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The 158th Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York

The Holy Eucharist

Saturday, October 17, 2026

Trinity Episcopal Church - Watertown, NY

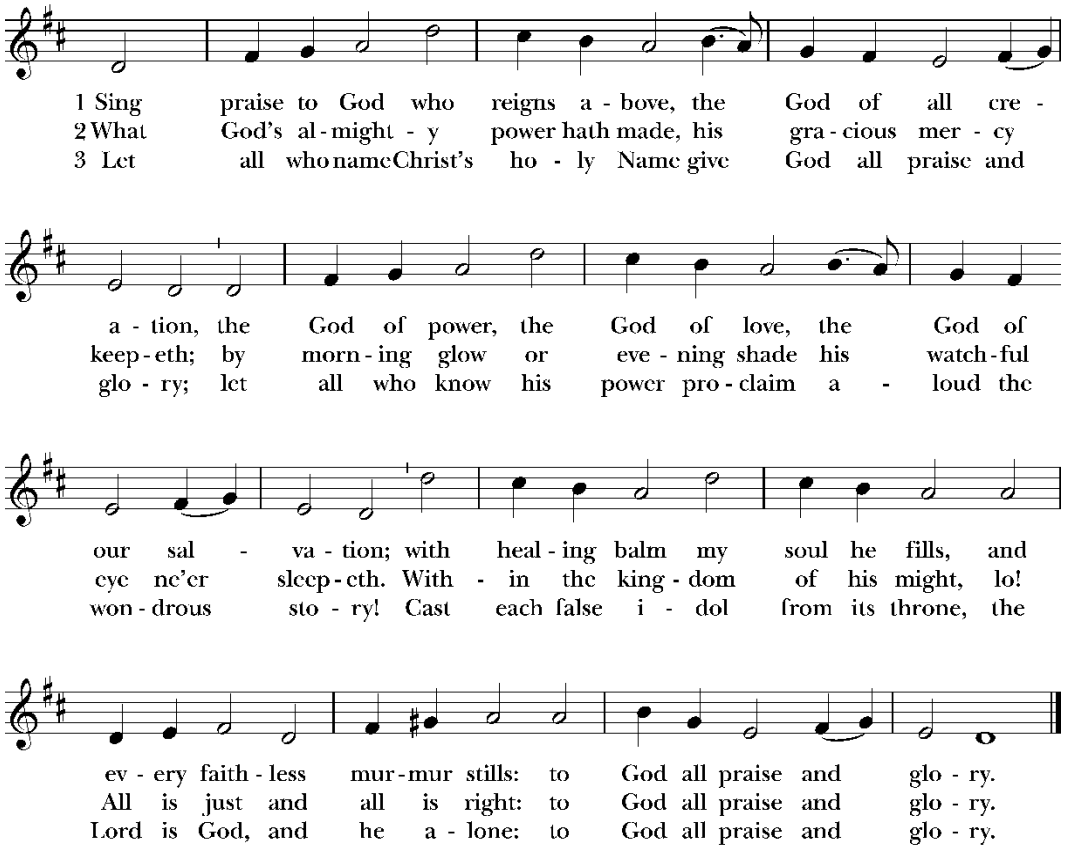
The Congregation Gathers

Announcements

Prelude *Wm. Lloyd Webber*

Solemn Procession

Opening Hymn



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Opening Acclamation

Bishop Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Congregation *Glory to God for ever and ever.*

The Gloria

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The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, we praise your Name for your bishop and martyr Ignatius of Antioch, who offered himself as grain to be ground by the teeth of wild beasts that he might present to you the pure bread of sacrifice. Accept, we pray, the willing tribute of our lives and give us a share in the pure and spotless offering of your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading *Jeremiah 9:1-9*

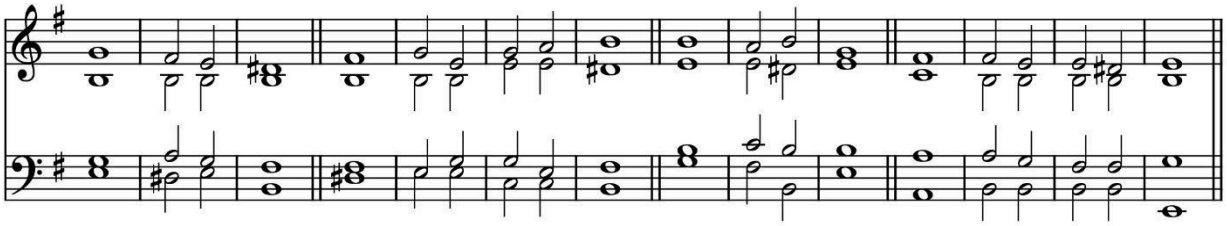
O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people! O that I had in the desert a traveler's lodging-place, that I might leave my people and go away from them! For they are all adulterers, a band of traitors. They bend their tongues like bows; they have grown strong in the land for falsehood, and not for truth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they do not know me, says the Lord.

