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*Archbishop Foley Beach
installed
Bishop Ray R. Sutton
as the Presiding Bishop of the REC
on June 15, 2017*



Organist Christopher Hoyt *New Hymnal: The Book of Common Praise*

Since the spring of 2014, I have been working with a team to produce a new hymnal for the Reformed Episcopal Church. After three years of hard labor and a lot of nail-biting, it's a great pleasure for me to finally announce that the project is complete and that our new hymnal, entitled *The Book of Common Praise* (2017), has been printed!

What is even more exciting for us here at Church of the Holy Communion is that the vestry, with the blessing of Bishop Sutton and Father Charlie, has unanimously voted to purchase this new hymnal for our parish, using funds from an anonymous donation. Since every song that we sing here at Church of the Holy Communion is in the new hymnal, and since our existing copies of the 1940 *Hymnal* are starting to fall apart, it was not a tough decision to make. Everything that we sing, whether it be from the 1940 *Hymnal*, from our gold supplement, or from a hymn insert, is in the new book. We plan to use these hymnals for the first time on Homecoming Sunday (September 10). If you want to own a personal copy of *The Book of Common Praise*, the Silver Chalice will have individual copies available for purchase.

The new hymnal is blue, which is good news for you if you have ever accidentally grabbed the wrong red book by mistake in a church service. This occasional confusion will soon be over, since our hymnal will now be a different color from our *Book of Common Prayer*.

Church of the Holy Communion played a prominent role in the hymnal's creation. The Liturgical Music Commission (the committee responsible for picking all of the hymns that are in the book) met on our campus several times in the last three years to sift through thousands of potential hymns. Bishop Sutton (together with Bishop Grote) provided pastoral oversight and care for the project and helped to shape its vision. Father Timothy Reimer helped with the music editing. Nathan Smith helped with the proofreading. And, of course, your organist managed the project and typeset the book.

Why did the Reformed Episcopal Church produce a new hymnal instead of just continuing to buy the 1940 *Hymnal*? Well, for one thing, the 1940 *Hymnal* is not going to be around forever. We have been told that the Episcopal Church (who owns the rights to it) does not plan to reprint it. And in the meantime, the existing copies of the 1940 *Hymnal* are very poorly bound and fall apart within a couple of years' use! So the REC bishops decided it was time to act in preparation for the day when the 1940 *Hymnal* is no longer available.

Producing a new volume also gave us a chance to include many classic hymns which were left out of the 1940 *Hymnal*, hymns like "Amazing grace," "Be thou my vision," and "Come, thou fount of every blessing." It also gave us a

chance to include some classic Anglican hymns: the tune JERUSALEM, for instance, which we at CHC sing to the words "Not by the wisdom of this world", or the hymn tune REPTON for "Dear Lord and Father of mankind." The 1940 *Hymnal* also did not have enough songs for church seasons like Advent, Lent, and Easter, and we were able to supply more of them.

Why the title? Well, for one thing, it alludes to *The Book of Common Prayer*, so that even the title of this new hymnal tells you that it is not just a random collection of sacred songs, but one that is intended to complement *Book of Common Prayer* worship. The title also does not limit the book to the REC, and we hope that our brothers and sisters in the ACNA will start to use it as well.

We thank God for nurturing this project all along the way! "The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou our handiwork."



Concert!

Commemorate the
500th anniversary of the
Reformation with a concert of
Reformation-era music!

Join us on **Friday, July 7th at 7:00 PM**
to hear a special choir and orchestra perform
J.S. Bach's cantata on the famous Reformation hymn,
A Mighty Fortress is Our God.

The concert is free and open to the public.
Invite your friends !

Baptism



We welcome into the congregation of
Christ's flock
Dillon Brunton

Baptism



We welcome into the congregation of
Christ's flock
Estelle Grace Wilkerson

Farewell to the Brummett family: Fr. Andrew, Jessica, Erin, Anna, Sarah, Katie, and Liam.

