

# THE CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRIES FOR ARCHDEACONS AND RENEWAL OF VOWS FOR DEACONS IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY

Trinity Cathedral Chapel in the City of Trenton, New Jersey

Saturday, June 14th, 2014 Nine Thirty in the morning

The Feast of Basil the Great, Bishop of Caesarea

- 1. The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the Word. From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- 2. Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth; her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.
- 3. Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- 4. Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
- 5. Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

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

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

## Collect for Purity

Bishop 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.

Bishop Lord, have mercy.

People Christ, have mercy.

Bishop Lord, have mercy

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have revealed to your Church your eternal Being of glorious majesty and perfect love as one God in Trinity of Persons: Give us grace that, like your bishop Basil of Caesarea, we may continue steadfast in the confession of this faith, and constant in our worship of you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; for you live and reign for ever and ever.

People Amen.

Reader A reading from First Corinthians (2:6-13)

Among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# Psalm 34:1-8 (Read responsively by full verse)

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; \* his praise shall ever be in my mouth. 2 I will glory in the Lord; \* let the humble hear and rejoice. 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt his Name together. 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me \* and delivered me out of all my terror. 5 Look upon him and be radiant, \* and let not your faces be ashamed. 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me  $^{\ast}$ and saved me from all my troubles. 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \* and he will deliver them. 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; \* happy are they who trust in him!

### All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (10:21-24) People Glory to you Lord Christ.

When the seventy returned, at that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." Then turning to the disciples, Jesus said to them privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it."

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

Homily

The Right Reverend William H. Stokes, D.D. XII Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey

### The Nicene Creed

All 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.

# Recognition of Retiring Archdeacons

Bishop Vicki, John and Keith, we celebrate the dedicated leadership you have demonstrated over the ten years you served this Diocese and this community of Deacons as our Archdeacons. You have been faithful servants, diligent role models, spiritual leaders and careful stewards of the trust placed upon you. Each of you brings the Holy Spirit amongst us in many ways, according to your individual gifts. As a community of Deacons, we will miss those gifts as we try to discern the future that God has planned for us.

We wish you every great gift from Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and with grateful thanks from all Bishops, Priests and Deacons whom you have touched during your tenure.

Leth us pray.

Everliving God, whose power knows no bounds, we hold up before you Vicki, John and Keith. Grant that they who have been such faithful leaders to your Church and are now setting aside the role of Archdeacon, may continue to grow in faith and share in the fullness of your life-giving spirit through the Lord and Shepherd of all, Jesus Christ.

People Amen.

The retiring Archdeacons present the newly appointed Archdeacons with the following:

Bishop, we present to you Denise Cavaliere, Peter Cornell, Lynn Johnson, and Carmen Viola to be installed as Archdeacons in the Diocese of New Jersey.

Bishop Denise, Peter, Lynn and Carmen, do you, in the presence of this congregation commit yourselves to serve this diocese and your Bishop as Archdeacons and support the community of Deacons in and of the Diocese of New Jersey in Christ's ministry to the world?

Archdeacons We do.

Bishop Will you pledge to be faithful in tending to the deacons in your care, to consulting with your bishop and your fellow archdeacons, and to be intermediaries between the world and the church, and the diaconate and the church?

Archdeacons We will.

Bishop (to congregation)

Will you who witness these vows commit yourselves to seek and serve Christ in all persons?

People We will.

Bishop Let us pray.

We bless you, God, for raising up in many places ministers of word and sacrament.

We welcome Denise, Peter, Lynn and Carmen to their new responsibilities, to be archdeacons among us and to stand beside us in our work and our joy, in celebration and in sorrow. We ask that you bless our work together, that their fruitfulness will signify not personal accomplishments, but your glory. May we all have the hearts and minds and hands to be faithful stewards of your household. We raise our prayers to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that we may be one with you when we engage the tasks before us. Let the servant Christ be our guide and companion in the days to come, and to the ages of ages.

People Amen.

### Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows

The Bishop addresses the assembled Deacons

Dear friends, the ministry we share is none other than the sacrificial ministry of Christ, who gave himself up to death on the cross for the salvation of the world. By his glorious resurrection he has opened for us the way of everlasting life. By the gift of the Holy Spirit he shares with us the riches of his grace. We are called to proclaim his death and resurrection, to administer the Sacraments of the New Covenant which he sealed with his blood on the cross, and to care for his people in the power of the Spirit.

Do you here, in the presence of Christ and his Church, renew your commitment to your ministry, under the pastoral direction of your bishop?

Deacons I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise to give yourself to prayer and study? Deacons I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise so to minister the Word of God and the Sacraments of the New Covenant that the reconciling love of Christ may be known and received?

Deacons I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise to be a faithful servant of all those committed to your care, patterning your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to your people?

Deacons I do.

Bishop And now, as your bishop, I, too, before God and you, rededicate myself and reaffirm the promises that I made when I was ordained. I ask your prayers.

All May the Lord who has given us the will to do these things, give us also the grace and power to perform them.

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

(The Peace is then exchanged throughout the congregation.)

The people remain standing. The Bishop faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Bishop 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. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. 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:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

### Then the Bishop 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:

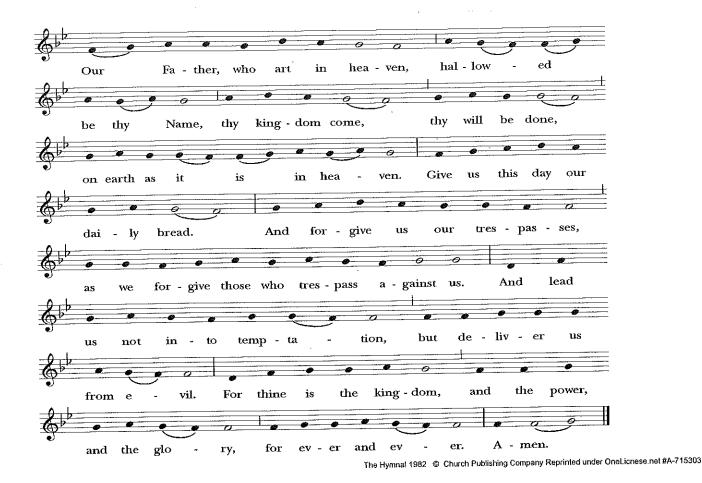
All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

## The Bishop 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.

All AMEN.



# The 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.

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

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 all Deacons may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we 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.

All Amen.

The Bishop blesses the people

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.

Bishop 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.

All Amen.

A Deacon dismisses the people

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

All Thanks be to God.

### **Closing Hymn**

# LEVAS 160

- 1. This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine *(repeat 3 times)* Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 2. Everywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine *(repeat 3 times)* Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 3. All through the night, I'm goin'-a let it shine (repeat 3 times) Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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### **Bishop**

The Right Reverend William H. Stokes, D.D.

### Retiring Archdeacons

The Reverend Victoria Cuff, Deacon
The Reverend Dr. John H. Hanson, Deacon
The Reverend W. Keith McCoy, Deacon

### **Archdeacon Appointments**

The Venerable Denise B. Cavaliere, Deacon
The Venerable Peter S. Cornell, Deacon
The Venerable Lynn H. Johnson, Deacon
The Venerable Carmen Viola, Deacon