



Annual Whitaker Celebration
Evening Prayer and
Graduate Recognition Program
The Feast of St. Columba (observed)
June 10, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Online worship in a time of pandemic

The Officiant then begins with
The Opening Sentences

YOURS is the day, O God, yours also the night; you established the moon and the sun. You fixed all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter. *Psalm 74:15-16*

JESUS said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." *John 8:12*

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

The service continues in the Prayerbook on page 117.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.
People O Lord, make haste to help us.

All

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Remaining standing, all say together
Phos hilaron

O gracious Light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Psalmist

SING to the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.

2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.

3 The LORD has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

People

Sing to the Lord a new song!
Sing to the Lord a new song!

Psalmist

4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.

7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

People

Sing to the Lord a new song!
Sing to the Lord a new song!

Psalmist

8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

People

Sing to the Lord a new song!
Sing to the Lord a new song!

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson *1 Corinthians 3:11–23*

NO one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy that person. For God’s temple is holy, and you are that temple. Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, “He catches the wise in their craftiness,” and again, “The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.” So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

Lector Here ends the Lesson.

All say together

The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

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MY soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in you, O God my Savior,
for you have looked with favor on your lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed:
you, the Almighty, have done great things for me,
and holy is your name.
You have mercy on those who fear you
from generation to generation.
You have shown strength with your arm *
and scattered the proud in their conceit,
Casting down the mighty from their thrones
and lifting up the lowly.
You have filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.
You have come to the help of your servant Israel,
for you have remembered your promise of mercy,
The promise made to our forebears,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Second Lesson *Luke 10:17–20*

THE seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Lector Here ends the Lesson.

L ORD, you now have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Apostle's Creed

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

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

All

O UR 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.

Suffrages (B) is found on page 122.

Officiant	That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,
People	We entreat you, O Lord.
Officiant	That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,
People	We entreat you, O Lord.
Officiant	That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses.
People	We entreat you, O Lord.
Officiant	That there may peace to your Church and to the whole world,
People	We entreat you, O Lord.
Officiant	That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgement seat of Christ,
People	We entreat you, O Lord.
Officiant	That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of blessed Paul, blessed Columba and all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,
People	We entreat you, O Lord.

The Collects

The Collect of the Day


O God, who by the preaching of your servant Columba caused the light of the Gospel to shine in Scotland: Grant, we pray, that, remembering his life and labors, we may show our thankfulness to you by following the example of his zeal and patience; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for the Power of the Spirit Among the People God


GOD of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission


KEEP watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**



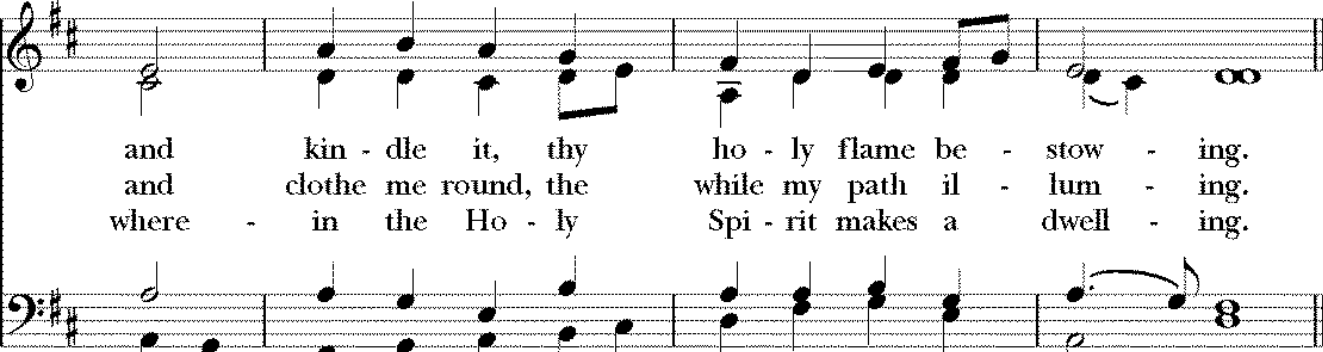
1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,



and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;



O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place



and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Words Bianco da Siena (15th c.); tr. Richard Littedale (1833-1890), alt.

