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4:00	Deacon Clericus	G 1A
5:00	Iona Priest Clericus	G 4

6:00 Dinner Dining Hall

8:00 Patio Bishop's Hospitality

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 20**

Time	Event	
7:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Chapel
8:00	Check-In Opens	Lobby
	Breakfast	Dining Hall
8:10	Curate Breakfast	G 5
9:00	Deacon Clericus	G 1A
	Iona Priest Clericus	G 4
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10:30 - 12:30	Examining Chaplains	AS 2-5
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12:00 - 1:15 Dining Hall Lunch 1:30

**CONFERENCE OPENS** AS 1A&B

Announcements

2:15 - 3:15 AS 1A&B Plenary #1

Models of Evangelization:

Discerning How to Live and Proclaim the Gospel

Luigi Gioia

3:45 - 4:45 **SEMINARS** 

> Seminar A: G<sub>1A</sub>

Forming Sturdy Habits for a Public Faith

David Gortner

Seminar B: Chapel

Vassar Miller (1924-1998):

Poet, Disability Activist, and Episcopalian

Judith Maltby

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Finding and Sharing the Good News in 2025 And Beyond

Naomi Tutu

SCHED	OLL	
MONDAY, OCTOB Time 5:00 p.m. 5:30	ER 20 Event Book Signing Dinner	G 1B Dining Hall
5:45	Gathering for Clergy Affected by July Flooding	G 1A
7:30	Introduction of New Clergy	AS 1A&B
7:45	Bishop's Fireside Chat with Clergy	AS 1A&B
9:00	Social	Patio
TUESDAY, OCTOB Time 6:30 a.m. 7:00 7:30 8:00 - 9:00 8:10	Event Immunizations Open Recovery Meeting Morning Prayer, Spanish Breakfast  Considering a Curate? Christine Faulstich Deans' Meeting Seminary of the Southwest Alumni Breakfast	G 1B G 3 Chapel Dining Hall G 1A G 5 Tellepsen
9:00	CONFERENCE RECONVENES Announcements	AS 1A&B
9:15 - 10:15	<b>Plenary #2</b> <i>To Have Abundant Life: The Gospel of John</i> Cynthia Briggs Kittredge	AS 1A&B
10:30 - 11:30	Workshop Session 1	
	How Are We Doing at Spiritual Growth?  Speaker: Scott Gunn	G 1A
	Migration with Dignity Speakers: Pedro López & Daniel Robayo	AS 4
	Models of Evangelization: From Discernment to Practice Speaker: Luigi Gioia	AS 1A&B
	Returning to the Roots of Discipleship: Seeding the Garden with Cultivated Relationships	AS 2

**Speakers:** Ann Barnes & Brianna Martin

Data Informed Decision Making

Speakers: Josh Singleton, Lizzie Robbins, & Lance Ousley

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### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21**

Time 11:30 - 1:00 p.m.	Event Lunch	Dining Hall	
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch and Learn Christian Formation for Community Engagement – the Called to Community Learning Journey Speakers: Zahyrah Blakeney, Willie Bennett, Eric Moen, & Melodee Toles	G 1A	
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch and Learn  Understanding Your Retirement Benefits  Speaker: Zee Turnbull	G 5	
1:00 - 5:00	Free Time, Activities See Activity Table in the lobby for all available activities & to sign-up		
1:00	Fly Fishing	Lake Goddard	
1:00	Pickleball - Intro Clinic & Round Robin for Beginners	Tennis Courts	
2:30	Pickleball - Competitive Doubles Tournament	Tennis Courts	
3:30	Artificial Intelligence & Ministry Mixer	Tellepsen	
5:00	Eucharist Homilist: The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu Music: Ryan Flanigan, Director	Chapel	
6:30	Dinner	Dining Hall	
7:45	Bishop's Conversation with Special Guest: John Spong	AS 1A&B	
9:00	Social	Patio	

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22**

**Time Event** 7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, English Chapel 8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast Dining Hall 9:00 - 10:00 **Workshop Session 2** G<sub>1A</sub> Evangelism in a post-Christendom world. Speaker: Scott Gunn Practicing Holy Curiosity and Courageous Declaration AS 4 Speaker: David Gortner AS 1A&B Come and See: Evangelism as Invitation and Sacred Curiosity **Speaker:** Troy Mendez AS 2 Missional Community: Knitting Together the Church and its Neighbors **Speaker:** Kelley McCrae AS 3 Liturgical Folk - Music of the People Speaker: Ryan Flanigan 10:15 - 11:15 **Workshop Session 3** AS 4 Planning to Build Your Congregation's Evangelism and Public Witness Speaker: David Gortner Vassar Miller's Eucharistic Life of Christ: 'Love's Bitten Tongue' AS 1A&B **Speaker:** Judith Maltby AS 2 Deliberate Disciples: Doing Discipleship Differently Speaker: Josh Ritter AS 3 Gimme a Break!: Taking a Sabbatical **Speakers:** Bishop Fisher & Kathy Dunn 11:30 **Bishop Doyle's Address** AS 1A&B

12:30

Lunch

**Adjournment** 

Dining Hall

## CHAPLAINS

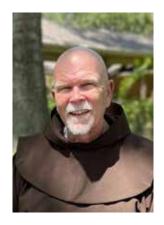
## CHAPLAINS



### The Rev. Sr. Miriam Elizabeth Bledsoe, OSH

Sr. Miriam Elizabeth is a religious sister in the Order of Saint Helena, an Episcopal monastic order for women in North Augusta, SC, where she serves as Community Leader. She also serves as a supply priest in the Diocese of South Carolina and as a mentor for Backstory Preaching, an online ministry that helps preachers grow in the spirituality and craft of preaching. She maintains an active spiritual direction practice.

She received her M.Div. in 2002 from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, TX, and served churches in South Texas for nine years before joining the order. Prior to ordination, she worked as a hospital and rehabilitation speech pathologist. She enjoys kayaking on cool mornings and all things creative, including preaching, cooking, quilting, and making art.



### The Rev. Robert Flick, MS, MDiv, MBA, LPC

Bob has been a resident of EDOT for more than 25 years and has served in Rector, Vicar, and Interim ministries, as well as faculty for IONA and FinD. He is a certified Spiritual Director and Licensed Psychotherapist and maintains an active spiritual direction practice.

He has been involved in the Franciscan Movement since high school and is a professed member of the Community of Francis and Clare (an Anglican Franciscan community), where he serves on Council and as Minister of Formation.

In December, he and his wife, Sarah, will travel to Saba Island, Dutch Caribbean, to serve Christ Church for three months and enjoy both the rainforest and the sea.

## CHAPLAINS



### The Rt. Rev. Pastor Elías García Cárdenas

The Rt. Rev. Pastor Elías García Cárdenas was born in Aranzazu, Caldas. He is the fifth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Colombia, elected in October 2022 and consecrated in February 2023. With extensive pastoral and administrative experience, he has served parishes in Medellín and Bogotá, leading community development, financial restoration, and social outreach programs.

He holds degrees in Philosophy and Theology from institutions in Italy and Brazil, along with certifications in leadership, pastoral care, and technology. Fluent in Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese, he is recognized for his leadership and commitment to community service. He has been married to Inés Ricciuti since 2015.

Bishop García Cárdenas has represented the Episcopal Church at international gatherings across the Americas. He is deeply committed to empowering women, promoting inclusion, and strengthening the Church's social mission.



### The Rev. Dr. Parker Jameson

Parker and his wife, Paula, are the stewards of one-and-a-third acres on the eastern edge of the Texas Hill Country. Parker tends to the health of the soil in order to support the microbes, insects, plants, invertebrates, and vertebrates who share the land. Paula cares for cacti, succulents, and a variety of other plants. Though a beginner in land stewardship, Parker continues to learn through trial and error, listening to others, and study.

He and Paula have two grown children, two daughters-in-law, four grandsons, and three grand dogs living in Atlanta, Georgia and Stockholm, Sweden.

Beginning in 1981, Parker served small, medium, and large congregations in three dioceses. In 1998, he was called to St. Luke's on the Lake in Austin, where over 18 years he served as associate rector, locum tenens, and again associate rector until retiring from congregational ministry in 2016. From 2006 to 2022, he also served as adjunct faculty in theological field education at the Seminary of the Southwest. He is glad to be at the EDOT Clergy Conference 2025 as one of the chaplains.

## SPECIAL GUESTS

### PECIAL GUESTS



**John Spong** Writer & Podcaster

John Spong is the host of One by Willie, a PRX podcast in which he talks to notable Willie Nelson fans-Lyle Lovett, Kacey Musgraves, Booker T. Jones, Brené Brown, Whoopi Goldberg, Ethan Hawke, and others—about the Willie songs they love most. He created the show in 2020 with Texas Monthly, where he was a writer from 1997-2024, covering everything from rodeo clowns and trial lawyers to book censors and Hurricane Katrina

His real emphasis was Texas music, work for which he received three National Magazine Award nominations, most recently for two Willierelated projects in 2021.

survivors, including embeds in Iraq and Afghanistan.

He is the author of A Book on the Making of Lonesome Dove, and his stories have been collected in Best American Food Writing and Best American Sports Writing.

He holds BA and JD degrees from the University of Texas at Austin, where he lives with his wife, Julie Blakeslee, and their two sons, Willie Mo and Leon.

#### **Conversation with Bishop Doyle**

**Tuesday, October 21** 7:45pm

#### Room:

All Saints' 1A&B

### PECIAL GUESTS



### The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu

Priest Associate, All Saints', Atlanta

The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu knew from an early age that the one thing she would never be is a priest. She often said, "I have my father's nose, I do not want his job." Yet after years of work as a development consultant, educator, and race and gender activist, she accepted her call to ordained ministry. She is an Episcopal priest who most recently served as Associate Rector at All Saints', Beverly Hills.

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Alongside preaching and public speaking, she founded Nozizwe Consulting ("Mother of Many Lands"), dedicated to fostering dialogue across differences and building reconciliation. She has led Truth and Reconciliation workshops, organized educational and partnership trips to South Africa, and continues to be a sought-after voice on justice and healing.

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#### **Eucharist**

**Tuesday, October 21** 5:00pm

#### Room:

All Saints' Chapel

### PLENARY SPEAKERS



### The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia

Theologian in Residence, Saint Thomas, New York City

Fr. Luigi Gioia is Theologian in Residence at Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue, New York City and a Research Associate at the Von Hügel Institute at the University of Cambridge (UK). He is a freelance writer and speaker in theology and spirituality. He gives talks, leads retreats, workshops, and study days; and he teaches courses as an invited lecturer in universities, theological colleges, parishes, and a variety of institutions in the UK, USA, and many other countries. He is fluent in English, French, and Italian.

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**Models of Evangelization:** Discerning How to Live and Proclaim the Gospel

**Plenary** Monday, October 20 2:15pm

Room:

All Saints' 1A&B

### PLENARY SPEAKERS



### The Very Rev. Cynthia Briggs Kittredge Dean Emerita, Seminary of the Southwest

Dean Emerita of the Seminary of the Southwest, Anglican biblical scholar, feminist theologian, and poet, the Very Rev. Dr. Cynthia Briggs Kittredge received her degrees from Williams College and Harvard University. She is an assisting priest at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Austin, Texas, and since 2018 has served as a Canon Theologian in the Diocese of Southwark.

To Have Abundant Life: The Gospel of John

**Plenary** 

**Tuesday, October 21** 

9:15am

Room:

All Saints' 1A&B

## SEMINAR A



### The Rev. David Gortner, PhD

Rector, St. Luke's, Coeur d'Alene. ID

The Rev. Dr. David T. Gortner, Episcopal priest and psychologist, has served over two decades as a seminary professor and parish priest. He has taught and trained hundreds of clergy and laity across the Church in evangelism, public witness, community engagement, congregational leadership, organizational health, pastoral care, mental health ministry, and spiritual development. His book Transforming Evangelism set a new tone for evangelism in The Episcopal Church, and in partnership with Church Center staff he helped produce the online masterclass series "Embracing Evangelism". His research contributed to understanding how people form core beliefs and values (Varieties of Personal Theology), how clergy develop as leaders ("Clergy Into Action" website and articles in Anglican Theological Review), and how a denomination like The Episcopal Church understands its identity and wrestles with differences ("Around One Table", published online by the Episcopal Church Center).

David is married to the Very Rev. Heather VanDeventer, Dean of St. John's Cathedral, Spokane, WA, and serves as rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Coeur d'Alene, ID. Together, they guide congregations to find public voice and witness in communities facing political tension. They focus on building partnerships across churches, educational institutions, civic leaders, and community organizations. David has chaired task forces and legislative bodies for mental health ministry and collaborated on Who Is This Jesus?, a Scripture study helping congregations and individuals respond to Christian Nationalism.

