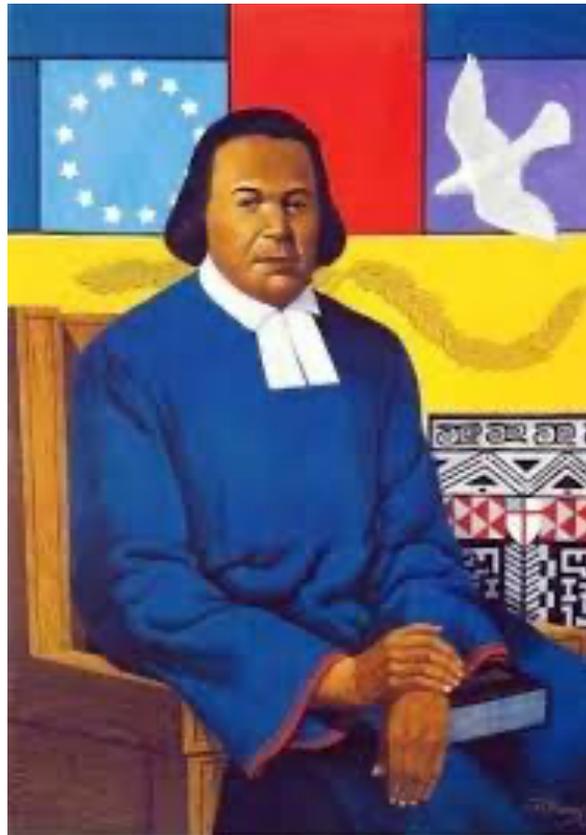


**The Episcopal Diocese of Maryland
The Truth & Reconciliation Commission**

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**The Union of Black Episcopalians:
The Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray Chapter**



The Feast of Absalom Jones

Holy Eucharist

February 15, 2025

11:00 AM

Absalom Jones (1746-1818)

Absalom Jones was born enslaved to Abraham Wynkoop a wealthy Anglican planter in 1746 in Delaware. He was working in the fields when Abraham recognized that he was an intelligent child and ordered that he be trained to work in the house. Absalom eagerly accepted instruction in reading. He also saved money he was given and bought books (*among them a primer, a spelling book, and a bible*). Abraham Wynkoop died in 1753 and by 1755 his younger son Benjamin had inherited the plantation. When Absalom was sixteen Benjamin Wynkoop sold the plantation and Absalom's mother, sister, and five brothers. Wynkoop brought Absalom to Philadelphia, where he opened a store and joined St. Peter's Church. In Philadelphia Benjamin Wynkoop permitted Absalom to attend a night school for black people that was operated by Quakers following the tradition established by abolitionist teacher Anthony Benezet.

At twenty, with the permission of their masters, Absalom married Mary Thomas who was enslaved to Sarah King who also worshipped at St. Peter's. The Rev. Jacob Duche performed the wedding at Christ Church. Absalom and his father-in-law, John Thomas, used their savings, and sought donations and loans primarily from prominent Quakers in order to purchase Mary's freedom. Absalom and Mary worked very hard to repay the money borrowed to buy her freedom. They saved enough money to buy property and to buy Absalom's freedom. Although he repeatedly asked Benjamin Wynkoop to allow him to buy his freedom, Wynkoop refused. Absalom persisted because as long as he was enslaved Wynkoop could take his property and his money. Finally, in 1784 Benjamin Wynkoop freed Absalom by granting him a manumission. Absalom continued to work in Wynkoop's store as a paid employee.

Absalom left St. Peter's Church and began worshipping at St. George's Methodist Episcopal Church. He met Richard Allen who had been engaged to preach at St. George's and the two became lifelong friends. Together, in 1787, they founded the Free African Society a mutual aid benevolent organization that was the first of its kind organized by and for black people. Members of the Society paid monthly dues for the benefit of those in need. At St George's, Absalom and Richard served as lay ministers for the black membership. The active evangelism of Jones and Allen greatly increased black membership at St George's. The black members worked hard to help raise money to build an upstairs gallery intended to enlarge the church.