Music *Down Ampney*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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The Intercessor then offers

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgivings

All say together

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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ALMIGHTY GOD,
You have given us grace at this time with one accord
to make our common supplication to you;
and you have promised through your well-beloved Son
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name
you will be in the midst of them:
Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us;
granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,
and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Officiant then concludes with

The Grace

Organ Voluntary

Prelude in G Major, BWV 541

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

LEADING THIS EVENING'S WORSHIP

Officiant – The Rev'd Vicki K. Hesse

Psalmist – Cedric Flounory

Lectors – Joyce Holden and Amber Nicole Barnes

Intercessor – The Rev'd Judith Schellhammer

Homilist – The Right Rev'd Bonnie A. Perry

MUSIC IN THE SERVICE

The hymn was recorded in a service in the Cathedral on May 20, 2018. The organ voluntary was recorded in a service in the Cathedral on April 30, 2017 and was played by Canon Jeremy David Tarrant.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Welcome

The Rev'd Vicki K. Hesse
Director, Whitaker Institute

Warm Congratulations

The Whitaker Family

Exploring Your Spiritual Journey

facilitated by The Rev'd Anthony Estes and Felicity Thompson

Janet Ray, St. Peter's, Detroit
Barbara Scoville, St. Andrew's, Ann Arbor
Cam Walker, St. John's, Detroit

The Saturday Series of the Academy for Vocational Leadership

The Year of the Bible

Instructor: The Rev'd Dr. Val Fargo
*Director, Coppage-Gordon School for Ministry,
Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Michigan*

Jenny Darrah, Holy Cross, Novi
Jerry Hardy, Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Detroit
Charles Parker, St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park

The Year of Theology and Ethics

Instructor: The Rev'd Canon Jonathan Sams
St. Andrew's, Waterford

Timothy Flynn, St. Paul's, Lansing *

*Timothy Flynn has received a *Certificate in Theological Studies* for completion of all three years of Saturday Series (Bible, History, Theology)

Licensed Lay Preachers (New)

Instructor: The Rev'd Susan Anslow Williams

Charles Parker, St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park
Jenny Darrah, Holy Cross, Novi

Worship Leaders (New and Renewals)

September 2019 / Howell Class

Instructor: The Rev'd Dr. W. Richard Hamlin

Pamela Blumhardt, St. John's, Clinton
John Buehner, St. John's, Westland
Reavis "Rev" Graham, St. George's, Milford
Dan Heini, St. Patrick's, Madison Heights
Richard Hutchinson, St. Paul's, Romeo
Beth Marshall, St. Patrick's, Madison Heights
Gary Marshall, St. Patrick's, Madison Heights

October 2019 / Novi Class

Instructor: The Rev'd Dr. W. Richard Hamlin

The Rev. Rae Lee Baxter, Emmaus, Novi
Jenny Darrah, Holy Cross, Novi
Kimberly Kaas, St. John's, Plymouth
Lyn Shoquist, St. Aidan's, Michigan Center
Lisa West-Gorman, Emmaus, Novi

November 2019 / Brighton Class

Instructor: The Rev'd Dr. W. Richard Hamlin

Tom Ferguson, St. Elizabeth's, Redford
Tish Germain, Grace, Mt. Clemens
Russell Hiatt, Nativity, Bloomfield Twp.
Joyce Holden, Christ Church, Adrian
Dianne Salisbury, St. Paul's, Brighton
Pamela Sherry, Grace, Mt. Clemens
Wendy Wahn, St. Michael's, Lansing

November 2019 / Wyandotte Class

Instructor: The Rev'd Andrea Morrow

Jennifer Bastin, St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park
Erica Benson, St. James, Grosse Ile
Tom Benson, St. James, Grosse Ile
John Bishop, St. Stephen's, Wyandotte
Patti Bushway, St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park
Bruce Cable, St. Stephen's, Wyandotte
MaryLou Cartwright, St. James, Grosse Ile
Tracey Clinton, St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park
Jon Crane, St. Stephen's, Wyandotte
Ray Gunther, St. Stephen's, Wyandotte
Jim Holubka, St. James, Grosse Ile
Sue Natale, Grace, Southgate
Charles Parker, St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park
Pam Wagner, Grace Southgate
Judy Williams, St. Michael and All Angels, Lincoln Park

