

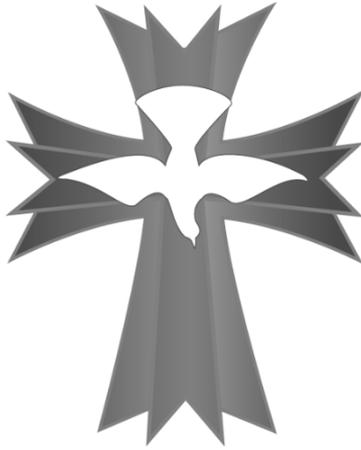
St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church  
1242 W. Queen Street, Hampton, Virginia

**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Sunday, September 6, 2015**

8:30 a.m. (spoken)  
10:00 a.m. (choral music)

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays:  
Sacrament of Healing*



The Reverend Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey  
Rector

Parish Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri. ~ 9 am – 3 pm

*Please silence cell phones and other electronic devices  
before entering the Nave.*

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**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**PROCESSIONAL: LEVAS 65** (Red & Black Hymnal)  
*“Bless the Lord, O My Soul”*

**HYMN 423** *“Immortal, invisible, God only wise”*

**THE OPENING ACCLAMATION**      BCP p.355

**Celebrant:**      Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People:**      **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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.**

**THE GLORIA** (BCP p.356)

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on  
earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your  
glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have  
mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the  
Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy**

**One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

### **THE COLLECT**

**G**rant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **THE LESSONS**

#### **A Reading from Isaiah 35:4-7a**

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### **PSALM 146**

BCPp.803

**1** Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul! \*

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**2** Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*  
for there is no help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*  
and in that day their thoughts perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in  
them \*  
who keeps his promise for ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*  
and food to those who hunger.

7 The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes  
of the blind; \*  
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The LORD loves the righteous; the LORD cares for the  
stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the  
wicked.

9 The LORD shall reign for ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

**The Epistle: James 2:1-17**

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is

it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.] What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL HYMN: 602, vss. 1,4** (Hymn of the Month)

*"Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love"* (see page 15 of bulletin)

### **A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark (7:24-37)

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the

dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go-- the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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

## **THE SERMON**

The Rector

## **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, Form VI**      BCPp.392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;

***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;

***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For [N. our Presiding Bishop, and N. our Bishop(s); and for] all bishops and other ministers;

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

### **THE CONCLUDING COLLECT**

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **THE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in**

**your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

### **THE ABSOLUTION**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

### **BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS**

### **BLESSING OF SCHOOL BACKPACKS**

### **THE PEACE**

**Priest:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People:** **And also with you.**

### **WELCOME**

### **THE OFFERTORY HYMN: LEVAS 64, vss. 1,2**

*“I Love to tell the Story”*

### **THE HOLY EUCHARIST~ Eucharistic Prayer B BCPp367**

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

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

**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.

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

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

**People** **It is right to give him 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.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People ~ (BCPp.367)*

**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 people stand or kneel*

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,  
**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 [\_\_\_\_\_ 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.**

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**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

#### **The Fraction Anthem**

**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.**

**Communion Hymn:** 343 *“Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless”*

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**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.**

## THE BLESSING

**RECESSIONAL HYMN 567** *“Thine arm, O Lord in days of old”*

## THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**IN OUR CYCLES OF PRAYER:** Pray for the Rev. Travis Greenman (Hal).

**We Pray for Parishioners:** Cornelius Taylor, Mary Robinson, Tinea Savage-Otey, Alice Young, Cora Mae Reid, Cynthia Sutherland, Minnie Stiff, Minnie Bembry, Norma Pinkelton, Connie Daniels, Olive Ezell, Jeannette & Wilbert Lovett, Sylvester & Gwen Newsome, Jett Cobb, Mary Kelley & her family, Crystal Diggs, Vernell Walden, Nathaniel McMillan, Ron Minor, Joyce Harden & her family.

**Friends & Family:** Clarence Savage, the Fred Avery, Jr. family, Loretta Ogden, Perry Greene, Lois Martin, Margaret Comegys, Bridget Canty, Clay Cane, Alexa Munoz, Leonard Alexander, Howard Durrah, Cheryl Maxson, Anthony Tabron, Doris Harris, Marcus Reid, Jeannie & Paul Saunders, Beverly Amaya, Lily Holloman, Allison Jordan, Greg & Patrina Newton, Denise Escoffery, Kenneth Bullock, Malinda Brown, Peggy Winston, Dominique Jordan, the Rev. Martin Bolton, Cora Jones, Helena Hawthorne, Tony Leroy Duncan, Carolyn Blissett, Julia G. Williams, infant Zoe-Marie Newsome, Jodie

James, Will Canty III, Florence Hubbard, Edith & Sana Harris,  
Jewel Hawkins, David Peacock, Jasen Fykes, Ron Durrah.

**We Pray for the Repose of** Linda Taliaferro (sister of Joyce Harden) and William Dorham (cousin of Mary H. Kelley).

**We Pray for Those Serving in the Military:** Michael Taylor, Jr. (nephew of Cornelius A. Taylor, III); LaToya Artis (niece of Dr. Minnie Stiff); Lt. Luke Carpenter, III (grandson of Bill and Fannie Walls), and Miles Wilkerson (UAE-United Arab Emirates).

