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He Is
RISEN!

"You are looking for
**JESUS THE
NAZARENE,**
who was crucified.
**HE HAS RISEN!
HE IS NOT HERE**

Mark 16:6, NIV

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, 25:34-40

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

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“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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Welcome to Mount Zion

PUBLICATIONS

THE MESSENGER, our Church bulletin, is distributed every Sunday. Announcements should be sent to Publications.

All announcements are due by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

THE ZIONEWS is distributed on the first Sunday of each month; it is also available on the website: www.mountzion.net.

The deadline for submitting articles is the

15TH OF EACH MONTH.

You may send articles and announcements via e-mail to ycarr@mountzionseattle.org. Mount Zion information receives priority and all other announcements and articles will be considered based on space availability and content.

The Zionews Coordinating Committee was organized in 1956 by Deacon Tom Brown under the pastorate of Reverend Gil B. Lloyd.

Charter members included Edith Smith, Bessie Lyles, and Alva Smith. F. J. Johnson, Jr. was the editor of the first edition published in 1957.

That same year, the Committee expanded to include Yvonne Beatty, Zelda Brown, Clara Coleman, Nora Hatter, Helen Hornbuckle, Willie Horton, Katherine Houston, Linzy Macklin, Marguerite Robinett, S.C. Valley and Barbara Washington.

The mimeographed, hand-stapled Zionews was distributed every Sunday after church services.

APRIL CHURCH CALENDAR

WEEKLY IN-PERSON

April 2025						
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30			

SUNDAY - SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:00 A.M., #205, 206, 208 & 212B

SUNDAY - WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 A.M., SANCTUARY

SUNDAY - CHILDREN'S CHURCH: 10:00 A.M., #205

SATURDAY - TEAM ISSACHAR: 10:00 A.M., #117

SATURDAY - CHOIR REHEARSAL: NOON, SANCTUARY

SATURDAY - AB GIRLS SPANISH LESSONS: 1:00 P.M., #212

THE OFFICE IS CLOSED ON MONDAYS AND THURSDAY

IN-PERSON MEETINGS AND EVENTS

APRIL 5TH ~ SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING - 10:00 A.M., FELLOWSHIP HALL

APRIL 6TH ~ HOLY COMMUNION - 10:00 A.M.

APRIL 6TH ~ ABIGAIL CIRCLE - NOON, #208

APRIL 6TH ~ AB GIRLS FELLOWSHIP, NOON, #212B

APRIL 6TH ~ HISTORY AND ARCHIVES - NOON, CHAPEL

APRIL 6TH ~ HUMAN RESOURCES - NOON, #205

APRIL 8TH ~ MISSIONS AND EVANGELISM - 11:00 A.M., #206

APRIL 12TH ~ YOUTH USHERS - 10:00 A.M.

APRIL 12TH ~ HARRIET TUBMAN CIRCLE - 2:00 P.M., PARLOR

APRIL 13TH ~ PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE - 10:00 A.M.

APRIL 13TH ~ PRISCILLA/SOJOURNER TRUTH CIRCLE - NOON, #212B

APRIL 13TH ~ 83RD ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE - NOON, #206

APRIL 13TH ~ NCNW SEATTLE SECTION - 2:00 P.M., PARLOR

APRIL 15TH ~ AARP - NOON, #208

APRIL 18TH ~ GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - 11:00 A.M., SANCTUARY

APRIL 18TH ~ GOD'S GROCERIES - NOON, NORTH PARKING LOT

APRIL 19TH ~ EASTER EGG HUNT - 11:00 A.M.

APRIL 19TH ~ PHILLIS WHEATLEY/SARAH CIRCLE - 1:00 P.M., PARLOR

APRIL 20TH ~ RESURRECTION SUNDAY/YOUTH-YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY

APRIL 22ND ~ ELECTION DAY

APRIL 24TH ~ PRAYERLINE/DIACONATE REVIVAL - 6:00 P.M., SANCTUARY

APRIL 25TH ~ DIACONATE/PRAYERLINE REVIVAL - 6:00 P.M., SANCTUARY

APRIL 27TH ~ HEALTH MINISTRY SUNDAY - 10:00 A.M.

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CALL 425.436.6306 CODE 147230#

PRAYERLINE ~ MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:00 A.M.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND FRIDAY AT 7:30 P.M.

APRIL 20 4TH AND 25TH ~ REVIVAL SERVICE AT 6:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY ~ APRIL 2ND, 9TH, 16TH, 23RD AND 30TH AT 7:00 P.M.