Beware of your neighbors, and put no trust in any of your kin; for all your kin are supplanters, and every neighbor goes around like a slanderer. They all deceive their neighbors, and no one speaks the truth; they have taught their tongues to speak lies; they commit iniquity and are too weary to repent. Oppression upon oppression, deceit upon deceit! They refuse to know me, says the Lord.

Therefore, thus says the God of hosts: I will now refine and test them, for what else can I do with my sinful people? Their tongue is a deadly arrow; it speaks deceit through the mouth. They all speak friendly words to their neighbors, but inwardly are planning to lay an ambush. Shall I not punish them for these things? says the Lord; and shall I not bring retribution on a nation such as this?

Lector The Word of the Lord.
Congregation *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 28



1 O LORD, I call to you;
my Rock, do not be | deaf • to my | cry; *
lest, if you do not hear me,
I become like those who go | döwn | to the | Pit.
2 Hear the voice of my prayer when | I cry | out to you, *
when I lift up my | hands to • your | holy • of | holies.
3 Do not snatch me away with the wicked or with the | ev-il-| doers, *
who speak peaceably with their neighbors,
while | strife is | in their | hearts.
4 Repay them according | to their | deeds, *
and according to the | wicked-• ness | of their | actions.

5 According to the work of their | hands re- | pay them, *
and | give them • their | just de- | serts.

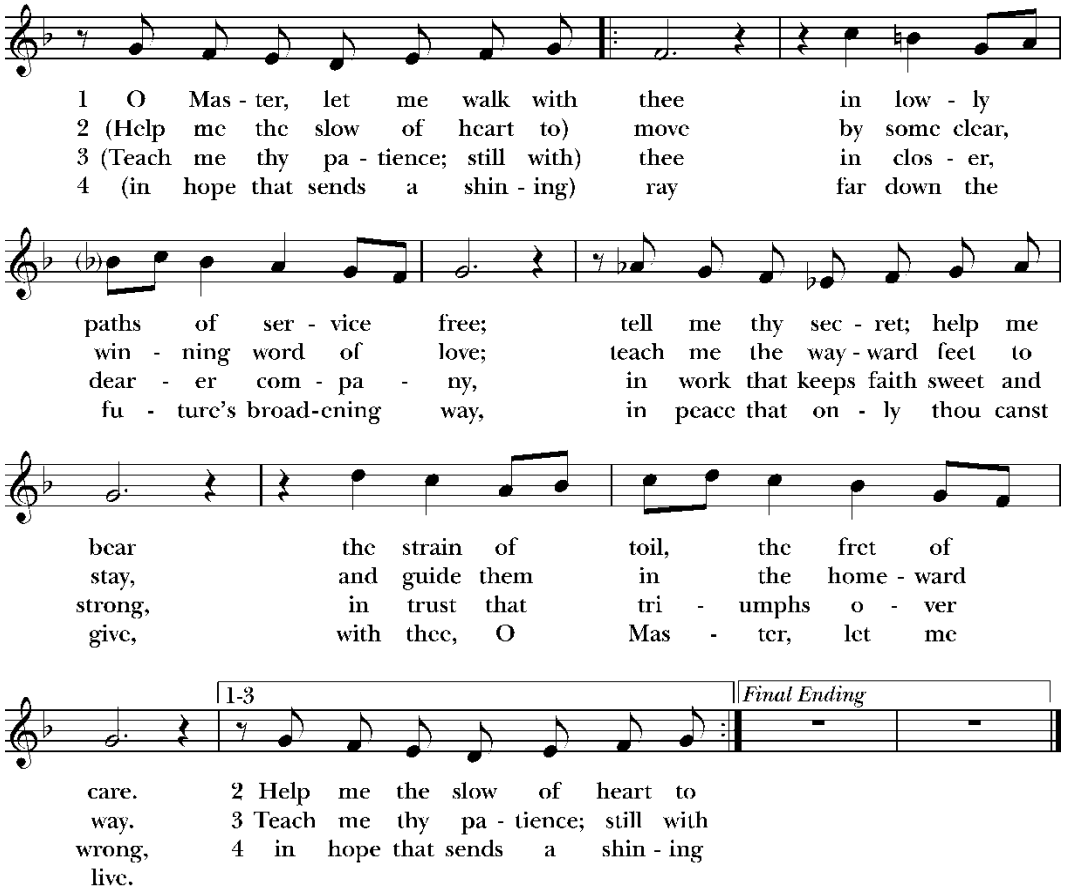
6 They have no understanding of the LORD's doings,
nor of the | works of • God's | hands; *
therefore they will be broken | down and | not built | up.
7 Blessed | is our | God! *
who has | heard the | voice of • my | prayer.
8 The LORD is my | strength • and my | shield; *
my heart trusts, | and I | have been | helped;
9 Therefore my heart | dances • for | joy, *
and in my | song will | I sing | praise.
10 The LORD is the | strength of • the | people, *
a safe | refuge • for | God's an-| ointed.
11 † Save your people and | bless • your in-| heritance; *
shepherd them and | car-ry | them for | ever.