The church leadership decided to segregate the black worshippers in the gallery, without notifying them. During a Sunday morning service, a dispute arose over the seats and black members had been instructed to take in the gallery as ushers attempted to physically remove them by first accosting Absalom Jones. Most of the black members present indignantly walked out of St. George's in a body.

Prior to the incident at St. George's **the Free African Society** had initiated religious services. Some of these services were presided over by The Rev. Joseph Pilmore, an assistant at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The Society established communication with similar black groups in other cities. In 1792, the Society began to build the African Church of Philadelphia. The church membership took a denominational vote and decided to affiliate with the Episcopal Church. Richard Allen withdrew from the effort as he favored affiliation with the Methodist Church. Absalom Jones was asked to provide pastoral leadership and after prayer and reflection he accepted the call.

The African Church was dedicated on July 17, 1794. The Rev. Dr. Samuel Magaw, Rector St. Paul's Church, preached the dedicatory address. Dr. Magaw was assisted at the service by The Rev. James Abercrombie, assistant minister at Christ Church. Soon thereafter, the congregation applied for membership in the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania on the following conditions: 1) that they be received as an organized body; 2) that they have control over their own local affairs; 3) that Absalom Jones be licensed as layreader, and if qualified, be ordained as minister. In October 1794, it was admitted as the African Episcopal Church of St Thomas. The church was incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 1796. Bishop William White ordained Jones as deacon in 1795 and as priest on September 21, 1802.

Jones was an earnest preacher. He denounced slavery, and warned the oppressors to "clean their hands of slaves." To him, God was the Father, who always acted on "behalf of the oppressed and distressed." But it was his constant visiting and mild manner that made him beloved by his congregation and by the community. St Thomas Church grew to over 500 members during its first year. The congregants formed a day school and were active in moral uplift, self-empowerment, and anti-slavery activities. Known as "the Black Bishop of the Episcopal Church," Jones was an example of persistent faith in God and in the Church as God's instrument. Jones died on February 13, 1818.

Union of Black Episcopalians- The Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray Chapter

*The mission of the Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE), **The Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray Chapter**, is to further the presence and work of Blacks in the total life of the Episcopal Church. Membership is open to all.*

The Maryland Chapter of UBE was established in 1989 with The Rev. Eddie M. Blue as the first president. The chapter continues to be dedicated to serve as an instrument to eradicate racism and injustice as Episcopalians encounter Christ and engage the world. In 2018, the chapter was renamed officially by resolution in 2018 to honor the life, work and sainthood of The Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray, born in Baltimore in 1910.

Our goals are:

- To encourage strong clergy and lay leadership in all parishes and in our Diocese
- To expand parish and diocesan support and participation in UBE programs and projects
- To increase the knowledge of the history of Blacks and their leadership in The Episcopal Church (TEC) and the Anglican Communion
- To continue fully participating in the mission and governance of the Diocese and TEC
- To advocate for social and economic justice, in our communities, the Church, and the world.

The Reverend Dr. Pauli (Pauline) Murray was born in Baltimore, Maryland on November 20, 1910. At age three, after the passing of her mother and the illness of her father, she went to live with her maternal grandparents, Cornelia and Robert Fitzgerald, and Aunt Pauline Fitzgerald in Durham, North Carolina where it became home to her.



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THE BRAGG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Rev. George Freeman Bragg, one of the first African American Priest in the Diocese of Maryland, started a boarding school, **The Maryland Home for Friendless Colored Children**, in 1899. The school was sold to the city of Baltimore in 1949. With the proceeds from the sale of the school in 1950, a scholarship fund was established in honor of Rev. Bragg. The scholarship was designated for students of African Descent in the Diocese of Maryland. The Diocese of Maryland manages the funds for the scholarship, and scholarships have been awarded continually since 1950.