BIBLICAL ETHICS - *STEWARDSHIP: WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE?*

REV. DR. PHYLLIS R. BEAUMONTE, INSTRUCTOR



April 1

Theautrey M. Brown

April 2

Sophia Miles

Herman L. Williams

April 3

Melvin R. Harris

Charles S. Hopper

Ariana C. Smith

April 6

Regina L. Brown

April 7

Debra L. Coleman

Latoya Michel

April 8

Sadikifu Z. Akina-James

Sandra Hailey

April 9

John A. Capps

Doris J. Smith

April 11

Elnora Green

André Wooten

April 12

Ossie L. Brown

April 13

Jasmine L. Mwender

April 14

Betty L. Dobbins

Toron C. Smith

April 17

Victoria A. Corley

April 18

Mattie T. Bailey

LaDrina Y. Davis-Sullivan

April 20

Juanita Riddick

April 22

Philip Branham

Lee A. Gaylor

April 24

Glenn E. Pennington

April 25

Ivory J. Harris

Ruth Nelson

April 28

Berhanu K. Wells

April 29

C. Barry B. Howard

Kyle Leeyaw

April 30

John H. Ervin

Kathleen M. Wilcox



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

***Deacons Melvin and Lois Harris** will celebrate their 59th Wedding Anniversary on April 30th.*

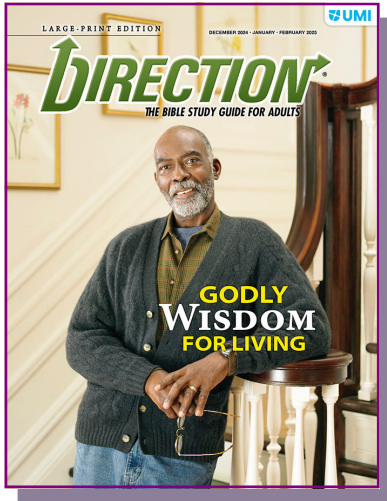
They have been faithful members of Mount Zion for over sixty years!

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Congratulations!



APRIL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS



PRECEPTS FOR LIVING

Precepts For Living®: Principles for Living in an Unhinged World is for individuals and churches who sense the world needs change and covenant to apply God's wisdom to earthly problems.

In the clutter and busyness of day-to-day life, it's often hard to find time to study God's Word. *Direction®* helps urban adults (25+) cut through the clutter to focus on their relationships with Jesus Christ. Based on UMI's *Precepts for Living commentary®*, *Directions®* encourages in-depth reading, studying, and application of the Bible.

April 2, 2025 ~ Emmanuel Is Born

Matthew 1:18-25

The angel told Joseph about Mary's pregnancy. The Old Testament prophets had already foretold the virgin birth of Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." Joseph was obedient to God and did not put Mary away privately.

April 9, 2025 ~ Hosanna!

Mark 11:1-11

Jesus' entry into Jerusalem for the Passover celebration marked the beginning of His final days. He fulfills the prophecies of the coming Messiah.

April 16, 2025 ~ The Lord's Supper

Luke 22:7-23

The Scripture passage focuses on the institution of the Lord's Supper. Jesus sent Peter and John out to find a room, which had already **been** prepared for them. It was here that Jesus had His last supper with His apostles.

April 23, 2025 ~ The Living Word

John 20:1-10, 19-20

The disciples were afraid and locked themselves in a room. They did not expect a resurrection. When Jesus appeared to them, they greatly rejoiced.



Dr. Georgia S. McDade, Sunday School Superintendent

Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase. ~ M.L.K., Jr.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, April 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th at 7:00 p.m.

Biblical Ethics: Stewardship: What Does The Lord Require?

Rev. Dr. Phyllis Beaumonte, Instructor

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## CHILDREN'S IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

9:00 a.m. ~ Room 205

Sisters Carol Bell, Belinda Butler-Bell and Daphne Piggee, Instructors

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

10:00 a.m. ~ Room 205

Sisters Deborah Hilsman and Gwen Howard, Instructors

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Grades 3 - 5. ~ 9:00 a.m., Room 212B

Contact Dr. Karen Jackson, Instructor - karjackson9@gmail.com (206.605.1288)

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ~ YOUTH LOUNGE

9:00 a.m. ~ Sister Debra Coleman, Instructor

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS #2 IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

9:00 a.m. ~ Room 206

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86540264986?pwd=SXhzZDBBRkdzWEJzWTZ0bldlczFtUT09>

Meeting ID: 865 4026 4986 Password: 311725#

One tap mobile: +12532158782...86540264986#...0#...311725# US (Tacoma)

Contact Dr. Georgia McDade, Sunday School Superintendent

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS #3 IN-PERSON

Room 206 at 9:00 a.m.

Min. Edward Jackson and Sister Maxine Moore, Instructors

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS #4 FACEBOOK

Mount Zion Baptist Church Adult Sunday School 9:30am | Facebook

[www.facebook.com/MountZionAdultSundaySchoolRoom](http://www.facebook.com/MountZionAdultSundaySchoolRoom)

Dr. Virgie Harris-Haley, Instructor

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UNITY SUNDAY ~ APRIL 16TH

Third Sundays at 5:00 p.m. Deaconess Doris Smith, Coordinator

Use your cell phone to call 425.436.6306. The access code is 147230#

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**MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY at 7:00 a.m.**

**MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY at 7:30 p.m.**

## **PRAYERLINE TELECONFERENCE SERVICE**

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**Sister Elma Horton, Coordinator 206.325.6941**





## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



### MOUNT ZION PRAYERLINE REVIVAL

### FIFTH YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**APRIL 24TH AND 25TH ~ 6:00 P.M.**

### BISHOP GREGORY B. PAYTON, GUEST PREACHER

Bishop Payton has served as the Senior Pastor of the Greater St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Oakland, California for twenty years. He is a humble under-shepherd and a dynamic orator. Being a motivator, advisor, administrator, businessman, lecturer, revivalist, coach, mentor, teacher, father, grandfather, visionary, pastor and so much more, he has truly made a lasting impression and continues to do so for his parishioners, family, community and certainly for future generations to come.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR, INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND COME**

**PREPARED FOR A BLESSING! ELMA HORTON, PRAYERLINE FOUNDER AND REVIVAL COORDINATOR**



### FRIENDLY REMINDERS::

- ⇒ Church announcements are due on **Wednesday by 3:00 p.m.** Email announcements to Publications: [ycarr@mountzionseattle.org](mailto:ycarr@mountzionseattle.org). The deadline for Zionews articles is the **15th**
- ⇒ Please complete a room reservation for prior to announcing or showing up for meetings/events. Security and office staff need advance notification for room assignment coordination. Your cooperation on this matter is greatly appreciated.
- ⇒ Attention Ministry Leaders: Please email a current roster of officers and members and include an email address or mailing address to Publications by April 15th.



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## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Rev. Dr. Phyllis R. Beaumonte welcomes **Angelique Johnson, Kelly Fahie, Dr. Talitha Batts and Elesheba Johnson** to our church family. After completing required membership classes, they received a Certificate of Membership and the Right Hand of Fellowship on March 30th. We look forward to their active participation and contributions to Mount Zion.

### TRUSTEE MINISTRY

#### 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. Please include your membership number on your giving envelope and **send check/money order payable to Mount Zion.**
- (2) Use your cell phone to **TEXT MZBC** and **enter 73256.**
- (3) **GIVE DURING THE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE.**
- (4) **DROP BY** on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Fridays, Noon until 2:00 p.m.**
- (5) **ONLINE** at [www.mountzion.net](http://www.mountzion.net). Click **GIVE** and follow the instructions.
- (6) OR **QR CODE.**



**Chelsea Riddick Most, Trustee Chairperson**

During this tax season, we want to remind you that we have been diligently issuing statements to our generous givers. It is important to us that all contributions are properly accounted. If you have questions regarding your statement or if you have not yet received one, please complete a form available online and in the foyer and send it to [mzbc.financial.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:mzbc.financial.secretary@gmail.com), or leave it in the office and we'll ensure your inquiries are addressed promptly.

**Joel Hobbs, II, Trustee Vice-Chair**

### CHARITY MINISTRY

Please remember the many who are experiencing financial difficulties. Write CHARITY next to the "Other" line of your giving envelope so we may assist the growing number of families in need. A special collection is taken on the **First Sunday**. Your generous donation will be greatly appreciated.

**Deacon Ricky Cotton, Charity Ministry Charity**

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### GOD'S GROCERIES



**God's Groceries** are distributed from **Noon to 2:00 p.m. every THIRD FRIDAY**. Join us on **April 21st** in the North parking lot for **FREE** food.

Contact **Phillip Miller** for more information.



## WHAT ARE THE WORST THINGS TO CARRY IN YOUR WALLET?

1. **Social Security card.** You do not need it for daily use, and criminals could use it to open lines of credit in your name or sell it to another criminal.
2. **Make copies.** Consumer advocates advise making photocopies (or taking smartphone photos) of the front and back of all your cards, so you know whom to contact if they go missing.
3. **Multiple credit cards and credit card receipts.** Choose one credit card and one debit card you wish to use the most, and leave the others at home.
4. **Checkbook, or even one blank check.** The days when you might need one for a purchase are mostly in the past.
4. **Work ID card.** This will have your name and other identifying information that could be used for a targeted [phishing](#) (spear-phishing) campaign to perpetrate a [scam within your workplace](#).
5. **Passport or passport card.** "The U.S. passport is considered to be the most valuable identity document in the world. It can be used to provide proof of U.S. citizenship and allows its bearer access to virtually every country in the world."
6. **List of your passwords.** If your passwords are stolen, the criminal has the keys to your accounts.
7. **Gift card not fully redeemed.** There's no stopping a thief from using those funds, which are essentially like cash.
8. **Birth certificate.** This essential piece of paper contains enough information for a criminal to create fake accounts in your name, and access your own accounts.
9. **Library card.** It sounds benign, but a criminal can always check out lots of books and sell them for a buck or two apiece.
10. **House key.** Thieves could find your address from the contents of a stolen wallet.
11. **Legal paperwork.** Don't carry any legal documents in your wallet or purse that you don't need that day.

For more information about issues that affect seniors, and the community, listen to Seniors Matter! hosted by **Mrs. Brenda Charles-Edwards**, every Friday at 12:30 p.m. PST on [www.rainieravenueradio.world](http://www.rainieravenueradio.world), [www.facebook.com/rainieravenueradio.world/videos](https://www.facebook.com/rainieravenueradio.world/videos); YouTube, and Rainier Avenue Radio app.

