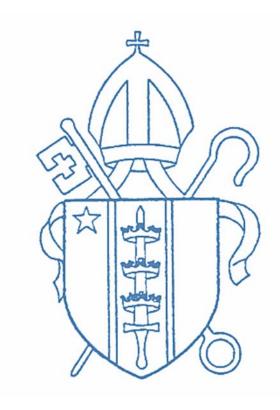
The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts



The Holy Eucharist with Confirmation and Reaffirmation

Sunday, October 7, 2018 at 10am



Candidates for Confirmation and Reaffirmation

Confirmation

Emma Jacqueline Barry

Edward Wilson Bennett

Kaitlin Rose Braun

Emilia Bevan Kearney

Emily Christine Breedis

Charlotte Chapman Brown

Thea Cole

Laura Jane Hoffmann

Stewart Allen Jones

Emilia Bevan Kearney

Benjamin Peregrin Levi

Hazel Elise Nystrom

Elsa Fallon Stanton

Cameron Yu Cowperthwaite Annika Grace Svedlund

Charles Thomas Denomme Sterling Alexander Williams

Sophia Kyla Di Giovanni Keira Anne Wilson

William Weeks Harris

Reaffirmation

Harriet Totten Thompson

Leaders of Worship

Presider and Preacher

The Right Reverend Alan Gates

Bishop's Chaplain and Gospeler

The Reverend H. Mark Smith

St Andrew's Clergy

The Reverend Adrian Robbins-Cole, the Reverend Margaret Schwarzer, and the Reverend Catherine Healy

Director of Music

Helen Ward Mannix

Acolytes

Isabella MacKinnon, Kelly Rawson, and Elizabeth Martin

Altar Guild

Barbara Bergstrom, Margaret Blackwell, Laura Brown MacKinnon, Elsie Deane, Heidi Harper, Sarah Harris, Ann Johnson, Margarethe Kulke, Debbie Lorenz, Liz Parsons, Linda Reineman

Chalice Ministers

Adams Carroll, David Hamlin, Suzy Littlefield, and Paul Shackford

Greeters

Karin Breedis and Joy Denomme

Flower Guild

Katie Barrack and Debbie Lorenz

Lectors

Debbie Knoles and William Hoffmann

Ushers

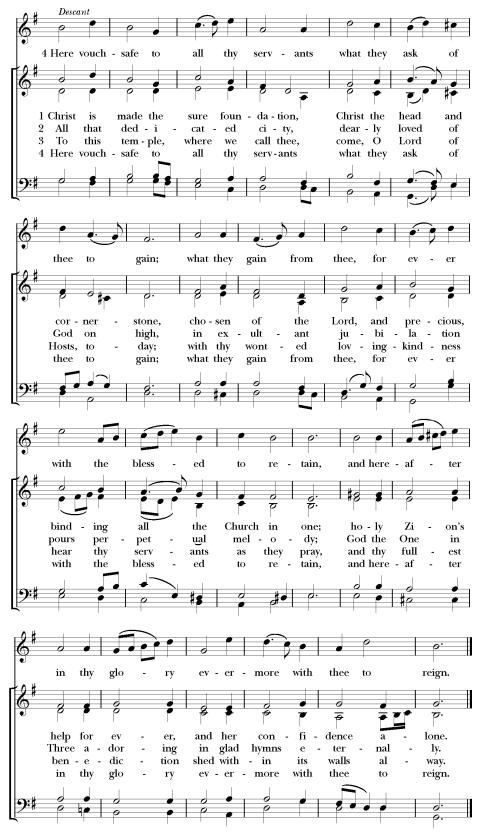
Carter Houghton, Frank Hunnewell, Bob Prensner, Terri Rawson, Kris Vanin, and Michael Vanin

Flowers today are given to the Glory of God

and in celebration of the lives of Angeline V. Fuller, Franklin John & Harriet Head Schwarzer, George M. Williamson, and in thanksgiving for the children of Lynda Sperry and Bill Wiberg.

Hymn 518 "Christ is made the sure foundation"

Westminster Abbey



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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Bishop then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit:

People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Bishop One Lord, One Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The people sit.

The Lessons

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 11:1-2, 6-9

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.



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Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-46

All standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Right Reverend Alan Gates

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Bishop The Candidates will now be presented.

Candidates and their sponsors stand.

Presenters On behalf of (church name), I present *these persons* for Confirmation.

On behalf of (church name), I present *this person* who desires to reaffirm

her baptismal vows.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their

life in Christ?

People We will.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own

baptismal covenant.

All stand.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. People

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity

of all creation?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread,

and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and

return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help. People

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help. Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of

every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

All remain standing for the Prayers for the Candidates.

Prayers for the Candidates

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

A person appointed leads the following petitions.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

A period of silence follows.

Bishop Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus

Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Explanation of Confirmation Process

The candidates, presenters, family, and friends come forward.

Confirmation

The Bishop lays hands upon each person and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N*. with your Holy Spirit; empower *him/her* for your service; and sustain *him/her* all the days of *his/her* life. **Amen**.

or this

Defend, O Lord, your servant *N*. with your heavenly grace, that *she/he* may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until *she/he* comes to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen**.

Hymn 832 (Wonder, Love, and Praise) "Veni Sancte Spiritus"

Taizé Community



Translation: Come, Holy Spirit.

Choral Anthem Listen, sweet dove

Listen, sweet dove, unto my song, And spread thy golden wings in me; Hatching my tender heart so long, Till it get wing and flie away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow
The earth did like a heav'n appeare;
The starres were coming down to know
If they might mend their wages and serve here.