The Bragg Scholarship Board (BSB) administers the scholarships and meets several times a year to select students who have been accepted in colleges or universities. The BSB notifies parishes within the Diocese of Maryland of the deadline for filing the scholarship application, including contact information. New applicants must submit an application to the Board's Bragg Scholarship Committee (BBSC) by May 31st of each year. The Bragg Scholarship Committee interviews each student who meets the requirement criteria and scholarships are awarded in June of each year.

To qualify for an undergraduate scholarship, the student entering college must have an overall high school grade point average (GPA) of 2.5, is an active parish member, and recommended for the scholarship by the parish priest. The student must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA in order to continue to receive the scholarship, which is a maximum of four years. The BBSC interviews each student who meets the requirement criteria, and scholarships are awarded in June of each year.



The Truth and Reconciliation Commission

The work of reconciliation is a fundamental calling for the Diocese of Maryland. Reconciliation builds on our understanding of history, provides energy for the present, and forms the foundation to our future as faithful members of the body of Christ. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission is an ongoing commission focused on enhancing existing efforts to eradicate racism, researching the history of slavery in our diocese and its residual impact, as well as reparations.

Preacher for the Service

The Rev. Dr. Mario Conliffe

The Rev. Dr. Mario Conliffe hails from The Bahamas and is both an Episcopal priest and a licensed clinical mental health therapist. He earned his B.A. in Theology from the University of the West Indies (Codrington College Seminary), his Master of Sacred Theology from Nashotah House Seminary, and both his M.S. in Pastoral Counseling/Clinical Mental Health and Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision from Loyola University Maryland. Ordained for over 23 years, Mario has served in various roles, including as a parish priest, educator, and school principal.

Currently, Mario is the Rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Baltimore Maryland, and a Conference leader and psychological faculty for CREDO. He also teaches as an adjunct professor at Johns Hopkins University and Claremont School of Theology (as time permits). Alongside his wife, Melissa, who specializes in pain management and psychiatry, he maintains a small private psychotherapeutic practice. The couple is blessed with three children.

Mario's professional interests include the integration of spirituality into psychotherapy, exploring how spirituality and religiosity can foster resilience, the study of addictive behaviors, and intensive short-term dynamic psychotherapy. He is particularly passionate about supporting the mental well-being of emerging adults. Additionally, Mario has often presented on mental health topics and led research on fatherlessness and its effects on the well-being of young men.



Guest Musician

Dr. Garnet C.L. Mowatt

Dr. Mowatt is a native of Jamaica and has been active as a musician for over two decades. He received a Diploma in Music Education from the Edna Manley School of the Visual and Performing Arts, a Master of Music degree in Choral Music Education, and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Choral Music Education, both from the University of Mississippi. (Ole Miss.) Garnet also holds an advanced certificate in Piano Performance from the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM). While at the University of Mississippi, he pursued organ studies with Joseph Garrison, and later with Dr. Jason Kissel and Dr. Mickey Terry. Being an active member of the American Guild of Organists (AGO), the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), and the Gospel Music Workshop of America (GMWA), he is constantly engaged in performance opportunities collaborating with various artists.

Garnet served as music director for several Performing Arts Companies and churches in New York, Memphis, Mississippi, Jamaica, and London. He has composed and arranged music for a variety of performing artists across the nation and internationally, some of which are published by GIA publishers. He is a master Orff Schulwerk instructor with the American Orff-Schulwerk Association, chair of the music department at The Key School in Annapolis, an adjunct professor of music at the Edna Manley College of the Visual and Performing Arts, and founder of the Key of G Music Academy. Dr. Mowatt is the Musical Director and Organist at The Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Baltimore



Opening Acclamation

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

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

Collect for Purity

Bishop 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

Hymn

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

LEVAS #1

- 1) Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, Ring with the harmony of liberty. Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us. Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.
- 2) Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died; yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet come to the place for which our fathers sighed. We have come over a way that with tears has been watered. We have come treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered. Out for the gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
- 3) God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, Thou who has brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might, led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places our God, where we met thee; Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee, shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.

