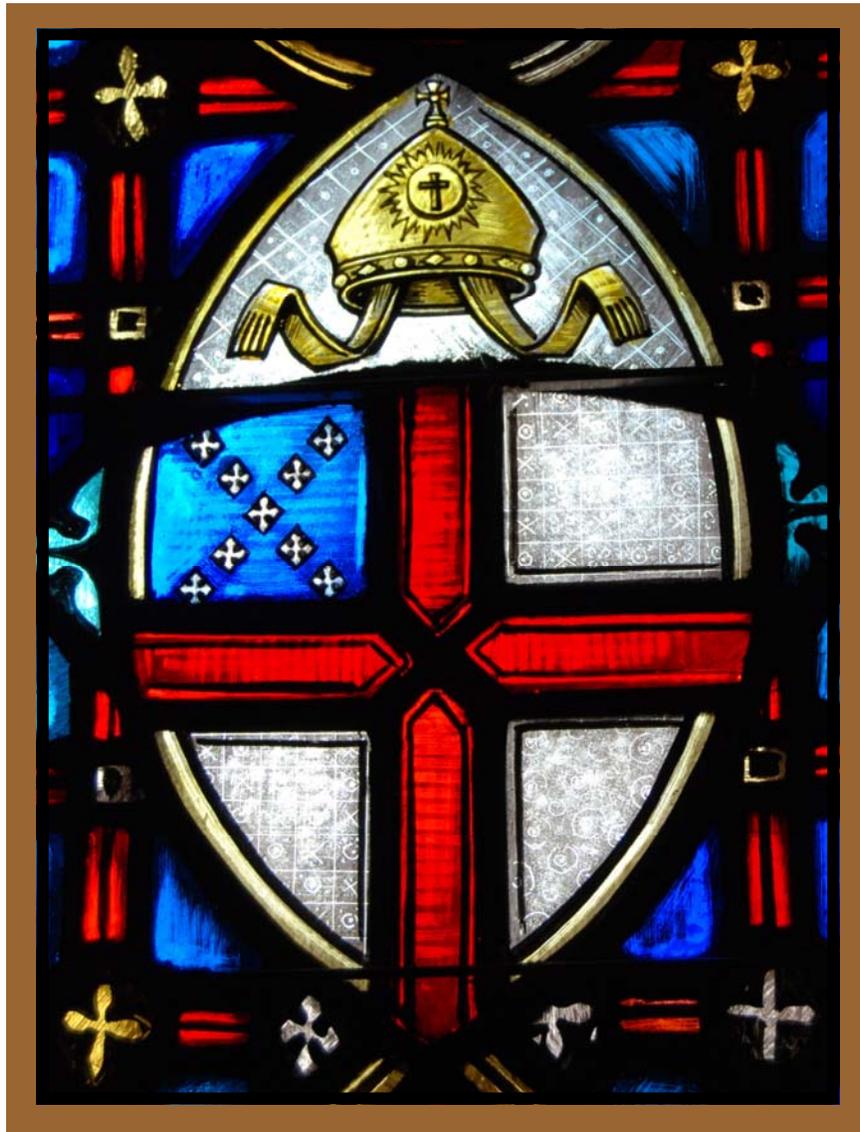


DIOCESAN CONVENTION
CHORAL EUCHARIST

WITH THE WELCOMING, INVESTITURE, AND SEATING
OF A BISHOP IN THE CATHEDRAL



The Feast of the Holy Cross
September 10, 2016

The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe, Presider and Preacher

GRACE CHURCH CATHEDRAL
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Welcome to Grace Church Cathedral, celebrating our 170th year of service and worship in Charleston.

Please silence all electronic devices before the liturgy begins.

Ringling of the Tower Bells

St. Dunstan's Guild

Voluntary

Concerto in C (Allegro), BWV 594

J.S. Bach

Introit

Beati quorum via

C.V. Stanford

Beati quorum via integra est,
qui ambulant in lege Domini.

Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord. (Psalm 119:1)

Fanfare for Organ

Sir Arthur Bliss

Processional Hymn 618

The Choir and Clergy process.

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Lasst uns erfreuen

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Bishop Adams: Grace and peace be with you, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

President of the Standing Committee:

Gladstone B. Adams, Bishop in the Church of God, and our Bishop, we welcome you to your Cathedral Church, the symbol and center of your pastoral, liturgical, and teaching ministry in this diocese.

Processional Hymn 473

Lift high the cross

Crucifer

Refrain:

Lift high the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore
his sacred Name.

1. Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

2. Each new-born servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory.

Bishops Procession

The Verger, Cross and Torches, Lectors, Intercessor, Chalice Bearers, Deacons, Chancellor, Participating Clergy, Bishop vonRosenberg, Bishop Adams, and Bishop Wolfe process.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Acclamation and Response

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Presider: Their sound has gone out into all lands:
People: And their words to the end of the world.

The Investiture

Bishop Wolfe: Let the will of the people here present be made known. Do you recognize and receive Skip as your Bishop?

People: We do.

Bishop Wolfe: Will you uphold Skip in this ministry?

People: We will.

Bishop Wolfe: Will you exercise your ministry in obedience to Christ?

Bishop Adams: I will obey Christ, and will serve in his name.

Archdeacon: Will you be faithful in prayer, and in the study of Holy Scripture, that you may have the mind of Christ?

Bishop Adams: I will, for he is my help.

Diocesan Council Representative:

Will you boldly proclaim and interpret the Gospel of Christ, enlightening the minds and stirring up the conscience of your people?

Bishop Adams: I will, in the power of the Spirit.

Priest: As chief priest and pastor, will you encourage and support all baptized people in their gifts and ministries, nourish them from the riches of God's grace, pray for them without ceasing, and celebrate with them the sacraments of our redemption?

Bishop Adams: I will, in the name of Christ, the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls.

Chancellor: Will you guard the faith, unity, and discipline of the Church?

Bishop Adams: I will, for the love of God.

President of the Standing Committee:

Will you share with your fellow bishops in the government of the whole Church; will you sustain your fellow presbyters and take counsel with them; will you guide and strengthen the deacons and all others who minister in the Church?

Bishop Adams: I will, by the grace given me.

Deacon: Will you be merciful to all, show compassion to the poor and strangers, and defend those who have no helper?

Bishop Adams: I will, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

Bishop Wolfe: May the Lord who has given you the will to do these things, give you the grace and power to perform them.

Bishop Adams: Amen.

Bishop Wolfe: My brother, you have been recognized as a bishop of the Church and as bishop of this Diocese. Now I, by the authority committed to me, and with the consent of those who have chosen you, do invest you, Skip Adams as Provisional Bishop of this Diocese, with all the temporal and spiritual rights and responsibilities that pertain to that office; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>
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The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Reading: Isaiah 49:5-13

And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength – he says, ‘It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.’ Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, ‘Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.’ Thus says the Lord: In a time of favor I have answered you, on a day of salvation I have helped you; I have kept you and given you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages; saying to the prisoners, ‘Come out’, to those who are in darkness, ‘Show yourselves.’ They shall feed along the ways, on all the bare heights shall be their pasture; they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them. And I will turn all my mountains into a road, and my highways shall be raised up. Lo, these shall come from far away, and lo, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene. Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the Lord has comforted his people, and will have compassion on his suffering ones.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills *
 from whence cometh my help.
 My help cometh even from the Lord *
 who hath made heaven and earth.
 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved *
 and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
 Behold, he that keepeth Israel *
 shall neither slumber nor sleep.
 The Lord himself is thy keeper *
 the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;
 So that the sun shall not burn thee by day *
 neither the moon by night.
 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil *
 yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
 The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in *
 from this time forth for evermore.

The Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God’s grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God’s grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn 516

Come down, O Love divine

Down Ampney

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| <p>1. Come down, O Love divine,
 seek thou this soul of mine,
 and visit it with thine own ardor
 glowing;
 O Comforter, draw near,
 within my heart appear,
 and kindle it, thy holy flame
 bestowing.</p> | <p>2. O let it freely burn,
 till earthly passions turn
 to dust and ashes in its heat
 consuming;
 and let thy glorious light
 shine ever on my sight,
 and clothe me round, the while
 my path illuming.</p> | <p>3. And so the yearning strong,
 with which the soul will long,
 shall far outpass the power of
 human telling;
 for none can guess its grace,
 till Love create a place
 wherein the Holy Spirit makes
 a dwelling.</p> |
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Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

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

- Presider:** As we proclaim Christ crucified, let us pray to the God of healing for the salvation of all people, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** For this holy gathering of Diocesan Convention, and for people of God in every place, we pray.
- People:** Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** For Skip, chosen Bishop of our Diocese, and for Michael our Presiding Bishop, we pray.
- People:** Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** For all who follow the cross and all who seek life in Christ, we pray.
- People:** Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** For the leaders of the nations and for peace among the peoples of the earth, we pray.
- People:** Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** For all those in danger and need: for the sick and the suffering, travelers and prisoners, the hungry and the oppressed, we pray.
- People:** Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** For the dying and the dead, we pray.
- People:** Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, we pray.
- People:** Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader:** Lifting our voices with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.
- People:** To you, O Lord.
- Presider:** God of ancient Israel, who lifted up the Son of Man on the cross, hear the prayers we offer this day, and grant eternal life to all who believe, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn 511