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Dear Mount Zion Church Family,

I want to thank all of the members and friends of Mount Zion for all of the wonderful things you did to help celebrate my 98th birthday. Your kind words and generosity is appreciated. I am grateful to God for blessing me with a loving family and such caring friends!

*My love to each of you,  
Evelyn Peterson*

Dear Sister Brenda and My Choir Family,

Thank you so very much for the beautiful card and my \$200.00 Delta Airline credit. It was the perfect gift and I appreciate it very much!!

I miss you all more than I can say.

Sending love, prayers and best wishes that all is well with you.

May God continue to shine down on each of you as you sing His praises on Sunday mornings.

*With love and gratitude,  
Sister Becky Anderson*

*How thoughtful your kindness,  
How grateful my heart.*

*Dear Mount Zion Family,*

*Thank you for the love and support that you have shown me over the years that I have been an active member of Mount Zion.*

*It has been a joy serving and participating on several ministries during my membership.*

*I will miss you all.*

*Love,  
Becky Anderson*

Education Update:

I have completed my class in Organizational Behavior and Leadership. My grade is a 3.3. I made 100% on my Team Project, and 95% on my Team Study Project.

This class was interesting because it was geared towards the younger generation. My advisor petitioned the board to let me take the class. During the research by the board of my records they recovered credits from the University of Tennessee (where I met my husband, Joel), and Work sponsored classes and classes from Seattle Central. These were credits that had not been applied to my records.

Because of this discovery it puts me closer to law school and a Juris Doctor degree.

Thank you, Mount Zion, all for your support and encouragement.

*Deacon Darlene Hobbs*

## PALM SUNDAY - JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM ~ APRIL 13TH

Matthew 21-22, Mark 11-12, Luke 19-20, John 12

**Palm Sunday**, also known as "Passion Sunday," is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week; it commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem. Christians believe it was a week before His death and resurrection, and the events of that day are recalled in special Palm Sunday services where the faithful receive palm branches. Palm branches symbolize victory and triumph over death. Palm Sunday is the feast that falls on the Sunday before Easter.

The holy city of Jerusalem was crowded with pilgrims who had come for the annual Passover celebration. Jesus had spent many months traveling through the towns and villages of Palestine. He preached about the kingdom of God and healed the sick wherever He went. Now the time had come for Him to claim His title as the Messiah - the Savior that God had promised to the Jewish people.

Jesus knew His mission was almost finished. As they traveled to Jerusalem, **Jesus warned His disciples that He would soon be put to death, and after three days He would rise again.** As they came near Jerusalem, Jesus told two of His disciples to go into a nearby village and bring a donkey that would be waiting there. Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the donkey. Crowds of people spread their cloaks on the ground in front of Him. Some waved branches of palm trees, a sign of victory. The people sang and shouted,

***Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord – the King of Israel!***

**Cleansing of the Temple:** Jesus went to the temple once He got into Jerusalem, and He didn't like what He saw. This most holy of places had been turned into a marketplace. Merchants were selling animals for temple sacrifices. Money changers were exchanging the pilgrims' money for special coins used in the temple. Many of these people were cheating the pilgrims who came to celebrate Passover in Jerusalem.

Jesus turned over the seats of the merchants and the tables of the money changers, scattering their coins. He told them all to leave. He made a whip of some cords and used it to drive out the animals. He said, *It is written, 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations,' But you have made it a den of robbers!*

**Teaching and Healing:** Jesus went to the temple every day. Blind people, crippled people and sick people came to Him, and He healed all of them.

An expert on the Jewish Law asked Jesus which of God's commandments was most important. Jesus replied, ***'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.'*** This is the first and greatest commandment. The second is just as important: ***'Love your neighbor as yourself.'*** All the other commandments and the teachings of the prophets are based on these two.

**Conflict with the Chief Priests and Elders:** Not everyone was happy that Jesus was preaching at the temple every day. The chief priests/elders of the temple were angry. The temple officials felt their authority slipping away.

These temple officials came up with a plan to trap Jesus with His own words. They came to Jesus and demanded to know by what authority he was doing all these things. If Jesus said His authority was from God, they would accuse Him of blasphemy. If He did not claim authority from God, they could say He was just a crazy man.

But Jesus knew it was a trap. Instead of answering the question, He asked them another question: "Did the baptism of John come from heaven?" The temple officials realized this was also a trap. So, they refused to answer. As usual, Jesus had defeated his opponents at their own game. But the temple officials were even more angry and began to plot to have Jesus killed.

**Lessons:** For the Jews, Jerusalem was the holy City of God. When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, He fulfilled an Old Testament prophecy (Zechariah 9:9-10) and left little doubt that He was accepting the title of \*Messiah. Jesus was adored by the crowds of people who had come to Jerusalem for Passover.

But there was harsh conflict between Jesus and Jerusalem's religious leaders. These conflicts led to Jesus being crucified less than a week after entering Jerusalem. Jesus did some of His most important preaching during this final week. He spoke of His second coming and told parables of the kingdom of God. Most of all He said we must put our total trust in God and put that trust into action with kindness for other people.

