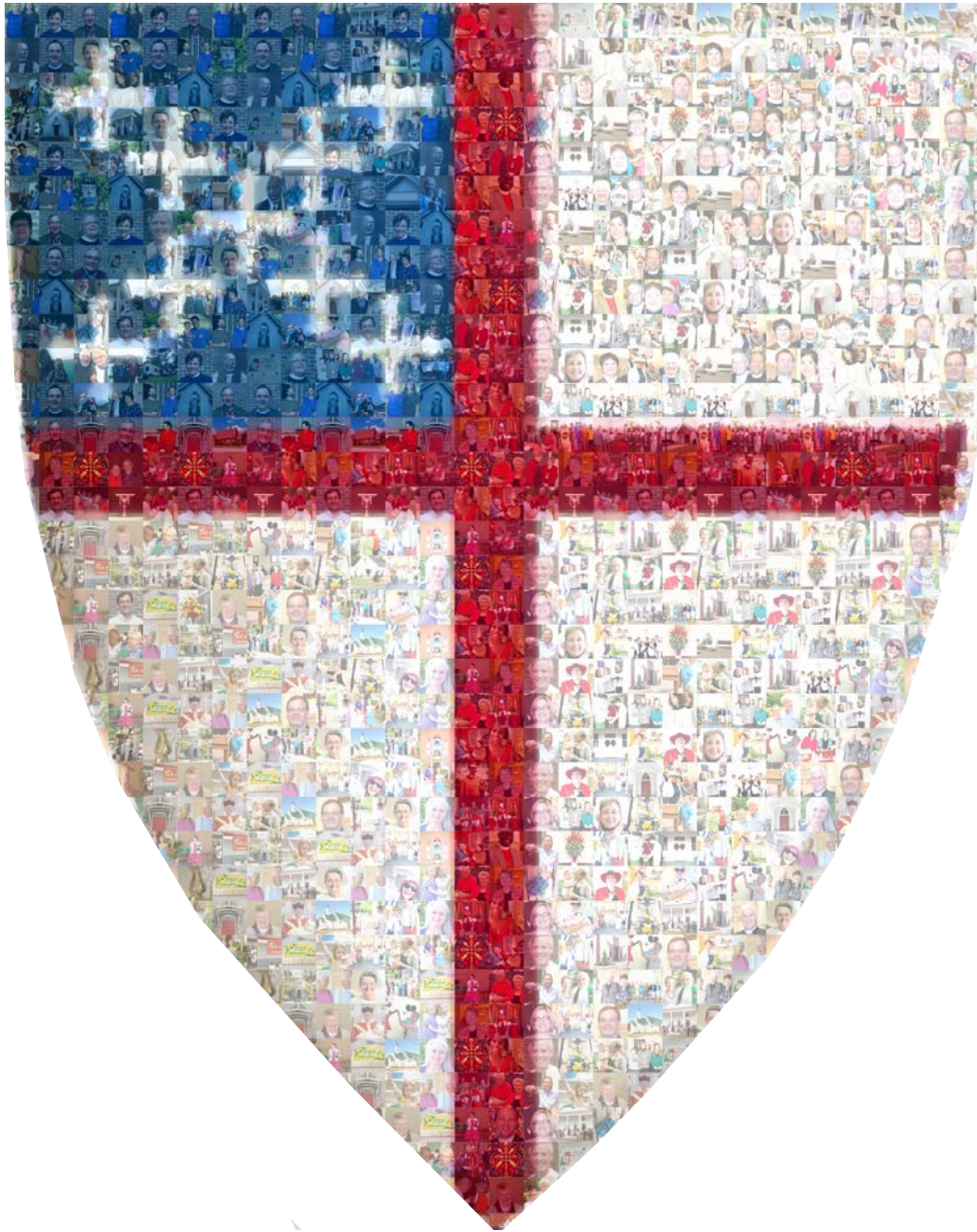


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CHORAL EUCHARIST



February 21, 2014

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Bishop of The Episcopal Church in South Carolina

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

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*Welcome to All Saints Episcopal Church.
Please silence all electronic devices before the liturgy begins.*

Convention: Call to Order

Voluntary

Elegy

George Thalben-Ball

Please stand.

