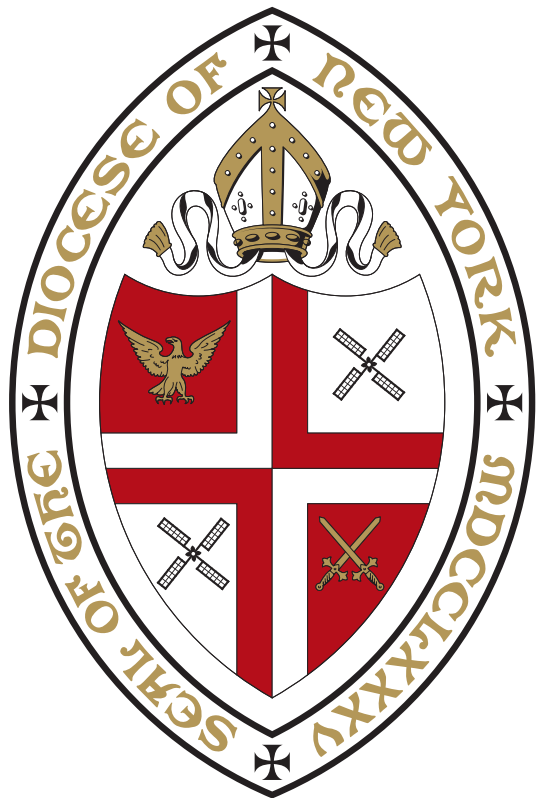


The Rites of Confirmation and Reception



Saturday, 4 June 2022

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist with Confirmations
and Receptions



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

The People stand as the Procession enters.

PRELUDE

Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist, Dieterich Buxtehude
BuxWV 208

At the Procession enters, All stand, as able, and sing.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - jice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and

earth's foun - da - tion, God who spread the Heavens a - bove, God who
hearts are break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we
hell shall nev - er o'er us fin - al tri - umph gain; God is

breathes through all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
find that self - same ach - ing deep with in the heart of God.
Love, so Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

All are seated.

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

All stand, as able. The Bishop says

✠ Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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 BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH

THE days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. (31:31–34)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1

Said by All.

Beatus vir qui non abiit

Lector Happy are they who have not walked
in the counsel of the wicked,

People nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Lector Their delight is in the law of the Lord,

People and they meditate on his law day and night.

Lector They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that do not wither;

People everything they do shall prosper.

Lector It is not so with the wicked;

People they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Lector Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright
when judgment comes,

People nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

Lector For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

People but the way of the wicked is doomed.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL
TO THE ROMANS

APPEAL to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

(12:1-8)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Sung by All, standing as able.

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath; such a
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move; such a



truth as ends all strife; such a life as kill eth death.
 feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest.
 love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.

Words: George Herbert (1593–1633)

Music: *The Call*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)*All stand, as able.*

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

WHEN Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

‘Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

‘Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

‘Blessed are the merciful,
for they will receive mercy.

‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

‘Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in
the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before
you. (5:1–12)

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 Mateo.

Pueblo ¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

AL ver la multitud, Jesús subió al monte y se sentó.
Sus discípulos se le acercaron, y él tomó la palabra
y comenzó a enseñarles, diciendo:

«Dichosos los que tienen espíritu de pobres,
porque de ellos es el reino de los cielos.

«Dichosos los que sufren, porque serán consolados.

«Dichosos los humildes,
porque heredarán la tierra prometida.

«Dichosos los que tienen hambre y sed de la justicia,
porque serán satisfechos.

«Dichosos los compasivos,
porque Dios tendrá compasión de ellos.

«Dichosos los de corazón limpio, porque verán a Dios.

«Dichosos los que trabajan por la paz,
porque Dios los llamará hijos suyos.

«Dichosos los perseguidos por hacer lo que es justo,
porque de ellos es el reino de los cielos.

«Dichosos ustedes, cuando la gente los insulte y los maltrate,
y cuando por causa mía los ataquen con toda clase de
mentiras. Alégrese, estén contentos, porque van a recibir un
gran premio en el cielo; pues así también persiguieron a los
profetas que vivieron antes que ustedes. (5:1–12)

Diacono El Evangelio del Señor.

Pueblo Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Victoria D. Duncan
Priest in Charge, Saint John's Church, New City

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 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 HYMN

Sung by All, standing as able.

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 (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833–1890), alt.

