

# THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL

Detroit, Michigan

The Very Reverend Joseph Caldwell Alsay  
*Dean*

The Right Reverend Dr. Bonnie A. Perry  
*Eleventh Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan*

February 7, 2026

The 115<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first service in the Cathedral  
and

The Installation and Seating of  
the Very Reverend Joseph Caldwell Alsay  
as Eleventh Dean of the Cathedral

11:00 a.m.



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## WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL!

**OUR VISION** is to be an extraordinary spiritual gathering place where people of all backgrounds and ages are welcome to question and learn, pray, worship and serve; being loved by God in ways that change and improve their lives and the lives of others.

**VISITORS** are encouraged to fill out a blue pew card and place it in the offering box in the Crossing. Please ask a clergy person or usher if you have questions. All are welcome—if you are looking for a church home, you have one here.

**ABOUT RECEIVING COMMUNION** – Please know that this is God’s table and any person seeking to be fed from it will not be turned away. To receive the consecrated bread, extend your hands and it will be placed in your palm. Should you choose to receive the consecrated wine, you may guide the chalice gently to your mouth taking a small sip. Those desiring gluten-free Communion should ask the clergy when coming forward for Communion. Anyone may come forward at the time of Communion and receive the blessing instead, by crossing your arms across your chest.

**ABOUT CHILDREN AND WORSHIP** – Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, for to them belongs the Kingdom of God.” We believe that the place of a child is in worship in the Cathedral. We hope you will help them follow the service, sing the hymns, and use the bulletin and Prayerbook. At the back of Grace Chapel, the chapel to the left as one faces the High Altar, there is a soft space available. If you feel the need to step out, we have space in the Parlor which has the livestream of the service, so you can follow along that way.

## CATHEDRAL SERVICES

### Sundays

Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, 8:15 a.m.

Sung Holy Eucharist with Choir, 11:00 a.m.

\*Evensong, 4:00 p.m.

The 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. services are also livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

**Tuesdays and Thursdays** (beginning February 24)

Holy Eucharist (said) in Nativity Chapel, 12:10 p.m.

**Wednesdays in Lent** (February 25 – March 25)

Intergenerational Dinner Church, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**Fridays in Lent** (February 20 – March 27)

Stations of the Cross, 12:10 p.m.

**The Office of Compline** is offered each evening at 8:00 p.m. on our Facebook page.

\*Choral Evensong is generally offered on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, and Cathedral Evensong (sung by cantors and congregation) on the first and third Sundays of the month, September through May.

## ORDER OF THE PROCESSION

Verger  
Thurifer  
Crucifer  
Banner  
Choir

Verger  
Banner  
Ecumenical clergy  
Diocesan & ELCA clergy  
Canons

Verger  
Banner  
Presenters  
Lectors  
Intercessors  
Communion Ministers  
Healing Ministers

Verger  
Thurifer  
Crucifer  
Torchbearers  
Banner  
Bishops /Aspergers

Verger  
Preacher  
Dean-elect  
Deacon of the Word  
Deacon of the Table  
Archdeacon  
Diocesan Bishop

*Please silence all electronic devices.  
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## THE GATHERING RITE

Organ

Crown Imperial

William Walton (1902-1983)

arranged for organ by Henry Ley (1887-1962)

“Jig” Fugue in C Major

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Choral

Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

*Caroline Robinson, organ*

*At the bell, please stand as you are able and sing.*

Hymn at the Procession

The church's one foundation

*Aurelia*

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord; she is his new cre - a - tion by  
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth, her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed, by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by  
4 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of  
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One, and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with

1 wa - ter and the word: from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly  
2 Lord, one faith, one birth; one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly  
3 her - e - sies dis - tressed; yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How  
4 peace for - ev - er more; till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are  
5 those whose rest is won. O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that

1 bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
2 food, and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
3 long?" and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
4 blessed, and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.  
5 we like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

*Words* Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

*Music* Aurelia, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876), arr. James Biery (b. 1956)

*The Dean-elect, along with the Preacher, Deacons, and the Bishop now enter.*

At the Procession

Nigerian Fanfare

Frank Boles (b. 1955)

*Bishop* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* Glory to God for ever and ever.

*Bishop* There is one Body and one Spirit;

*People* There is one hope in God's call to us;

*Bishop* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People* One God, Creator of all.