The altar flowers this morning were given to the Glory of God by Phyllis & Jodie James in honor of their wedding anniversary and by Rose and Regal DuBose in honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

We welcome all who are visiting today. You are invited to sign our guest book in the narthex and to take with you one of the “Welcome” packets that are in the pew racks. Our hope is that you will find the information helpful. We look forward to your completing and returning the card and leaflet section that are enclosed so that we can get to know you.

Visitors are cordially invited to join us in Randall Hall for coffee, light refreshments and fellowship immediately following both services.

TODAY: Members of the E.C.W. will meet following the 10 a.m. service.

Circle #2 will meet on **Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**, in Randall Hall at **11:30 a.m.** (Please note this new meeting time.)

Our Fall schedule (services at 8:30 and 11 a.m.) will begin next Sunday, which is also St. Cyprian’s Day. On the hallway easel members may sign up for their contribution toward our celebration dinner which will follow the 11 o’clock service.

On September 20<sup>th</sup>:

- Fall Ingathering for U.T.O. (the United Thank Offering). Are you using your Blue Box? If not, the special U.T.O. envelopes will be in your bulletin.
- Stewardship Committee Meeting: 12:30, Vestry Room.
- Youth Skating Party immediately following the 11 o'clock service. Transportation, admission, skates and lunch provided. Please RSVP to Kimberly Canty (via phone or email) by Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. There's a flier on the hallway bulletin board.

See the hallway bulletin board for (1) information on free health screenings for men sponsored by Riverside Cancer Care Center and (2) Fall Camp for Adults at Shrine Mont Conference Center.

Sign up on the hallway table if you would like a free 5 x 7 copy of the parish picnic photograph.

St. Cyprian's will host a VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE beginning next Sunday, and each Sunday through October 11<sup>th</sup>, from 1:30-2:30. If you know persons eligible to vote who are not registered, please let them know to come here to register.

On October 4<sup>th</sup> the E.C.W. will host a Fundraising Brunch. For food planning purposes, you are asked to sign the sheet on the hallway table if you plan to attend. Tickets will be \$5.00. Invite your friends and neighbors.

A Yard Sale is planned for October 17<sup>th</sup>, sponsored by the E.C.W. Parishioners are invited to sell their gently used goods and donate their proceeds, or at least a percentage of their proceeds, to the E.C.W. This is a chance for you to clear your closets and at the same time, help the E.C.W. To reserve a table, sign on the hallway table.

Calendar

Sun.	6 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 & 10am	H.E., Rite II
Tues.	8 <sup>th</sup>	7:15pm	Vestry Mtg.
Wed.	9 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	Bible Study
Sat.	12 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	Circle #2
Sun.	13 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 & 11 am	H.E., Rite II - <i>St. Cyprian's Day</i>
		1:30-2:30pm	Voter Registration Drive
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8am-2:30pm</b>	<b>Safe Church Trng.(Randall Hall)</b>

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

8:30 – DeLaine Headen

10:00 – Laura L. Manigault

**LECTOR:** Karen McAdoo

**ACOLYTES:** 8:30 Alberta Reid

10:00am – Scott, Lindsey & Lauren Jones,

Simone Griffin, Shane Otey

**ALTAR GUILD:** Jean Boyd, Karen Holley, Maria Watkins

**USHERS:** Bill Walls, Sam Ewell, Will Canty

**GREETER:** Sam Ewell

Prayerful Commitment 11

Lord, teach me the proper stewardship of all the material items you give me personally and in my church. Help me to never let that stewardship evolve into obsession and idolatry, especially where I lose my perspective on what really matters.

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***Hymn of the Month: Jesu, Jesu #602, vss. 1,4***

***Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.***

***1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them.***

***4. Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we were slaves; this is the way we should live with you.***

***BISHOP***

The Rt. Rev. Herman Hollerith, IV

***RECTOR***

The Rev. Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey

***DEACON-IN-RESIDENCE***

The Rev. Earl R. Christian

***THE STAFF***

Phyllis Holland-James, *Director of Music Ministries*

Carlton R. Benson, *Sexton*

Jean Carnegie, *Parish Administrator*

***THE VESTRY***

Darlene Jackson (2016) *Senior Warden*

Sam Ewell (2015) *Junior Warden*

Karen B. McAdoo (2015) *Register*

Renee Barnes (2017) Kimberly Canty (2017)

Lora Ham (2017) Connie McCullough (2015)

Martha Milo-Avery (2016) Henry P. Russell, Jr. (2016)

Jerome Sheppard (2017) Minnie Stiff (2015)

Brenda K. Vinson (2016)

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*Saint Cyprian's Church is named after Cyprian, the first Bishop of Carthage, North Africa (248-258). He spoke for reconciliation of the Church with those who had denied their faith.*

*Cyprian was beheaded for refusing to worship pagan gods and deny Christianity.*

*Thus, he became a martyr of Christ's Church universal.*