Hymn 516 "Come down, O Love divine"

Grayston Ives (b. 1948); text by George Herbert (1593-1633)

The sunne which once did shine alone, Hung down his head and wisht for night, When he beheld twelve sunnes for one Going about the world and giving light.

Lord, though we change, thou art the same, The same sweet God of love and light: Restore this day for thy great name, Unto his ancient and miraculous right.

Down Ampney



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Where charity and love are, God is there.

Christ's love has gathered us into one.

Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.

Let us fear, and let us love the living God.

And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

Hymn 657 "Love divine, all loves excelling"

Hyfrydol



Bishop

Almighty and everlasting God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace is exchanged.

Bishop

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The Offertory

Today's offering is designated to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund, earmarked for Theological Education. This will help give financial aid to those training for ordination for their seminary costs. Checks should be made out to "Bishop's Discretionary Fund."

Choral Anthem Wana baraka

traditional Kenyan; arr. Shawn Kirchner (b. 1970)

They have blessings, those who pray; Jesus himself said so. Alleluia! They have peace.

They have joy.
They have well-being.

Doxology Hymn 380, vs.3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th



The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

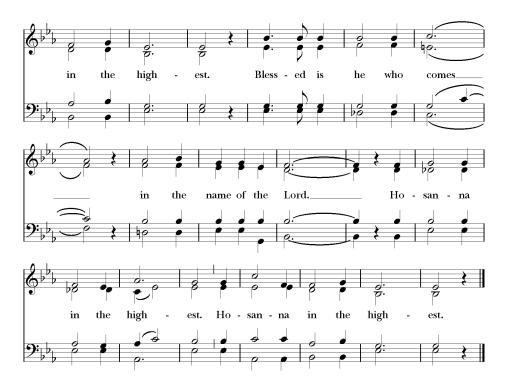
Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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 S 130

Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)





Bishop

Holy and gracious God: 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:

Bishop and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Bishop

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Holy One, 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.**

The Lord's Prayer

Bishop As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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.

Breaking of the Bread

The Bishop breaks the consecrated bread.

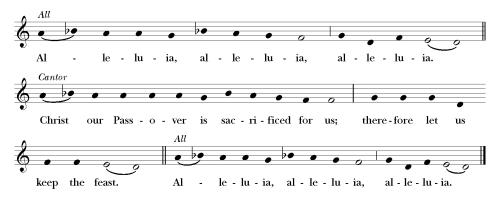
A period of silence is kept.

Bishop Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem S 151

David Hurd (b. 1950)



Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Distribution of Communion

Communion Anthem Flight Song

Kim André Arnesen (b. 1980) words by Euan Tait (b. 1968)

All we are, we have found in song: you have drawn this song from us. Songs of lives unfolding fly overhead, cry overhead: longing, rising from the song within.

Moving like the rise and fall of wings, hands that shape our calling voice on the edge of answers you've heard our cry, you've known our cry: music's fierce compassion flows from you.

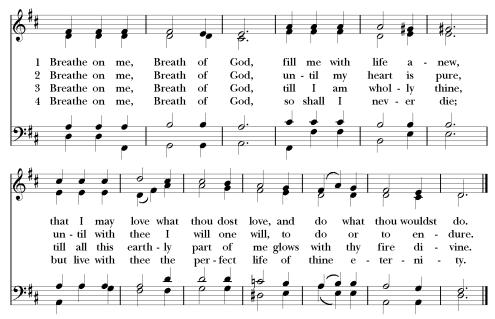
The night is restless with the sounds we hear, is broken, shaken by the cries of pain:

for this is music's inner voice, saying, yes, we hear you, all you who cry aloud, and we will fly, answering you: so our lives sing, sing, wild we will fly, wild in spirit we will fly.

Like a feather falling from the wing, fragile as a human voice, afraid, uncertain, alive to love, we sing as love, afraid, uncertain, yet our flight begins as song.

Hymn 508 "Breathe on me, Breath of God"

Nova Vita



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Postcommunion Prayer

Bishop Let us pray. Bishop and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Blessing

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

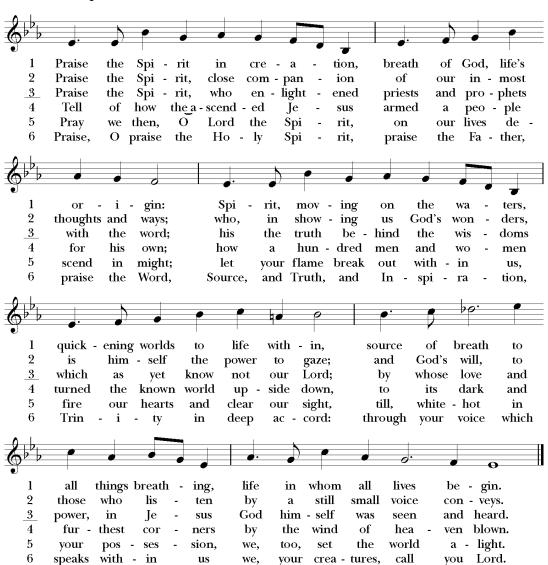
People The maker of heaven and earth.

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord; People

From this time forth for evermore.

The Bishop blesses the people.

Hymn 506 "Praise the Spirit in creation"



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Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Offertoire sur les Grands jeux" from Messe pour les Paroisses

François Couperin

The congregation remains in place as the closing procession passes.

Please join us for a reception following the service, downstairs in the parish hall.