They are moving to Philadelphia where
Fr. Andrew will become the Middle School
Headmaster of Christ Academy and will serve at
Grace Reformed Episcopal Church.



Welcome to our new Parish Secretary Gennie Verbeck



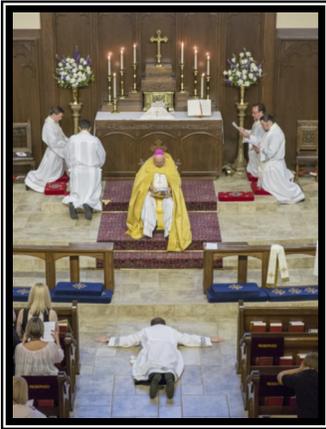
Gennie, her husband, Dr. Guido Verbeck, and their two daughters, Annah and Isabella, have been members of CHC for a number of years and are very well-known in the parish. Gennie is well-qualified for this position, having spent several years working for both Baylor and Methodist Hospitals. She has a great disposition and will be here to help each of you when you contact the office. Of course, she will be working closely with Cathy, who will continue to fill the role of Cathedral Coordinator and personal assistant to Bishop Sutton (along with many other duties in the Diocese of Mid-America)

Gennie will begin in the church office at the end of July.

July 2017 ANNIVERSARIES

Colton and Kim Kelly	July 1
Jay Baker and Kimberly Hiles	July 3
Rhett and Sarah Carter	July 4
James and Gail Dean	July 7
Chuck Pavlue and Rosemary Frederickson-Pavlue	July 10
Kay and Virginia Hale	July 21
Paul and Jane Salos	July 22
Doug and Suzanne Tischler	July 22
Jack and Maxine Jeter	July 28
Jeff and Julianna Bachus	July 29

Congratulations to *Marcus Wesley Bell*
who was Ordained into the Diaconate on June 24, 2017
and who is our new Youth Minister at CHC.



From Deacon Marcus:

I have the pleasure of knowing many of you here at Church of the Holy Communion, but for those who we haven't had the chance to get to know one another, my name is Marcus Bell. My wife Melissa and I made our home here at Church of the Holy Communion four years ago, and around that time we were both confirmed into the Anglican Church. Much has happened in these past four years; I completed my undergraduate degree in history at the University of Texas at Dallas, entered Seminary here at Cranmer Theological House, where I pursue my Masters in Divinity, and answered the call into ministry in the Church of God. My wife and I welcomed our son, Wesley, into the world here at CHC where he was baptized by Bishop. We now are expecting our second son, Rory, in the fall, news of which we could not be more excited about. It seems since joining CHC four years ago, we cannot think of our lives since without also thinking of the Church. It truly is a blessing to be able to serve my curacy as a Deacon and Youth Minister to this church. I would love to share with you a little bit more about my background in the context of my passion for youth ministry, and by doing so share with you all the reasons for this ministry.

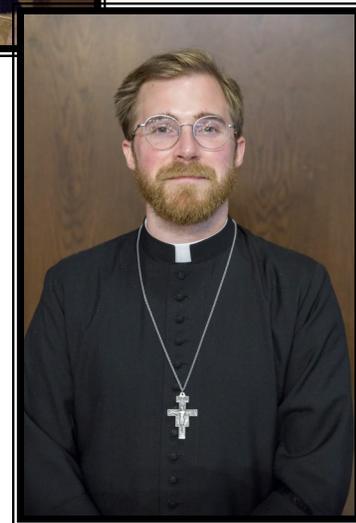
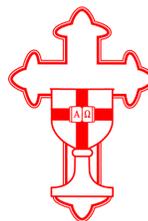
Growing up, I always had a sense of the nearness of God in my life. I was blessed to have two wonderful, Godly parents who love the Lord, who constantly prayed for my sisters and me to grow up in the faith, loving Jesus. To this end, I am beyond thankful to God and to my parents for the upbringing that I received. In many ways, where Melissa and I are today in the Anglican church is due to faith that we were raised in and that impacted us as youth in the non-denominational, evangelical world. As a child, I had a large exposure to various Christian denominations due to my dad's business. He and a few other people helped to pioneer the Christian kid's entertainment business in the 1980s. So, due to his work, my family and I were often at different churches with different worship traditions and doctrinal beliefs. I believe that this set a pattern for my life that in many ways I am just beginning to see play out. As a teenager, I like so many others in that evangelical world, was always at youth group every Wednesday night, with most of my friends being formed in church small groups (Bible studies). I am so thankful to God for the influential people in the youth ministry that I grew up in.

