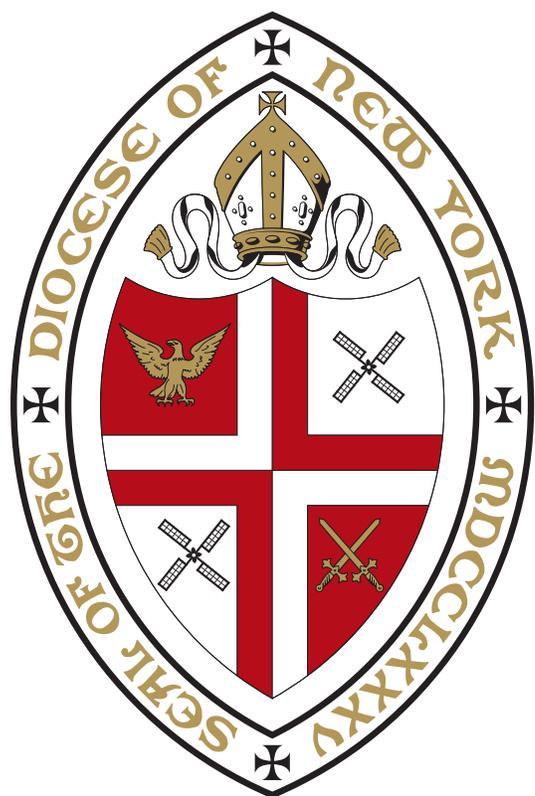


The Rites of Confirmation and Reception



Saturday, 19 June 2021

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist with Confirmations
and Receptions



The Cathedral
Church of **Saint John**
the Divine

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YEARS

The Right Reverend Andrew ML Dietsche, *Celebrant*
XVI Bishop of New York

The Right Reverend Allen K. Shin
Bishop Suffragan of New York

The Right Reverend Mary D. Glasspool
Bishop Assistant of New York

The Reverend Canon Charles W. Simmons, *Preacher*
 Dr. Raymond Nagem, *Organist*
 The Cathedral Choir

The People stand as the Procession enters.

PRELUDE

This little light of mine Calvin Taylor (b. 1948)

All are seated.

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

All stand, as able. The Bishop says

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

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

Bishop 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.

THE COLLECT

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.

People Amen.

The Bishop and People sit.

**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL
TO THE EPHESIANS**

BUT each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. (4:7, 11-16)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**UNA LECTURA DE LA CARTA DE PABLO
A LOS EFESIOS**

PERO cada uno de nosotros ha recibido los dones que Cristo le ha querido dar. Y él mismo concedió a unos ser apóstoles y a otros profetas, a otros anunciar el evangelio y a otros ser pastores y maestros. Así preparó a los del pueblo santo para un trabajo de servicio, para la edificación del cuerpo de Cristo hasta que todos lleguemos a estar unidos por la fe y el conocimiento del Hijo de Dios, y alcancemos la edad adulta, que corresponde a la plena madurez de Cristo. Ya no seremos como niños, que cambian fácilmente de parecer y que son arrastrados por el viento de cualquier nueva enseñanza hasta dejarse engañar por gente astuta que anda por caminos equivocados. Más bien, profesando la verdad en el amor, debemos crecer en todo hacia Cristo, que es la cabeza del cuerpo. Y por Cristo el cuerpo entero se ajusta y se liga bien mediante la unión entre sí de todas sus partes; y cuando cada parte funciona bien, todo va creciendo y edificándose en amor. (4:7, 11-16)

Lector Palabra del Señor.

Pueblo Demos gracias a Dios.

PSALM 139:1-9

Said by All.

Domine, probasti

Lector Lord, you have searched me out and known me;

People you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

Lector You trace my journeys and my resting-places

People and are acquainted with all my ways.

Lector Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,

People but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

Lector You press upon me behind and before

People and lay your hand upon me.

Lector Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;

People it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

Lector Where can I go then from your Spirit?

People where can I flee from your presence?

Lector If I climb up to heaven, you are there;

People if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

Lector If I take the wings of the morning

People and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Lector Even there your hand will lead me

People and your right hand hold me fast.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Sung by the Choir.**O Filii et Filiae*

Mode II

Alleluia.

V. Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All stand, as able.

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon The ✠ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

WHEN he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” (4:16–22)

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

LECTURA DEL SANTO EVANGELIO

Diacono ✠ Santo Evangelio de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo según San Lucas.

