

SERMON NOTES:
PREACHER:
Text:
Title of Sermon:

Church Covenant

Minister: By what common and gracious experiences do we enter into spiritual fellowship and covenant relations with God and with one another?

Congregation: 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 Ghost, 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.

Minister: What is the great bond of our union with God and each other?

Congregation: 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, holiness, and comfort.

Minister: What are our great privileges and duties in this, our own church?

Congregation: To promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines.

Minister: What vows do we gladly make as stewards of that which God has entrusted to us?

Congregation: To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

Minister: For the sake of our homes and our loved ones, what gracious tasks do we humbly assume?

Congregation: To also engage and maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances.

Minister: For the sake of the unsaved for whom our Saviour died, to what manner of life and conversation are we solemnly and sincerely pledge.

Congregation: To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

Minister: Since one is our Master, even Christ, and all we are brethren, by what fraternal ministries are we to strengthen each other and adorn the teachings of our Lord and Saviour?

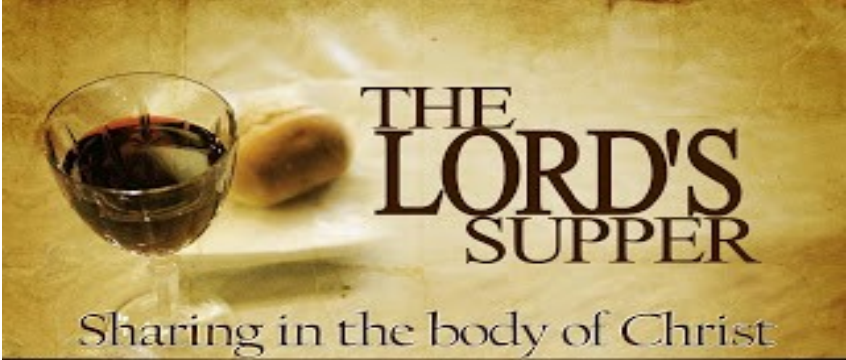
Congregation: We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

Together: We moreover engage, that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

Zion Baptist Church
Sunday, January 3, 2021
10:15am Worship/Holy Communion

PASTOR MARSHALL F. PRENTICE

Theme:
“A Church With 20/20 Vision Making the Vision A Reality”
 Habakkuk 2:3a



Sharing in the body of Christ

WHILE THEY WERE EATING, JESUS TOOK BREAD, GAVE THANKS AND BROKE IT, AND GAVE IT TO HIS DISCIPLES, SAYING, TAKE AND EAT THIS IS MY BODY. THEN HE TOOK THE CUP, GAVE THANKS AND OFFERED IT TO THEM, SAYING, DRINK FROM IT, ALL OF YOU, THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE COVENANT, WHICH IS POURED OUT FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

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Happy and Blessed New Year Zionites

Greetings and Peace to all,

We pray that you had a blessed Christ birthday. Please join with us in Looking for the calm in 2021.

“Believing God will bring a calm in 2021”

The year 2020 - gave us a 2020 Vision - perfect eyesight! We saw and experience so much devastation in our world - that all we could hope for - is that year 2020 would hurry out - for our vision was tied into the pain of (COVID-19).

Hundreds of thousands dying - the experience of social distancing - a declining economy - wearing of mask - isolation - providing only a since of hopelessness and one home-going service after another - adding insult to injury a limitation of love ones who could attend.

That was just the things associated to the Corona Virus - so much has happen in 2020 a troubling election - the many deaths and violent acts - Floyd, Taylor - Black Lives Campaign, the wildfires - tornados and storms across the world also so many prominent leaders and famous people have transitioned - it is no wonder we were in a hurry to see an end to year 2020.

But let us not lose sight that the eyes of the Lord are upon us - “The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.” {Prov. 15:3}. Instead of wanting to see this year hurry out - let us see with clarity. God brought us in it, - kept us while in it, - and - brought us through it.

(Heb.12:2). “Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith;” His promises are true! - He brought us in - like the children on their way to the promise land - out of Egypt - into the wilderness - HE kept them- while in the wilderness - He provided what they needed - and praise His Name - He brought them through it! {Providing HOPE in the Mist of Despair}

In (Hebrews 13:5) {NIV} “Never will I leave You; never will I forsake you.” He been with us Through it all.

In (Isa.26: 4) {NIV} “Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord Himself, is the Rock eternal.”