**\*Messiah** comes from a Hebrew word meaning "the anointed one." In Old Testament times, important people like kings and priests were anointed with oil as a sign of their office. For hundreds of years, the Jews had expected God to send them a special king (Daniel 9:25-26, Isaiah 7:14-17, 11:1-9, Micah 5:2). Jesus avoided accepting the title Messiah until the very end because the people were expecting their Messiah to be a military and political leader instead of a spiritual leader. In Greek, the original language of the New Testament, *christos* means "anointed one," and that is from whence the word "Christ" is derived.

## MAUNDY THURSDAY ~ APRIL 17TH

**Maundy Thursday**, observed during Holy Week on the Thursday before Easter, commemorates the Last Supper when Jesus shared the Passover meal with His disciples on the night before He was crucified. Derived from the Latin word *mandatum*, meaning "commandment," *Maundy* refers to the commands Jesus gave His disciples at the Last Supper: to love with humility by serving one another and to remember His sacrifice.



Two important biblical events are the primary focus of the Maundy Thursday Passover Meal:

Before the Passover meal, **Jesus washed the feet of His disciples**. By performing this lowly act of service the Bible says in John 13:1 that Jesus "showed them the full extent of his love." By His example, Jesus demonstrated how Christians are to love one another through humble service. For this reason, many churches practice foot-washing as a part of their Maundy Thursday services.

During the Passover meal, Jesus took bread and wine and asked His Father to bless it. He broke the bread into pieces, giving it to His disciples and said, **"This is My body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."** Then He took the cup of wine, shared it with His disciples and said, **"This wine is the token of God's new covenant to save you--an agreement sealed with the blood I will pour out for you."**

These events recorded in Luke 22:19-20 describe the Last Supper and form the biblical basis for the practice of **Communion**. For this reason, many churches hold special Communion services as a part of their Maundy Thursday celebrations. Likewise, many congregations observe a traditional **Passover Seder Meal**.

### PASSOVER FEAST - PESACH:

Passover commemorates the liberation of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, as recorded in the book of Exodus. On Passover, Jews also celebrate the birth of the Jewish nation after being freed by God from captivity. The Hebrew word *Pesach* means "to pass over." During Passover Jews take part in a meal known as the Seder, which incorporates the retelling of the story of Exodus and God's deliverance from their bondage in Egypt. The following food items traditionally appear on the Seder plate:



- Matzoh**: Unleavened matzohs are placed within the folds of a napkin as a reminder of the haste with which the Israelites fled Egypt, leaving no time for the dough to rise.
- Maror/Chazeret**: bitter herbs, like horseradish or romaine lettuce, used to symbolize the bitterness of slavery.
- Charoses**: a mixture of apples, nuts, wine, and cinnamon, as a reminder of the mortar used by the Jews in the construction of buildings as slaves
- Beitzah**: a roasted egg, as a symbol of life and the perpetuation of existence.
- Karpas**: a vegetable, usually parsley or celery, representing hope and redemption; served with a bowl of salted water to represent the tears shed.
- Zeroah**: traditionally a piece of roasted lamb shankbone, symbolizing the paschal sacrificial offering.

There is also **Wine/Grape Juice** (4 servings) representing God's four promises and words of redemption; a time for rejoicing; and **Candles** representing God's presence at the meal.



**"You shall tell your child on that day, saying,  
'It is because of what the LORD did for me  
when I came out of Egypt.'"**

**Exodus 13:8**



## GOOD FRIDAY ~ APRIL 18TH

**GOOD FRIDAY** commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus and His death at Calvary. Services are traditionally observed from Noon to 3:00 p.m. during Holy Week as part of the Paschal Triduum on the Friday preceding Easter Sunday. (Read Matthew 27:1-62, Mark 15:1-47, Luke 22:63-23:56, and John 18:28-19:37).

The most important symbol of Good Friday, also called Holy Friday, is the crucifix, or cross, which represents the way in which Jesus died. Jesus died for us. Christ knew in death He would take on the sins of the world to set believers free from sin and death.

The night before He died, Jesus and His disciples took part in the Last Supper and then went to the Garden of Gethsemane. There, Jesus spent His last hours praying to the Father while His disciples slept nearby.

Late that evening in Gethsemane, Jesus was betrayed with a kiss by Judas Iscariot. Before morning dawned, Jesus was arrested. At daybreak, He was questioned by the Sanhedrin and condemned. But before they could put Him to death, the religious leaders first needed Rome to approve of their death sentence. Jesus was taken to Pontius Pilate, the Roman governor in Judea. Pilate found no reason to charge Jesus. When he discovered that Jesus was from Galilee, which was under Herod's jurisdiction, Pilate had Jesus sent to Herod who was in Jerusalem at the time.

Jesus refused to answer Herod's questions, so Herod sent Him back to Pilate. Although Pilate found Him innocent, he feared the crowds who wanted Jesus crucified, so he sentenced Jesus to death.

Jesus was brutally beaten, mocked, struck on the head with a staff and spit upon. A crown of thorns was placed on his head and He was stripped naked. He was made to carry His own cross, but when He grew too weak, Simon of Cyrene (Matthew 27:32) was forced to carry it for Him.