Pueblo ¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

JESÚS fue a Nazaret, el pueblo donde se había criado. El sábado entró en la sinagoga, como era su costumbre, y se puso de pie para leer las Escrituras. Le dieron a leer el libro del profeta Isaías, y al abrirlo encontró el lugar donde estaba escrito:

«El Espíritu del Señor está sobre mí,
porque me ha consagrado
para llevar la buena noticia a los pobres;
me ha enviado a anunciar libertad a los presos
y dar vista a los ciegos;
a poner en libertad a los oprimidos;
a anunciar el año favorable del Señor.»

Luego Jesús cerró el libro, lo dio al ayudante de la sinagoga y se sentó. Todos los que estaban allí tenían la vista fija en él. Él comenzó a hablar, diciendo:

–Hoy mismo se ha cumplido la Escritura que ustedes acaban de oír.

Todos hablaban bien de Jesús y estaban admirados de las cosas tan bellas que decía. Se preguntaban:

–¿No es éste el hijo de José? (4:16–22)

Diacono El Evangelio del Señor.

Pueblo Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Canon Charles W. Simmons
Canon for Ministry

The People remain seated.

**PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION
OF THE CANDIDATES**

The Bishop says

The Candidates will now be presented.

Those to be confirmed and their Presenters stand.

The Presenters say

We present these persons for Confirmation.

Those to be received into this Communion and their Presenters stand. The Presenters say

We present these persons to be received
into this Communion.

The Bishop asks the Candidates

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

All stand, as able. The Bishop then says

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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 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?

People I will, with God's help.

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.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

The Bishop then says to the Congregation

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

The Intercessor bids the following petitions

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop says

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 for ever.

People Amen.

THE CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION

The Choir sings “Veni Sancte Spiritus.”

Words: Pentecost Sequence, Taizé Community, 1978

Music: Jacques Berthier (1923–1994)



The Bishops lay hands upon each Candidate and say

For Confirmation

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.

People Amen.

or this

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

People Amen.

For Reception

N., we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you.

People Amen.

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

ALMIGHTY and everliving 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.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

After exchanging greetings, the People are seated.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM*Sung by the Choir.*

*The People are seated as the Lord's Table is prepared.
As the Bishop stands and moves to the Altar, all stand.*

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–1585)

OLORD, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts,
and lighten our understanding,
that we may dwell in the fear of thy Name,
all the days of our life, that we may know thee,
the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

from Lidley's Prayers, 1566

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.

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.

The Bishop continues

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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 & BENEDICTUS*Said by 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.

The Bishop continues

WE give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Bishop and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Bishop continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary the Godbearer, Blessed John the Divine, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

Bishop and People

AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Bishop says

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

Bishop and People

GOD 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

The Bishop breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept.

Bishop Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Before the Communion, the Bishop says to the People

THE Gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for us, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

THE COMMUNION

*All are invited to receive the Bread or to request a blessing.
Eucharistic ministers will bring the Holy Communion to where you
are seated.*

*Two persons were baptized by Bishop Dietsche on Holy Saturday
at a service that did not include the celebration of the Eucharist.
Today, they receive Christ's Eucharistic Body for the first time after
being made part of the Church, his living Body in the world.*

COMMUNION ANTHEMS

Sung by the Choir.

I want to be ready African-American Spiritual,
arr. R. Nathaniel Dett (1882–1943)

I WANT to be ready, I want to be ready,
I want to be ready to walk in Jerusalem just like John.

John said that Jerusalem was four-square,
I hope, good Lord, I'll meet you there.

When Peter was preaching at Pentecost,
O he was filled with the Holy Ghost.



Done made my vow to the Lord African-American Spiritual,
arr. Evelyn Davidson White (1921–2007)

D ONE made my vow to the Lord,
And I never will turn back,
Oh I will go, I shall go,
To see what the end will be.

Sometimes I'm up, sometimes I'm down,
But still my soul feels heavenly bound.

I'll pray and pray and never stop,
Until I reach the mountaintop.

If you get there before I do,
Tell all my friends I'm coming too.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Bishop Let us pray.

All say together

ALMIGHTY and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist, Johann Sebastian Bach
BWV 667 (1685–1750)

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SUNDAY SOUP KITCHEN**

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