### The Salutation at Collects of the Day and Occasion.

*Bishop* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

Let us pray.

**O** GOD of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**A**Lmighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; 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.*

*The People are seated.*

*The Cathedral Wardens stand before the Bishop.*

*Bishop* People of the Cathedral of St. Paul, you have reflected on your ministry and discerned your choice for a new Dean.

*Wardens* We have chosen and called Joseph Caldwell Alsay to be our Dean, and he has accepted.

*Bishop* I commend your choice and affirm this call.

*The Letter of Institution is read.*

*Bishop* Joseph, do you in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

*Dean* I, Joseph Caldwell Alsay, Priest in the Church of God and duly elected as Dean of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, do solemnly promise that with God's help I will observe and, to the utmost of my power, fulfill the responsibilities and duties of this office, striving in all things to be a faithful leader, teacher, preacher and pastor.

*The Bishop then addresses the congregation.*

Dear people of God, will you who witness this new beginning support and uphold Joseph this ministry?

*People* We will.

*Bishop* Do you commit yourselves to the lively proclamation of the gospel through the ministry of this Cathedral and the larger church, working together in love and harmony and in mutual respect for the ministries of all of God's faithful people?

*People* We will.

*Bishop* Let us hear the names of those who have served faithfully in this role.

*The names of the Deans of the Cathedral are read from the Registry. The new Dean then signs the Registry.*

*The keys of the Cathedral are presented by the Senior and Junior Wardens.*

Joseph, receive these keys, and let the doors of this place be open to all people, that it may be a place of refuge for all who seek compassion and justice.

*The Constitution and Canons of this church are presented.*

Joseph, obey these Canons, and be among us to share the councils of this diocese.

*A copy of the Bible is present by leaders of the Ecumenical community.*

Joseph, accept this Bible, and be our guide in proclaiming the Word of God, reminding us of God's promises and the wideness of God's mercy.

*A flask of the Oil for Healing is presented by the Cathedral Healing Ministry and CHIP.*

Joseph, receive this oil, for healing and for reconciliation, that we may share in Christ's work of healing our hurting world and reconciling all things to God.

*Bread made by the Right Reverend Dr. Edward J. and Mrs. Debbie Koineczny, Episcopal Bishop of Oklahoma, Resigned, and Rosa Regale champagne are presented by a contingent of members and friends from Oklahoma and Texas.*

Joseph, take this bread and wine, and be among us to break the Bread and bless the Cup, in which Christ is made known to us and we are made one body.

*Vestments created by Father Vincent Crosby, OSB incorporating Ghanian kente cloth orphreys and the emerald Jerusalem Cross of the late Reverend Father Donald Linn Peterson, father of Sarah-Emily Peterson Steinhardt are given.*

Joseph, be among us as one who celebrates the diversity of all people.

*A story from Godly Play and Play doh are presented by parents and youth of the Cathedral and representative of Spanish for Toddlers.*

Joseph, help us to find whimsical ways to teach the story of our sacred tradition to the next generation.

*The architectural drawings of the Cathedral are presented by representatives of the Southeast Michigan Synod of ELCA, AA, and All.together Campus Ministry.*

Joseph, join us as we vision and build a faith community that truly is a "House of Prayer" for all people.

*A map of the city of Detroit is given by representatives of Williams Pavillion, Advantage Health, and Capuchin Soup Kitchen.*

Joseph, enliven us to embrace and encompass the far reaches of Detroit with the Good News of the Jesus.

*An icon of St. Paul holding a model of the Cathedral written by Dean Joseph and Brooks Turner, a prayer shawl knitted by the Cathedral Crafters, and a Book of Common Prayer are presented.*

Joseph, with this icon, prayer shawl, and book of prayers we offer our prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings to God.

*A red stole and the Cathedral Verona tapestry cope are presented by Dean Alsay's family.*

Joseph, receive this stole, which represents the yoke of Christ resting on your shoulders and be among us as a pastor and priest.

*The Bishop continues.*

I, Bonnie Anne Perry, Bishop of Michigan, and on behalf of the people of this Cathedral and diocese, do install you, Very Reverend Sibling, into a place assigned to your dignity, and do effectually, induct you into the real possession of the same, with all its singular rights and privileges. May you adorn this place with justice and with sanctity. God is mighty, and may God increase your grace.