#### Forming Sturdy Habits for a Public Faith

Evangelism, Public Witness, and Community-Building are sibling practices that awaken people, shine a light, stir the soul, and open possibilities for change. To do them well and with deep integrity requires core habits of courageous conversation: listening for God at work in others, readiness to share from our own story, naming truth and good in others as signs of God's movement, connecting what we have witnessed to life in the kingdom of God, and inviting people to a next step. David will share from his work with congregations and clergy in practicing and developing these core habits, and in reducing their barriers to natural courageous conversation - and will invite us to practice together.

Monday, October 20

3:45pm

Room:

Gregg 1A

## SEMINAR B



### The Rev. Canon Dr. Judith Maltby

Emerita Fellow, Corpus Christi College, Oxford Emerita Reader in Church History, University of Oxford

Judith Maltby is a historian of Anglicanism, with publications spanning topics from the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries to the twentieth century. Her work has examined formative centuries for Anglicanism under Elizabeth and the Stuarts, church establishment, and the ordination of women in England in the modern period. More recently, her interests have turned to Anglicanism and literature, particularly women novelists and poets. She is currently engaged in a book-length study of Houstonbased poet and Episcopalian Vassar Miller (1924-1998) and delivered the Costan Lectures at VTS on Miller in November 2024.

Born in Illinois and raised in the Episcopal Church, Maltby pursued doctoral studies at Cambridge, focusing on ordination in the Church of England. She was among the first cohort of women ordained priest there in 1994 and served as Chaplain and Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and a senior member of Oxford's Theology Faculty from 1993 to 2023. She has been a member of the General Synod since 2010 and has served the Church of England nationally, including on its Ministry Council and Crown Nominations Commission. Maltby recently became vice-chair of the Church of England's Contested Heritage Committee, advising on the legacy of Atlantic chattel slavery in the built fabric of England's churches and cathedrals.

### Vassar Miller (1924-1998): Poet, Disability Activist, and Episcopalian

Vassar Miller (1924-1998) was a distinguished poet, lifelong Houston resident, and Episcopalian. In 1961, she was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry and later served as Poet Laureate of Texas. Miller lived with severe cerebral palsy, which affected her speech and mobility, and alongside her work as a poet, she became a disability rights activist with national reach, both in Texas and within her Houston parish, St. Stephen's. Much of her poetry explores conventional religious themes in the Anglican tradition, reminiscent of George Herbert, including the church year, sacraments, prayer, and priesthood. Despite early critical recognition, Miller has slipped into obscurity. This seminar will introduce Miller and her poetry to a wider audience.

Monday, October 20 3:45pm

Room:

All Saints' Chapel

## SEMINAR C



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#### Finding and Sharing the Good News in 2025 And Beyond

In this time that is so chaotic, and divisions are exacerbated we as clergy are charged with reminding our people of the Good News. Through story and reflections from her experiences in Apartheid South Africa, Naomi encourages us to find the Good News as individuals and a community. This will be a conversation rather than a lecture.

#### Monday, October 20

3:45pm

#### Room:

All Saints' 1A&B

### LUNCH AND LEARN

Tuesday, October 21 12:00pm

**Room:** Gregg 1A

# Christian Formation for Community Engagement - the Called to Community Learning Journey

### **Description**:

Rooted in the Episcopal tradition, the **Called to Community Learning Journey** is designed to inspire, educate, and motivate parishioners to engage in outreach ministries that build healthier communities. The Episcopal Health Foundation team will present this three-month, activity-based Christian Formation curriculum, which will be available beginning January 2026.



Vice President for Community Engagement, Episcopal Health Foundation

Zahyrah Blakeney is EHF's Vice President for Community Engagement and an experienced community health leader with more than 20 years grantmaking, management, and strategic expertise across philanthropic, government, nonprofit, and faith-based sectors.



### **Willie Bennett**Sr. Congregational Engagement Officer, Episcopal Health Foundation

Willie Bennett has served in community and congregational ministry for 34 years. He began his career in organizing by leading a community effort in Fort Worth to close a neighborhood crack house and went on to serve as an organizer for 25 years with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). He currently serves as Congregational Engagement Officer with the Episcopal Health Foundation, supporting congregations across the Diocese of Texas. Bennett is a Baptist minister ordained for the work of organizing and holds a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Theological Seminary.



### LUNCH AND LEARN

# Christian Formation for Community Engagement – the Called to Community Learning Journey continued...



#### **Eric Moen**

Director of Community Engagement, Episcopal Health Foundation

Eric Moen has served in community and congregational ministry for more than 30 years. He is Director of Community Engagement at the Episcopal Health Foundation, responsible for developing and implementing EHF's collaborative work with community organizations, collaboratives, and congregations of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. Prior to his nine years at EHF, Eric served in three EDOT congregations as a professional lay minister, directing youth and young adult ministries and leading world missions and congregational outreach. He is a founding member and board chair of Houston reVision, a Houston-based nonprofit working alongside system-involved youth in Harris County and serves as executive chair of the board at Camp Allen Episcopal Camp and Conference Center.



#### **Melodee Toles**

Congregational Engagement Officer, Episcopal Health Foundation

Melodee serves as a Congregational Engagement Officer and Equity Co-Lead for the Episcopal Health Foundation. As a member of the Engagement Team, she partners with community-based organizations and Episcopal congregations in our 81-county service area, to help build their capacity to engage in communities and build sustainable initiatives to create healthier places to live work, and play. As Equity Co-Lead, Melodee works closely with the Leadership Team to strengthen the organization's culture and reinforce its commitment to equity and inclusion.

Melodee has spent over a decade in the nonprofit sector working at the intersection of public health, community engagement, and faith-based partnership. She is guided by a passion for her faith and advancing health equity. A native of Saint Louis, Missouri, she holds a Bachelor of Arts from Vanderbilt University, Master of Public Health in Epidemiology from the University of Louisville, and a Project Management Certification from the University of Houston.

### LUNCH AND LEARN

### SPECIAL WORKSHOP

**Tuesday, October 21** 12:00pm

### Room:

Gregg 5

### **Understanding your Retirement Benefits**

#### **Description:**

Retirement today often spans two to three decades. The Church Pension Group (CPG) offers a comprehensive suite of resources designed to support your security and well-being long after you retire. Join us to explore the essential tools, support programs, and benefits that extend far beyond your pension and savings, helping you gain financial clarity and effectively manage your resources throughout your retirement journey.

#### Zee Turnbull

Director of Human Resources, Diocese of Texas

Zee Turnbull serves as the Director of Human Resources for the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. Since joining the Diocese in 2016, she has been instrumental in transforming systems for clergy compensation benchmarks and leading the implementation of comprehensive family medical coverage—work that is directly connected to maximizing employee retirement value. Zee oversees all benefits, recruitment, and staffing for the Diocese and its affiliated foundations.

With over a decade of prior experience in banking and financial services at institutions like Wells Fargo and Citi Financial, and a background in corporate payroll compliance, she brings a deep understanding of financial management to the benefits portfolio. Zee holds a Master of Science degree in Organizational Development from the University of Houston and is a SHRM-Senior Certified Professional (SHRM-SCP), along with credentials from the HR Certification Institute (PHR).



### **SESSION 1**

**Tuesday, October 21** 10:30am

#### Room:

Gregg 1A

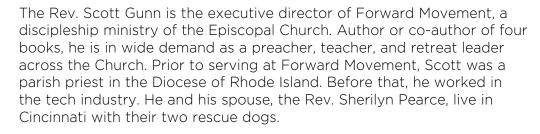
### How Are We Doing at Spiritual Growth?

#### **Description:**

A look at the health of the Episcopal Church using data from RenewalWorks. There is much to learn about our strengths and challenges as a church.

#### The Rev. Canon Scott Gunn

Executive Director, Forward Movement



His most recent book is *Easter Triumph, Easter Joy: Meditations for the Fifty Days of Eastertide*.



### **SESSION 1**

**Tuesday, October 21** 10:30am

#### Room:

All Saints' 4

### **Migration with Dignity**

#### **Description:**

We invite the clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas to participate in this informative and interactive workshop, where ongoing initiatives led by the Commission on Hispanic Ministries will be presented in response to the diocesan resolution on Migration with Dignity.

Migration is a lived reality that profoundly impacts countless individuals and families. This workshop provides a sacred space for reflection and dialogue rooted in faith, compassion, justice, and pastoral care.

Migration with Dignity offers an opportunity to learn how the Church is accompanying, advocating for, and honoring the dignity of migrants in our communities—and how we can continue to strengthen this Gospelcentered commitment.

Affirming that every migrant has the right to be treated with humanity—regardless of origin, legal status, or life journey—this workshop aims to raise awareness, share pastoral experiences, and inspire concrete actions to build more inclusive, safe, and just communities for those who now call Texas home.



The Rev. Pedro N. López

Vicar, San Pedro/St. Peter's, Pasadena

The Rev. Pedro N. López is originally from Colombia, where he studied Philosophy. He completed his master's in theology in Chicago at the Catholic Theological Union. He was ordained a priest in the Roman Catholic Church, where he served for several years. He was received as a priest in the Episcopal Church in 2004 and has since served in multiple bilingual Episcopal congregations and on various diocesan commissions. He currently serves as Executive Director of the North Pasadena Community Outreach Center and as Vicar of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Pasadena. Texas.

### Migration with Dignity Continued...



The Rev. Daniel Robayo

Vicar, St. Mary Magdalene, Manor

The Rev. Daniel Darío Robayo Hidalgo has been serving as Vicar of St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church since October of 2022. He earned undergraduate degrees in Philosophy and Social Sciences at Trinity College in Illinois, a small liberal arts college founded by the Evangelical Free Church, which is the church family in which he grew up in Venezuela before coming to the United States at age 16. His walk in the Christian faith—his camino de fe—led him into the Episcopal Church in his twenties. Following graduation from Virginia Theological Seminary, he was assigned his diaconal year to serve in what was then the Hispanic Ministry of the Diocese of Virginia, assisting in the care and development of a couple of congregations that later were admitted to Diocesan Council as missions.

As a priest, he was the first Hispanic to serve as rector in English-speaking parishes in Virginia. From that platform, he supported the work of Hispanic congregations as well as participating locally in the life of Hispanics/Latinos around his churches. As rector of Emmanuel Church in Harrisonburg, Virginia, he was also a community organizer involved in immigrant rights, poultry workers' rights, and local politics. He was also a volunteer police chaplain.

Before coming to Texas, Daniel served four years on the staff of the Diocese of North Carolina as Missioner for Hispanic/Latino Ministries. He supported the work of both Hispanic and Anglo congregations, helping to build bridges in their communities. He also served on the board of Episcopal Farmworker Ministry, a joint ministry of the Dioceses of North and East Carolina.

### **SESSION 1**

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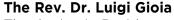
#### Room:

All Saints' A1&B

### Models of Evangelization: From Discernment to Practice

#### **Description:**

Churches often cling to certain models of evangelization while dismissing others, limiting their potential for mission. This workshop invites participants to examine those preferences, uncover unconscious biases, and practice discernment. Together we will imagine how diverse approaches can be integrated into community-building initiatives centered on the Breaking of the Bread.



Theologian in Residence, Saint Thomas Church, New York City

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**Tuesday, October 21** 10:30am

#### Room:

All Saints' 2

## Returning to the Roots of Discipleship: Seeding the Garden with Cultivated Relationships

### **Description:**

Come learn how discipleship can take root in the garden. More than a place to grow food, the garden is where spiritual growth and daily life intersect. Fruit and formation go hand in hand, as participants at any stage of their journey engage in shared work, honest questions, and relationships that reflect the life of Christ.

The Neighborhood Garden Project cultivates people, not just plants. Partnering with local churches, it creates spaces where communities are restored through soil, shared rhythms of life, and relationships rooted in the Gospel. The garden serves as a living gateway where discipleship is practiced daily.

This workshop presents a model centered on discipleship and relationship-building, offering parishes a tangible way to foster lasting formation. Attendees will hear stories, share experiences, and explore how a community garden can bear fruit for the Gospel while forming people in faith together.

### **Josh Singleton**

Founder/Executive Director & Lead Cultivator, The Neighborhood Garden Project

Josh is a steward of the garden in every sense of the word. He tends not only to soil and seed but also to the souls that pass through its gates. With over two decades of experience in agriculture, Josh has shifted his focus from growing food to cultivating people. He believes the garden is a sacred place where people are invited to become, where transformation is not forced, but gently cultivated. As the Founder and Lead Cultivator of The Neighborhood Garden Project, Josh walks slowly and intentionally, creating space for others to reconnect with purpose, embrace their identity, and experience lasting change through the slow cultivation of trust, truth, and transformation. He sees the garden as more than a plot. It is a Kingdom embassy where heaven meets earth through hands in the soil and hearts made whole. He has seen too much in the soil to believe that speed produces depth. He's convinced there is a slower, more formative way—a way that honors process over pressure and presence over performance.