Baptized for Life Congregations

Catechist: The Rev'd Deacon Maureen-Elizabeth Hagen
Diocese of Oregon

Trinity, Belleville

Gabby Burton
Martha Hanoian
The Rev'd Alice Sawyer

St. Barnabas, Chelsea

Kathy O'Connell
Jan Shebring
John Trace
Cynthia Wentworth
Jan Vardy
The Rev'd Bill Stech
The Rev'd Deacon Marion VanLoo

Christ Episcopal Church and Mother of The Savior, Dearborn

The Rev'd Terry Pilarski
The Rev'd Halim Shukair
Felicity Thompson
Caroline Antonuccio
Stephanie Mulkern
Pete Kenney

Special Recognition for Activating Lifelong Learning on Behalf of Whitaker Institute

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, 2019

Whitaker Institute Online School, Founded 2019

The Rev'd Eric Williams

The Very Rev'd Chris Yaw

And finally....!

Servant Leader Award

The Servant/Leader Award is presented by the Bishop and is given annually to someone who has served the Whitaker Institute in a way that exemplified servant leadership as taught to us by Jesus.

Dismissal

The Rev'd Deacon Annette Mileski

FROM OUR SPONSORS



Congratulations to all Whitaker graduates from St. Stephen's, Wyandotte. May you spread the fire of God's love throughout the world!

The Very Rev'd Andrea Morrow



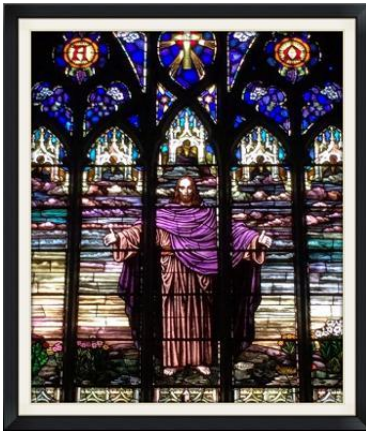
A heartfelt congratulations to this year's Whitaker Institute graduates from Baptized for Life (BFL) – a 5-year collaborative initiative between Lifelong Learning at Virginia Theological Seminary and eighteen congregations across seven Episcopal dioceses. BFL fosters discipleship

practices through which individuals grow more confident in their baptismal identity – their unique Christian callings. We are proud to have three congregations from the Diocese of Michigan participating: Christ Church, Dearborn; St. Barnabas Church, Chelsea; and Trinity Church, Belleville. For more information on our initiative visit: baptizedforlife.org. Sobre nuestra visita en español: baptizedforlife.org/es/inicio



Congratulations to the graduates and all who are enriching their knowledge to care for God's people!

The Rev'd Paula Miller and the people of St. Michael and All Angels - Lincoln Park



We celebrate with you, Tim, on this incredible achievement! We rejoice in your willingness to respond to God's call to ordained ministry. We offer our prayers of encouragement, love and strength for your continued journey. We entrust you to God and know that you are well-prepared for the challenges and joys of your ministry ahead. Many blessings to you and yours.

Your St. Paul's brothers and sisters in Christ.

The Rev'd Karen Lewis



Congratulations to all of us! With God's help we will accomplish great things to the glory of the Lord.

Barbara Scoville, St. Clare of Assisi Episcopal Church - Ann Arbor



God bless you. Continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord. God's peace be with you always.

St. Matthew's & St. Joseph's - Detroit, Unah Matu-Ngare



Congratulations to all of this year's graduates! Jerry Hardy, congratulations on completing the "Year of the Bible" course. Your Cathedral Community is so proud of your lifelong commitment to deepening your faith and knowledge, and for your heart to live and to share it with others.

The Cathedral Church of St. Paul - Detroit, The Very Rev'd Scott Hunter



Congratulations to all of this years graduates!

St. James' Episcopal Church - Grosse Ile, Jim Holubka



In celebration of the great work of the Whitaker Institute.
St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Lansing, Dr. Timothy Flynn



May the Lord bless and keep you.
St. David's Episcopal Church - Southfield, The Very Rev'd Chris Yaw



May you all continue to spread the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is a wonderful moment in your life.
Cedric Flounory, St. Clement's - Inkster

About The Whitaker Institute

The Whitaker Institute activates lifelong learning! We are the educational arm of the Bishop's office and our purpose is to educate, equip and empower faith communities with fresh ways of learning.