The Second Reading *Romans 8:18-25*

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
Congregation *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Hymn



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The Gospel *(Proclaimed in Karen and English)* *John 15:18-20*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to John

Congregation *Glory to you, O Christ*

ယိၤဟဉ် *15 : 18-20*
ဟီဉ်ခိဉ်မ့ၢ်သးဟ့သုဒီး, သုသ့ဉ်ညါလၢအသးဟ့ယၢဆိန့ၢ်
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ကမၤအၢသုစ့ၢ်ကီးလီၤ.မ့ၢ်တိၢ်နှ့ဉ်ယကလုၢ်ဒီး, ကတိၢ်နှ့ၢ်သုကလုၢ်စ့ၢ်ကီးလီၤ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

Congregation *Praise to you, O Christ.*

The Homily *The Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe*

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Deacon

Let us offer our prayers for the Church and for the world, saying God in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Guiding God, we ask prayers for the the Church, remembering especially our Bishop Dede, our Diocesan leadership and staff, all our clergy, lay leaders and youth, and in the wider Church our Presiding Bishop Sean and our Archbishop of Canterbury Sarah, and those we now name... Help us to serve you in unity, constancy, and peace.

God, in your mercy,
Receive our prayer.

God of justice, we ask your prayers our nation and all those in authority, remembering especially Donald, Kathy, and those we now name… may we work together to build up and not tear down – that we may be one nation, indivisible.

God in your mercy,
Receive our prayer.

Creating God, we ask your prayers for our fragile island home, that your Spirit will renew the face of the earth. We pray for Water, Earth, and Air, whom St. Francis called sisters and brother; we pray for the work of the Northern Freshwater Eco-Region, and all we now name… may we help preserve what you have made for those who come after us to enjoy.

God, in your mercy,
Receive our prayer.

God of community, we ask your prayers for all the cities and towns in our diocese, and for our Congregations and ministries that we now name… may we show forth your praise not only with our lips, but in our lives.

God, in your mercy,
Receive our prayer.

Merciful God, we pray for who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. For those who live with war and violence, hunger, addiction, domestic violence, natural disaster, and those we now name… May we be your hands and heart in the world.

God, in your mercy,
Receive our prayer.

God of New Life, we remember those who have died alone and with no one to pray for them; and for those we love but see no longer, whom we now name… May we join with them in one eternal song of praise.

God, in your mercy,
Receive our prayer.

Bishop

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns forever and ever. *Amen*.

The Peace

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
Congregation *And also with you.*

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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Offertory Hymn

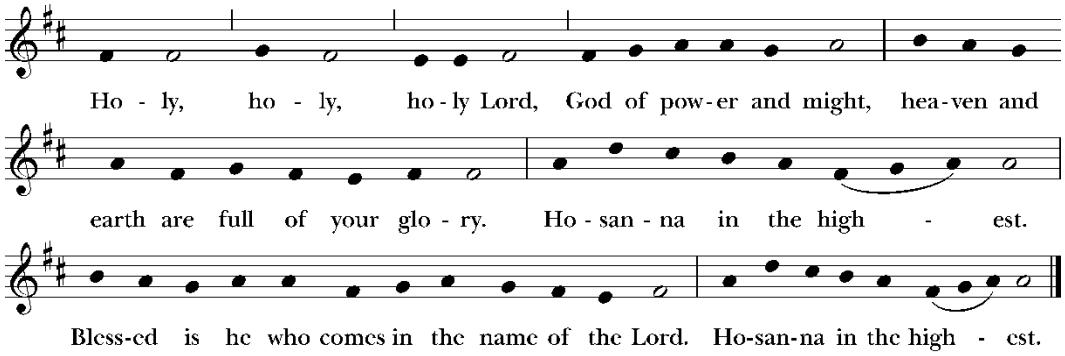
Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 72. Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, German folk song; adapt. and harm. *A Student's Hymnal*, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941).