Serving the soil, people, and purpose from the ground up, Josh lives and leads from below—anchored in surrender, marked by presence, and devoted to cultivating the unseen until it bears fruit.



# Returning to the Roots of Discipleship: Seeding the Garden with Cultivated Relationships continued...



### The Rev. Lizzie Robbins

Missioner for New Communities, Emmanuel, Houston Ecclesial Cultivator, The Neighborhood Garden Project

Lizzie is a community connector, teacher, and bridge keeper. She walks with churches and communities as they discern a call to partner with The Neighborhood Garden Project. She wonders with established and future partners about how the Holy Spirit is moving through questions like: "What ministries and missional communities is God planting?" and "How might a garden transform the way church happens here?"

Helping the church see the garden—and the garden see the church—as one living body, Lizzie invites both spaces to become a shared vessel for Kingdom growth. The garden has the capacity to transform communities through the presence it demands, the connections it creates, the wisdom it provides, and the many graces it blooms. When communities open themselves and the land they steward, they create a space of encounter—not only for neighbors to meet one another, but for people to encounter the Living God in the soil, the plants, and the hearts of others. Lizzie is also an Episcopal priest who cultivates new communities at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Houston, as Associate Rector.

# Returning to the Roots of Discipleship: Seeding the Garden with Cultivated Relationships continued...



### The Rev. Lance Ousley

Rector, Emmanuel, Houston

Lance grew up gardening with his grandfather and remembers that farming was much more about the relationship and learning and growing together than it was about the fruits and vegetables. That garden offered a sacred space for conversations about life, God, faithfulness, patience, stewardship, and ultimately God's gracious providence, all as part of meaningful and lasting discipleship. The garden offered him, then and now, a place where metaphors for the Gospel blossom and fruit is born out of faithfulness in relationships.

He remembers plowing a row in his grandfather's garden with an old manual plow, and looking back to see if he were plowing in a straight line. When his grandfather saw him looking over his shoulder he quoted Jesus to him, reminding him to trust in the relationship of the soil, the plow, and his hand, that together they would bear fruit, but first they must work together.

As priest and rector at Emmanuel, Lance emphasizes that the priority in every ministry is to take care to cultivate the relationships of the members within that ministry, and ready them to do the secondary "named" work of their ministry. He believes that TNGP partnership is rooted in relationship foremost, and it serves as a beautiful reminder that for us to bear the fruit of the Gospel, we have to tend the soil of relationship first.

### **SESSION 1**

**Tuesday, October 21** 10:30am

#### Room:

All Saints' 3



### **Data Informed Decision Making**

#### Description:

EHF's research division works to uncover invaluable insights about health policy and systems, and puts forward real, actionable pathways to advance health for all Texans. Join us in this session to learn about how EHF uses data to learn about our communities and inform our work and the tools we offer to our partners and congregations to promote the use of data in decision-making. The session will feature an overview of EHF's research division, how EHF is driving for positive health outcomes in three key areas, and a deep dive into data about the health of the communities we know and love. Come ready to learn and engage with data.

### Ann Barnes, MD, MPH

President & CEO. Episcopal Health Foundation

Ann Barnes is a native of Houston, Texas. She is currently the President and CEO of the Episcopal Health Foundation. The Foundation serves the 81 counties of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas and is committed to the promotion of health equity. Through grants, research, and congregational and community engagement investments, the Foundation strives to advance the vision that all community members should have a just and fair opportunity to be as healthy as possible, especially those who are underserved. The investments prioritize upstream, non-medical drivers of health, not just health care. Ann is an associate professor of medicine and voluntary clinical faculty at Baylor College of Medicine. She also holds an adjunct faculty position at the University of Houston College of Medicine. Ann is a board-certified internist.

Ann's prior roles included executive positions in large safety-net healthcare systems. She was Chief Health Officer and Chief Medical Executive at Harris Health System, the largest safety-net healthcare system in the greater Houston area. She served as the Chief Medical Officer at Legacy Community Health, a large federally qualified health center system in Texas. In each of these roles, Ann brought focus to the importance of disease prevention, population health, and health outside of the walls of the clinic. In addition, Ann served as principal investigator of a National Institutes of Health research project that sought to understand factors that promote successful weight loss maintenance in African Americans.

Beyond her work in medicine, education, public health, and research, Ann is active in her community. She is a senior fellow of the American Leadership Forum Houston/Gulf Coast Chapter and serves on several non-profit boards (Good Reason Houston, Houston Endowment, Texas 2036, and the Kinder Institute). Ann is married to Matthew Barnes and has 3 children.

### **Data Informed Decision Making Continued...**



#### **Brianna Martin**

Research & Policy Officer, Episcopal Health Foundation

Briana Martin is a Research and Policy Officer at EHF. Briana advises, supports, and manages various research, evaluation, and data projects of varied scope and size. Within her project oversight, Briana aids external partners with tool creation, data analysis, and method refinement. Internally, Briana supports EHF divisions with mapping, survey development, data analysis, and evaluation. Additionally, she works closely with EHF's communications team to advance the research division's communications efforts and development of the Foundation's Digging Deeper series.

As a part of Teach for America, Briana moved to Houston and taught Rhetoric & Composition for three years. In 2022, Briana graduated in the first cohort of the Master of Social Policy Evaluation program at Rice University, complementing her bachelor's degree from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she majored in Journalism and Rhetoric. Overall, Briana is driven by her passion for influencing the status quo of health systems to make them more accessible and responsive to all.

### SESSION 2

Wednesday, October 22 9:00am

### Room:

Gregg 1A



### **Evangelism in a Post-Christendom World.**

#### **Description:**

What does evangelism look like in a pluralistic society? How can we invite others to know the Good News of Jesus Christ in a way that is faithful to our own tradition and ethos?

#### The Rev. Canon Scott Gunn

Executive Director, Forward Movement

The Rev. Scott Gunn is the executive director of Forward Movement, a discipleship ministry of the Episcopal Church. Author or co-author of four books, he is in wide demand as a preacher, teacher, and retreat leader across the Church. Prior to serving at Forward Movement, Scott was a parish priest in the Diocese of Rhode Island. Before that, he worked in the tech industry. He and his spouse, the Rev. Sherilyn Pearce, live in Cincinnati with their two rescue dogs.

His most recent book is *Easter Triumph, Easter Joy: Meditations for the Fifty Days of Eastertide.* 

### SESSION 2

**Wednesday, October 22** 9:00am

#### Room:

All Saints' 4



### Practicing Holy Curiosity and Courageous Declaration

#### **Description:**

Evangelism and faithful community engagement depend on our willingness and commitment to meeting people; opening space for their stories, deep concerns and passions, and gifts; listening for and naming God's movement in their lives; sharing freely from our own stories and passionate concerns; drawing clear connections to the Great Story of God's redeeming and lifegiving love; pointing with clarity to who Jesus is (and confronting the falsehoods of Christian Nationalism); and inviting them to a next step. David will guide participants through rounds of practicing these essential elements for rich, robust, meaningful conversations, with a focus on building our own muscles as well as preparing to help church members practice.

### The Rev. David Gortner, PhD

Rector, St. Luke's, Coeur d'Alene, ID

The Rev. Dr. David T. Gortner, Episcopal priest and psychologist, has served over two decades as a seminary professor and parish priest. He has taught and trained hundreds of clergy and laity across the Church in evangelism, public witness, community engagement, congregational leadership, organizational health, pastoral care, mental health ministry, and spiritual development. His book *Transforming Evangelism* set a new tone for evangelism in The Episcopal Church, and in partnership with Church Center staff he helped produce the online masterclass series "Embracing Evangelism". His research contributed to understanding how people form core beliefs and values (*Varieties of Personal Theology*), how clergy develop as leaders ("Clergy Into Action" website and articles in *Anglican Theological Review*), and how a denomination like The Episcopal Church understands its identity and wrestles with differences ("Around One Table", published online by the Episcopal Church Center).

David is married to the Very Rev. Heather VanDeventer, Dean of St. John's Cathedral, Spokane, WA, and serves as rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Coeur d'Alene, ID. Together, they guide congregations to find public voice and witness in communities facing political tension. They focus on building partnerships across churches, educational institutions, civic leaders, and community organizations. David has chaired task forces and legislative bodies for mental health ministry and collaborated on *Who Is This Jesus?*, a Scripture study helping congregations and individuals respond to Christian Nationalism.

### **SESSION 2**

**Wednesday, October 22** 9:00am

#### Room:

All Saints' 1A&B



### Come and See: Evangelism as Invitation and Sacred Curiosity

#### **Description:**

In a world hungry for connection and meaning, evangelism begins not with pressure, but with a response to a friendly invitation. Rooted in Jesus' words, "You did not choose me, but I chose you" (John 15:16), this workshop explores how Episcopal evangelism flows from being loved, known, and sent by Jesus. Together we'll reflect on how sacred curiosity and authentic storytelling can help us invite others to encounter Jesus, alive and at work in their lives.

### The Rev. Troy Mendez

Executive Director, Episcopal Evangelism Society

The Rev. Troy D. Mendez serves as Executive Director of the Episcopal Evangelism Society. He previously served for over a decade as dean of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Phoenix, Arizona. A leader in the wider Episcopal Church, Troy sits on the boards of Virginia Theological Seminary and General Theological Seminary, and has worked to strengthen theological education, evangelism, and innovative formation across the Church. A native of Houston and a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and Virginia Theological Seminary, Troy brings a joyful, imaginative, and justice-centered vision to his work. He is passionate about inviting all people into belonging, dignity, and the transforming grace of new life in Jesus Christ.

#### **SESSION 2**

Wednesday, October 22 9:00am

#### Room:

All Saints' 2



### Missional Community: Knitting Together the Church and its Neighbors

### **Description:**

Our diocese has over 125 missional communities and the heart of their stories consistently reveal this truth: When we create communities of belonging by affirming God's presence in the ordinary, sacred details of peoples' lives - in their passions, wounds, interests, and identities - they feel restored to their birthright of belovedness.

### Kelley McRae

Missioner for Congregational Vitality, Diocese of Texas

Kelley McRae is a Missioner for Congregational Vitality in the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. In her dual role, she helps oversee missional communities for the Diocese and is Area Missioner to the Northwest Convocation. Her home church is St. James in Taylor, TX, where she helps lead missional communities that use storytelling and creativity to reconnect people to their sense of sacred worth. Kelley is the Founder of Song Rise Arts, a non-profit that provides trauma-informed songwriting classes to women veterans and young adults who have experienced systems like foster care and CPS. A professional songwriter and performer, she toured the world with her husband Matt before settling down in Taylor, where they have two beautiful daughters.

### SESSION 2

**Wednesday, October 22** 9:00am

#### Room:

All Saints' 3

### **Liturgical Folk - Music of the People**

#### **Description:**

The story and sound of the new worship band at St. Alban's, Waco: The church was running three Choral Eucharists every Sunday (four if you count Evensong). When the 9:00 AM service became too full, leadership decided to start a concurrent service in the Parish Hall and to distinguish it from the other service with music. The 9:10 Folk Eucharist has been running strong for more than two years. Many attendees are brand new to liturgical worship with no previous connection to The Episcopal Church. Liturgical folk music is an easy on ramp into our historic faith, without compromising the beauty of our tradition and repertoire.



#### Ryan Flanigan

9:10 Music Coordinator, St. Alban's, Waco Music Director, Resurrection South, Austin Music Director, University of Texas - Campus Ministry, Austin

Ryan Flanigan serves three EDOT communities as a music leader. He is the founder of Liturgical Folk, a project which seeks to create beautiful and believable sacred music for the church and the world. For the past two academic years Ryan was the Theological Artist-in-Residence at Baylor University, writing poetry, composing music, and encouraging creativity. He earned a BAS from Dallas Baptist University, an MA from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, and a CTS from the University of Oxford. Ryan lives in Austin, TX with his wife Melissa and their three teenage children.

#### SESSION 3

Wednesday, October 22 10:15am

Room:

All Saints' 4



## **Planning to Build Your Congregation's Evangelism and Public Witness**

#### **Description:**

From his work with different congregations and dioceses, David will outline possible pathways, strategies, and on-the-ground practices for building a church's purposeful community engagement. Participants will work together to create congregation-specific roadmaps and plans for discovering their surrounding community, claiming their unique and purposeful spiritual identity, forming steady habits of evangelistic conversations, and forging meaningful community partnerships.