Holy Spirit, ever living

Abbot's Leigh

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| 1. Holy Spirit, ever living
as the church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving
through her in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming
in the Church the mind of Christ;
thee we praise with endless worship
for thy fruits and gifts unpriced. | 2. Holy Spirit, ever working
through the Church's ministry;
quicken, strengthening and absolving,
setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding
age to age, and soul to soul,
in a fellowship unending
thee we worship and extol. |
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The Seating of a Bishop in the Cathedral

The Dean, President of the Standing Committee, and Chancellor meet the new Bishop in the center of the chancel and present the Pastoral Staff.

Bishop Adams: I, Skip, your Bishop, thank you for your welcome. I promise, God helping me, to be a faithful shepherd and servant among you. I pray that the ministry which we will share may be pleasing to God, and that it may strengthen the life of this diocese, and the whole Church of God. I now ask to be seated in the chair that is the symbol of my office.

The Bishop is escorted to the Cathedra. Meanwhile, music is played.

The Dean, standing near the Cathedra, says

In the name of the Chapter of this Cathedral Church, and on behalf of the people of this diocese, I install you, Skip, in the chair appointed to your office. May the Lord stir up in you the flame of holy charity, and the power of faith that overcomes the world. *Amen.*

The Bishop sits, and the People offer their acclamations and applause.

The Celebrant proceeds

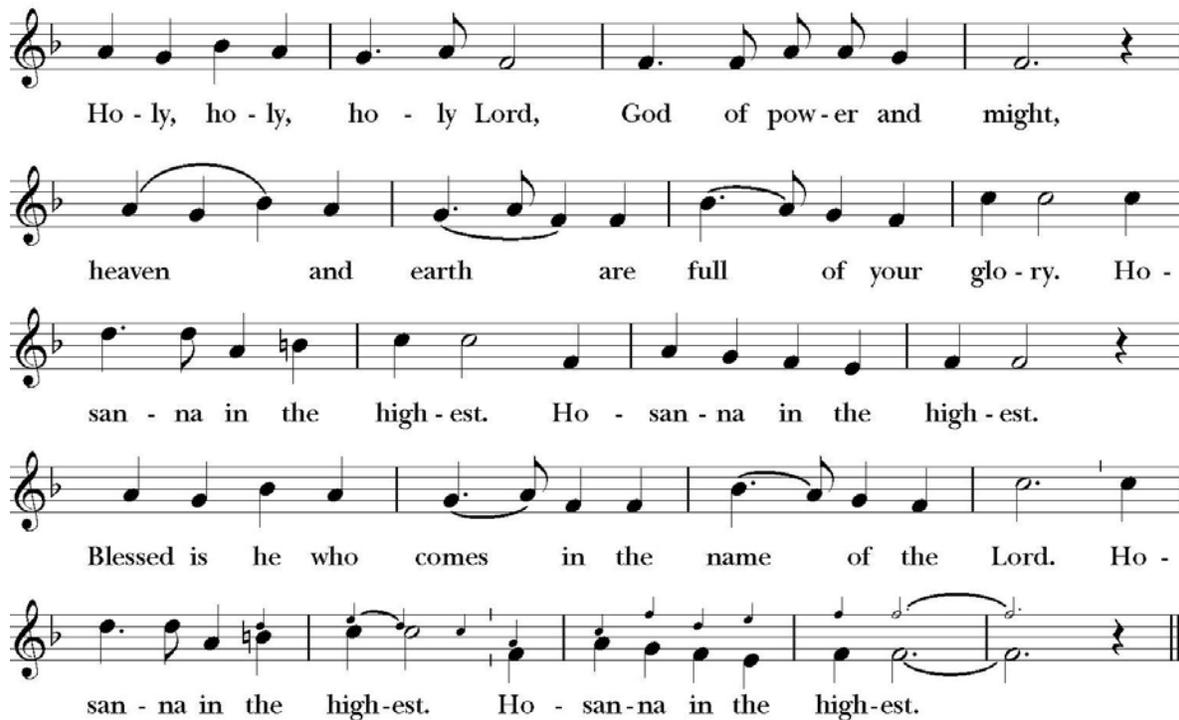
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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 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

Cantor: My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.
All: My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.
Cantor: Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them.
All: My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

Beckett Gerald Senchur

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.