Introit

O come, ye servants of the Lord

Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name; from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just, and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known: ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

Processional Hymn 518

Christ is made the sure foundation

Westminster Abbey

1. Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the Church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.
2. All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.
3. To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness
hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls away.
4. Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain;
what they gain from thee, for ever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.
5. Laud and honor to the Father,
Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit,
Ever Three, and ever One,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
while unending ages run.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Acclamation and Response

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria

Glory be to God

Lauda anima

Glory be to God in heaven,
Songs of joy and peace we bring,
Thankful hearts and voices raising,
To creation's Lord we sing:
Lord, we thank you,
Lord, we bless you,
Glory be to God our King.

Lamb of God, who on
your shoulders
Bore the load of this world's sin,
Only Son of God the Father,
You have brought us peace within:
Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy,
Now your glorious reign begin.

You, O Son of God, are holy,
You we praise with one accord;
None in heav'n or earth is like you,
Only you are Christ the Lord –
With the Father,
And the Spirit,
Ever worshipped and adored.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in this Diocesan Convention for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

The First Reading: I Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated and join in the singing of the Refrain.

Refrain (*sung first by Cantor, then by all*)



Cantor: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
Though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
The Lord of hosts is with us;

All: **Refrain**

Cantor: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown;
God shall help her at the break of day.
The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken;
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
The Lord of hosts is with us;

All: **Refrain**

Cantor: Come now and look upon the works of the Lord,
what awesome things he has done on earth.
It is he who makes war to cease in all the world;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.
“Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.
The Lord of hosts is with us;

All: **Refrain**

The Second Reading: I Peter 2:1-5, 9- 10

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.



1 Sis - ter, let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, fel - low trav - ellers
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you -are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll



Christ to you; pray that I may have the
 on the road; we are here to help each
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and



grace to let you be my ser - vant too.
 oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.
 to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
 sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.

5 When we sing to God in heaven,
 we shall find such harmony,
 born of all we've known together
 of Christ's love and agony.

6 Brother, let me be your servant,
 let me be as Christ to you;
 pray that I may have the grace to
 let you be my servant too.

Music and text: Richard Gillard

The Holy Gospel: John 4:31-38

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging Jesus, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

A period of silent reflection is kept.

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: As we gather to celebrate the life of our diocese, let us rejoice together as we offer prayers to God who has called each and all to be ministers in his church.

Intercessor: For the angels and archangels and the spirits of the blessed who minister above,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For all called to be saints and witnesses to the gospel,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For Charles our Bishop, for Katharine our Presiding Bishop, for all the bishops, priests, deacons, and all who minister in Christ,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For our parishes, missions and worshipping communities and for our renewed life as a diocesan family,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For the church throughout the world and the faithful in every place,

People: We entreat you, Lord.

Intercessor: For the leaders of the nations and all in authority,

People: We entreat you, Lord.

Intercessor: For mercy, justice, and peace among all peoples of the earth,

People: We entreat you, Lord.

Intercessor: For the ministry of the Episcopal Church in South Carolina now assembled in Diocesan Convention,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: Remembering all the saints who have ministered in your church from the beginning until this day, let us commend ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ,

People: To you, O Lord.

Celebrant: God of grace and glory, your Son Jesus Christ came not to be served but to serve; you call us to continue to minister in his name and to serve one another in the bonds of covenant love. Direct all we do, and may all be done to your glory and for the good of your whole creation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Please be seated.

Welcome

The Reverend Richard C. Lindsey
Rector of All Saints, Hilton Head Island

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

The True Glory

Richard Barnes

Members of the congregation will present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

At the recommendation of the Diocesan Council and Standing Committee, the offering from today's service will be dedicated to Episcopal Relief and Development, and to Family Promise of Beaufort County. Learn more about these organizations on page 15.

Presentation Hymn

Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Your Son, Jesus Christ, came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. You call your faithful people to minister in his name and to work for the good of all creation.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord (S125)

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer *(said together)*

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

My flesh is food indeed

Ray W. Urwin

Musical score for the Fraction Anthem. It consists of four staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord." The score includes performance directions: "Cantor" above the first staff, "1 All" above the second staff, "2 Cantor" above the third staff, and "All" above the fourth staff.