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#### SESSION 3

Wednesday, October 22 10:15am

#### Room:

All Saints' 1A&B



# Vassar Miller's Eucharistic Life of Christ: 'Love's Bitten Tongue'

#### **Description:**

The workshop will present an opportunity to go deeper into the poetry of Vassar Miller. The last volume of her poetry, the evocatively entitled *Struggling to Swim on Concrete* (1984), contains her brilliant sonnet sequence, 'Love's Bitten Tongue' – a sequence of twenty-two English sonnets on the life and work of Christ based on John Donne's *La Corona*. After a short introduction, we will read the poem out loud together and have time for discussion and reflection. One critic said that in this set of sonnets, Miller 'harrows hell'.

#### The Rev. Canon Dr. Judith Maltby

Emerita Fellow, Corpus Christi College, Oxford Emerita Reader in Church History, University of Oxford

Judith Maltby is a historian of Anglicanism, with publications ranging on topics from the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries to the twentieth century. Her work has examined the formative centuries for Anglicanism under Elizabeth and the Stuarts and Church establishment and the ordination of women in England in the modern period. More recently, her interests have turned to Anglicanism and literature, in particular women novelists and poets. She is currently engaged in a book length study of the Houston based poet and Episcopalian, Vassar Miller (1924-1998) and delivered the Costan Lectures at VTS on her in November 2024.

Born in Illinois and raised in the Episcopal Church, doctoral studies at Cambridge led to exploring ordination in the Church of England. Dr Maltby was amongst the first cohort of women ordained priest there in 1994 and from 1993 to 2023 was Chaplain and Fellow of Corpus Christi College in Oxford and a senior member of Oxford's Theology Faculty. She has been a member of the General Synod since 2010 and has served the Church of England nationally including its Ministry Council and the Crown Nominations Commission. Dr Maltby recently become vice-chair of the Church of England's Contested Heritage Committee, advising on the legacy of Atlantic chattel slavery in the built fabric of England's churches and cathedrals.

#### SESSION 3

Wednesday, October 22 10:15am

#### Room:

All Saints' 2

# Deliberate Disciples: Doing Discipleship Differently

#### Description:

What discipleship seeds planted 50 years ago are we now harvesting? Are the fruits of these harvests what we envisioned and hoped for? What discipleship seeds are we currently planting for future harvests? What if we began cultivating disciples who thrived at the biblical practices of deliberating and discerning together? What if we began creating communities of bridge builders who nurtured deliberate interrelationships of belonging without othering? And saw the great work of evangelism through the lens of going and making bridge builders of all nations?

Perhaps it's time to think differently about our discipleship. Come and join us for a conversation re-imagining ways we might do discipleship differently. Let's explore together what Living and Learning Communities might look like as we all live and learn into the shape of Jesus's life and teachings together.



Canon for Formation, Diocese of Texas

Canon Dr. Josh R. Ritter holds an M.Div. from McAfee School of Theology and a Ph.D. from Georgia State University in communication studies, specifically rhetorical theory and criticism and religious rhetoric. He served as a minster in various contexts for over 20 years. He taught in higher education for over 15 years, and he focused on discipleship and formation work for over 12 years while working with undergraduate, graduate, and seminary students at Baylor. He also served as a hospital chaplain and a VA chaplain. He first began attending the Episcopal church in Atlanta, GA at St. Bartholomew's around 2005, and he currently attends St. Julian of Norwich Episcopal Church in Cedar Park, TX.

Dr. Ritter's trainings and practices focus on different forms of communication, public deliberation, leadership, discipleship, spiritual formation, and deliberative theology. His primary concern for his work emphasizes the way we love our neighbors by the way we get to know them, and he views communication as a spiritual practice. He has three amazing girls, and his wife is an Associate Clinical Professor of Social Work at Baylor University. He enjoys writing, centering prayer, and archery as contemplative spiritual practices.



#### **SESSION 3**

Wednesday, October 22 10:15am

#### Room:

All Saints' 3

## Gimme a Break!: Taking a Sabbatical

#### **Description:**

Join Bishop Fisher and Kathy Dunn, as they explore sabbaticals, and learn about:

- Nuts and bolts for sabbatical leave-taking, as detailed in Letters of Agreement and the Clergy Manual
- Benefits of taking a sabbatical, from a theological, vocational, and personal perspective
- Preparing yourself and your congregation for your sabbatical
- Quin Sabbatical Grants offered by the Diocese of Texas



#### The Rt. Rev. Jeff W. Fisher

Bishop Suffragan, Diocese of Texas

Bishop Fisher has been Bishop Suffragan in the Diocese of Texas since 2012. In addition to being the regional bishop for the East Region, he serves as Executive for the Episcopal Diocese of Texas Global Partnerships in Mission, the Small Church Network, and all Pastoral Ministries, including the diocesan sabbatical grant program.



#### **Kathy Dunn**

Executive Assistant to the Rt. Rev. Jeff Fisher

Kathy joined the Diocese of Texas in 2017 as the Executive Assistant to the Rt. Rev. Jeff Fisher working in the Tyler office. She supports the work of Bishop Fisher and works closely with the churches of the East region and assists those interested in sabbaticals and with other pastoral needs. Kathy is the current President of B+E+S+T, an organization for Bishop Assistants for the Episcopal Church. Kathy loves her work within the Diocese of Texas and the greater Church.

# RESOURCE PRESENTATIONS

#### Monday, October 20

5:45pm

#### Room:

Gregg 1A

#### **Gathering for Clergy Affected by July Flooding**

Many of our clergy and congregations have faced loss after the July flooding in various parts of Texas. If you are one of these clergy, we invite you to gather to talk about your experiences, discuss how grief is manifesting in your congregations, and brainstorm ways for you and your congregations to continue to process these losses. Bring dinner with you.

#### **Tuesday, October 21**

8:10am

#### Room:

Gregg 1A

#### **Considering a Curate?**

Rectors who would like to explore the benefits and requirements of having a curate on the church staff are invited to visit with the Rev. Cn. Christine Faulstich at an informational meeting. All rectors interested in receiving a curate are expected to attend. Bring breakfast with you.

#### **Tuesday, October 21**

12:00pm

#### Room:

Gregg 1A

## Christian Formation for Community Engagement - the Called to Community Learning Journey

Rooted in the Episcopal Tradition, the Called to Community Learning Journey aims to inspire, educate, and motivate parishioners in your congregation to engage in outreach ministries that build healthier communities for all. Join the Episcopal Health Foundation team to learn about this 3 month long, activity based Christian Formation curriculum available to you starting January 2026.

#### **Tuesday, October 21**

12:00pm

#### Room:

Gregg 5

#### **Understanding your Retirement Benefits**

For many people, retirement will last 20-30 years. The resources available to you from Church Pension Group during your retirement extend beyond your pension and retirement savings. Learn about the resources and tools to help you manage your finances during your retirement. Zee Turnbull will help you navigate this process.

#### **Tuesday, October 21**

3:30pm

#### Room:

Tellepsen

#### **FAITH IN THE FUTURE: Artificial Intelligence & Ministry Mixer**

The AI and Ministry Task Force wants to hear from you. Task Force members will be in the Tellepsen Dining Room from 3:30-4:30pm on Tuesday to listen, discuss, and gather information about current clergy opinion and use of AI in their daily and weekly ministry. Do you love it? We want to know. Hate it? Tell us why. Have never considered how AI could even intersect with ministry? Drop in. Reach out to Task Force co-chairs Patrick Hall and Tori Gilliland for more information or questions.

# NEW CLERGY



The Rev. Ryan Boettcher Associate Rector, Resurrection South, Austin

Ryan Boettcher grew up in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. While raised in the Lutheran tradition, Ryan found himself in the evangelical world for a long season of his young life, including time spent in seminary at Regent College in Vancouver, BC. After a brief season as a youth pastor, Ryan felt called into the Anglican tradition and helped plant two churches-one in Milwaukee, and now, Resurrection South, Austin, recently received into the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. Ryan's holy orders were also formally accepted into the Diocese in 2025. He serves as associate rector at "Rez". Ryan is married to Bliss (of Kansas City) and they have four children: Thaddeus, Luca, Alec, and Annelise. While Ryan calls Texas his home, he continues to be an avid fan of the Brewers, Bucks, and Packers.



The Rev. Dane E. Boston Rector, St. Martin's, Houston

Dane Boston is honored to serve as the fifth rector of St. Martin's Church in Houston. A native of Dunedin, Florida, Dane earned his B.A. at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia, where he met his wife, Debby. Their first child, Ella, was born in New Haven, Connecticut while Dane was completing his M.Div. at Yale Divinity School. Another child, Fritz, followed during Dane's Curacy at Christ Church in Greenwich. After two years as the Canon for Christian Formation at Trinity Cathedral in Columbia, South Carolina, Dane became the rector of Christ Church in Cooperstown, New York, where the family welcomed Ruthie and Myles. Dane returned to Trinity Cathedral as Dean in 2021, serving there until his call to Houston. Just a few months before their move to Texas, the Bostons adopted a puppy, Lucy. Dane loves literature, choral music, and cooking for family and friends.



## The Rev. Michael Briggs

Rector, Grace, Galveston

The Rev. Michael Briggs serves the parish of Grace, Galveston. He and his husband Timothy moved to Galveston nearly a year ago to begin ministry and have a new life together with Suzy the Calico and Cody the Poodle. He has been a priest for 14 years and served three dioceses, where he was taught many things and many ways of how to be a disciple of Jesus and a good servant of those in his parish and the community. His calling at Grace allows him to balance ministry in and with the community while also ministering to those within the parish. Michael enjoys reading and walking on the beach, so he is excited to be here.



### The Rev. Dr. David D. Butorac Rector, Christ Church, Nacogdoches

David grew up just outside Toronto, Canada, attended the University of King's College (Halifax), studying classics, where he came to faith at the college chapel there. He completed a PhD in philosophy at KU Leuven (Belgium) and thereafter was an assistant professor of philosophy at a university in Istanbul. It was there that he felt a call to the priesthood, completed his MDiv at Wycliffe College (U of T) and was ordained in the Diocese of Saskatchewan where he was rector of the Cathedral of St. Alban the Martyr. He is married to Emily and they have a wonderful daughter, Eva-Marie.



The Rev. Dr. Brian K. Gamel Curate, St. Thomas', College Station

Brian has taken a very roundabout path towards his entry as clergy in the Episcopal Church. He went to college at the University of Missouri where he studied Microbiology and pursued medicine until he felt a call to ministry with an evangelical college church. After serving in college ministry for several years after graduation, he left to complete an M.Div. at Duke before starting his Ph.D. at Baylor in New Testament and Theology. After graduation, he taught theology classes at a variety of schools, published, completed a postdoc, and helped start a business all before discerning, finally, a call to the priesthood. He completed a one-year DAS at Southwest and is now serving as curate at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in College Station with the Rev. Korey Wright.



## The Rev. Courtney Greene

Courtney Greene was born and raised in San Antonio, Texas. After attending Texas A&M University and law school at the University of Texas, she spent 20 years as a practicing attorney in the field of employment law. In 2020, having experienced a call to ordained ministry, she left her legal practice and accepted the role of Director of Ministry Operations at Resurrection South, Austin, where she served on staff until May 2025. During that time, she earned a seminary degree from Nashotah House Theological Seminary in Wisconsin, was ordained deacon in September 2021, and was received into the Diocese of Texas in 2025. She is currently completing a Diploma in Anglican Studies at Seminary of the Southwest as part of her preparation for the priesthood. Courtney lives in Austin with her husband, Ryan, and her 16-year old son Liam. Her daughter, Annabella, is a freshman at the University of Texas at Austin.



The Rev. Catie Greene Associate Rector, St. Andrew's, Houston

The Rev. Catie Greene recently moved to the Houston area from Colorado, where she has lived and worked since 2006. Born and raised in the San Francisco Bay Area, Catie was ordained a priest in 2002 in the Episcopal Diocese of California. She has served on the bishop's staff in both California and Colorado, and has also served in several congregations. Additionally, she has worked in the broader church as the chaplain for Episcopal Camps and Conferences, and as a director in Episcopal Service Corps. Catie earned her B.S. in Animal Physiology and Neuroscience from UC San Diego, an M.Div from Seabury-Western Theological Seminary, and will complete her certification in Spiritual Direction with the Haden Institute in January 2026. Catie shares life with her husband, Chas, their adult daughter, Sophie, and their four dogs, two cats, and a rotating cast of farm critters. She enjoys gardening, hiking, camping, road trips, and breweries.