*The Dean shall answer*

Amen.

*The Dean is now led to his stall in the Great Choir.*

**Music at the Seating**

Fanfare

C.S. Lang (1891-1971)

*The Dean, kneeling in his stall says*

Lord my God, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; yet you have called your servant to stand in your house, and to serve at your altar. To you and to your service I devote myself, body, soul and spirit. Fill my memory with the record of your mighty works; enlighten my understanding with the light of your Holy Spirit; and may all the desires of my heart and will center in what you would have me do. Make me an instrument of your salvation for the people entrusted to my care, and grant that I may faithfully administer your holy Sacraments, and by my life and teaching set forth your true and living Word. Be with me always in carrying out the duties of my ministry. In prayer quicken my devotion; in praises, heighten my love and gratitude; in preaching, give me readiness of thought and expression; and grant that, by the clearness and brightness of your holy Word, all the world may be drawn into your blessed kingdom. All this I ask for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*Bishop* The Lord keep your coming in, and your going out, from this time and for ever.

*People* Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lesson

Joshua 1:7-9

ONLY be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful. I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

The word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The Choir sings*

Psalm 122:1-3, 6-7

*Laetatus sum*

setting: C.H.H. Parry (1848-1918)

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord.  
Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem.  
Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself.  
O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee.  
Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

The Epistle

Ephesians 4:7, 11-16

EACH of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. He himself granted that some are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

## The Gospel Acclamation

Scott Chard (b. 1964)  
Composed for this occasion.

*The Choir sings the following and then all repeat.*

A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu, Al - le lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu, Al - le lu - ia.

## The Gospel

Saint John 15:9-16

*Gospeler* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JESUS said, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 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. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.”

*Gospeler* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*All sing the following twice.*

A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu, Al - le lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu - ia. A - le - lu, Al - le lu - ia.

## The Sermon

The Very Reverend Kristina Maulden  
Dean, The Cathedral of St. John, Albuquerque, New Mexico

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Bishop* Joseph; people of the Cathedral, this Diocese and the Church: in Holy Baptism we received full adoption through God’s grace and full empowerment for ministry through the Holy Spirit. Will you work together as partners in the mission of the Church, to reconcile all people to God through Christ?

*People* We will, with God’s help.

*Dean* Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we renounce Satan and all his works, and promise to serve God faithfully in God’s holy Catholic Church.

## The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

*Bishop* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

*Bishop* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Bishop*

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

*Please remain standing for*

### Prayers for the Mission of the Cathedral

*Intercessor*

With all our heart we pray: that this Cathedral Church may be a House of Prayer for all people, forever free and open, welcoming all who enter its doors to hear the good news of the rule of heaven, and to worship God in spirit and in truth. God of Grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That this Cathedral Church may be a continuing witness to the mercy and steadfast loving kindness of God through its fourfold work of Worship, Mission, Education and Outreach to the city, the nation and the world. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That this Cathedral Church may be sustained as a community of prayer and a place for the faithful administration of God's Holy Word and Sacraments. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That this Cathedral Church may promote peace, unity and love in the church catholic and apostolic so that all Christians may be one even as Christ and the Father are one. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That all who worship and work in this place may put self aside and become pure in heart, seeking and finding God and rejoicing in the truth. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That Joseph, the Dean of this Cathedral church, and all the clergy who serve here may be good and wise, strong and courageous, competent in their work, and faithful in their witness. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That Bonnie, our bishop, who serves from this Cathedral Church, may be filled with insight and imagination, venturing great things as a true leader of the people. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That those called to the councils of this Cathedral Church may be keen to go forward, filled with wisdom and discernment, eager to bring forth the reign of God. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That this Cathedral Church may have scholars with disciples, prophets with hearers, saints with imitators and pioneers of faith with followers. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

That we all may forsake those things that divide us, keeping us from loving God and one another; and so, gathering in friendship, we may find the overpowering love of God, which shall knit us together as one united people. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*

In the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, prophets, apostles and martyrs, hear our prayer that this Cathedral Church be a sign of God’s love so that all faiths, all nations and all people may dwell together in hope, reconciled and redeemed. God of grace and mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Bishop* Joseph, take this water and Chrism and help me to baptize, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

*The Dean pours water from the Jordan River in the Holy Land into three vessels containing water from areas of Dean Alsay’s ministry: Tulsa, Oklahoma City, and Detroit.*

*The Procession moves to the Font.*

**Music at the Procession** Nanou Djiapo African Drum and Dance Ensemble

*Bishop* The water of baptism signifies our eternal covenant with God. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to Christ, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*The Bishop blesses the water.*

We pray you, O God, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

*The People are sprinkled with this water.*

**Motet at the Sprinkling**

Norah Duncan (b.1952)

LORD, I've just come from the fountain,  
His name's so sweet.