Please be seated.

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.

Communion Hymn

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit

(Lift Every Voice and Sing 2, Hymn 120)

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

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain:

Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet Heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with your love.
And for these blessings we lift our hearts
in praise;
Without a doubt we'll know that we have
been revived
when we shall leave this place.

2. There are blessings you cannot receive
Till you know Him in His fullness, and believe.
You're the one to profit when you say,
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."

Refrain

3. If you say He saved you from your sin,
Now you're weak, you're bound,
and cannot enter in,
you can make it right if you will yield;
You'll enjoy the Holy Spirit that we feel.

Refrain

Hymn 513

Like the murmur of the dove's song

Bridegroom

1. Like the murmur of the dove's song,
like the challenge of her flight,
like the vigor of the wind's rush,
like the new flame's eager might:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

2. To the members of Christ's Body,
to the branches of the Vine,
to the Church in faith assembled,
to her midst as gift and sign:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

3. With the healing of division,
with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the power to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

Anthem (choir)

Ave verum corpus

William Byrd

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria virgine.
Vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine,
Cujus latus perforatum,
Unda fluxit sanguine,
Esto nobis prægustatum mortis in examine.
O dulcis, O pie,
O Jesu Fili Mariae,
Miserere mei. Amen.

*Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary,
Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mortals,
Whose pierced side
flowed with water and blood,
Be for us a foretaste (of heaven) in our final examining.
O sweet, O pure,
O Jesu Son of Mary,
Have mercy on me. Amen.*

Hymn 539*O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling*

Tidings

1. O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
to tell to all the world that God is Light;
that he who made all nations is not willing
one soul should fail to know his love and might.

Refrain:

Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace
tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

2. Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,
and died on earth that all might live above. **Refrain**

3. Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious;
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious
till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day. **Refrain**

4. He comes again! O Zion, ere thou meet him,
make known to every heart his saving grace;
let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him,
through thy neglect, unfit to see his face. **Refrain**

Hymn 324*Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Picardy

1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
in the Body and the Blood
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

4. At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim with sleepless eye
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

Hymn 487*Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life*

The Call

1. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
such a way as gives us breath;
such a truth as ends all strife;
such a life as killeth death.

2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
such a light as shows a feast;
such a feast as mends in length;
such a strength as makes his guest.

3. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move;
such a love as none can part;
such a heart as joys in love.

*Please stand.**In place of the usual postcommunion prayer, an acolyte leads the people in the following*

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Skip may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with him, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Bishop Adams: Our help is in the name of the Lord;
People: The maker of heaven and earth.
Bishop Adams: Blessed be the name of the Lord;
People: From this time forth for evermore.
Bishop Adams: The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Processional Hymn 541

Come, labor on

Ora Labora

1. Come, labor on.
Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain
while all around us waves the golden grain?
And to each servant does the Master say,
“Go work today.”
2. Come, labor on.
The enemy is watching night and day,
to sow the tares, to snatch the seed away;
while we in sleep our duty have forgot,
he slumbered not.
3. Come, labor on.
Away with gloomy doubt and faithless fear!
No arm so weak but may do service here.
by feeble agents, may our God fulfill
his righteous will.
4. Come, labor on.
Claim the high calling angels cannot share –
to young and old the Gospel gladness bear.
Redeem the time; its hours too swiftly fly.
The night draws nigh.
5. Come, labor on.
No time for rest, till glows the western sky,
till the long shadows o'er our pathway lie,
and a glad sound comes with the setting sun,
“Servants, well done!”

The Dismissal

Deacon: Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Voluntary

Fanfare

John Cook



*The flowers in the church are given to the Glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the ministry of Bishop Skip Adams*

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Service Participants

Presider and Preacher

The Right Reverend Dean E. Wolfe
Vice President of the House of Bishops

Bishop Provisional

The Right Reverend Gladstone B ‘Skip’ Adams III

Concelebrant

The Right Reverend Charles G. vonRosenberg

Dean

The Very Reverend J. Michael A. Wright

President of the Standing Committee

The Reverend Jean McGraw

Archdeacon

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Jack Clayton, Joseph Behre,
Michael Hart, Robert Hart

Lectors

Hillery Douglas
Bonnie Adams

Intercessor

Virginia Runge

Ministers of Communion

The Very Reverend Christopher Huff
The Very Reverend Wil Keith
The Very Reverend Richard Lindsey
The Reverend Dr. Wilmot T. Merchant II
The Reverend Canon John Zahl