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

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

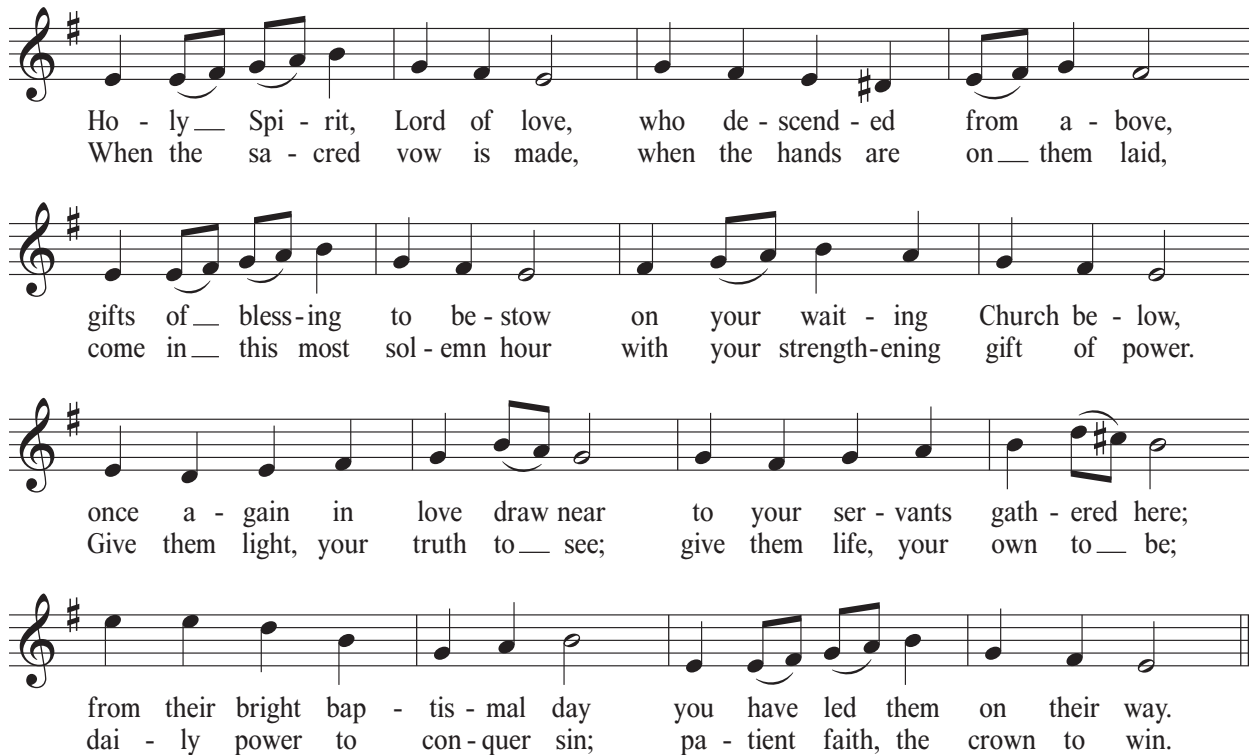
THE Gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for us, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

THE COMMUNION

The Holy Communion is distributed under the forms of both Bread and Wine. In the interest of public health, the Cathedral does not practice intinction, that is, the dipping of the Bread into the Wine. It is the faith of the Church that Jesus gives himself in the Sacrament whether it is received in only one kind or both.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Sung by All, standing as able.



Ho - ly Spi - rit, Lord of love, who de - scend - ed from a - bove,
 When the sa - cred vow is made, when the hands are on them laid,
 gifts of bless - ing to be - stow on your wait - ing Church be - low,
 come in this most sol - emn hour with your strength - ening gift of power.
 once a - gain in love draw near to your ser - vants gath - ered here;
 Give them light, your truth to see; give them life, your own to be;
 from their bright bap - tis - mal day you have led them on their way.
 dai - ly power to con - quer sin; pa - tient faith, the crown to win.

Words: William Dalrymple Maclagan (1826–1910), alt.
 Music: *Aberystwyth*, Joseph Parry (1841–1903)

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen pil - grim flock
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy word of grace,
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not then de - part;
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy and thy Blood,

with man - na in the wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 in strength of which we trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 Sa - vior, a - bide with us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 that liv - ing bread, that heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

Words: James Montgomery (1771–1845), alt.

Music: *St. Agnes*, melody John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876); harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937), after John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876)

POST COMMUNION HYMN *Sung by All, standing as able.*

"Go make of__ all dis - ci - ples:" We hear the call, O Lord, That
 "Go make of__ all dis - ci - ples:" Bap - tiz - ing in the name Of
 "Go make of__ all dis - ci - ples:" We at__ your feet would stay Un -
 "Go make of__ all dis - ci - ples:" We wel - come your com - mand; "Lo,

comes from you, our Fa - ther, In your e - ter - nal Word. In -
 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it— From age__ to age the same. We
 til each life's vo - ca - tion Ac - cents your ho - ly way. We
 I am__ with you al - ways:" We take your guid - ing hand. The

spire our ways of learn - ing Through earn - est, fer - vent prayer, And
 call each new dis - ci - ple To__ fol - low you, O Lord, Re -
 cul - ti - vate the na - ture God__ plants in ev - 'ry heart, Re -
 task looms large be - fore__ us— We__ fol - low with - out fear. In

let our__ dai - ly liv - ing Re - veal you ev - 'ry - where.
 deem - ing__ soul and bod - y By wa - ter and the Word.
 veal - ing__ in our wit - ness The Mas - ter Teach - er's art.
 heav'n and earth your pow - er Shall bring God's king - dom here.

Words: Leon M. Adkins (1955)

Music: *Ellacombe*, Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784

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. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

Chorale Variations Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)
on the Theme “Veni Creator,” Op. 4

PARTICIPANTS

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Bishop Assistant of New York

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 Saint John's, New City

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