O brothers, I love Jesus,  
His name's so sweet.

O sisters, I love Jesus,  
His name's so sweet.

Been drinking from the fountain,  
His name's so sweet.

*Jhané Perdue, soprano*

**The Peace**

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

*People* And also with you.

*Please be seated for*

**The Greetings and Announcements**



*Today’s offering will support the ongoing ministries of the Cathedral. If you would like to become a friend of the Cathedral, use the QR code at the right and select “Friend of the Cathedral.” Your gifts will help support our commitment to love, grace, and service to midtown Detroit and beyond.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARISTIC MEAL

At the Offertory, Anthem

from *St. Paul*, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

**H**OW lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace! To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

Romans 5:15-16

*Please stand as you are able and sing*

Presentation Hymn

This is the feast of victory

*Festival Canticle*



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. [Ant.]

2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis- dom, and strength, and hon - or, bless - ing and glo-ry are his. [Ant.]

3 Sing with all the peo- ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. [Ant.]

4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry and might be to God and the Lamb for ev- er. A - men. [Ant.]

5 For the Lamb who was slain has be- gun his reign. Al- le - lu - ia! [Ant.]



*Words* Revelation 5:12-13; adapt. John W. Arthur (1922-1980)

*Music* *Festival Canticle*, Richard Hillert (1923-2010)

## 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.

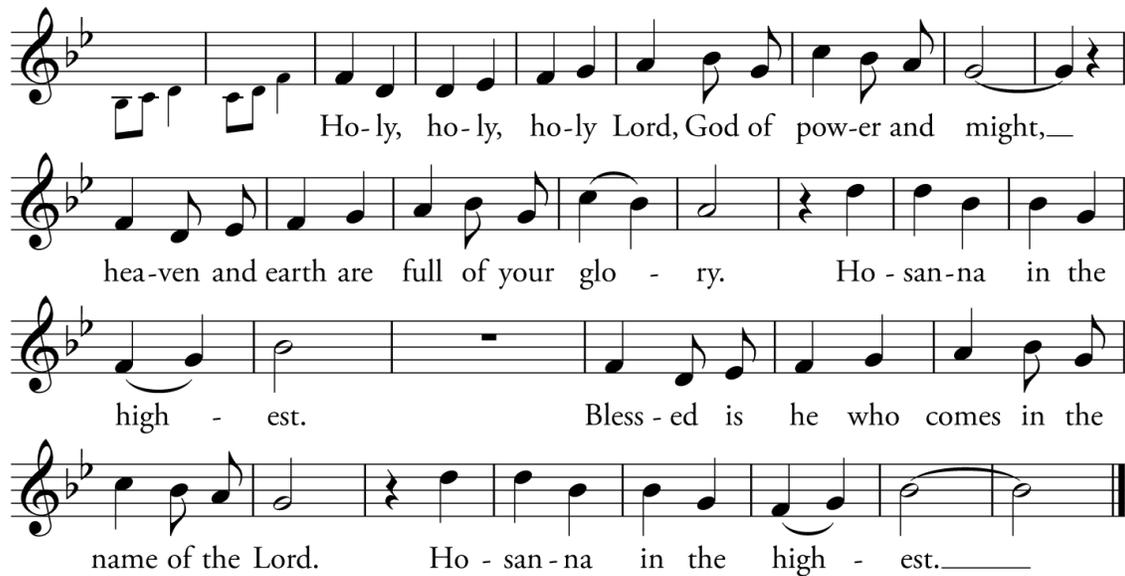
*Bishop* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Bishop*

**I**T is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest; in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in your sight.