Chalice Bearers

Timothy Armstrong
Canon Jean Bender
Kim Horton
Nancy Gault
Anita Jefferson

Oblation Bearers

Bonnie Adams
The Reverend Jeffrey Richardson

Music

St. Gregory Choir
Nigel Potts, Canon Organist and Master of the Music
Parks Greene Sub-Organist

Cantor

Steve Skardon

Ushers

John Kammeyer, Captain
Carl Millford, David Royall, Amy McCandless,
Jim Callahan, Robert Freer

Tower Bells

St. Dunstan’s Guild of Change Ringers

Prayer for our Diocesan Convention

Almighty and everliving God,
source of all wisdom and understanding,
be present with those who take counsel in 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.

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Bishop Skip Adams

The Right Reverend Gladstone B. “Skip” Adams comes to South Carolina to become the second Bishop Provisional of The Episcopal Church in South Carolina.

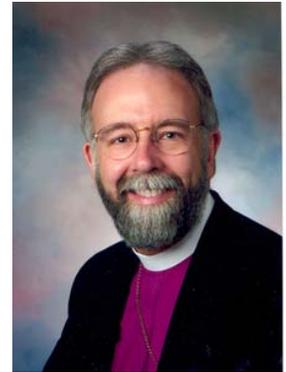
For the last 15 years, he has served as the 10th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York. Based in Liverpool, NY, the diocese has 81 congregations and some 13,000 members. Upon announcing his retirement there in March 2015, he said he planned to be “available to the Church in any way that God’s Spirit may call forth.”

He will succeed the Right Reverend Charles G. vonRosenberg as Provisional Bishop of the South Carolina diocese, which covers the eastern half of the state and includes 31 parishes, missions and worshipping communities and some 7,000 members.

A native of Baltimore, MD, Bishop Adams graduated from Towson University in 1976. In 1980 he earned his Master of Divinity at Virginia Theological Seminary and was ordained in 1980. He went on to serve in churches in New York, Virginia, New Hampshire and Maryland, and was consecrated Bishop in October, 2001.

During his time in Central New York he worked toward a vision for a diocese of Episcopalians becoming a more deeply faithful people, with all involved in helping to realize a 21st-century vision for the Church.

He enjoys fly-fishing and fly-tying, reading, music of all kinds, camping and canoeing. He is interested in the Church and people in El Salvador (the companion Diocese of Central New York), environmental and social issues. Bishop Adams’ wife, Bonnie Adams, is a registered nurse, and they have three adult children: Peter, Stephen, and Emily.



Bishop Dean Wolfe

The Right Reverend Dean Elliott Wolfe is the Ninth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas, founded in 1859. He oversees 44 congregations, two campus ministry centers and one secondary school. Bishop Wolfe became the diocesan bishop on January 1, 2004.

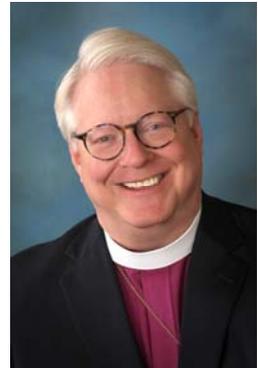
Bishop Wolfe is a Vice President of the House of Bishops, Chair of the House of Bishops Planning Committee, delegate to the World Council of Churches, and member of the Presiding Bishop's Council of Advice, the Joint Committee for Planning and Arrangements for General Convention, and the Pastoral Development Committee. He also serves as a coaching bishop, faculty member and member of the Board of Directors for the College for Bishops.

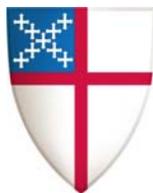
In the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas he has focused on innovative diocesan leadership and the creative use of parish resources. He initiated an ambitious plan to expand local education for lay and clergy leaders, which has resulted in the creation of the Bishop Kemper School for Ministry, a unique collaboration of the Dioceses of Kansas, West Missouri, Nebraska and Western Kansas. He also has worked to strengthen youth and campus ministries throughout the diocese.

Bishop Wolfe is an Associate of the Society of Saint John the Evangelist, and Chaplain of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem.

He is a graduate of Miami University of Ohio and Virginia Theological Seminary. Before being elected bishop, Bishop Wolfe served at St. Michael and All Angels in Dallas, Texas, one of the largest Episcopal churches in the country, and at Trinity Church, Copley Square in Boston, Mass.

He is married to Ellen Frantz-Wolfe, a mother, businesswoman and active community and church volunteer. They have a son, William, who is a graduate of The University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn.





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