Jesus was led to Calvary where soldiers drove stake-like nails through His wrists and ankles, affixing Him to the cross. An inscription that read "King of the Jews" was placed over His head. While He was on the cross, soldiers cast lots for Jesus' clothing. Onlookers shouted insults and jeered.

Two criminals were crucified at the same time. One hung on Jesus' right and the other on His left.



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Third Word: *Woman, Behold Your Son...* John 19:26

Fourth Word: *My God, My God...* Matthew 27:46

Fifth Word: *I Thirst...* John 19:28

Sixth Word: *It Is Finished...* John 19:30

Seventh Word: *Father, Into Thy Hands...* Luke 23:46

As evening fell, Joseph of Arimathea with the help of Nicodemus took Jesus' body down from the cross and had Him placed in His own new tomb that was guarded by Roman soldiers. A great stone was rolled over the entrance, sealing the tomb.

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## Holy Week Events

| CRUCIFIXION TIMELINE                                           | Events (                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday, April 10, 30 AD                                        | Palm Sunday; Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem; stays in Bethany                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Monday, April 11, 30 AD                                        | Jesus drives out money changers and declares His Temple be used as a House of Prayer; Argues with chief priests; Curses the Fig Tree                                                                                                                                                         |
| Tuesday, April 12, 30 AD                                       | Jesus continues to Teach, Challenge, Preach, Debate, Question and Heal; announces His impending execution; responds to question about the greatest commandment                                                                                                                               |
| Wednesday, April 13, 30 AD                                     | Jesus warns against false prophets; tells everyone to be watchful. From the Mount of Olives, He mourns Jerusalem's rejection and pending destruction; Preparation and Anointing by Mary of Bethany                                                                                           |
| 6pm-11:30pm<br>Thursday, April 14, 30 AD                       | Jesus has Last Supper/Lord's Supper with disciples - Passover; Feast of the Unleavened Bread                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 11:30pm Thursday, April 14 to<br>1:00am Friday, April 15, 30AD | Jesus goes to the Garden of Gethsemane with His disciples to pray; they couldn't stay awake (Judas had slipped away to complete betrayal plans)                                                                                                                                              |
| 1:00am-1:30am<br>Friday, April 15, 30 AD                       | Confrontation in the Garden of Gethsemane by armed crowd and soldiers sent by chief priests; Arrest of Jesus                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 1:30am-3:00am<br>Friday, April 15, 30 AD                       | Trial 1: Annas, former Jewish High Priest for 16 years - Jesus receives initial physical abuse                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| "                                                              | Trial 2: Current Jewish High Priest, Caiaphas, and the Sanhedrin Court; Jesus receives more physical abuse                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 3:00am-5:00am                                                  | Jesus is imprisoned at Caiaphas' palace                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5:00am-6:00am<br>Friday, April 15, 30 AD                       | Trial 3: All the Jewish elders, including the High Priest, scribes and the Sanhedrin ask the Roman government to kill Jesus                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 6:00am-7:00am<br>Friday, April 15, 30 AD                       | Trial 4: Hearing before Roman governor Pilate, who declares, "I find no guilt in this man."                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 7:00-7:30am<br>Friday, April 15, 30 AD                         | Trial 5: Hearing before Herod Antipas, the son of Herod the Great, who had jurisdiction over Galilee. Jesus refused to answer his questions so Herod returned Him quickly to Pilate                                                                                                          |
| 7:30am-8:30am<br>Friday, April 15, 30 AD                       | Trial 6/7: Pilate repeatedly tried to release Jesus but the Jewish leaders continued to object. Pilate had Jesus physically tortured and beaten, seeking to satisfy the Jewish leaders. However, they demanded that Jesus be crucified. Pilate resisted but gave the order to execute Jesus. |
| 8:30am-9:00am<br>Friday, April 15, 30 AD                       | Pilate's Roman soldiers take Jesus into the court ("Praetorium") and enjoy mockery and continued torture, including driving a crown of thorns into His skull                                                                                                                                 |
| 9:00am-Noon                                                    | Jesus [Simon of Cyrene] forced to carry His cross; Crucifixion of Jesus                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Noon - 3:00pm                                                  | 3 hours of darkness came over the land while Jesus hung from the cross                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 3:00pm                                                         | "Death" - Jesus died on this day in Golgotha for our sins                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Friday, April 15, 30 AD                                        | Joseph (Arimathea)/Nicodemus wrap and bury Jesus' body; "Resting"                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Sunday, April 17, 30 AD                                        | RESURRECTION...APPEARANCES...ASCENSION!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |





# RESURRECTION SUNDAY

## EASTER ~ APRIL 20TH

**Easter**, also called **Pascha** (Aramaic, Greek, Latin) or **Resurrection Sunday**, commemorates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, described in the New Testament as having occurred on the third day after His burial following His crucifixion by the Romans at Calvary c. 30 AD. It is the culmination of the Passion of Jesus preceded by **Lent**, a 40-day period (not counting Sundays) of fasting, penance and prayer.