Becoming Anglican has not diminished the importance of my upbringing, rather it has made me look back on it through a new perspective, and I am full of gratitude. I see that the two are not mutually exclusive. Becoming a parent has helped me to see this to a greater degree because I now know as a parent that the greatest thing my children could ever do in their entire lives is give themselves fully to Christ, nothing else compares to this great calling of our Lord. Our Anglican tradition/heritage belongs to the wider church and is, therefore, a deep well of spirituality that can never be exhausted. I believe and hope that drawing on our foundation as Anglican Christians while addressing the needs of our youth today will serve as a conduit for the further development of our youth. Junior High and High School are an interesting time in the life of an American youth. In so many ways, you are no longer a child, but at the same time you are not an adult, rather you are working all of these various things out that are going on in your life. It was in this environment, with Godly men and women who loved the Lord, that my relationship with Christ really solidified in a personal way. I wish to go back to all of them and express my gratitude and thanksgiving to God for the role they had in my life, for there is not a single part of who I am that is not influenced by their love for Jesus and for me.

If you cannot tell, youth ministry is a passion of mine for the simple reason that it was so impactful on my life, as I know it is for so many others, including Melissa. If it weren't for the youth ministry that Melissa came of age in, she would, like me, not be the same person she is today, for which she is eternally grateful to her then youth pastor and now friend. The youth of our day in America are hungry for God, even though they do not know it. The world gives them so much to try and fill that place in their lives and in their hearts that is meant for God, but ultimately it always leaves us dissatisfied. We know this to be true, because it doesn't change even for us adults. We too must continually seek the Lord, by our reading of the scriptures, the receiving of the sacraments and bringing our personal lives daily before the Lord; no care is too small or too big for God. Our heart's desire is to see the love of God continually fill the hearts of our youth, giving them the clarity of direction that only the presence of God can bring to their lives as they continue to mature into young adults. I pray that this is a mark of the ministry that Father Kasey has been cultivating here at the church and what I have now been so graciously given to continue and build upon in the coming season.

Please pray for the lives of our youth in our church, that through all the noise of modern secular life, that the church would be seen as a place of light to them, where true Christian fellowship flourishes and nourishes their hearts and minds, where their lives are forever marked with the personal love of our Beloved Saviour, Jesus and that the friendships between the youth here at CHC would extend into their family lives and into the lives of their friends. I, like so many others, can attest to the fact that one single lover of Christ in the school system can change and shape the lives of unbelieving classmates, leading them to the healing love of Jesus. It is a tall order that I ask your prayers for, but like everything else in this life, it is the work of God, only He can do it and my role, and our role as parishioners is to be faithful in what He gives us to do. So, let's pray together, that the youth ministry of Church of the Holy Communion would serve as a place where God raises up young men and young women to truly know Him in a personal way and out of that relationship love and serve him all the days of their lives, and that by their love for Jesus Christ their friends in their schools, sports, and other spheres of influence would see Christ and desire to belong to Him.

Thank you for letting me be a part of the team here at Church of the Holy Communion, to serve you and your children; let us faithfully turn to the Lord with these dreams and desires for our kids for we know we have a faithful God, as St. Paul Says in Phillipians 1:6. *"And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."*



VCC 2017

"The Life of St. Peter the Apostle" June 5—9, 2017



General Council June 2017



Bishop Ray Sutton was elected as the Presiding Bishop of the REC
... and was Installed by Archbishop Foley Beach



Around CHC ...