The Rev. Christopher Hilton Curate, St. Mark's, Beaumont

The Rev. Christopher Hilton serves as curate at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Beaumont, Texas. He is a graduate of the School of Theology at the University of the South, Sewanee, and holds a Master of Divinity from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis. He earned his undergraduate degree in Audio Engineering from Belmont University in Nashville. Before entering ordained ministry, Christopher worked professionally as a graphic designer, software engineer, and web developer. He and his wife, Molly, have three children: John Henry (age five), Marigold McRae (age 3), and Rose Elizabeth (age 1). His interests include woodworking, traditional Irish music, the outdoors, and collecting old books.



## The Rev. Chase Kennemer

Curate, Trinity, Galveston

Chase earned his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Sam Houston State University in 2021. While attending SHSU, Chase served as Missioner for the Episcopal Student Center at SHSU and helped to revitalize the program to be a lay-led community. He is a curate at Trinity Episcopal Church in Galveston and will be responsible for College Ministry and additional pastoral care for families. In his free time, Chase enjoys spending time with his animals, family, and friends. As well as finding avenues to be creative whenever he can, including painting, photography, and crafts.



The Rev. Kim Kibby

Deacon, All Saints', Austin

Kim Kibby was baptized as an infant and received into Calvary Episcopal Church, Bastrop, where she grew up. She attended both public and private Episcopal schools, received her Bachelor's degree from Vanderbilt University, and earned a Master of Science in Nursing from UT Austin. Kim has served the Episcopal Church throughout her life, but Godly Play storytelling enkindled the path to ordained ministry. In May of 2020, Kim began the discernment process; in June of 2025, she graduated from the Iona School for Ministry and was ordained Vocational Deacon. Her three young adult kids and one very silly dog fill her heart with joy! Her hobbies include traveling, nature photography, and working with her hands. She is delighted to join the beautiful community of All Saints', Austin, and to serve God's people from the basin by living out our baptismal covenant together.



## The Rev. Pedro De Jesus Lara

Associate Rector, Holy Apostles, Katy

Pedro grew up in Dallas, Texas. After his parents attended a Cursillo retreat, they began attending a Spanish-speaking Episcopal church in Plano, where Pedro first developed a love for serving in the Church. Later, after a personal encounter with Jesus and a deeper grasp of the Gospel, he sensed a call to ordained ministry. After seminary, Pedro was ordained in 2017 and served as curate at Santa María Episcopal Church in Irving, Texas. In 2018, he accepted a call to serve as rector of Christ Episcopal Church in Delavan, Wisconsin, until the summer of 2025. Pedro and his family returned to Texas, where he now serves as associate rector at Church of the Holy Apostles. Pedro and his wife, Gloria, are high school sweethearts and have been married for 14 years. They have three daughters: Leah, Emma, and Junia. Pedro enjoys traveling with his family, reading, and good food.



## The Rev. Sally Lombardo

Curate, St. Mary Madalene, Manor

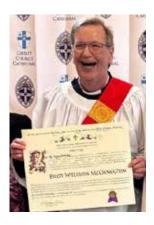
Sally Lombardo began her journey to seminary when her five children were grown and leaving home. Having taught college English for many years, she assumed she would use her MDiv and DMin to teach at a seminary, but continued to feel a call to ordination. She found her way from a Baptist upbringing to the Episcopal Church when she was in Beaumont, Texas raising her family. St. Mark's was a wonderful place to begin, and her discernment journey continued at St. John the Divine, Houston. After a life-changing year at Virginia Theological Seminary, she found herself in Manor, Texas serving as curate. Although I continue to teach in various capacities, I love being a deacon and look forward to my life in ministry.



## The Rev. Scott D. Madison

Curate, Resurrection South, Austin

Scott Madison was born in Washington, DC, and raised in the Maryland suburbs of the District of Columbia. He was baptized and confirmed in the Episcopal Church and moved to Austin in 2004, where he joined St. James', Austin. He served in many lay leadership roles before discerning a call to ordained ministry. He is now the curate at Resurrection South, Austin.



## The Rev. Brett W. McCleneghan

Curate, Episcopal High School, Houston

The middle of five children, Brett grew up in Evanston, Illinois. Ordained an Elder in the United Methodist Church, he served for 38 years with UMC and UCC congregations in the Chicago suburbs. He also taught and mentored seminary students for many years. He and his now wife Susan dated briefly in high school. Later in life, both were divorced and they discovered each other again. They were married seven years ago. For the past seven years, Brett served as a staff chaplain with Houston Methodist Hospital, The Woodlands. The couple enjoys travel, the theatre, time with children, and their eight grandchildren, and their life in the Church. Brett plays guitar and bass, sings, and has played in numerous blues, jazz, folk, and British invasion bands.



The Rev. Natividad Menjivar Associate Rector for Spanish Ministries, St. Dunstan's. Houston

Natividad Menjivar, born and ordained in Honduras, served as a Roman Catholic Priest in Virginia. He transitioned to the Episcopal Church, planting a Hispanic community in Virginia. Menjivar was received as an Episcopal priest after studies at Virginia Theological Seminary. Now, he serves at St. Dunstan's, bringing his experience and passion to Spanish ministries. Married to Ana, they have two children, Ashley and Natian.



## The Rev. Canon Perry Mullins

Canon For Congregational & Mission Vitality, Diocese of Texas

The Rev. Canon Perry Mullins joins the Diocese of Texas from St. Peter's in McKinney, where he served as rector for eight years. He has a passion for helping congregations explore their identity and discern a vision for the future. His inteserest in historic evangelism has led him to study early medieval mission models in the UK and their relevance to church growth today. Raised in the Dallas area, Perry has lived all over Texas, earning his M.Div. from Seminary of the Southwest in Austin in 2014. His wife, Sarah, works in digital marketing, and they have two children: Lucas (9) and Maggie (4). In his free time, Perry enjoys being outdoors with his family, reading science fiction and fantasy, hiking, and traveling. He regularly leads pilgrimages in the UK and is an avid home cook, sharing his culinary adventures on Instagram at @thatpriestcancook.



The Rev. Will Parker Curate, St. Mark's, Houston

Will Parker is the curate at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Houston. He is passionate about cultivating Christian community through creative engagement with the arts and improvisation. Before pursuing ordination, Will worked as a full-time musician and teaching artist. Will holds an M.Div. and S.T.M. from Yale Divinity School, as well as an M.A. in Teaching and a B.A. in Theatre from Trinity University. He lives in Houston with his wife, Cecelia, who teaches at St. Stephen's Episcopal School. Together, they enjoy board games, reading aloud, and co-writing and performing original songs.



## The Rev. Patti Peacock

Deacon, St. George's, Austin

Patti, a cradle Episcopalian, has lived in the Diocese of Texas most of her life. Born in Nacogdoches, baptized at Christ Church; ten years in Shreveport worshiping and confirmed at St. Mark's; three years in Houston, St. Francis, EYC, choir, and Young Life; on to Austin at 18 for UT and St. Edward's, worshiping at St. Luke's on the Lake; then to Cedar Park in 2009 where she practices counseling and resides with her "forever husband" Mike. Two daughters and four grandchildren complete her family. In her 30s, Patti felt called to ministry: "Feed My Sheep" the angel said. She spent years serving in DOK, Altar Guild, Stephen Ministry, LEM, TAEHS, choir, and Safeguarding, then 'heard', "it's time" and immediately began the ordination process attending The Iona School for Ministry where she earned her Certificate in Theological Studies in 2024. Patti, ordained June 28, 2025, is currently a deacon at St. George's, Austin.



## The Rev. Francisco Javier Rivera

Vicar, El Jardín Church Plant, Fort Worth

Francisco was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico, ordained a priest in 1993 in the Roman Catholic church as a Claretian Missionary, with the charism of serving the Gospel and the word where necessary. His orders were received at the Diocese of Puerto Rico of the Episcopal Church by Bishop David Andrés Álvarez. He has worked pastorally and civilly in the Dominican Republic for nearly 25 years, as well as nearly 15 years in Puerto Rico. Since 2010 he has worked pastorally for the Episcopal Church of Puerto Rico serving three faith communities. He studied Theology and Philosophy with a degree in Religious Sciences from the Pontifical Seminary of Santo Tomás de Aguino in the city of Santo Domingo. Francisco has a Master's degree in School Administration from the Open University for Adults in Santiago, Dominican Republic. He has also collaborated with associations related to the care of Nature and works in the promotion of Renewable Energy, in the promotion and installation of photovoltaic systems in communities of faith and residential projects. Javier is married to Lesley Cortes (born in Mexico). He is father of Javier Ignacio, Francisco Arturo, and Lesley Sophia.



## The Rev. Warren Robinson

Deacon-in-Charge, St. Michael's, La Marque

Warren was born in Houston, Texas and he and his wife, Margaret, lived in Washington, DC for eight years and returned to Houston in 2014. Warren continues his corporate communications work for energy, manufacturing, and financial service companies. Warren and Margaret have two children, Thomas (age 10) and Charlotte (age 8).

Warren has attended church throughout his life and was confirmed in the Episcopal church at All Saints Episcopal Church in Chevy Chase, Maryland. He began the discernment process at his sending church, Holy Comforter Episcopal Church in Spring, Texas, and completed his bi-vocational formation at the Iona School for Ministry. During this time, Warren served at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Houston, and his two field education placements: Hope Episcopal Church in Houston and St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Richmond.

Warren is honored to now serve as the deacon-in-charge at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in La Marque, Texas!



## The Rev. Michael Sturdy

Curate, Holy Spirit, Houston

The Rev. Michael Sturdy is curate at Holy Spirit Episcopal Church in Houston. A graduate of the School of Theology at Sewanee, he has worked in varied sectors including museum education, oil and gas regulatory reporting, and youth ministry. He is husband to Lauren and father of Cat and Cash. In addition to an MDiv, Rev. Sturdy holds an MA in History from Baylor University, where he attended for undergraduate studies. His work has been published in *Anglican Theological Review, The Living Church*, and *Building Faith*. He also plays a mean tenor saxophone when the need arises.



The Rev. Michael Thompson Deacon-in-Charge, St. John's, Marlin

Michael Thompson is the deacon-in-charge at St. John's Episcopal Church in Marlin, Texas. Raised in Cabot, Arkansas, he studied choral music, psychology, and special education before teaching students with behavioral and physical disabilities in Athens, Georgia. He later served as a Baptist choir director and youth pastor, then returned to Central Arkansas and transitioned into technology as a network engineer for AT&T.

Michael was confirmed at Christ Episcopal Church in Little Rock in 2016. After moving to Texas, Michael discerned a call to ministry and completed his formation at the Iona School for Ministry. He and his wife, Dr. Amy Thompson—a neonatologist and Iona student—live in College Station, Texas. Michael brings a background shaped by education, music, pastoral care, and technology to his bi-vocational ministry.



The Rev. Sheila Thrash Deacon, St. Clare's, Tyler

Sheila Thrash grew up in the Houston area and in different parts of Texas. Sheila now lives in Tyler. She earned a BA in General and Special Education from Sam Houston State University. After teaching for several years, she earned her M.Ed. in Educational Leadership from Stephen F. Austin State University. Sheila taught special education and worked in school administration. She retired from the Region 7 Education Service Center after working with migrant workers in East Texas and training teachers and administrators on generational poverty. Sheila has a daughter, Holly Gage, and a son, Tommy Moreland. They and their spouses, Josh and Jennifer, have blessed her with six amazing grandchildren. Sheila graduated from Iona School of Ministry in 2025, and was ordained in June 2025. She is very happy to be the deacon at St. Clare's in Tyler.



The Rev. Dr. Shawn McCain Tirres Rector, Resurrection South, Austin

The Rev. Dr. Shawn McCain Tirres is the founding rector of Resurrection South, Austin, now celebrating its tenth year of ministry. If you were to join him for dinner, you'd meet his wife, Michelle, six kids, eat homemade tacos and salsa, and discuss the recent slump of the greatest team in the world: Austin FC.



### The Rev. Rachel Toombs, Ph.D. Transitional Deacon. Resides Outside the Diocese

Rachel grew up in Minneapolis and now lives in neighboring Saint Paul, MN. She was baptized as an adult and awkwardly found her way from non-denominational and Baptist churches to the Episcopal Church. Despite being sure she was going to be a professor, circumstances and the mysterious working of the Holy Spirit led her to work in both parttime and full-time positions in parishes, including Holy Spirt, Waco and St. Albans, Waco. Once she was sure that she was being called into fulltime ordained ministry, another curveball arrived as she was offered a tenure-track faculty position at CDSP. She now serves full-time at the seminary and part-time at a historic church on the border of Minnesota and Wisconsin where, in addition to her clerical duties, she oversees adult formation and ministers to children and youth. She is married to Lance, and together they care for two adorable and geriatric pitbull rescues, Eowyn and Rosie.