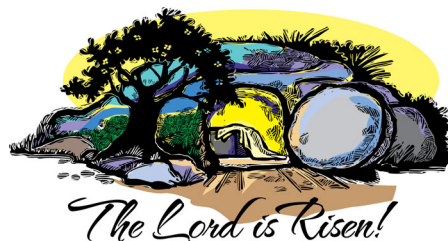
**Palm Sunday** commemorate Jesus's entry in Jerusalem. Most Christians refer to the week before Easter as "**Holy Week**," which contains the days of the Easter Triduum (Latin for "Three Days"), including **Maundy Thursday**, commemorating the Maundy and Last Supper, as well as **Good Friday**, commemorating the crucifixion and death of Jesus. The day before Easter is properly called **Holy Saturday**. Many churches begin celebrating Easter late in the evening of Holy Saturday at a service called the Easter Vigil. Eastertide, or Paschaltide, Eastertide, or the Easter Season, begins on Easter Sunday and lasts seven weeks, ending with the coming of the 50th day, **Pentecost Sunday**.

Easter and the holidays that are related to it are *moveable feasts* which do not fall on a fixed date in the Gregorian or Julian calendars which follow only the cycle of the Sun; rather, its date is offset from the date of Passover and is therefore calculated based on a lunisolar calendar similar to the Hebrew calendar. Easter is linked to the Jewish Passover (Hebrew: *פסח**pesach*, Aramaic: *ܩܕܫܐܦܫܚܐ**pascha*) by much of its symbolism, as well as by its position in the calendar. In most European languages the feast is called by the words for Passover in those languages; and in the older English versions of the Bible the term Easter was the term used to translate Passover.

Easter customs vary across the Christian world, and include sunrise services, exclaiming the Paschal greeting, clipping the church, and decorating Easter eggs (symbols of the empty tomb). The Easter lily, a symbol of the resurrection, traditionally decorates the chancel area of churches on this day and for the rest of Eastertide. Additional customs that have become associated with Easter and are observed by Christians and some non-Christians include egg hunting, the Easter Bunny, and Easter parades. There are also various traditional Easter foods that vary regionally.

The resurrection of Jesus, which Easter celebrates, is one of the chief tenets of the Christian faith. The resurrection established Jesus as the Son of God and is cited as proof that God will righteously judge the world. For those who trust in Jesus's death and resurrection, "death is swallowed up in victory." Any person who chooses to follow Jesus receives "a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead". Through faith in the working of God those who follow Jesus are spiritually resurrected with Him so that they may walk in a new way of life and receive eternal salvation, being physically resurrected to dwell in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Easter is linked to Passover and the Exodus from Egypt recorded in the Old Testament through the Last Supper, sufferings, and crucifixion of Jesus that preceded the resurrection. According to the three Synoptic Gospels, Jesus gave the Passover meal a new meaning, as in the upper room during the Last Supper He prepared Himself and His disciples for His death. He identified the bread and cup of wine as His body, soon to be sacrificed, and His blood, soon to be shed. Paul states, "Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed"; this refers to the Passover requirement to have no yeast in the house and to the allegory of Jesus as the Paschal lamb.

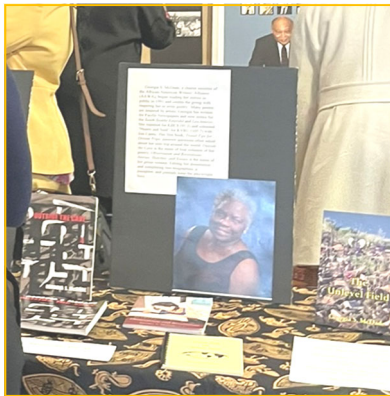


## SHARING OUR GIFTS: MEMBERS IN THE ARTS

February 23rd in honor of **Black History Month**, the Arts Ministry featured Mount Zion members in the Arts. The Foyer was filled with displays made by artists and descriptions of their work along with a special historical display highlighting past events and members. Following the service members and guests were engaged in conversation with artists representing Visual, Performing, Literary and Culinary Arts. It was an exciting, memorable event.

### PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Phyllis Beaumonte, Avery Rae Carr, Tyree Carr III, Ezari Chandler, Minnie Collins, Sarah JE Dean, Heather Harris, Akoiya Harris, Jeri Harris, Debra Harris-Branham, Winona Hollins-Hauge, Shurvon Haynes, Anthony Hopkins, Karen and William Jackson, Karen Jones, Dr. Georgia McDade, Paris Randall, Doris Smith, Kermit Sullivan, Ahmen Taplin, George Thomas, Linda Upshaw, Annie Vithayathil, Averionna Wade, and Sylvia Young





# Arts Ministry



## Special Thanks

Kenneth Archie and the Brotherhood, Dr. Sheri Buckley, Dr. Rotonya Carr, Yvonne Ervin -Carr, Yvonne Chandler, The Diaconate Ministry, Derrick Jones, Philip Miller, Samira Shirazi Mattie Taplin, and Berhanu Wells. We appreciate you making the event very special with your time and/or donations.