Please be seated.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

Beckett Gerald Senchur

Musical score for the Agnus Dei. It consists of two staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace." The score includes a measure rest of 7 measures at the beginning of the second staff.

The Communion of the People

The Episcopal Church invites all baptized Christians of any age to the Lord's Table. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please assist the chalice as it is offered; or, having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. We believe Christ fully present in either element. If you are not baptized, or if you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing. If you wish to be baptized, please speak to a priest.

Gluten-free wafers are available. Please speak to a priest when you come forward for Communion.

Organ Voluntary

Folk Tune

Percy Whitlock

Hymn*Eat this bread*

Taizé

The congregation is invited to join in singing all the Communion Hymns.

p Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and e - ver be hun - gry.
Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

mf
5 Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in Him and you will not thirst.
Je - sus Christ, Ri - sen Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Hymn 312*Strengthen for service, Lord*

Malabar

1. Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands
that holy things have taken;
let ears that now have heard thy songs
to clamor never waken.
2. Lord, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang
keep free from all deceiving;
The eyes which saw thy love be bright
Thy blessed hope perceiving.
3. The feet that tread thy hallowed courts
from light do thou not banish;
The bodies by thy Body fed
With thy new life replenish.

Anthem*Jesus calls us*

Will C. McFarlane

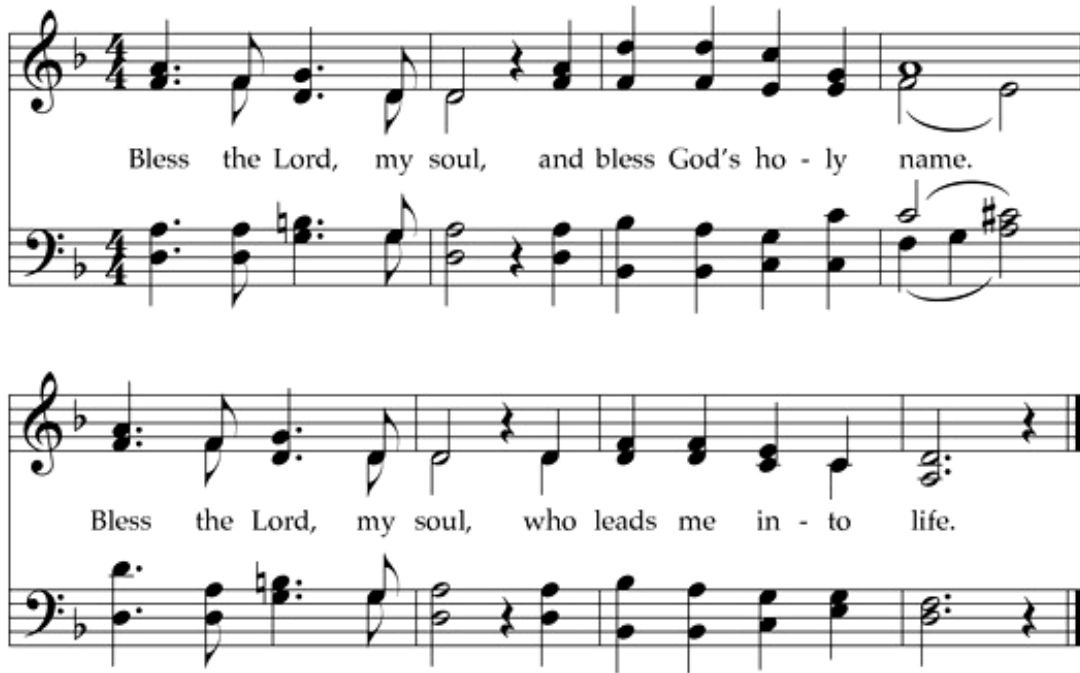
Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his clear voice soundeth,
saying, "Christian, follow me;"

as, of old, Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store;
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,
Savior, make us hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.



Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Please stand.