The Rev. Katherine Tuttle Director of Parish Life and Membership. Palmer Memorial, Houston

Katherine Tuttle is ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. What she loves most about ministry is creating spaces for relationship building, meaning-making, storytelling, and ritual. In addition to her background as a pastor, Katherine also has prior experience as a Resident Minister at Georgetown University and Loyola Marymount University. At both schools, she lived in student housing with her family to foster a sense of community and belonging among the residents. Katherine lives with her husband Jake, a professor of Philosophy at University of St. Thomas, and their two small children. In her free time, Katherine loves exploring Houston by cycling, running, reading, spending time with her family, and playing the ukulele very poorly.



The Rev. Kurt C. Wiesner Rector, Trinity, Marble Falls

Kurt grew up in Downers Grove, IL. He earned a B.A. in Vocal Music from the University of Indiana and an M.Div. from the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest. He was ordained in 2002 and served as curate and then Canon for Congregational Life at Trinity Cathedral in Cleveland OH. He was rector of All Saints' Littleton, NH from 2008 until January 2015, and then rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salt Lake City, UT, until August 2025. Kurt has previously served as Chaplain to Executive Council, Chair of Courtesy and Privilege at the 2024 General Convention, and chaired the Diocese of Utah's COM for over five years. He loves the band U2, and roots for the Cubs to return to the World Series for the second time in his lifetime. Kurt now lives in Marble Falls with his spouse Darlene and their 10-year-old daughter Sienna.



The Rev. Mark Witte Curate, St. Luke's, Stephenville

Mark is currently curate and campus missioner at St. Luke's, Stephenville, and Tarleton State, about an hour southwest of Fort Worth.

He was born and raised in Dallas on a steady diet of marbled brisket and Tex-Mex. Mark joined the Episcopal Church in 2017 through the campus ministry at UT, where he was eventually raised up for ordination. During and after undergrad, he worked in investment management at Merrill Lynch.

Lacking a prayer habit and thinking he could strut sitting down—and whooped by the COVID pandemic—he moved to an Episcopal Benedictine monastery in Omaha and spent two years there.

In addition to being a deacon in the Diocese of Texas, he is sponsored for military chaplaincy by the Bishop for the Armed Forces, an essential part of his pastoral vocation.

#### Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist

Prelude Phos Hilaron

The Word of God

**Processional Hymn** 

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

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The People standing, the Bishop says:

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

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

#### The Bishop then says:

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.** 

Song of Praise Gloria

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#### The Collect of the Day

The Bishop says to the people:

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

**Bishop** Let us pray.

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in your Church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

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#### Fiesta de San Lucas, Evangelista

**Preludio** Phos Hilaron

#### La Palabra de Dios

#### Himno de Procesión

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

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El Pueblo de pie, el Obispo dice:

Bendito sea Dios: Padre, Hijo, y Espíritu Santo.

Pueblo Y bendito sea su reino, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

#### El Obispo dice:

Dios omnipotente, para quien todos los corazones están manifiestos, todos los deseos son conocidos y ningún secreto se halla encubierto: Purifica los pensamientos de nuestros corazones por la inspiración de tu Santo Espíritu, para que perfectamente te amemos y dignamente proclamemos la grandeza de tu santo Nombre; por Cristo nuestro Señor. Amén.

Canto de alabanza Gloria

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#### Colecta del Día

El Obispo dice al pueblo:

El Señor sea con ustedes.

Y con tu espíritu. Pueblo

Obispo Oremos.

Dios omnipotente, que inspiraste a tu siervo Lucas, el médico, a manifestar en el Evangelio el amor y poder sanativo de tu Hijo: Continúa en tu Iglesia, por tu gracia, el mismo amor y poder de sanidad, para Alabanza y gloria de tu Nombre; por Jesucristo Nuestro Señor, que vive y reina contigo, en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

#### **The Lessons**

#### The people sit.

The First Lesson Sirach 38:1-4,6-10,12-14

A reading from Sirach:

Honor physicians for their services,

for the Lord created them;

for their gift of healing comes from the Most High,

and they are rewarded by the king.

The skill of physicians makes them distinguished,

and in the presence of the great they are admired.

The Lord created medicines out of the earth,

and the sensible will not despise them.

And he gave skill to human beings

that he might be glorified in his marvelous works.

By them the physician heals and takes away pain;

the pharmacist makes a mixture from them.

God's works will never be finished:

and from him health spreads over all the earth.

My child, when you are ill, do not delay,

but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you.

Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly,

and cleanse your heart from all sin.

Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him;

do not let him leave you, for you need him.

There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians,

for they too pray to the Lord

that he grant them success in diagnosis

and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 147:1-7

1 Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*

how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \*

he gathers the exiles of Israel.

3 He heals the brokenhearted \*

and binds up their wounds.

4 He counts the number of the stars \* and calls them all by their names.

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#### Las Lecturas

#### El pueblo se sienta.

#### Primera Lectura

Eclesiástico 38:1-4, 6-10, 12-14

Lectura del libro del Eclesiástico:

Respeta al médico por sus servicios, pues también a él lo instituyó Dios.

El médico recibe de Dios su ciencia, y del rey recibe su sustento.

Gracias a sus conocimientos, el médico goza de prestigio y puede presentarse ante los nobles.

Dios hace que la tierra produzca sustancias medicinales, y el hombre inteligente no debe despreciarlas.

Él dio la inteligencia a los hombres.

para que lo alaben por sus obras poderosas.

Con esas sustancias, el médico calma los dolores y el boticario prepara sus remedios.

Así no desaparecen los seres creados por Dios,

ni falta a los hombres la salud.

Hijo mío, cuando estés enfermo no seas impaciente; pídele a Dios, y él te dará la salud.

Huye del mal y de la injusticia,

y purifica tu corazón de todo pecado.

Pero llama también al médico:

no lo rechaces, pues también a él lo necesitas.

Hay momentos en que el éxito depende de él,

y él también se encomienda a Dios.

para poder acertar en el diagnóstico

y aplicar los remedios eficaces.

Palabra del Señor.

#### Pueblo **Demos Gracias a Dios.**

#### Salmo 147:1-7

1 iAleluya!

iCuán bueno es cantar alabanzas a nuestro Dios! \*

iCuán agradable es honrarle con loores!

2 El Señor reconstruye Jerusalén; \*

a los desterrados de Israel recoge.

3 El sana a los quebrantados de corazón, \* y venda sus heridas.

4 Cuenta el número de las estrellas; \*

a todas ellas llama por su nombre.

- 5 Great is our LORD and mighty in power: \* there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The LORD lifts up the lowly, \* but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \* make music to our God upon the harp.

The Second Lesson 2 Timothy 4:5-13

A reading from the Second Letter to Timothy:

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. People

**Sequence Hymn** Veni Sancte Spiritus

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All standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ. People

Gospel Luke 4:14-21

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

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:

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- 5 Grande es el Señor nuestro, incomparable su poder, \* infinita su sabiduría.
- 6 El Señor levanta a los humildes. \* más humilla hasta el polvo a los malvados.
- 7 Canten al Señor con acción de gracias: \* toquen el arpa a nuestro Dios.

Segunda Lectura 2 Timoteo 4:5-13

Lectura de la Segunda Carta a Timoteo:

Pero tú conserva siempre el buen juicio, soporta los sufrimientos, dedicate a anunciar el evangelio, cumple bien con tu trabajo.

Yo ya estoy para ser ofrecido en sacrificio; ya se acerca la hora de mi muerte. He peleado la buena batalla, he llegado al término de la carrera, me he mantenido fiel. Ahora me espera la corona merecida que el Señor, el Juez justo, me dará en aquel día. Y no me la dará solamente a mí, sino también a todos los que con amor esperan su venida gloriosa.

Haz lo posible por venir pronto a verme; pues Demas, que amaba más las cosas de esta vida, me ha abandonado y se ha ido a Tesalónica. Crescente se ha ido a la región de Galacia, y Tito a la de Dalmacia. Solamente Lucas está conmigo. Busca a Marcos y tráelo contigo, porque puede ser una ayuda para mí en el trabajo. A Tíquico lo mandé a Éfeso. Cuando vengas, tráeme la capa que dejé en Tróade, en casa de Carpo; también los libros, y especialmente los pergaminos.

Palabra del Señor.

Pueblo Demos gracias a Dios.

Himno antes del Evangelio

Veni Sancte Spiritus

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Todos de pie, un diácono lee el evangelio, diciendo primero

Santo Evangelio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo según San Lucas.

Pueblo Gloria a ti, Cristo Jesús.

**Evangelio** San Lucas 4:14-21

Jesús volvió a Galilea lleno del poder del Espíritu Santo, y se hablaba de él por toda la tierra de alrededor. Enseñaba en la sinagoga de cada lugar, y todos le alababan.

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:

"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."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ. People

Sermon The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu

#### **Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows**

#### The Bishop stands before the altar and addresses those who are to renew their vows.

My siblings, as clergy you are called to work with your Bishop to love and serve the people among whom you work, caring alike for all as you make Christ and his redemptive love known. There have been times that we have failed to pattern our thoughts, words, and deeds in accordance with Christ. We have not always been a wholesome example to those entrusted to our care. As your Bishop, I confess my own failure to fully obey our Lord, and I ask that you join me so that, together, we may seek the Lord's mercy, grace, and forgiveness.

#### The Bishop and all pray together:

Most gracious God, we confess the many ways that we have failed to steward the ministry entrusted to us with grace, patience, and care. We apologize for the way we have chosen comfort over courage, blame over accountability, and what is easy over what is right. For the many ways that we have failed to make room for the voices of others, failed to empathize with peoples' experiences and listen to their stories, we repent. We acknowledge that far too often we have relied on advice, judgment, gossip, and favoritism as a substitute for faithful engagement. Above all, we have remained stubborn and stuck in our self-sufficiency and we have not let you heal our shame. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins and give us the grace we need to forgive ourselves so that we may once again partner with you in healing our world. Amen.

#### The Bishop says:

My fellow clergy, we have a high priest who is able to empathize with our weakness, one who in every respect has been tempted as we are yet without sin. God has taken away your sin and renewed you for God's service. I therefore invite you to stand with confidence before the Lord and to renew with me the covenant we made at our ordination.

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"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 alli teínan la vista fija en él. Él comenzó a hablar, diciendo, "Hoy mismo se ha cumplido la Escritura que ustedes acaban de oír."

Después del Evangelio, el Lector dice

Sermón

El Evangelio del Señor.

Te alabamos, Señor Jesús. Pueblo

La Revda. Nontombi Naomi Tutu

#### Reafirmación de Votos de Ordenación

#### El Obispo se para delante del altar y se dirige a los que van a renovar sus votos.

Mis hermanos y hermanas, como clero, están llamados a trabajar con su Obispo para amar y servir a las personas entre las que trabajan, cuidando por igual a todos mientras dan a conocer a Cristo y su amor redentor. Ha habido momentos en los que no hemos logrado modelar nuestros pensamientos, palabras y obras de acuerdo con Cristo. No siempre hemos sido un ejemplo saludable para aquellos que han sido confiados a nuestro cuidado. Como su Obispo, confieso mi propio fracaso en obedecer plenamente a nuestro Señor, y les pido que se unan a mí para que, juntos, busquemos la misericordia, la gracia y el perdón del Señor.

#### El Obispo y todos oran juntos:

Dios misericordioso, confesamos las muchas maneras en que hemos fallado en administrar el ministerio que se nos has encomendado con gracia, paciencia y cuidado. Te pedimos perdón por la forma en que hemos preferido la comodidad en lugar de la valentía, el culpar en lugar de la responsabilidad y lo fácil en lugar de lo correcto. Nos arrepentimos de no haber dado cabida a las voces de los demás, de no haber empatizado con las experiencias de la gente ni escuchado sus historias. Reconocemos que con demasiada frecuencia hemos confiado en el consejo, el juicio, el chisme y el favoritismo como sustitutos de un compromiso fiel. Sobre todo, hemos permanecido tercos y estancados en nuestra autosuficiencia y no te hemos dejado sanar nuestra vergüenza. Por tu hijo Jesucristo, perdona nuestros pecados y danos la gracia que necesitamos para perdonarnos a nosotros mismos, de modo que podamos volver a colaborar contigo en sanar nuestro mundo. Amén.

#### El Obispo dice:

Compañeros y compañeras del clero, tenemos un sumo sacerdote que puede empatizar con nuestra debilidad, uno que en todos los aspectos ha sido tentado como lo somos nosotros, pero sin pecado. Dios ha quitado tu pecado y te ha renovado para su servicio. Por lo tanto, los invito a permanecer con confianza ante el Señor y a renovar conmigo el pacto que hicimos en nuestra ordenación.

#### All standing renews their ordination vows

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

Answer I do.

**Bishop** Do you reaffirm your promise to give yourself to prayer and study?

Answer 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?

Answer 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?

Answer I do.

#### The Bishop then makes this affirmation:

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.

