

NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

8:30 AM ORDER OF SERVICE

Holy Communion

The Senior Choir ~ Minister Eva Brunson-Young, Pianist

WORSHIP THROUGH DEVOTION

The Call to Worship Dr. Robert Whitehead, Sr., Pastor

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The Opening Selection Choir and Congregation

The Scripture Deacon Ronald Wallace

The Prayer of Praise & Thanksgiving Deacon
Edmond Braxton, Jr.

The Choral Response Choir and Congregation

WORSHIP THROUGH COMMUNITY

The Announcements, The Welcome & The Pastor's Remarks

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

The Pre-Offertory Prayer Deacon Earl Warren

The Giving of Tithes & Offering Ushers

The Offertory Response

WORSHIP THROUGH INTERCESSORY PRAYER

The Prayer for the Sick & Altar Call

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GOSPEL

The Message **Dr. Robert Whitehead, Sr., Pastor**
"Building a House of Love"

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HOLY COMMUNION

The Communion Prayer Deacon Robert Ashby

WORSHIP THROUGH RENEWAL

The Benediction Dr. Robert Whitehead, Sr., Pastor

YOU HAVE OUR SYMPATHY IN YOUR LOSS

Bro. Paul Stroble in the passing of his sister; Dr. Gail Cash and Bro. Rodney Cash in the passing of their mother, Sis. Clara Cash; Deaconess Clara Marrow in the passing of her sister, Sis. Cassie Chaney; Sis. Christine Lighty and family in the passing of her father, Bro. Preston Sessoms; Bro. James Thomas, Jr. in the passing of his father, Bro. James C. Thomas, Sr.; Sis. Denise Freeman in the passing of her sister, Sis. Crystal O'Neal Abdelmoshen; Bro. Ronnie Whitehead in the passing of his cousin, Bro. Michal Lemon; Deaconess Arlene Armstead in the passing of her mother, Sis. Aletha Dabney; Deaconess Cheryl Merritt in the passing of her brother; Bro. Junius Williams in the passing of his wife, Sis. Ethel Williams.

From the Prayer Ministry

Advent Season Devotional:

If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Romans 12:18 (KJV).

Peace is a cornerstone of a joyful life, a life that serves God and is dedicated to doing His work... good deeds to promote the welfare of others. To serve others, we must be in harmony with one another and have an attitude and spirit of lovingkindness.

When we are at peace, we can hear God talking to us and guiding us, and we can see the righteousness of God and honor His glory. Tranquility, happiness, and contentment are bred by peacefulness. Our stability only comes about through the peace of Jesus and the peace that we make with our fellowmen.

Dear God, bless us with the serenity that dominates this season of celebration of Our Savior, the same peace that surrounded a manger in a stable many years ago when Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, was born. (Submitted by Deaconess Charmaine Wallace)

OUR HEALTH CONCERNS

Sis. Alice Alexander	Sis. Evelyn Dandridge	Bro. Robert Manley
Bro. Marvin Alexander Sr.	Sis. Billie Davis	Bro. Tommy McMichael
Bro. Tecumseh Alexander	Sis. Yolanda Dixon	Sis. Aurelia Miller
Deacon Edward Allen	Sis. Lygeia Drayton Duggins	Sis. Helen Miller
Bro. James Alsop	Sis. Michelle Elchinger	Sis. Doris Muir
Deacon James Armstead	Sis. Ethel Fuller	Sis. Sandra Napper
Bro. Leo Arrington	Sis. Essie Gamage	Bro. Mehki O'Neal
Sis. Jaesoon Baik	Bro. George Gamage	Bro. Bruce Parrott
Sis. Bernice Bailey	Bro. Terrell Glee	Sis. Valerie Patterson
Sis. Millie Ball	Deacon William Greenhow	Sis. Shannon Pierce
Sis. Diane Battle	Bro. Robert Franklin	Sis. Jean Quick
Bro. Christopher Benett	Sis. Sue Harris	Sis. Doris Rainey
Sis. Teresa Bland	Bro. Julius Haynie	Deacon Edgar Randall
Sis. Mary Boyd	Bro. Bobby Horne	Rev. Morris Randall
Sis. Siona Brandison	Sis. Delores Howard	Bro. Raymond Roane
Sis. Bernette Brown	Sis. Judy Huckaby	Sis. Brenda Robinson
Sis. Lexia Brown	Trustee Emanuel Huggins	Sis. Catherine Robinson
Sis. Mahilda Brown	Bro. James Hundley Jr.	Sis. Daphne Robinson
Sis. Tenisha Brown	Sis. Leona Jackman	Sis. Karen Robinson
Sis. Viola Brown	Bro. James Jackson (*)	Sis. Delia Romain
Sis. Doris Butler	Bro. Floyd James	Sis. Evelyn Romain
Sis. Theresa Butler	Bro. Charles Jimmerson	Sis. Violet Schwab
Bro. Levi Canaday	Sis. Christine Johnson	Sis. Vanessa Sexton
Bro. Matthew Canaday	Sis. Patricia H. Johnson	Bro. Robert Shackelford
Sis. Maxine Canaday	Deaconess Delores Jones	Sis. LeeAnn Stallings
Bro. Carl Carter, Sr.	Sis. Elsie Jones	Bro. James Tabb, Jr.
Bro. Cornelius Cary	Deacon Elvin Jones	Sis. Ann Taylor
Deaconess Essie Cary	Sis. Loujean Jones	Sis. Constance Taylor
Deacon Howard Cary	Bro. Raymond Justice	Sis. Stephanie Taylor
Bro. Brian Christiansen	Bro. Jacob Lanehart	Bro. John "JC" Traybron
Bro. Carl Coleman	Sis. Evelyn Colton LaRose	Sis. Melissa Whistleman*
Bro. James Conyers	Deaconess Lottie Lewis	Sis. Annette White
Sis. Cheryl Cooke	Sis. Aakina Lilly	Bro. Junius Williams
Sis. Maxine Cumber	Sis. Irene Manley	Sis. LaWanda Williams