Words: James Weldon Johnson (1871-1938) Music: J. Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954)



Collect of the Day

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

Set us free, heavenly Father, from every bond of prejudice and fear; that, honoring the steadfast courage of your servant Absalom Jones, we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of the children of God, which you have given us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen**

Liturgy of the Word

First Lesson: Isaiah 42:5-9

Dr. Gail Hewitt-Clarke

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm will be spoken responsively by whole verse.

Psalm 126

Ms. Jessica Mack

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.

2 **Then was our mouth filled with laughter, ***
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The Lord has done great things for them."

4 **The Lord has done great things for us, ***
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

**6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.**

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Lesson: Galatians 5:1-5

A Reading from Paul's letter to the church in Galatia

Aliyah India Totten

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. Listen! I, Paul, am telling you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no benefit to you. Once again I testify to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obliged to obey the entire law. You who want to be justified by the law have cut yourselves off from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. For through the Spirit, by faith, we eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People ***Thanks be to God***

All stand as able.

Gradual Hymn

"We'll Understand it Better By and By"

LEVAS #207

1) We are often tossed and driv'n on the restless sea of time, Somber skies and howling tempest oft succeed a bright sunshine. In that land of perfect day, when the mists have rolled away, We will understand it better by and by.

Chorus: By and by when the morning comes, when the saints of God are gathered home, we'll tell the story how we're overcome;

For we'll understand it better by and by.

2) We are often destitute of the things that life demands, want of food and want of shelter thirsty hills and barren lands. We are trusting in the Lord, and according to His word, We will understand it better by and by.

[Chorus]

3) Trials dark on every hand, and we cannot understand, All the ways that God would lead us to that blessed promised land. But He guides us with His eye, and we'll follow till we die, For we'll understand it better by and by.

[Chorus]

The Holy Gospel: John 15:12-15

The Rev. Neva W. Brown

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father’.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

4) Temptations hidden snares often take us unawares, and our hearts are made to bleed for many a thoughtless word or deed; and we wonder why the test when we try to do our best, but we’ll understand it better by and by.

[Chorus]

Sermon

*The Rev. Dr. Mario Conliffe
Rector, St. Bartholomew’s Church
Baltimore, MD*

All stand as able.

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He 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*

Chidi Charles Skinner

Intercessor God of freedom and justice: We celebrate today your servant, Absalom Jones, the first person of African ancestry ordained in The Episcopal Church. Empower your Church, O God, and the Diocese of Maryland, its people and its clergy. Teach us how to continue the ministries of reconciliation and peace and to grow Absalom Jones' ministry of racial justice. God of power and goodness:

Response ***Hear our prayer.***

Intercessor God who hears, you put the tears of our forbearers into your bottle, recording them in your book: Help the nations of the world hear their citizens' concerns by responding to injustice, war, and slavery with actions that lead to peace. God of power and goodness:

Response ***Hear our prayer.***

Intercessor God who creates, Blessed Absalom reminded us that sacrifices must be accompanied with action: Guide our feet to run the race without getting weary. Keep us focused on the fight for equality. God of power and goodness:

Response ***Hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Healing God, deliver those who call upon your name: Inspire our hearts with hope as we offer prayers for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Assist them to grow from strength to strength as they come to know you more fully. God of power and goodness:

Response ***Hear our prayer.***

Intercessor God of compassion, you hear your people's cries and prayers in heaven: Help us remember that we stand on the prayers of our ancestors. As they prayed for current and future generations, so must we pray today for our sisters and brothers who have died and for those yet to come. God of power and goodness:

Response *Hear our prayer.*

The Bishop then prays

Almighty God, you created all people and blessed us by making us in a wondrous variety. As you were with Blessed Absalom, be with us as we seek to make "Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Support each of us as we work to do your will, that together we may make a difference. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Prayers of the People - Adapted from "A Litany of Thanksgiving for Absalom Jones" written by the Reverend Jemonde Taylor.*

The Peace

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Welcome from the Dean of the Cathedral

*The Very Rev. Rob Boulter
The Rev. Canon Randy Callender*

UBE Remarks & Presentation

*Mrs. Celeste Morgan
President of The Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray Chapter*