#### Bishop and Clergy

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

#### The Bishop says the concluding Collect.

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, in your divine providence you have appointed various orders in your Church: Give your grace, we humbly pray, to all who are called to any office and ministry for your people; and so fill them with the truth of your doctrine and clothe them with holiness of life, that they may faithfully serve before you, to the glory of your great Name and for the benefit of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### The Prayers of the People

God the Father.

Have mercy on us.

God the Son.

Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,

Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,

Have mercy on us.

# SERVICIO DE ADORACIÓN

#### Todos de pie renuevan sus votos de ordenación

Ustedes aquí, en la presencia de Cristo y de su Iglesia, ¿renuevan el compromiso de su

ministerio bajo la dirección pastoral de su obispo?

Lo renuevo. Respuesta

El Obispo ¿Reafirman su promesa de perseverar tanto en la oración como en el estudio?

La reafirmo. Respuesta

El Obispo ¿Reafirman su promesa de ministrar la Palabra de Dios y los Sacramentos del

Nuevo Pacto, a fin de que el amor reconciliador de Cristo sea reconocido y recibido?

La reafirmo Respuesta

¿Reafirman su promesa de ser un siervo fiel para todos aquellos confiados El Obispo

a su cuidado, forjando su vida de acuerdo con las enseñanzas de Cristo, de tal manera

que sean un ejemplo saludable para su pueblo?

La reafirmo Respuesta

#### Entonces el obispo hace la siguiente declaración:

Ahora yo, como su obispo, también delante de Dios y de ustedes, vuelvo a consagrarme y reafirmo las promesas que hice cuando fui ordenado. Pido sus oraciones.

#### Obispo y Clero

Que el Señor quien nos ha dado la voluntad para hacer estas cosas, nos dé tambián la gracia y el poder para hacerlas.

#### El Obispo añade una Colecta final.

Dios omnipotente, dador de toda buena dádiva, por tu divina providencia has establecido diversas órdenes en tu Iglesia: Otorga tu gracia, humildemente te suplicamos, a todos los que son llamados a cualquier oficio y ministerio para tu pueblo; llénalos con la verdad de tu doctrina, y revístelos de santidad de vida, de tal modo que te sirvan fielmente, para gloria de tu excelso Nombre y para beneficio de tu santa Iglesia; por Jesucristo nuestro Señor, que vive y reina contigo, en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

#### Oración de los Fieles

Dios Padre.

Ten piedad de nosotros.

Dios Hijo.

Ten piedad de nosotros.

Dios Espíritu Santo,

Ten piedad de nosotros.

Santísima Trinidad, un solo Dios,

Ten piedad de nosotros.

We pray to you, Lord Christ.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the Day of your Coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald our President and Greg our Governor, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O I ord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer...

# SERVICIO DE ADORACIÓN

Te suplicamos, Señor Cristo.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por la santa Iglesia de Dios, para que sea llena de verdad y de amor, y sea hallada sin falta en el Día de tu Venida, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por todos los miembros de tu Iglesia en su vocación y ministerio, para que te sirvan en una vida verdadera y piadosa, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por Sean, nuestro Obispo Presidente, y por todos los obispos, presbíteros y diáconos, para que sean llenos de tu amor, tengan hambre de verdad y sed de justicia, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por todos los que temen a Dios y creen en ti, Señor Cristo, para que cesen nuestras divisiones y todos seamos uno, como tú y el Padre son uno, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por la misión de la Iglesia, para que en testimonio fiel anuncie el Evangelio hasta los confines de la tierra, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por quienes aún no creen, y por quienes han perdido la fe, para que reciban la luz del Evangelio, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por la paz del mundo, para que crezca entre las naciones y los pueblos un espíritu de respeto y tolerancia, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por quienes ejercen cargos de confianza pública, especialmente Donald, nuestro Presidente, y Greg, nuestro Gobernador, para que sirvan con justicia y promuevan la dignidad y la libertad de toda persona, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por una bendición sobre todo trabajo humano, y por el recto uso de las riquezas de la creación, para que el mundo sea liberado de la pobreza, el hambre y los desastres, te suplicamos, oh SeÓor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por los pobres, los perseguidos, los enfermos y todos los que sufren; por los refugiados, los prisioneros y todos los que están en peligro; para que sean aliviados y protegidos, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Por nosotros mismos; por el perdûn de nuestros pecados, y por la gracia del Espìritu Santo para enmendar nuestras vidas, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Bruce Chabot, Dick Elwood, John Johnson, Jim Scott, Jr., Jesse Smith, Suzanne Tubbs, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Luke, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

#### Collect

#### **Bishop**

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

The Bishop says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### **OFFERTORY**

I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Romans 12:1

#### **Offertory Anthem**

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Dame a Cristo (Give Me Jesus)
African American Spiritual

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# SERVICIO DE ADORACIÓN

Por todos los que han muerto en la comunión de tu Iglesia, especialmente Bruce Chabot, Dick Elwood, John Johnson, Jim Scott, Jr., Jesse Smith, Suzanne Tubbs y por aquellos cuya fe sólo tú conoces, para que, con todos los santos, descansen en aquel lugar donde no hay dolor ni tristeza, sino vida eterna, te suplicamos, oh Señor.

#### Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

Gozándonos en la comunión de la bienaventurada siempre Virgen María, del bienaventurado Lucas y de todos los santos, encomendémonos a nosotros mismos, y unos a otros, y toda nuestra vida a Cristo nuestro Dios.

#### A ti, oh Señor nuestro Dios.

Señor, ten piedad.

#### Cristo, ten piedad.

Señor, ten piedad.

#### Colecta

#### Obispo

Padre celestial, tú has prometido escuchar lo que pidamos en Nombre de tu Hijo: Acepta y cumple nuestras peticiones, te suplicamos, no como te lo pedimos en nuestra ignorancia ni como lo merecemos por nuestro pecado, sino como tú nos conoces y amas en tu Hijo Jesucristo, nuestro Señor. Amén.

#### La Paz

El Obispo dice

La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

Y con tu espíritu. Pueblo

Los Ministros y el Pueblo pueden saludarse mutuamente en el nombre del Señor.

#### **OFFRTORIO**

Hermanos, les ruego por las misericordias de Dios, que presenten sus cuerpos en sacrificio vivo, santo, agradable a Dios, que es su culto racional. Romanos 12:1

#### Himno de Ofertorio

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Dame a Cristo (Give Me Jesus) African American Spiritual

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Doxology Old Hundredth

#### **Eucharistic Prayer B**

#### The People remain standing. The Bishop faces them and says:

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you. People Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Bishop It is right to give God thanks and praise. People

#### 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.

Because in the obedience of your saints you have given us an example of righteousness, and in their eternal joy a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling.

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 and Benedictus**

Sanctus (Camp Allen)

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#### The people stand or kneel. Then 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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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,

### SERVICIO DE ADORACIÓN

Doxología Old Hundredth

### Plegaria Eucarística B

### El pueblo sigue de pie. el Obispo, de cara al pueblo, dice:

El Señor sea con ustedes.

Y con tu espíritu. Pueblo

Elevemos los corazones. Obispo Los elevamos al Señor. Pueblo

Demos gracias a Dios nuestro Señor. Obispo Pueblo Es justo darle gracias y alabanza.

### El Obispo continúa.

En verdad es digno, justo y saludable, darte gracias, en todo tiempo y lugar, Padre omnipotente, Creador de cielo y tierra.

Porque en la obediencia de tus santos nos has dado un ejemplo de justicia, y en su gozo eterno una prenda gloriosa de la esperanza de nuestra vocación.

Por tanto te alabamos, uniendo nuestras voces con los ángeles y arcángeles, y con todos los coros celestiales que, proclamando la gloria de tu Nombre, por siempre cantan este himno:

### Sanctus y Benedictus

Sanctus (Camp Allen)

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### El Pueblo permanece de pie o se arrodilla. El Obispo continúa.

Te damos gracias, oh Dios, por la bondad y el amor que tú nos has manifestado en la creación; en el llamado a Israel para ser tu pueblo; en tu Verbo revelado a través de los profetas; y, sobre todo, en el Verbo hecho carne, Jesús, tu Hijo. Pues en la plenitud de los tiempos le has enviado para que se encarnara de María la Virgen a fin de ser el Salvador y Redentor del mundo. En él, nos has librado del mal, y nos has hecho dignos de estar en tu presencia. En él, nos has sacado del error a la verdad, del pecado a la rectitud, y de la muerte a la vida.

Al decir las palabras relativas al pan, el Celebrante lo toma en sus manos o impone una mano sobre él; y al decir las palabras relativas al cáliz, lo toma en sus manos o impone una mano sobre él y sobre cualquier otro recipiente con vino que hubiere de consagrarse.

En la víspera de su muerte por nosotros, nuestro Señor Jesucristo tomó pan; y dándote gracias, lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos, y dijo: "Tomen y coman. Este es mi Cuerpo, entregado por ustedes. Hagan esto como memorial mío."

Después de la cena tomó el cáliz; y dándote gracias, se lo entregó, y dijo: "Beban todos de él. Esta es mi Sangre del nuevo Pacto, sangre derramada por ustedes y por muchos para el perdón de los pecados. Siempre que lo beban, háganlo como memorial mío."

Por tanto, oh Padre, según su mandato,

### WORSHIP SERVICE

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

### The Celebrant 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 St. Luke and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; 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. **AMEN.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray in the language of our hearts,

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.

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction
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Cordero de Dios

### Facing the people, the Bishop says the following invitation:

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

### SERVICIO DE ADORACIÓN

Celebrante y Pueblo Recordamos su muerte, Proclamamos su resurrección, Esperamos su venida en gloria;

### El Celebrante continúa

Y te ofrecemos nuestro sacrificio de alabanza y acción de gracias, Señor de todos; ofreciéndote, de tu creación, este pan y este vino.

Te suplicamos, Dios bondadoso, que envíes tu Espíritu Santo sobre estos dones, para que sean el Sacramento del Cuerpo de Cristo y su Sangre del nuevo Pacto, únenos a tu Hijo en su sacrificio, a fin de que, por medio de él, seamos aceptables, siendo santificados por el Espíritu Santo. En la plenitud de los tiempos, sujeta todas las cosas a tu Cristo y llévanos a la patria celestial donde, con San Lucas y todos tus santos, entremos en la herencia eterna de tus hijos; por Jesucristo nuestro Señor, el primogénito de toda la creación, la cabeza de la Iglesia, y el autor de nuestra salvación.

Por él, y con él y en él, en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, tuyos son el honor y la gloria, Padre omnipotente, ahora y por siempre. AMÉN.

Oremos como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos enseñó, en el idioma de nuestros corazones,

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad. en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas. como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos deies caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

### La Fracción del Pan

El Obispo parte el pan consagrado.

Se guarda silencio.

Fracción Cordero de Dios

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### De cara al pueblo, el Obispo hace la siguiente invitación:

Los Dones de Dios para el Pueblo de Dios. Tómenlos en memoria de que Cristo murió por ustedes, y aliméntense de él en sus corazones, por fe y con agradecimiento.

### WORSHIP SERVICE

There will be four communion stations placed at the corners of the gathered community, with an additional gluten-free station at the altar.

Communion Hymns

Santo, Santo, Santo Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen Let us be known by our love (Por la gloria) See Pages 86 - 88 WLP 785 Hymn 314

After Communion, the people stand or kneel, and the Bishop says: Let us pray.

### Bishop and People

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 Church's One Foundation **Closing Hymn** 

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

Thanks be to God. People

**Postlude** Glory, Glory (Lay My Burden Down)

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### SERVICIO DE ADORACIÓN

Habrá cuatro estaciones de comunión distribuidas en las esquinas en donde se encuentra la comunidad reunida, además de una estación sin gluten junto al altar.

Himnos de Comunión Santo, Santo, Santo Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen Let us be known by our love (Por la gloria) Ver Páginas 86 - 88 WLP 785 Hvmn 314

Después de la Comunión, el pueblo se pone de pie o se arrodilla, y el Obispo dice: Oremos.

### Obispo y Pueblo

Omnipotente y sempiterno Dios, te damos gracias porque nos has nutrido con el alimento espiritual del preciosísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de tu Hijo, nuestro Salvador Jesucristo; y porque nos aseguras, en estos santos misterios, que somos miembros vivos del Cuerpo de tu Hijo y herederos de tu reino eterno. Y ahora, Padre, envíanos al mundo para cumplir la misión que tú nos has encomendado, para amarte y servirte como fieles testigos de Cristo nuestro Señor. A él, a ti y al Espíritu Santo, sea todo honor y gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

### La Bendición

Himno de Clausura The Church's One Foundation

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Diácono Salgamos con gozo al mundo en el poder del Espíritu.