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:



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,—  
hea-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.\_\_\_\_\_

*The People stand or kneel. The Bishop continues*

**W**E 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 Lord:

*All*

**We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

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 Mary, the God bearer, Paul, 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, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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

*All say together*

**O**UR 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.

*Bishop* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*All sing*

Agnus Dei

*Jeremy David Tarrant (b. 1974)*



O Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins\_ of the  
world, have mer - cy on us. O Lamb of  
God, you take a - way the sins\_ of the world, have  
mer - cy on us. O Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sins\_ of the world, grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

*The following Invitation is given*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*Communion is offered at the High Altar and at stations in Grace Chapel and Nativity Chapel. Gluten-free bread is available. Prayers for Healing and Anointing are also offered in the chapels.*

At the Communion,

*All sing*

Hymn

Let us break bread together

*Let Us Break Bread*



1 Let us break bread to-gether on our knees;— let us break bread to-gether on our knees;—  
2 Let us drink wine to-gether on our knees;— let us drink wine to-gether on our knees;—



when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.—



3 Let us praise God to-gether on our knees;— let us praise God to-gether on our knees;—



when I fall on my knees with my face to the ris-ing sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.—

*Word and Music* Traditional African-American Spiritual, arr. David Hurd (b. 1950)

*The Choir sings*

Motet

Nicholas White (b. 1967)

**S**TEAL away, steal away  
Steal away, to Jesus.  
Steal away, steal away home  
I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord he calls me,  
he calls me by the thunder;  
The trumpet sounds within my soul  
I ain't got long to stay here.

Green trees are bendin',  
poor sinners stand a-tremblin;  
The trumpet sounds within my soul  
I ain't got long to stay here.

traditional African American Spiritual

All sing

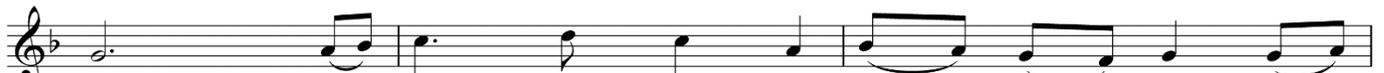
Hymn

All are welcome

Two Oaks



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are strong and  
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



1 live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
 2 true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
 3 wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
 4 stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
 5 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



1 hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of  
 2 dream God's dream a - new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness and as  
 3 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus, is re -  
 4 live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the strang - er bear the  
 5 words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter, prayers of



1 faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
 2 sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Je - sus:  
 3 vealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:  
 4 im - age of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and dan - ger;  
 5 faith and songs of grace, let this house pro - claim from floor to raf - ter:

Refrain



All are wel - come, all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Words Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

Music Two Oaks, Marty Haugen

Organ

Talk about a child who do love Jesus  
(from *Five Spirituals for organ*)

Calvin Taylor (b. 1948)

## THE SENDING RITE

*Please stand. All say together*

The Postcommunion Prayer

**A**LMIGHTY God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the holy food and drink  
of the Body and Blood of your Son,  
and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit.  
We thank you for raising up among us  
faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments.  
We pray that Joseph and the people of this Cathedral  
may be effective examples in word and action,  
in love and patience,  
and in holiness of life.  
Grant that all of us together may serve you now,  
and always rejoice in your glory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*Bishop*

Joseph, I commend to your love and care the Cathedral Church of Saint Paul.

My friends in Christ, I commend to your love and care your new Dean, colleague and friend, Joseph.

*The Dean gives*

The Blessing

*Remaining standing, all sing the hymn on the next page.*

All sing  
Hymn

All hail the power of Jesus' Name

Coronation



1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
2 Crown him ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar call;  
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call,  
4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the fall,  
5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm-wood and the gall,



1 bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!  
2 praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!  
3 the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!  
4 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!  
5 go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!



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5 go spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,  
on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all!

**Words** Edward Perronet 1726-1792), alt.

**Music** Coronation, Oliver Holden (1765-1844), arr. Robert J. Powell (1932-2025)

*The Archdeacon gives the dismissal and the People respond*  
Thanks be to God.

Organ

Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

*Following the organ postlude, you are welcome to come take a "selfie" in the Dean's Stall.*

*All are invited to festive reception in the Barth Hall following this morning's liturgy.*

## FLOWERS

The flower arrangements at the High Altar, Pulpit, and Baptismal Font were made and given by the Very Reverend Joseph C. Alsay.