Recognizing Mrs. Leatrice Curtis, Former Treasurer, The Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray Chapter

Announcement about TRC & the Pilgrimage

*The Rev. Pan Conrad
Chair of The Truth & Reconciliation Commission*

Announcement about the Reparations Grant

*The Rev. Canon Chris McCloud
Canon to the Ordinary for Administration*

Offertory Sentence

This morning's offering will go to support two impactful initiatives: the Bragg Scholarship, which provides educational opportunities for deserving students, and the Union of Black Episcopalians – The Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray Chapter, an organization dedicated to promoting racial justice, equity, and the celebration of diversity within our church and community.

Your generous contributions help make a difference in the lives of students and in advancing the mission of justice and inclusion. Thank you for your support!

The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Selection “*Hallelujah, Salvation and Glory*”

by Jeffrey LaValley
Pauli Murray Chapter Choir

The Great Thanksgiving

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People ***And also, with you.***

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all your saints, who have been chosen vessels of your grace, and the lights of the world in their generations.

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:

The Sanctus (*Sung*)

LEVAS #255

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Bishop continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days, you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Bishop and People

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection.

We await His coming in glory.

The Bishop continues

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

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Absalom and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

Bishop Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Agnus Dei

LEVAS #270

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Grant us peace.

Bishop 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.

The Distribution of the Sacrament

Communion Hymn

"Taste & See"

LEVAS #154

Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord. Oh, taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

- 1) I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall always be on my lips;
my soul shall glory in the Lord; for God has been so good to me.
(Refrain)
- 2) Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us all praise God's name.
I called the Lord, who answered me; from all my troubles I was set free.
(Refrain)
- 3) Worship the Lord, all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask.
Taste and see that the Lord is good; in God we need put all our trust.
(Refrain)

Communion Hymn *"I'm a-Going to Eat at the Welcome Table"*

LEVAS #148

- 1) I'm a-going to eat at the welcome table,
I'm a-going to eat at the welcome table, some of these days.
I'm a-going to eat at the welcome table,
I'm a-going to eat at the welcome table, some of these days.

- 2) I'm a-going to feast on milk and honey,
 I'm a-going to feast on milk and honey, some of these days.
 I'm a-going to feast on milk and honey,
 I'm a-going to feast on milk and honey, some of these days.
- 3) I'm a-going to fly all around in heaven,
 I'm a-going to fly all around in heaven, some of these days.
 I'm a-going to fly all around in heaven,
 I'm a-going to fly all around in heaven, some of these days.
- 4) I'm a-going to wade cross Jordan's river,
 I'm a-going to wade cross Jordan's river, some of these days.
 I'm a-going to wade cross Jordan's river,
 I'm a-going to wade cross Jordan's river, some of these days.

Communion Hymn

"Let us Break Bread"

LEVAS #152

All stand as able.

Post-communion Prayer

Bishop Let us pray

Bishop and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop's Blessing

Closing Hymn

"When the Saints Go Marching In"

- 1) O when the saints, go marching in, O when the saints go marching in, O Lord, I want to be in that number. When the saints go marching in.
- 2) O when the sun, refused to shine, O when the sun refused to shine O Lord, I want to be in that number. When the sun refused to shine.
- 3) O when they crown, him Lord of all, O when they crown him Lord of all. O Lord, I want to be in that number. When they crown him Lord of all.

Dismissal

The Venerable Denis Schiavone

Deacon Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.***

Ministers of the Liturgy

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The Rt. Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent
XV Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland

Preacher

The Rev. Dr. Mario Conliffe
Rector, St. Bartholomew's Church, Baltimore, MD

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Aliyah India Totten, Sutton Scholars

Intercessor

Chidi Charles Skinner, Sutton Scholars

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Torch Bearers: *Ms. Tamara Jones-Short & Dr. Alicia Morgan-Cooper, Pauli Murray Chapter*

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Dr. Garnet C.L. Mowatt & Pauli Murray Chapter Choir

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