The Great Thanksgiving

Bishop	The Lord be with you.
Congregation	*And also with you.*
Bishop	Lift up your hearts.
Congregation	***We lift them to the Lord.***
Bishop	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Congregation	*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing



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Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

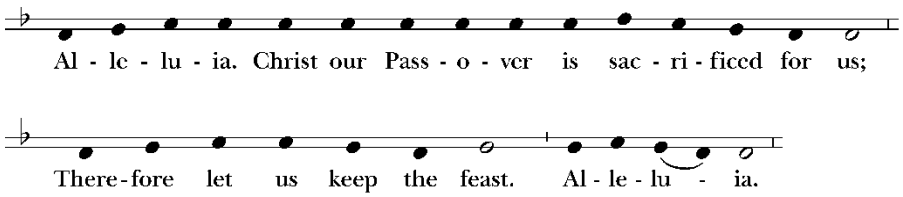
Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Give us grateful hearts for all the blessings of this life, especially those which we now name… and grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

As our savior Christ has taught us, we now pray

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Fraction



Invitation to the Table

This altar is not ours, it is the Lord's. So come to this altar you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more. You who have been here often and you who have not been here for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

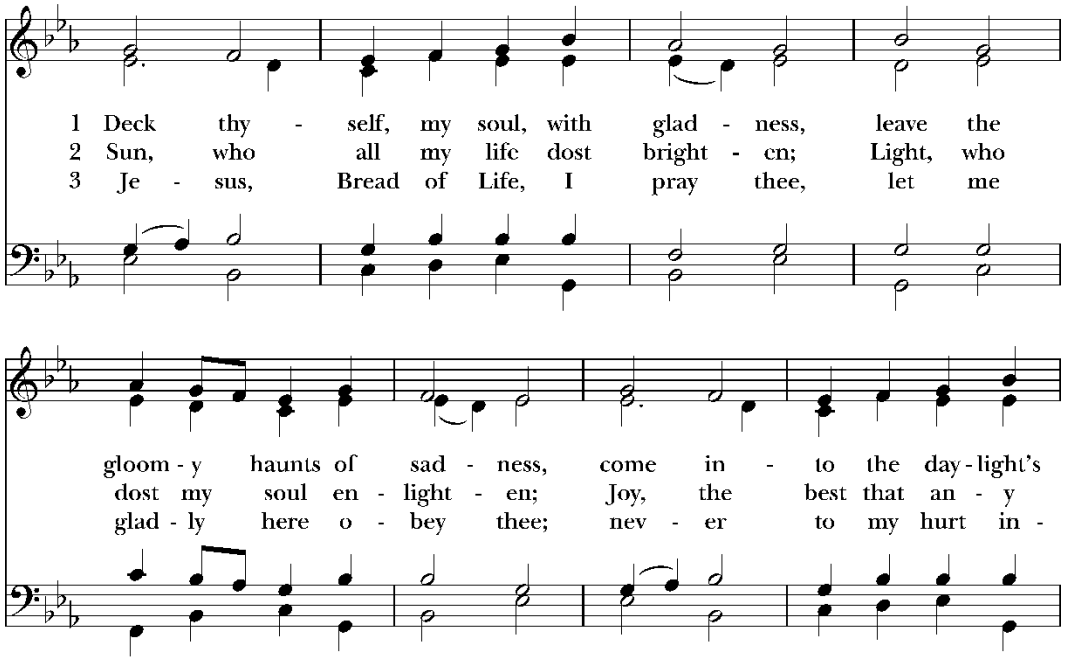
Adapted from The Iona Community, Iona Abbey Worship Book, (Glasgow, UK: Wild Goose Publications, 2001), 53.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Prayed by those who join online, led by Zoom facilitator

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you. I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Hymns



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Post Communion Prayer

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Bishop	Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
Congregation	*The maker of heaven and earth.*
Bishop	Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
People	*From this time forth for evermore.*
Bishop	The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

Conclusion of Convention

Bishop The 158th Convention of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Central New York is now concluded.

Dismissal

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

People *Thanks be to God.*

Closing Hymn

Words: *Translations and Paraphrases*, 1745, alt.; para. of Hebrews 12: 1-3. Music: *St. Fulbert*, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876).

Postlude *Percy Whitlock*

Fanfare, from Four Extemporizations

Serving This Afternoon

The Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe, *Presiding & Preaching*
Shawn Thornton, *Bishop's Chaplain*
The Rev. Canon David Stickley, *Deacon*
The Rev. Edwin Way, *Karen Gospeler*
Michael Hardin, *Verger*
Mila Howard, *Crucifer*
Ella Sheridan & Jane Thomas, *Torch Bearers*
Ben Strange, Jeannie Fox, *Lectors*
Mercedes Howard, *Intercessor*
Nancy Boynton, Jane Gendron,
Robert Rohring, Paddy Hamilton, *Ushers*
Mary Varewyck, Robert Rohring, *Oblation Bearers*
Patty Davis, Dan Davis,
The Rev. Canon Megan Castellan,
The Rev. Cole Gruberth, *Eucharistic Ministers*