Mission

The Whitaker Institute is the educational arm of the Diocese of Michigan. Our overall purpose is to form disciples to carry on the ministry of Jesus Christ. We do this by educating, equipping and empowering members of our faith community with lifelong formation, so that they can grow in their knowledge, mature in their faith and become better equipped for the unique ministries to which they are called.

Vision

The Whitaker Institute for education imagines the Episcopal Church community of faith where:

- Every parish is equipped with the tools and motivation to offer foundational education (baptismal, catechetical, Episcopal church) and faith formation in their own context,
- Those persons discerned for ordained ministries are **academically, spiritually and practically prepared**, as required through canons and Commission on Ministry to serve the wider church,
- Lay persons are **fostered in discerning their call to serve Christ** and do God's work in the world,
- Lay persons **participate in group spiritual direction** that guides discernment for God's call on their lives,
- Lay persons **engage in formation** in lay pastoral and social activism ministries,
- Clergy persons participate in **lifelong education and empowerment** for pastoral, prophetic and priestly/diaconal distinctions in their ministry,
- Parish leaders gain insights and implement canonically required formation programs that **create healthy environments of vibrant faith communities**
- Communication about **educational, inspirational and formative events** are fostered between the parishes, the diocese and the wider Episcopal Church

Ongoing Programs and Facilitators/Trainers

Academy for Vocational Leadership, Saturday Series, Lay Preacher Program

The Rev'd Dr. Val Fargo (Dean and Bible / Practicum Instructor)

The Rev'd Dr. W. Richard Hamlin (History and Practicum Instructor)

The Rev'd Vicki Hesse (Spirituality and Practicum Instructor)

The Rev'd Canon Jonathan Sams (Theology and Ethics Instructor)

The Rev'd Susan Anslow Williams (Preaching Instructor)

Exploring Your Spiritual Journey

(2019-2020) The Rev'd Anthony Estes and Felicity Thompson

(2020-2021) The Rev'd Sr. Veronica Mary, AF and Richard Gibson, PhD

Diversity & Inclusion Visioning Team

The Rev'd Beth Bingham

Dr. Ivy Forsythe-Brown

The Rev'd Sr. Veronica Mary, AF

Felicity Thompson

Epiphanies Creative Team

The Rev'd Paul Castelli

The Rev'd Carol Mader

The Very Rev'd Chris Yaw

The Very Rev'd Sarah Hurlbert

The Very Rev'd Nikki Seger

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Kathleen Groschner
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The Rev'd Mark Hastings

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The Rev'd Vicki Hesse
The Rev'd Carol Mader
Kevin McLogan
The Rev'd Deacon Annette Mileski
The Rev'd Maryjane Peck
Matthew Penniman
The Rev'd Deacon Tim Spannaus
Eric Travis
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Whitaker Institute Advisory Council

Class of 2020: Joyce Holden, The Very Rev'd Andrea Morrow, The Rev'd Judith Schellhammer (Chair)

Class of 2021: Amber Barnes, Elaine Belz, Ronald Charles, Tom Ferguson, Timothy Flynn, The Very Rev'd Jim Pashturro, Chaplain Pamela Sherry

Class of 2022: The Rev'd Dan Buchin, Cedric Flounory, Bruce Cann, Carol Bennett, The Rev'd Deacon Annette Mileski, Shirley Lappi (Diocesan Council Liaison)

The Rev'd Vicki K. Hesse, Director
The Right Rev'd Bonnie A. Perry, Honorary Member

Gratitude

We would like to thank Bishop Bonnie Perry for her inspiring support of Christian Formation in our Diocese!

Special thanks to

- Kim Pratt for her support of the Safe Church and Epiphanies Programs
- Eric Travis for serving as Zoom Verger and Technology Producer for our celebration
- The Whitaker Institute Advisory Council for their prayers and engagement in fresh perspectives for Christian formation
- Cathedral Canon Precentor Jeremy David Tarrant for his work on the liturgy and program
- To all the congregations of the Diocese of Michigan for their spiritual, vocational and financial support of our learners and participants

Above all, thanks be to God for the breadth and depth of holy Love that truly surpasses our understanding. To You, always, we give thanks and praise in the name of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ!



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