Pueblo Demos gracias a Dios.

**Postludio** Glory, Glory (Lay My Burden Down)

See Página 90

### SERVING THIS EVENING

### Celebrant/Celebrante

The Rt. Rev. Brian R. Seage

### **Bishops/Obispos**

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle The Rt. Rev. Jeff W. Fisher

The Rt. Rev. Kathryn McCrossen Ryan The Rt. Rev. Héctor F. Monterroso The Rt. Rev. Elías García Cárdenas The Rt. Rev. Josiah Idowu-Fearon

### Bishop's Chaplain/Capellán del Obispo

The Rev. Cn. Christine M. Faulstich

### Preacher/Predicador

The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu

### Altar Deacons/Gospel Diáconos del Altar/Evangelio

The Rev. Pattie Mae Peacock The Rev. Alberto M. Melis The Rev. Kim Kibby The Rev. Sheila Thrash

### **Readers/Lectores**

The Rev. George Porter The Rev. Catherine Cox The Rev. Catie Green

### Intercessors/Intercesores

The Rev. Cn. Perry Mullins The Rev. Francisco Javier Rivera Perez

### Chalice Bearers/Portadores del Cáliz

The Rev. Cn. Marcea E. Paul The Rev. Sally Lombardo The Rev. Scott Madison The Rev. Will Parker The Rev. Michael Sturdy

### **Acolytes/Acólitos**

The Rev. Peggy Lo The Rev. Kendrah McDonald

The Rev. Robert Trent Pettit

### Banner Bearer/Portador de Estandarte

The Rev. Johannes George

### **Oblation Bearer**

The Rev. Brett McCleneghan

### **Ushers/Ujieres**

The Rev. Brian Gamel

The Rev. Christopher Hilton The Rev. Chase Kennemer

The Rev. Mark Witte

The Rev. Jonathan McManus-Dail

The Rev. Sarah Mast The Rev. Hayden Paul

The Rev. Addison T. McMillan

### Musicians/Músicos

Ryan Flanigan, guitar & vocals Melissa Flanigan, vocals Mateo McCain, percussion

### **Precentors/Chantres**

The Rev. Jeremy Bradley

The Rev. Gavin Tomlin

The Rev. Maria Teresa Bautista-Berrios

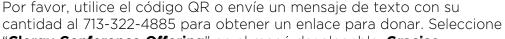
The Rev. Addison T. McMillan The Rev. Tracie Middleton The Rev. Christopher Hilton



The offering from this evening will go to Episcopal Relief & Development, for ongoing support of the July 4th flooding in Kerrville, TX.

Please use the QR code or text your amount to 713-322-4885 for a link to donate. Select "Clergy Conference Offering" from the drop down menu. Thank you.

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"Clergy Conference Offering" en el menú desplegable. Gracias.

Our liturgy for today's Eucharist uses inclusive language that The Liturgical Commission of the EpiscopalDiocese of Texas, led by the Rt. Rev. Jeff W. Fisher, offered for parishes in the Diocese of Texas, which wasapproved for trial use by the Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, beginning in 2023. We do this not only to welcome allmembers of Christ's church, but also as yet another way to express the theology of God in the prayer book.

### You can find out more information using the following link:

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Nuestra liturgia para la Eucaristía de hoy utiliza un lenguaje inclusivo que la Comisión Litúrgica de la Diócesis Episcopal de Texas, liderada por el Rt. Rev. Jeff W. Fisher, ofreció para las parroquias de la Diócesis de Texas. Esta propuesta fue aprobada para uso experimental por el Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle a partir de 2023. Hacemos esto no solo para dar la bienvenida a todos los miembros de la iglesia de Cristo, sino también como una forma más de expresar la teología de Dios en el libro de oración.

### Puedes encontrar más información en el siguiente enlace:

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Sequence Hymn Veni Sancte Spiritus



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African American Spiritual

### Verse 1

In the morning when I rise In the morning when I rise In the morning when I rise Give me Jesus.

### **Chorus**

Give me Jesus Give me Jesus You may have all this world Give me Jesus

### Verso 1

De mañana, al despertar De mañana, al despertar De mañana, al despertar Dame a Cristo

### Coro

Dame a Cristo Dame a Cristo Nada más quiero yo Dame a Cristo

### Verso 2

En la noche clamo a ti En la noche es mi clamor En la noche es mi clamor Dame a Cristo.

### Coro

### Verse 2

Dark midnight was my cry Dark midnight was my cry Dark midnight was my cry Give me Jesus

### **Ending**

Give me Jesus Give me Jesus You may have all this world Nada más quiero yo, You may have all this world, Give me Jesus.



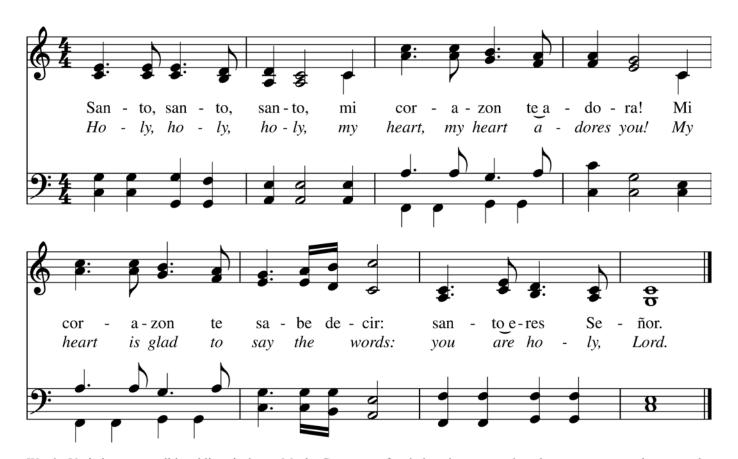
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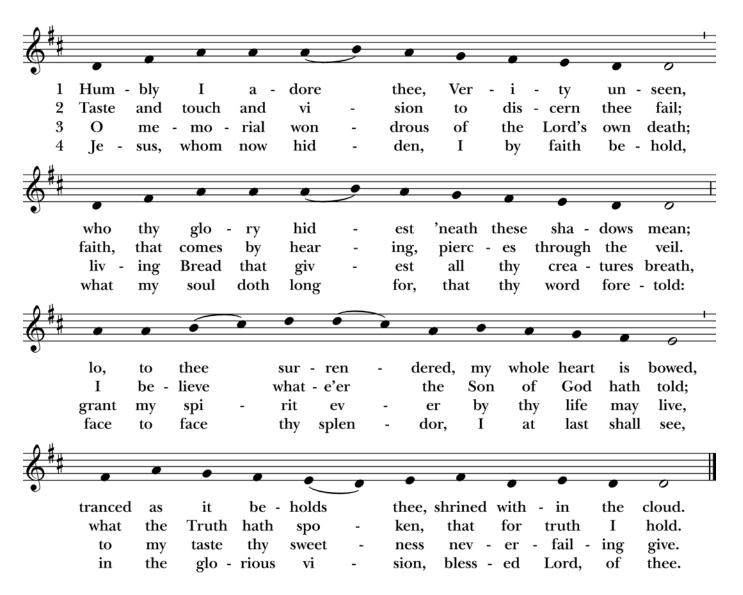
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Communion Hymn Santo, Santo



Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933).



Words: Att. Thomas Aquinas (1225?-1274); sts. 1-3, tr. *Hymnal 1940*; st. 4, tr. *Hymnal 1982*. Sts. 1-3, Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Adoro devote*, French church melody, Mode 5, *Processionale*, 1697; acc. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), alt.

### Verse 1

Let us be known by our love In every word, in every deed honor the Son Let our light shine in every eye Let us be known by our love

### Chorus 1

For the glory of the Father For the glory of the Son For the glory of the Spirit Let us be known by our love

### Verso 2

Que la alegría sea nuestro motor En cada hogar y corazón canta al Señor Que den nuestras vidas bondad y esperanza Que la alegría sea nuestro motor

### Coro 2

Por la gloria del Padre Por la gloria de Jesús Por la gloria del Espíritu Que la alegría sea nuestro motor

### Verse 3

Let us be known by our peace In every town, in every tribe Jesus is king Let us go forth, heal and restore Let us be known by our peace

### **Chorus 3**

For the glory of the Father
For the glory of the Son
For the glory of the Spirit
Let us be known by our peace

### Coro 4

Por la gloria del Padre Por la gloria de Jesús Por la gloria del Espíritu Que el amor sea nuestro motor

### Tag

Let us be known by our love



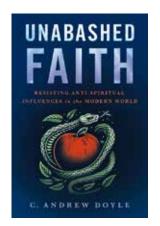
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Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down

I feel better, so much better Since I laid my burden down I feel better, so much better Since I laid my burden down

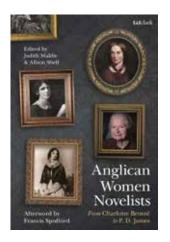
Thank you, Jesus! Thank you, Jesus! Since I laid my burden down Thank you, Jesus! Thank you, Jesus! Since I laid my burden down

### RECOMMENDED READING



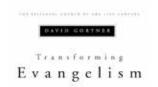
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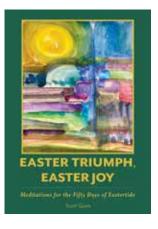
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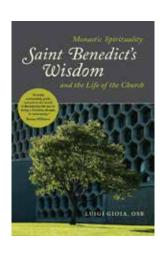
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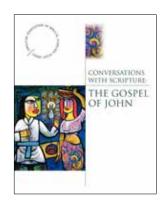
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**Active Clergy and Pre 65 Retirees:** 

Oct. 15 - Nov. 7, 2025

Post 65 Retirees:

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- Current plan members may change their plan selections for the following year, if applicable.
- Eligible non-participating employees have the option to join a plan.
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The Camp Allen Chaplain-in-Residence Week begins on Mondays after 2:00 p.m. and concludes on Sundays after the 9am Eucharist or Morning Prayer Service. Morning Prayer is offered at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday-Saturday; Evening Prayer is offered at 5:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Lodging choices are a Conference Center Suite or the Bluebonnet Cabin just off the large lake at Camp Allen. Meals are comped for two adults and two children and are served when the Conference Center has guests booked. Three personal or professional CEU's are accrued. For more information or to book a week, please contact the Rev. Lacy Largent at <a href="mailto:lacyl@campallen.org">lacyl@campallen.org</a> or text 281.620.7221. During Clergy Conference, a Sign-Up Sheet is available at the Camp Allen Activities Table.

### **FAITH IN THE FUTURE:**

The AI and Ministry Task Force wants to hear from you. Task Force members will be in the Tellepsen Dining Room from 3:30-4:30pm on Tuesday to listen, discuss, and gather information about current clergy opinion and use of AI in their daily and weekly ministry. Do you love it? We want to know. Hate it? Tell us why. Have never considered how AI could even intersect with ministry? Drop in.



Task Force co-chairs Patrick Hall and Tori Gilliland

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### **AUTHORS:**

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San Jacinto convocation

Galveston convocation December 4

December 11

Northeast convocation December 12

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Northwest convocation December 13

Southeast convocation December 10

Fort Worth convocation December 12

Southwest convocation December 14

Retired Clergy Luncheon December 11

Houston December 12

## Vaccine clinic

10% off groceries with every immunization\*

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6:30am - 2pm Time:

**Location: Gregg 1B** 

**Additional Information:** 

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### NOMINATIONS

FOR THE 177TH DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Sep 19th - Nov 3rd, 2025

**Deadline for Nominations:** 

Nov. 3rd, 2025

It takes less than 5 minutes!

**Questions:** 

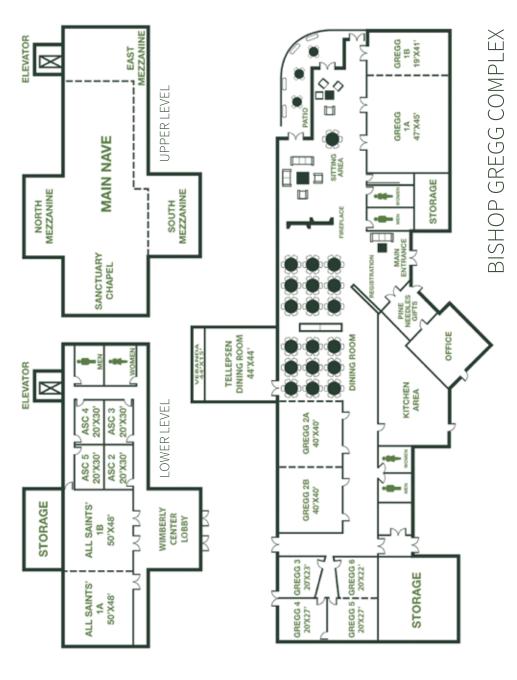
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