeremiah, God's rigorous standards for justice are defined and God's people are given a choice either to repent injustices by executing justice or face destruction. Hosea uses early history to call the people to love and justice.

Lesson 10 ~ May 3, 2020

A Vision of Restoration Zephaniah 3: 14-20

Oppression of the poor and powerless seems pervasive in our world. Is there any hope for reversal of this condition? The prophet Zephaniah proclaims the day of restoration when God's people shall be returned to righteousness, justice and peace.

Lesson 11 ~ May 10, 2020

Peace and Justice Reign Zechariah 8: 1-8, 11-17

Sometimes people respond to evil conditions in the world with a sense of hopelessness, regret and doom. Where can they find motivation for continuing? The prophet Zechariah delivers God's promise of a new world of peace and prosperity for God's people.

Lesson 12 ~ May 17, 2020

Practice Justice Jeremiah 21: 8-14

Evil is pervasive throughout human society. Can people continue to do evil without consequence? Jeremiah tells us that God is a God of justice and will recompense evil.

Lesson 13 ~ May 24, 2020

Repent of Injustice Jeremiah 22: 1-10

Society often ignores and even condones the oppression of the vulnerable. Will righteousness be rewarded, and will evil face retribution? Through the prophet Jeremiah, God exhorts the people either to repent of injustice and deliver those who are oppressed or to face destruction.

Lesson 14 ~ May 31, 2020

Return to Love and Justice Hosea 11: 1-2, 7-10 and 12: 1-2, 6-14

People often equate prosperity with righteousness. Is prosperity the standard by which people and society should be judged? Hosea reminds us that love and justice are God's standards.



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...Elma Horton and the prayer warriors who have been steadfast in their commitment six nights a week since March

...Phillip Miller who has been flexible in his schedule during taping of broadcasts and disinfectant team shifts that sometimes lasted until 11:00 p.m.

...Emma Cotton who continues to call our seniors and deliver meals, especially the Easter feast she prepared for their enjoyment

...Teresa Jones-Crawford and Deacon Darlene Hobbs who monitor office messages and emails

...Trustees who continue to supervise our building operations and manage our financial obligations

...The Diaconate members who are reaching out to those on our sick and prayer lists

...The Music Ministry (see p. 7) and the Liturgical Dancers: Jessica Andrews Hall, Dwayne Andrews, Heather Harris, Akoiya Harris and Lyric Harris for faithfully praising God

AND

...Those whose names are not listed. You know who you are and God does, too. Be confident in knowing that He is pleased with every good deed you have performed. To Him belongs the glory!



PROVERBS 31 [NIV] ~ A VIRTUOUS WOMAN



¹⁰ **A wife of noble character who can find?**
She is worth far more than rubies.

¹¹ Her husband has full confidence in her
and lacks nothing of value.

¹² She brings him good, not harm,
all the days of her life.

¹³ She selects wool and flax
and works with eager hands.

¹⁴ She is like the merchant ships,
bringing her food from afar.

¹⁵ She gets up while it is still night;
she provides food for her family
and portions for her female servants.

¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it;
out of her earnings she plants a vineyard.

¹⁷ She sets about her work vigorously;
her arms are strong for her tasks.

¹⁸ She sees that her trading is profitable,
and her lamp does not go out at night.

¹⁹ In her hand she holds the distaff
and grasps the spindle with her fingers.

²⁰ She opens her arms to the poor
and extends her hands to the needy.

²¹ When it snows, she has no fear for her household;
for all of them are clothed in scarlet.

²² She makes coverings for her bed;
she is clothed in fine linen and purple.

²³ Her husband is respected at the city gate,
where he takes his seat among the elders of the land.

²⁴ She makes linen garments and sells them,
and supplies the merchants with sashes.

²⁵ She is clothed with strength and dignity;
she can laugh at the days to come.

²⁶ She speaks with wisdom,
and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

²⁷ She watches over the affairs of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.

²⁸ **Her children arise and call her blessed;**
her husband also, and he praises her:

²⁹ **“Many women do noble things,**
but you surpass them all.”

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!

MOUNT ZION WORSHIP SERVICES

MOUNT ZION LIVE STREAMING WORSHIP SERVICE: SUNDAYS AT 10:45 A.M.
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TELL YOUR FAMILY!...TELL YOUR FRIENDS!...SHARE THE GOOD NEWS!

We are so grateful to our AV/Tape Ministry and other volunteers who have worked diligently to make live streaming a reality for the members of Mount Zion. You are a blessing to all who are able to view and/or listen to the worship services.

Dedicated pulpit participants include Rev. James O. Stallings, Rev. R. Marthel Barlow, Rev. David B.C. Taylor, Rev. Dr. Phyllis Beaumonte, Deacon Juanita Riddick and Winona Hollins-Hauge.

Minister of Music Phyllis Byrdwell, Percussionist Fred Byrdwell and New Revelation (Catherine Acox, Becky Anderson, Angela Burgess, Jason Chambliss, Rev. Dr. Patricia Hunter, Harold Kelsie, Lynnet Mitchell, Rhonda Staton and Quanetta West) use their musical gifts to praise God in a mighty way.

Rev. James O. Stallings has delivered the following sermons for our spiritual growth. You may wish to listen to his insightful messages again and read these scriptures:

- Sunday, March 22, 2020

Scripture ~ John 9: 1 - 15

Sermon ~ *Seeing and Not Seeing*
- Sunday, March 29, 2020

Scripture ~ Matthew 14: 22 - 36

Sermon ~ *Trust in God: There Is No Reason to Fear*
- Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020

Scripture ~ John 12: 12 - 26

Sermon ~ *The Drama of Palm Sunday*
- Resurrection Sunday, April 12, 2020

Scripture ~ Matthew 28: 1 - 10

Sermon ~ *He Has Risen!*

On Resurrection Sunday, we were treated with a special **Children’s Program** coordinated by Catherine Acox and the Youth Ministry. Bethel, David and Jesse Abah told us about Lent and the Temptations of Christ; Samiya, Samira and Jamal Shirazy spoke about Maundy Thursday and enacted the Last Supper; and Josaphina and Jeremiah Buckley led us in prayer, read scripture and recited the Seven Last Words spoken by Christ on Good Friday. Rev. Paul R. Edwards, who conducts our Youth Bible Study, delivered the message, *The Bird on The Cross*; scripture, John 16:33; and closed the program with prayer.