OUR MILITARY FAMILY

Bro. Richard Alsop, USN	Bro. Jamiah Freeman, USAF	Bro. Tyneil Rankin, USA
Bro. Marcus Bethune, USA	Sis. Tisha Grooms, USNR	Bro. Zackary Rankin, USA
Bro. Alonzo Brown, USA	Bro. Larry Gunter, USN	Bro. Lonnie Robinson, Jr., USA
Sis. Jennifer Brown, USA	Bro. Aaron Harris, USN GSM2	Bro. Reginald Smith, Jr., USA
Sis. LaTonya Brown, USA	Bro. Ernest Hines, USN	Bro. Kirk Shepperd, USA
Bro. Thomas C. Coleman, III, USN	Sis. Carissa Holmes, USA	Bro. Aaron Smallwood, USAFR
Sis. Desiree Collins, USAF	Bro. LaMar Howard, USA	Bro. Robert M. Smith, USN
Sis. Marlene Collins, USAF	Bro. Troy Howard, USA	Bro. Daniel Sullivan, USN
Bro. Brandon Lee-Cooper, USA	Bro. D'Shaun Jones, USA	Bro. Danny Taylor, USA
Bro. Jordan Lee-Cooper, USA	Bro. Jamal Jones, USA	Bro. Rian Thompson, USA
Sis. Sateen Danzy, USA	Sis. Kendall Kemelek, USA	Sis. Alyca Sweet-Waldrop, USA
Bro. Joseph Davis, USN	Bro. Matthew Kemelek, USA	Bro. Rodney Waldrop, USA
Bro. Linrey Dowden, USA	Bro. Marc Marchand, USAFR	Bro. Curtis E. Warren, USMC
Bro. Rawlins Dowden, USA	Bro. Antori Marsh, USA	Bro. Wayne Wiggins, USAF
Bro. Donald Druitt, Jr., USA	Bro. Damion Marsh, Jr. USA	Bro. Valroy Williams, USA
Sis. Simone Druitt, USA	Bro. John Parrott, Jr., USA	Sis. Bonnie-Lyn Wilson, USAR
Sis. Dawn Dunning USAF	Bro. Carlos Randall, USA	

The Scripture: John 15:9-13 (King James Version)

⁹ As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

¹⁰ If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

¹¹ These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

¹² This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

¹³ Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.



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The Opening Selection The Senior Choir

(Worshippers at the door may enter)

The Baptism

The Scripture Deacon Anthony Conyers

The Prayer of Praise & Thanksgiving Deacon Bruce Fuller

The Choral Response The Senior Choir

WORSHIP THROUGH COMMUNITY

The Announcements

The Welcome and The Pastor's Remarks

REGULAR MEETINGS AND REHEARSALS

Sunday-Dec. 10th	New Members-Conf. Rm	10:15 AM
Monday-Dec. 11th	Harp Practice-Choir Rm	11:00 AM
Tuesday-Dec. 12th	Harp Practice-Choir Rm	2:15 PM
Wednesday-Dec. 13th	Daytime Bible Study-F/H	11:00 AM
	Children of God-Sanc.	5:30 PM
	Youth Workers-Conf. Rm	5:30 PM
	Harp Practice-Choir Rm	6:00 PM
	Infinite Praise-SC2	
	Prayer & Praise Service-F/H	7:00 PM
	Bible Study-F/H	7:30 PM
Thursday-Dec. 14th	"Noon" Prayer-Reading Rm	12:45 PM
	Voices of Zion-Sanc.	6:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS - YOUTH

All Youth who volunteered during the November 22, 2017 Harvest Feast

will be recognized on Sunday, December 17, 2017 during the 11:30 a.m. service. Thanks for your service to humanity!

