

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge and holiness; to give it a place in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrine; to contribute cheerfully and regularly, as God has prospered us, towards its expenses, for the support of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. In case of difference of opinion in the church, we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit, and if we cannot unanimously agree, we will cheerfully recognize the right of the majority to govern.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to study diligently the word of God; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintance; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be kind and just to those in our employ, and faithful in the service we promise others; endeavoring in the purity of heart and good will towards all men to exemplify and commend our holy faith.

We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and work; to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others; to participate in each other's joys, and with tender sympathy bear one another's burdens and sorrows; to cultivate Christian courtesy; to be slow to give or take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Saviour in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, to secure it without delay; and through life, amid evil report, and good report, to seek to live to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

When we remove from this place, we engage as soon as possible to unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

The New Era: Restoring Community-Joel 2:25-27

Zion's Vision: Zion is a family church empowered by the love of Christ to serve the family of God. **Zion's Mission:** Zion Baptist Church **Shall: Enlist Sinners, Educate Students, Empower the Suffering, Encourage the Saints, and Exalt our Savior.** (Acts 2:41-47).

**“FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT”
CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

The Order of Worship
10:15 A.M. Service*

Ministry of Prayer and Praise

****Invocation**

Season of Praise

Ministry of fellowship

Welcome Ministry.....Deacon Franklin D. Alexander

Ministry of Giving

Offertory Prayer

**** Doxology**

God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

AFFIRMATION OF GIVING

“Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.” LUKE 6:38

Ministry of Giving

Musical Ministry

Ministry of The Word

****Scripture Reading**

The Preached Word.....Pastor Byrd

The Reading of the Covenant

THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

****Congregation please stand**

*Subject to change at the direction of the Holy Spirit**

PLEASE JOIN US ON SUNDAYS:

**Congregation is welcome to join the prayer ministry every Sunday morning
in the sanctuary from 8:30am-9:00am**

**Sunday School- 9:00 AM-10:00AM
Worship Service will begin at 10:15 AM**

**Sunday Nursery- Aline P. Williams Classroom #1-
Children ages 1-5 years old**

**Children's Church held Every First Sunday-Ed. Wing Aud. at 10:15am until 12:30 pm or
approximately until the end of Worship Service Ages 5 years to 12 years old
Children's Church do not meet in July & August.**

CHURCH CLOSED DECEMBER 24-26, 2018

**Wednesdays, December 26, 2018 No Bible Study-
Noon Day-Bible Study – Minister Angela Ballard- Ed. Wing Aud**

Pastor Byrd's Bible Study Class – 7:00 P.M.- Ed. Wing Aud

WiFi is now available on an open network throughout the church. The Zion Guest WiFi passcode is: ZionBaptist (case sensitive). Once you connect to the guest WiFi, you will need to open a web browser, type in the passcode, and agree to the terms of use. This is a similar process to connecting to WiFi, at a coffee shop, airport, hotel, etc.

December, 2018 (A week at a glance)

Today

- 23 Regular Worship.....Holy Communion Service.....10:15AM**
- 24 Christmas Eve-Church Closed**
- 25 Christmas Day-Church Closed**
- 26 Church Closed**
- 29 Sound Passages Recovery Ministry.....FLC.....10:00AM-11:00AM**
- 30 Regular Worship – Youth Sunday.....10:15AM**
- 31 New Year's Eve Service & Holy Communion at Nineteenth Street Baptist..10:00PM
Repast after service**

“GREEN SUNDAY-DECEMBER 30, 2018

**It is time to complete your “financial obligations” before December, 2018 ends.
All tax deductible contributions must be received or postmarked by midnight on Monday,
December 31, 2018. Checks written December 31, 2018 but postmarked after December
31, 2018 will not be included on your 2018 contribution Statement.**

NOTICES OF INTERES

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Zion is Streaming to Facebook. To view past services or the Pastor’s Bible Study is Internet Access. You don’t have to be a member of Facebook to see the page. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/ZionBaptistChurchDC/>.

We will also offer options on Zoom from time to time for those who don’t have internet access and want to listen via phone.

You are cordially invited to join our pastor, Rev. Dr. Keith W. Byrd, Sr., along with other Zion family and friends on a ten day spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land departing October 20, 2020. The pilgrimage will be an opportunity for you to draw closer to God and to feel His presence. Our desire is to offer thanks and praise to our Heavenly Father for His many blessings to us as well as to strengthen, renew and revive our faith in Almighty God. This pilgrimage will offer us an opportunity to:

- Contemplate the “Sermon on the Mount” while on the Mount of Beatitudes (Matthew 5)
- Explore the traditional site of the feeding of the 5,000 (Luke 9:10—17)
- Recall Jesus’ baptism by John the Baptist at the River Jordan (Mark 1:1-11)
- Visit the site of Jesus’ first miracle at the Franciscan Wedding Chapel in Cana (John 2:1-11)
- Visit the Mount of Olives where Jesus ascended into heaven (Acts 1: 9—11)
- Visit the place revered as Jesus’ birthplace and see the Church of the Nativity (Luke 2)
- Offer prayers to Almighty God in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mark 14: 32—50)
- Visit the traditional site of the Upper Room (Acts 1:12-14)
- ...and so much more

You will also have the opportunity to enjoy a seven day cruise and tour package of Egypt. For detailed information, you may go to our website at ZionDC.org, contact our travel agent Jean Smith, First Cass Travel Tours at 301-652-3173 or firstclasstraveltours@verizon.net, or you may email Deacon Lloyd C. Darasaw at HolyLand2020@ZionBaptistChurch.net. You are encouraged to register early for the trip as space may soon become limited. For your convenience, you may establish a payment plan after payment of the required deposit.

Zion Baptist Church is seeking to hire a Financial Manager and a Church Administrator. Please check the Church’s website for additional information or contact the Human Resource Committee on the Board of Trustees c/o Trustee David J. Saunders at davidsaunders47@gamial.com. Both vacancy announcements close January 14, 2019.