(Isa. 26:3) {ESV} “You keep him/her in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because he/she - trusts in You.”

So, let us remember how Jesus made away for us in 2020 - and that on the way out - He provided a vaccine - He heard our Prayer - the prayer of the Righteous. (Jas.5:15)

He Brought the brilliant of minds together - Who put all their efforts in the development of a Cure. That is why it happened so fast - they were all of one mind; and by the grace of God - A Vaccine has come - to begin a Calm In the Year Of 2021.

Calm Down – Remember, God got This! Believing God will bring a Calm in 2021.

Because of Calvary

Pastor And Lady Vi

ENTER TO WORSHIP

Praise & Worship

Invocation..... Congregation
“O Lord, our God, as we your children, begin this new year come together in this place to worship you. Pour upon us the light of your wisdom and the healing of your spirit in such a way that we shall be refashioned in our thoughts and rekindled in our heart– for the Glory of Christ, our Lord forever, Amen”.

Welcome

Jerrelle March for the “365 Campaign“

Musical OfferingZBC Music Ministry

Prayer..... Deacon Clyde Harrington

Tithes & Offerings: Malachi 3:10 *“Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it”. Amen. Offertory Response– We Exalt Thee”*

Musical OfferingZBC Music Ministry

The Preached Word..... Minister Shant Williams

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

CHURCH COVENANT

HOLY COMMUNION

DEPART TO SERVE

HOME SICK\SHUT- IN

Sis. Erica Barham - **21218**
Sis. Aleathea Brunson -**21234**
Sis. Donna Fair - **21213**
Sis. Louise Hamilton - **21209**
Sis. Mamie Johnson - **21213**
Deaconess Yolonda Lambirth - **21207**
Sis. Peggy Lipscomb - **21207**
Sis. Priscilla Marshall - **21216**
Sis. Estelle McFadden - **21239**
Sis. Gerri Myles - **21213**
Sis. Lilian McKenzie - **21218**
Deaconess Ella Neal - **21218**
Sis. Yvette Monroe - **21218**
Sis. Billie Newton - **21230**
Sis. Joan Nelson -**21206**
Sis. Edna Neal - **21205**
Sis. Hilda Phillips - **21215**
Deaconess Thelma Powell - **21239**
Sis. Faion Ragan - **21136**
Sis. Catherine Richardson - **21218**
Sis. Olivia Russell - **21212**

ASSISTED LIVING

Sis. Sallie Bolling – **21215**
Sis. Lena Kelly - **21214**
Bro. Joseph Lee - **21133 H**
Bro. James Musgrove - **21214**
Bro. David Sawyer – **21221**

NURSING HOME

Sis. Janice Clark - **21239**
Sis. Winifred Coleman - **21239**
Sis. Thelma McDaniel - **21202**
Sis. Carolyn Sawyer - **21221**

Hospice (H)

Home Hospice (HH)

No Visitors (NV)

Sis. Rosland Russell - **21212**
Sis. Ruth Smith - **21212**
Sis. Dee Sparks - **21214**
Sis. Gwendolyn Thomas - **21239**
Sis. Joan Tisdale - **21239**
Sis. Natalie Tomlin - **21218**
Sis. Rhonda Tucker - **21009**
Sis. Antoinette Washington -**21201**
Sis. Grace Washington - **21214**
Sis. Doris Weatherbe - **21213 HH**
Sis. Kathy Wilson - **21213**
Bro. Arthur Chambers - **21231**
Bro. Richard Griffin - **21237**
Deacon Bennie Grissom - **21213**
Bro. Leroy James - **21213**
Bro. William James - **21206**
Bro. B. Lewis Knight - **21213**
Bro. Charles Robinson - **21218**
Bro. Clarence Sampson - **21239**
Bro. Nicholas Toatley-Scott - **21136**
Bro. Joe Wiggins - **21212**
Bro. Worthington Winkler - **21117**

REHABILITATION

Sis. Ruth Bailey - **21208**
Sis. Ellen Foster - **21218**
Sis. Audrey Meredith - **21236**
Sis. Jean Thompson
Sis. Mae West - **21215**
Bro. Robert Bailey - **21208**
Bro. Robert Thomas
Bro. Leon Wilson -**21122**

HOSPITAL

Bro. Gary Cannady - **21214**

BEREAVEMENT

Family of Sister Oveda Howard
Family of Carl Tucker