**The Arts Ministry values all of the Mount Zion family for visiting the exhibit and receiving such wonderful feedback of the event!**

*Arts Ministry Co-Chairs*

*Pat Bruce, Debra Harris-Branham and Malver Haynes*



## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS



### Retirement Luncheon for Deacon Wallace Johnson

Members of the Mount Zion Housing Development Board (MZHD) met recently to celebrate the retirement of **Deacon Wallace Johnson** from the Mount Zion Housing Development Board (MZHD).

Deacon Wallace served as president of the board for many years and was one of the longest serving members on the board. Under his stewardship, MZHD has grown to own and operate over 120 units of affordable housing for veterans and senior citizens in the Central District. MZHD currently owns two (2) properties at 1916 E Madison Street (McKinney Manor) and 1722 19th Avenue (Central District Freehold). MZHD has local offices at 1604 19th Avenue.

Mount Zion Housing Development's mission expands and continues the original mission of the founding board as established by the late Rev. Dr. Samuel B. McKinney: "Creating affordable housing in our traditional communities while preserving Afro-centric culture".

At the luncheon in honor of Deacon Wallace Johnson, family and members of the Mount Zion Housing board met at the Six Seven Restaurant at the Edgewater Hotel in downtown Seattle.

At that gathering, Deacon Wallace passed the presidential baton to **Sam Cameron** who will now serve as President of the organization.

In attendance at the luncheon were members of his family including his wife, Deacon Anne Johnson, daughter Rev. Cecilia Clemons Comer, his son-in-law Jesse Comer, his grandson Jonathan Clemons and members of the MZHD board:



Mary Hopkins, Deacon Dwight Randolph, Olivier Mabilia, Carol Bell, Charles Ervin and Board Administrator, Lisa Kelsie Carter.

***Congratulations, Deacon Wallace Johnson, for your stellar leadership and longevity of service!***

### 2025 MARKS THE 49TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MOUNT ZION HEALTH MINISTRY.



The Health Ministry, originally called the Health Unit, and later the Health, Guidance and Wellness Ministry, was founded in 1976 by RN Gertrude Robinson Dawson. Mrs. Dawson, one of the founders of the Seattle Mary Mahoney Nurse, was the first African American nurse hired by Group Health in 1956. She recognized the need to provide medical assistance to members during worship services and church sponsored events.

**Winona Hollins-Hague and Dr. Sheri Buckley** will share ministry highlights on April 28th.





**Dr. Anise Marshall**, Class of 2029, was selected for the residency program at Barnes-Jewish Hospital/Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, MO!

**Mrs. Minnie A. Collins** was presented with the **Living Legacy Award** by the Black-Owned Business Excellence (BOBE) symposium for being a community elder *“who tirelessly advocates for the Black Community and Black businesses.*



**MRS. FRANCES CAL**

**Mrs. Frances Cal** was the recipient of **2025 Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Lambda Alpha Zeta Chapter's Finer Womanhood Award**. **Jacqueline Gonsalvez**, Zeta Phi Beta President presented the award to their charter member during a luncheon at Billy Baroo's. **Megan Matthews** and **Meko Lawson**, President of the Seattle Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. were the guest speakers.

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS



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### Acknowledgment

The James family extends its eternal thanks for the unending Tower of Strength and sustenance provided by Mount Zion Baptist Church in support of the homegoing of our cherished Mizani James-McDaniel.

The family thanks those named in the Memorial Program and those not named who worked behind the scenes to ensure the beautiful Program that helped guide Mizani into heaven.

We have received God's blessings through Mount Zion Baptist Church.



*Sadikifu Akina-James*

### With Sympathy

Our condolences, prayers, love and support are extended to the family and friends of **Mrs. Rosemarie M. "Rosie" Johnson**, wife of Glenwood Johnson; service on April 22nd at 11:00 a.m. at Evergreen Funeral Home in Everett.

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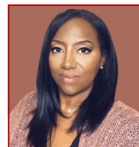
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**Rejoice! And again I say rejoice! For Christ Jesus has broken the curse of death and destroyed the power that it once had over us.**

Although we live in a world filled with moral decay and violence, and although we were stripped of our original culture and our past as a people, we, like Christ, can be resurrected.

**Give glory to God, who humbled himself, even to death on a cross. Give glory to the exalted Christ!**

The same power that raised Jesus from the dead is now given to each of us and to all those who believe on him.

**Let us receive this spiritual power and use it wisely for the liberation of all God's people!**

Let us make a joyful noise unto the Lord. For there is none like him who can break the chain of oppression, evil, and the grave. He is risen and is seated at the right hand of God.

**"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" (Rev. 5:12)**

Who is worthy? Christ is worthy. "Because he lives, I can face tomorrow. Because he lives, all fear is gone. Because I know he holds the future and life is worth the living just because he lives."

**"Who is worthy? The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." (Rev. 5:13)**

Who is worthy? The One seated on the throne and the Lamb. To them be all blessing and honor and glory and might!

**He is worthy! The Risen Christ! The Resurrected One! Praise him! Praise his Holy Name!**