The flower arrangement at the icon of the Theotokas was given by the Very Reverend Dr. S. Scott and Mrs. Tina Hunter.

The flowers in Barth Hall were arranged by Jacob Krause, Charlotte Comstock, and Dean Alsay.

## THE VERY REVEREND KRISTINA MAULDEN Today's Guest Preacher

Since 2019, the Very Rev'd Kristina Maulden has served as Dean of the Cathedral of St. John in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she has endeavored to improve the relationship with the Diocese of the Rio Grande, restart Christian Formation for adults and children, and encourage new ministries and outreach. One of those initiatives is Church Unbound, which offers a Sunday afternoon street ministry of prayer and communion to those who are unhoused. This ministry is now an official parochial chapel of the Cathedral. Most recently, she has developed a campus ministry to students at the University of New Mexico.

Dean Maulden previously served Trinity Episcopal Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma for over a decade as Associate and as Interim Rector. At Trinity, she helped develop an interactive family service, began an Order of the Daughters of the King, and built-up events that helped the surrounding community connect the secular to the sacred. Before moving to Oklahoma, Dean Maulden was the vicar of Holy Family Episcopal Church in Fishers, Indiana, and prior to that, was the associate priest at Church of the Holy Spirit, in Longwood, Florida.

Dean Maulden graduated from Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry in Ambridge, Pennsylvania in 1995 and was later ordained to the priesthood in Central Florida. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Microbiology. She completed several years of graduate work at the University of Texas, Austin in the field of Biochemistry. She is married to Anthony Maulden and they have two sons, Andrew and Richard. She grew up in Michigan and was a member of St. Phillip's Episcopal Church in Rochester.

## WHAT IS A DEAN OF A CATHEDRAL?

While the term dean does apply to academic positions in college or university settings, its oldest application stems from its Latin root, *decanus*, meaning ten, and was a monk who supervised ten novices. For centuries now it has applied to the priest who had been given charge of a cathedral and its ministry. It used to be that cathedrals had no resident congregation. They had people who worked, worshipped, and contributed to the ministry of the cathedral, but they all would have been members of other congregations. This happened because the cathedral was to be the church for all the people of the diocese and, by extension, the community. Those with resident congregations are really pro-cathedrals. In the Church of England cathedral deans are appointed by the crown.

## THE VERY REVEREND JOSEPH CALDWELL ALSAY Eleventh Dean of the Cathedral

The Very Reverend Joseph Caldwell Alsay was called to be the Eleventh Dean of the Cathedral in September, 2025.

Father Alsay was received as a priest into the Episcopal Church on January 15, 2011- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. He was previously ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament on August 6, 2005. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Pastoral Studies from Oklahoma Baptist University and earned the Master of Divinity degree from the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago.

From 2010 - 2025, Father Alsay was Rector of St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church in Oklahoma City. During his rectorship, St. Augustine's experienced vast growth and in 2014 went from being a "mission" of that diocese to a self-sustaining "parish." From 2005-2010, Father Alsay was Assistant Pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church in Tulsa where his responsibilities focused on evangelism, pastoral care, hospitality and liturgy. His appointment to Trinity was the first time in the congregation's history that an African-American was called to serve on the pastoral staff of this predominately Anglo congregation. He has also served as Director of the Aspirancy Program for the Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma.

Delivering his first sermon at age thirteen, Father Joseph's devotion to the cross comes naturally as the son of the late Reverend Glenzia Martin Alsay and Mrs. Beatrice Alsay. A self-proclaimed bearer of the passion of "the call" of Christ, he possesses a devotion to evangelism, interfaith dialogue, and the role that the Church plays in promoting honest dialogue about race and culture.

An active community servant, Father Alsay has served on the Board of Directors for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Society (Tulsa). He was a board member of the Oklahoma Center for Community and Justice (Tulsa), the Holland Hall Summer Program (Tulsa), the Oklahoma Conference of Churches, the Oklahoma Alliance of Liturgy and the Arts, the Society of Catholic Priests, and the Interfaith Alliance of Oklahoma.