Bishop Paul Hunt visiting from England.



Some of the beautiful young ladies of CHC.



End of the Year Sunday School Party. Thanks to all of the teachers who made this year such a success !



Several CHC families got together recently for an informal farewell party for the Brummetts.



Acoustic Coffee House

Musical Guest David Porcheddu put on a wonderful show.



Theology on Tap ... and ... Women, Wine, and Wisdom

Deacon Daryl Smith gave a fascinating talk on:
“Artificial Intelligence and a Christian View of the Soul.”



**Our Missionary family in Africa,
Dr. Jon and Amanda Fielder and their children
will be here for a visit to our church on Sunday, July 30th.**

**Dr. Fielder will talk with us between services
about their missionary work.**



Congratulations to our Graduates ! 2017



Amelia Brown

Amelia is a 2017 homeschool graduate of Lux Aeterna Senior High. She enjoyed a rigorous and fully integrated worldview / liberal arts curriculum during high school while also exploring programming and computers. Her favorite activities include reading, debating, and being outdoors on the family farm. She will attend the University of Dallas in the fall of 2017. What better place to pursue yet deeper worldview issues and also study computer science?!"



Tera Deupree

Tera recently graduated from the Louise Herrington School of Nursing at Baylor University and completed the requirements her BSN in May. While in nursing school, she completed research in India alongside her professor Dr. Garner and chartered the first Nurses' Christian Fellowship chapter at her school. She will begin work at Children's Health in Dallas in the Cardiac ICU in July and looks forward to getting married at CHC in the fall."



Stephanie Maldonado

Stephanie received her B.A. in Early Childhood Education Administration, with a minor in Child Development. She plans to continue her education and will begin working on her Master's Degree next year. Stephanie has been on staff as a teacher at Holy Communion Christian Academy for 10 years, and for the past 3 years she has also been the second director of HCCA.



Ify Ofomata

Ify graduated recently from the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL. She graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree.

Currently Ify is employed as Pharmacist/Pharmacy manager at CVS pharmacy, but she is hoping to transition into clinical pharmacy eventually.



Emily Southard

Emily is graduating from Plano West High School. She will be attending The University of Oklahoma in the fall. Emily will be studying Communications. Emily joins her sister, Sydney, who is also a student at OU.



Fr. Michael Templin

Fr. Michael Templin graduated from the Cranmer Theological House in 2017 with the Master of Divinity. He is currently serving as a Priest at Church of the Holy Communion and plans to be a church planter with the Diocese in the future.



Meet and Greet



Confirmation Sunday June



CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE CONFIRMED:

Arlene Abraham, Gary Dean Carter, Rhett Dean Carter, Sarah Amanda Carter, Karen Margaret Edwards, Liam Patrick McGuire, Haley Sue Mons, Stefani Dianne Mons, Quentin Maurice Mons, Connie Elizabeth O'Hara, Matthew Joseph O'Hara, William Ethan Rudd, William Mark Sipling, Jess William Wilks



Cranmer Theological House Dallas Campus Courses Summer 2017

Anglicanism (DT 502) Lecturer: *The Most Rev. Dr. Ray R. Sutton*

Class Dates: August 18 - 20, 2017

Course Description: An in-depth examination of the origins and development of Christianity in Britain. Special attention is given to the early British saints, Roman subjugation of the British Church, the English Reformers, the Elizabethan Settlement, Puritanism, the Caroline Divines, the Non-Jurors, Tratarianism, and modern controversies in the Anglican Communion.

TUITION: For Credit: \$550 per class. For Audit: \$250 per class.