The Postcommunion Prayer *(said together)*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Processional Hymn

Your hand, O God, has guided

Aurelia

1. Your hand, O God, has guided
your flock from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written,
full clear, on every page.
Our forbears owned your goodness
and we their deeds record,
and both of this bear witness:
one church, one faith, one Lord.
2. Your heralds brought glad tidings
to greatest as to least;
they bade them rise, and hasten
to share the royal feast;
and this was all their teaching,
in every deed and word,
to all alike proclaiming,
one church, one faith, one Lord.
3. When shadows, thickly falling,
engulfed the world in night,
you summoned forth
your servants
your messengers of light.
On them and on your people
your plenteous grace was poured,
and this was still their message:
one church, one faith, one Lord.
4. And we, shall we be faithless,
shall hearts fail,
hands hang down?
Shall we evade the struggle
and cast away the crown?
Not so; in God's deep counsels
some better gift is stored:
the covenant of promise –
one church, one faith, one Lord.
5. Your mercy will not fail us,
nor leave your work undone;
with your right hand to help us,
your people shall be one;
and then, by all creation,
your name shall be adored,
and this shall be their anthem:
one church, one faith, one Lord.

Edward Hayes Plumptre
(1821-1891)

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Toccata in Seven

John Rutter

Please join us for a Reception in the Parish Hall following the service



*The flowers in the church are given to the Glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the Episcopal ministries of
The Right Reverend Charles G. vonRosenberg
and
The Right Reverend Michael B. Curry*

The Right Reverend Michael B. Curry

Michael Bruce Curry was elected 11th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina in 2000 and consecrated in Duke Chapel on the campus of Duke University. Born in Chicago, he attended public schools in Buffalo, New York, and graduated with high honors from Hobart College in Geneva, New York, in 1975. He received a Master of Divinity degree in 1978 from Yale University Divinity School. He has also done continued study at The College of Preachers, Princeton Theological Seminary, Wake Forest University, the Ecumenical Institute at St. Mary's Seminary, and the Institute of Christian Jewish Studies.

Bishop Curry was ordained to the diaconate in June 1978 at St. Paul's Cathedral, Buffalo, N.Y., and to the priesthood in December 1978, at St. Stephen's, Winston-Salem, N.C. He began his ministry as deacon-in-charge at St. Stephen's, Winston-Salem and was rector there 1979-1982. He went on to become rector of St. Simon of Cyrene, Lincoln Heights, Ohio; and St. James', Baltimore, Maryland, where he served until his election as bishop. In his three parish ministries, Bishop Curry was active in the founding of ecumenical summer day camps for children, the creation of networks of family day care providers and educational centers, and the brokering of millions of dollars of investment in inner city neighborhoods.

As Bishop, he has instituted a network of canons, deacons, and youth ministry professionals dedicated to supporting the ministry that already happens in local congregations and refocused the Diocese on The Episcopal Church's Millennium Development Goals through a \$400,000 campaign to buy malaria nets that saved over 100,000 lives. In his national preaching and teaching ministry, Bishop Curry has been featured on *The Protestant Hour* and North Carolina Public Radio's *The State of Things*, as well as on The Huffington Post. He is a frequent speaker at conferences around the country. Currently, he serves on the Task-force for Re-imagining the Episcopal Church, and is the author of a book, *Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus*. He and his wife, Sharon, have two adult daughters, Rachel and Elizabeth.

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The Reverend Cathleen Brookman

All Saints, Hilton Head Island

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Mary Kay Montgomery, *All Saints, Hilton Head*

Today's Offering

Episcopal Relief & Development

Episcopal Relief & Development is an international relief and development agency and a compassionate response to human suffering on behalf of The Episcopal Church. Hearing God's call to seek and serve Christ in all persons and to respect the dignity of every human being, ERD serves to bring together the generosity of Episcopalians and others with the needs of the world. It provides relief in times of disaster and promotes sustainable development by identifying and addressing the root causes of suffering. ERD works through partnerships within the Anglican Communion, with ecumenical bodies and with others who share a common vision for justice and peace among all people.

Family Promise of Beaufort County

Family Promise partners with local congregations, individuals, families, other social service agencies, foundations and businesses to provide shelter and viable solutions for families with children who are facing a housing crisis. Families are housed in Beaufort County's houses of worship, where congregation members provide meals, essential needs and companionship for guest families. The Family Promise staff provides comprehensive case management and assistance, and ultimately affordable housing. The goal is to provide immediate shelter while equipping families with the knowledge and resources they need to sustain their lasting independence in a home of their own.



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