- Sunday, April 19, 2020

Scripture ~ John 20: 19 - 31

Sermon ~ *Easter in Retrospect*
- Sunday, April 26, 2020

Scripture ~ Luke 24: 13 - 21

Sermon ~ *Leaving the City for the Village*

Questions? Comments? Contact: patience.mizero@gmail.com

MAY DATES

CINCO DE MAYO is an annual celebration held on **May 5th**. The date is observed to commemorate the Mexican Army's victory over the French Empire at the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862, under the leadership of General Ignacio Zaragoza. In this country, May 5th has also expanded to include a celebration of ancestry and culture.

THE 69TH ANNUAL NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER, May 7th, will have great significance for our country. This year's theme is **PRAY God's Glory Across the Earth** taken from Habakkuk 2:14. **For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the seas.**

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Scripture tells us that our fervent prayer is effective. Our loving God responds to His children's earnest pleas in mighty ways that avail much, and ultimately determine the course of history.

At this crucial time for our nation, we can do nothing more important than pray.

MOTHER'S DAY, May 10th In 1908, Anna Jarvis held a memorial in West Virginia for her mother, Ann Reeves Jarvis, a peace activist who died in 1905 and cared for wounded soldiers on both sides of the American Civil War. Anna's campaign to make Mother's Day a national holiday was not successful until 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation designating the 2nd Sunday in May as **Mother's Day**. *We honor our mothers, grandmothers and matriarchs on this very special day.*



ASCENSION DAY marks Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven. It is celebrated on a Thursday on the 40th day of Easter, or 39 days after Easter Sunday. This year's date is **May 21st**. It is believed that on the 40th day, Jesus took His disciples to the Mount of Olives, where they watched as He ascended to heaven. **Ascension Day** marks the end of the Easter season and occurs ten days before Pentecost.

You will find the Biblical accounts of the Ascension in Matthew 28:16-20, Mark 16:19-20, Luke 24:50-53 and Acts 1:6-11.

Honoring Our Military

MEMORIAL DAY, May 25th, (previously **Decoration Day**) is a federal holiday for honoring and mourning the military personnel that died while serving in the US Armed Forces: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force and Coast Guard. We must remember those who have sacrificed their lives for the security of this nation.



PENTECOST is celebrated 7 weeks/49 days after Easter Sunday. The date this year is **May 31st**.

Pentecost recalls the visitation of the Holy Spirit to 120 Christians, both apostles and followers. They spoke in tongues (in foreign languages that they had not previously personally known) to the assembled crowd. Three thousand were baptized.

The day was originally a Jewish festival which was called "*Pentecost*," because it was observed 50 days after Passover. (The Greek word for 50th day is "*pentecoste*.")

This is usually regarded as the date of the birth of the Christian Church.



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENING PRAYER TELECONFERENCE SERVICE



EVERYONE is invited to join the nightly prayer sessions coordinated by Sister Elma Horton. They are held **Monday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m.** Use your cell phone to **call 425-436-6306**. The **access code** is **147230#**. You may pray, read scriptures, give testimonials, share devotions and be blessed as you listen to inspirational messages from Rev. Paul Edwards, Rev. R. Marthel Barlow and others. Mrs. Horton believes in the power of prayer and its importance in our daily lives.

TRUSTEE MINISTRY

The Trustee Ministry, under the leadership of Harry Bailey, continues to serve. During April, a crew of certified workers began cleaning/disinfecting Mount Zion. Targeted areas included the Sanctuary and pews, Chapel, Parlor, foyer, classrooms, bathrooms, hallway, kitchen and Fellowship Hall to help ensure our safety and well-being. You will notice a vast improvement whenever we are able to assemble once again.

THREE WAYS TO GIVE CHEERFULLY AND GENEROUSLY

To help maintain our daily operations, the Trustees encourage you to (1) **MAIL** your tithes, offering and donations to the church while we observe COVID-19 mandates. Please include your membership number on your giving envelope and send **check or money order payable to Mount Zion Baptist Church**.

You may also give (2) **ONLINE** at **www.mountzion.net**. Click give and follow the instructions or (3) use your cell phone to **TEXT MZBC** and enter **73256**.

JOIN ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS #2 VIA TELECONFERENCING

Share in the discussion of the **SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON** with Adult Class # 2

When? Every Sunday 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

How? Call 425-436-6326. The access code is 404815#.

Contact Dr. Georgia McDade (206-722-0964) or Gracie Williams, Instructors

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE QUESTIONNAIRE

The **PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE** is busy pursuing the charge of selecting a Senior Pastor for Mount Zion, and have continued our meetings even though we've had to shelter-in-place.

You should've received a letter from our committee that included a **questionnaire** regarding our top priorities for a senior pastor, and we are looking forward to receiving your feedback so that we can determine what characteristics the membership wants to see in a Senior Pastor. So, it is important for you to return your list of priorities by the **May 9th due date**.

Thanking you in advance for your valuable input!

Blessings,

The Pastoral Search Committee

Rhonda Staton, Chair Darlene Hobbs, Secretary

Samuel Bell, Kimberly Garrett, Clifford Marshall and Colleen Walls