For more information about the classes, please contact: Canon Charlie Camlin frcharlie@holychurchdallas.org

The Bishop's New Crozier (Staff)



Fr. Thom Smith presents Bishop Sutton with the Crozier he handcrafted.

Perhaps you've noticed. Our diocese has a new bishop's crozier. It's the pastoral staff that a bishop carries when he processes and gives a blessing. He may also hold it when pronouncing the absolution. A chaplain or someone else appointed holds his staff by him when performing confirmations (and sometimes at baptisms) and ordinations.

First, a brief explanation about the symbolism of the a bishop's pastoral staff or crozier. The word crozier comes from the old French meaning, "cross bearer." In time the word came to be applied to the pastoral staff the bishop carries.

In the Bible, the history of the minister of the Lord having a staff goes back to the time of Moses. The following description is found in Exodus 4: "And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs." And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father in law, and said unto him, "Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive." And Jethro said to Moses, "Go in peace." And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian, "Go, return into Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought thy life." And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand.

From this point on in Moses' ministry his pastoral staff is used by God in a number of key places. His staff is turned to a serpent devouring Pharaoh's magicians' staff that have also been turned into a serpent. Moses strikes the rock in the wilderness with his staff. Then when the rebellious people of the Lord are bitten by a plague of serpents, God tells Moses to fashion on his staff a serpent. Then if the people look to Moses' staff they are delivered and healed of the bite of the serpent. This scene became a powerful image of how Jesus would be lifted up on a cross. All who look to Him for their salvation are saved (John 3:16ff.). This imagery is depicted on the staffs of Eastern Orthodox bishops who often have at the top of their crozier two serpents facing each other with a cross protruding up between them.

In the Western and particularly the Anglican Church, the bishop's staff is shaped to look like a shepherd's staff with a crook at the end. This symbolism is also founded in the Holy Scriptures. In the great 23rd Psalm we are told, "Thy rod and thy staff comfort me" (23:4). The shepherd's staff in real life was used to pull straying sheep back to the fold. For this reason, Jesus in the New Testament is referred to as the Good Shepherd. He restores the lost. Based on this image, the bishop of the church is called a shepherd by Peter in his epistle (1 Peter 5). He serves as a shepherd under the Good Shepherd. He too is to lead the Lord's people and retrieve them from spiritual danger. His staff conveys this powerful symbolism, which brings me to the new diocesan crozier.

Second, my predecessor, the Most Rev. Royal U. Grote, had begun to contract with an artist regarding a crozier for the diocese. Each bishop is given his own personal staff when consecrated. Normally every diocese has one as well that the bishop uses at the cathedral. The artist Bishop Grote was working with is one of our priests, the Rev. Thom Smith at Chapel of the Cross here in Dallas.

Unfortunately though, Bishop Grote went to be with the Lord before he could complete the final design instructions for Fr. Thom. When the bishop passed away, therefore, it was left to me as his successor to complete the project. Importantly, I enlisted Deaconess Mary Jane Mathieu to help me as I always did on anything to do with new purchases for the altar. Since the new crozier would be, and is now at our cathedral church, I called on my dear friend's help. As always she was of enormous help in doing research to show me the options and costs for design. For this reason, according to the wishes of the family, the new crozier is memorialized to her from the generous donations made to CHC in her memory.

Finally, I offer a word about the beautiful specifics of the new crozier. Given the symbolism explained earlier, perhaps the picture of the Lamb of God in the center of the crook makes sense. It is one of two famous poses for the Lamb of God in Christian symbolism. One has the Lamb lying down; the other chosen by me has him standing. He has a cross over his shoulder to portray the sacrifice of the Lamb of God on the Cross. The staff itself is made out of dark walnut to match the inside of Church of the Holy Communion. The crook part of the crozier is made out of many strips of birch bent and fashioned in the form of the top of the shepherd's staff. This wood has been overlaid with 23-karat gold. Thanks be to God for this wonderful gift that will be carried by bishops in our diocese for generations to come! Amen!