Father Joseph has been the recipient of several awards including the Joseph Cardinal Bernadin Fellowship for Ecumenical Leadership, the Bishop Richard Allen Humanitarian Award, and the Grover Wright Promising Minority Seminarian Award, and Fellow of the first Cohort of the Leaders' Way, Berkeley Divinity School at Yale. In 2024 he was named on of the Top 33 Influential Faith Leaders in Oklahoma City.

Married to the former Cecelia K. Gray of Philadelphia since 2005, the couple has four children: Corinthia Gray (step-daughter), Zoe, Zipporah, and Caleb.

## **IN TODAY'S LITURGY**

### **Presider**

The Right Reverend Dr. Bonnie A. Perry

### **Preacher**

The Very Reverend Kristina Maulden

### **Deacons**

The Reverend Deacon Mary Ann Coffman

The Venerable Tim Spannus

The Reverend Deacon Rev. Mike Stutso

### **Aspergers**

The Right Reverend Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr.

Bishop Donald P. Kreiss

Bishop Floyd M. Schoenhals

### **Assisting Clergy**

The Reverend Canon Sister Veronica Dunbar

The Reverend Dr. Dean Aponte-Safe

The Reverend Dr. Dawn Enderwood

**Communion Ministers**

Mrs. Linda O'Brien  
Ms. Helen Trombley  
The Reverend Anthony C. Estes  
The Reverend Shug Goodlow  
Mrs. Abby Rayburn  
Mrs. Chris Hooker

**Healing Ministers**

The Very Reverend Dr. S. Scott Hunter  
The Very Reverend Katie Churchwel

**Intercessors**

The Reverend Dr. Bill Carroll  
The Reverend Chris Yaw  
Mr. Jim Edwards  
Mr. Reggie Christian  
Mr. Bruce Plummer  
Ms. Robin Troutman  
Mrs. Nancy Swearingen  
Ms. Wilma McKinney  
Ms. Bev Bradley  
The Reverend Emily Williams Guffey  
The Reverend Teresa Wakeen

**Lectors**

Mr. Michael Piggins  
Sister Margaret Ruth, AF

**Musicians**

The Cathedral Choir  
Canon Jeremy David Tarrant, Organist and Choirmaster  
Mr. Edward Poston, Associate Organist and Communications Coordinator  
Dr. Caroline Robinson, Guest Organist  
Mr. Derek Lockhart and Ms. Natalie Bruno, trumpet  
Mr. David Binder and Mr. Gary Hellick, trombone  
Nanou Djiapo African Drum and Dance Ensemble

**Vergers**

Mr. Emery Dumas, Mrs. Crystal Plummer, Mr. Darin Herndon,  
Mr. Roger Weeks, and Mr. David Maxwell

**Thurifers**

Ms. Leslie Tumpkin and Ms. Zipporah Alsay

**Crucifers**

Mr. Matthew O'Brien and Mr. Caleb Alsay

**Banner Bearers**

Mr. Tim Andrews, Ms. Claudia Estrada, Mr. Eric Rios Estrada, and Mr. Brandon Narviaz

**Torch Bearers**

Ms. Mia Bocanegra and Ms. Amy Bocanegra

**Oblation Bearers**

Dr. Dave Coffman  
Mrs. Sarah-Emily Steinhardt  
Dr. Paul Lehman  
Mrs. Coleen Christian  
Ms. Lana Mederos

**Canons Honorary**

Canon Dr. Bonnie Anderson  
Canon Jo Ann Hardy  
The Reverend Canon Dr. Richard Hamlin  
Canon Tim Wittlinger  
The Reverend Canon Joseph Summers

**Ushers**

Mr. Philip Allmond, Mrs. Nancy Swearingen, Ms. Gale Davis, Mr. Russell Manney, III,  
Mr. Timothy Manney, and Mr. Don Wiggins

**OUR CELEBRATION CONTINUES**

As we continue to celebrate the installation and seating of Eleventh Dean of the Cathedral, the Very Rev'd Joseph C. Alsay, we are pleased to welcome guest preachers in tomorrow's liturgies:

**Holy Eucharist, 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.**

Guest Preacher – The Reverend Shug Goodlow  
Priest-in-Charge, Christ Episcopal Church,  
Rolla, Missouri

**Cathedral Evensong, 4:00 p.m.**

Guest Preacher – The Very Reverend Katie Churchwell  
Dean, St. Paul's Cathedral,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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