New Zion Youth are invited to a basketball tournament:

Youth please sign-up to attend the 2nd Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Kickoff Basketball Tournament on January 13, 2018. The event will be held at U-Turn Sports located at 2101 Maywill Street, Richmond, VA. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board and the deadline is December 28th. Transportation and tickets are free for youth ages 8-18 years old. The contact is Bro. Charlie Williams.

BIBLE STUDY

Emphasis on the Word

- ◆ ***Daytime Bible Study:** The study will continue at Hebrews 4:16. The Contact is Deacon Robert Ashby.
- ◆ ***Evening Bible Study:** The Contact is Dr. Brenda Christian.

Daily Exposure to the Word (DEW)

Daily reading or listening to the Bible is important! It helps us with the problems of life. It gives us God's perspective on living. It helps us to grow in our faith. What can we do? Pray to be committed. Start today. Some Helpful Suggestions and Resources: Use the weekly Bible reading information in the bulletin, Get an App for your cellphone or Pad, Go to: oneyearbibleonline.com, Listen to BBN on WYFI 99.7 FM every day at 3:00 PM. Listen to the Bible on CD's. "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." – Romans 10:17 (KJV)

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The Giving of Tithes & Offering..... Ushers
The Offertory Response

WORSHIP THROUGH INTERCESSORY PRAYER

The Prayer for the Sick & Altar Call
The Altar Selection The Senior Choir

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GOSPEL

The Meditative Offering The Senior Choir
The Message Dr. Robert Whitehead, Sr., Pastor
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The Invitational Selection The Senior Choir

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship and Church Membership

HOLY COMMUNION

The Communion HymnThe Senior Choir
The Communion Selection Ada Imani Harp Ministry
The Communion Prayer ... Deacon Constance Heyward

WORSHIP THROUGH RENEWAL

The Closing Selection The Senior Choir
The Benediction Dr. Robert Whitehead, Sr., Pastor
The Postlude (*The End*)



ANNOUNCEMENTS - EVERYONE

The Annual Christmas Rally

will be held on TODAY, Sunday, December 10th at 3:00 p.m. This event will feature The Sensational Gospel Tones. Members are asked to make a special donation of \$20.00 towards the Christmas Rally. The contacts are Sis. Virginia Russell and Sis. Jerolene Brown, Church Clerk.

The participants of "The Voices of Christmas"

will meet in the sanctuary on the following Saturday date: December 16th at 3:00 p.m. The contact is Sis. Deborah Dandridge.

The "Warm Coats & Warm Hearts" program provides winter coats

for those in need. If you have a new or gently used clean coat, please bring it to church and place it in the **Fellowship Hall**. The coat collection will continue through December 15, 2017. The contact is Sis. Angela Bartlett.

"The Voices of Christmas" Celebration Program ...

New Zion Presents "The Voices of Christmas" on Sunday, December 17th at 3:00 p.m. Scripture, music, singing, worship dance, and drama celebrate the miracle of our Savior's birth. Sis. Deborah Dandridge is the contact.

New Zion members are invited to make an annual donation of \$10.00

towards the **New Zion Men's Scholarship**. Please place contributions in the offering envelope and write "Men's Scholarship" on the dotted line. Thank you NZBC for your generosity last year. Because of you, we were able to award scholarships to three NZ students.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - ADULTS

Would you like to be a Salvation Army Bell Ringer?

New Zion will be at Walmart on Saturday, December 16th from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Ministries, individuals, or families may sign-up, please see the bulletin board to select a 1-hour time slot. Trustee Harold Mason is the contact.

The New Zion annual church trip for 2018 will be to Lancaster, PA

Due to a great response on the church trip for 2018, we are posting additional sign-up sheets today. More bus seats and tickets for play are available. The contacts are Sis. Janice Jackson and Sis. Vivian Morgan.

The New Zion Nursery is in need of adult volunteers

to assist during the 11:30 a.m. service. If you are interested please see one of the contacts. You will be asked to complete an application and submit to a background check. The ministry contacts are Trustee Dana Jones, Sis. Jovan Frazier, and Sis. Isis Jackson.

The Ladies of Virtue and Elegance (L.O.V.E) Ministry

at New Zion Baptist Church is requesting your assistance. We would be thrilled to have you mentor young ladies of New Zion in grades 6-12. **If interested please contact nzbclove@gmail.com**. The ministry contact is Deaconess Delores Jones.

The Lydia Dorcas Creative Sewing Circle

will not meet on Thursday, December 21st. The next meeting will be held January 18, 2018. The contact is Sis. June Robb.

There will be an organizational meeting for the 2018 Vacation Bible

School on Wednesday, December 13th at 6:00 p.m. in Classroom C. Members who want to volunteer in 2018 are asked to attend as well as those who volunteered in 2017, for assessment purposes. The contact is Trustee Nancy Shackelford.