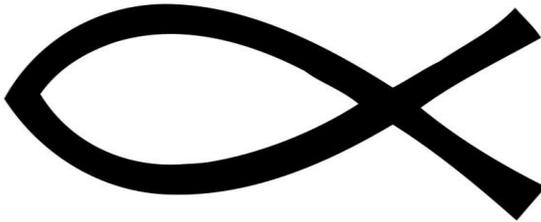


St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church  
1242 W. Queen Street, Hampton, Virginia

**Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost**  
**Sunday, August 20, 2017**

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

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



The Very Rev. Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey  
Rector

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**ORGAN PRELUDE**

**PROCESSIONAL:** “*Order My Steps*”

**OPENING HYMN:** #542 “*Christ is the world’s true Light*”

**THE OPENING ACCLAMATION** BCP p.355

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

**People:** **And blessed be his Kingdom now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

**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~ (LEVAS) 243**

**Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. 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. Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. 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 the Father. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your**

**Holy name. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

### **THE COLLECT**

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### **THE LESSONS: Genesis 45:1-15**

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, “Send everyone away from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there

are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 67**

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- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
show us the light of his countenance and come  
to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, \*  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of  
him.

**The Epistle: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people

whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**THE GRADUAL HYMN: #427** *“When morning gilds the skies”* v. 1, 2

**A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
According to **Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28**

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

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.” Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost

sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

**THE SERMON**

**The Rector**

**THE NICENE CREED**

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**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.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV    BCP p.388**

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

O Christ our God, you were transfigured on the holy mount and revealed your glory to the disciples in the proportion of what they could bear; Let your everlasting light and glory enlighten us that we may praise and worship you: O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, unto the ages of ages. **Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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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**

## THE PEACE

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

### WELCOME

**THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** #537 “*Christ for the world we sing*”

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**~ *Eucharistic Prayer A* BCP p361-363

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People* ~ (The Sanctus – LEVAS 253)

**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*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

As our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we now pray,

(LEVAS 263)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. 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** ~ (LEVAS) 270 ~ Lamb of God

**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 Hymns: #321** *“My God, thy table now is spread”*

### **THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

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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: #470** *“There’s a wideness in God’s mercy”*

### **THE DISMISSAL**

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**IN OUR CYCLE OF PRAYER:** The Rev. Diane Hill

**We Pray for Parishioners:** Cornelius Taylor, Mary Robinson, Tinea Savage-Otey, Cora Mae Reid, Cynthia Sutherland, Minnie Stiff, Minnie Bembry, Norma Pinkelton, Connie Daniels, Olive Ezell, Jeannette &

Wilbert Lovett, Sylvester & Gwen Newsome, Crystal Diggs, Ron Minor, Donna Davis, Will Canty IV, Vernell Walden, Charles “Butch” Badger, and Deacon Earl Christian.

**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, Kenneth Bullock, Peggy Winston, Dominique Jordan, the Rev. Martin Bolton, Helena Hawthorne, Tony Leroy Duncan, Carolyn Blissett, Florence Hubbard, Edith & Sana Harris, Jasen Fykes, Ron Durrah, Theodosia Peacock (sister of Connie Daniels), Sylester Babb (sister of Dr. Minnie Stiff), Sophia McCloud (sister of Lucretia Clayton), Frances Batts, Shawna Harris Mathias (sister of Crystal Diggs), Joy Staton, Laura James (co-worker’s wife of Lora Ham), Atena West (sister of Dr. Minnie Stiff)

**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); *John “Holland” Watkins* (son of John & Maria Watkins) U.S.Navy, on-board the USS James E. Williams, PFC. Malik Leonard (*great-grandson of Vernell Walden*)

**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 enclosed card and leaflet section so we can get to know you.

**Altar Flowers** today were given in the glory of God by **Gloria Whittico** in memory of *her father, T.L. Whittico, Sr.*

**Summer Worship** hours began on Sunday, **June 18<sup>th</sup>**. Worship times will be 8:30 AM & 10 AM through **September 3<sup>rd</sup>**. **The regular worship schedule will begin on September 10<sup>th</sup>**.

**ECW** will hold a meeting on Sunday, **September 17<sup>th</sup>** at 12:45 PM following the 11 AM service in the Vestry Room. All are welcome to attend.  
~Laura L. Manigault, ECW President

**The Men's Club** will meet on Friday, **September 15<sup>th</sup>** at 7 PM. Please plan to attend.

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Crawlins' Crab Half Marathon** will take place **October 7-8, 2017**. Road closure information will be available in the very near future. For information about this event, please contact Josh Wade at 757-412-1056 or [josh@jandaracing.com](mailto:josh@jandaracing.com). Please read updates to this announcement in the weeks to come.  
~The Rector

**The Hampton Branch NAACP** is asking for your support for our 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Life Membership Awards Banquet on Sunday, **October 29, 2017**, 3:00 pm at the Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, Virginia 23666. Our theme, "Steadfast, Immovable" encourages us to focus on strategies to act now on crucial issues in our community. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated. The banquet honors those individuals who have become Life Members this year, and individuals who have acquired a higher level of membership in the NAACP. The banquet is our major fundraising event. Please email us at: [naacphamptonva@gmail.com](mailto:naacphamptonva@gmail.com) for sponsorship levels and prices of Ads, tickets, and reserved tables or call us at (757)827-1768. Checks should be made payable to the HAMPTON BRANCH NAACP and mailed to the office – Hampton Branch NAACP, 101 N. Armistead Avenue, Hampton, VA 23669. Responses are due by **September 30, 2017**. Again, thank you and we look forward to hearing from you. If you should have any questions, please feel free to call the branch office at (757)827-1768. Sincerely, *Jorsene S. Cooper – Life Membership Awards Banquet Chair*

**Bible Study-** will not be held again until Wednesday, **August 23, 2017 at 11:00am**. We will continue our exploration of the Synoptic Gospels – Matthew, Mark and Luke on Wednesday, August 23, 2017. All are welcome.

## **Electronic Giving:**

On-Line giving is now available on our Church website!

1. Click the green Online Giving icon on the Home page.
2. You will be directed to TITHE.LY which is a **secure website** for all of our giving transactions.
3. Create an account.
4. Find a church: Type in St. Cyprian's at the top of the page and be sure to click the arrow at the right of the church name.
5. Enter your information and follow the prompts to make a contribution.
6. You will receive an e-mail and receipt almost immediately.
7. You can also download the free tithe.ly app on your smart phones!

If anyone needs help during the process, you can open a new tab/window and go to <http://get.tithe.ly/contact/>. There you will find a Support tab, a HELP button and a FAQ tab.

We hope this new opportunity will increase your options for making contributions to the important work of the life of our parish.

**September Newsletter** – Please submit any announcements and/or information that you would like included in the newsletter by **August 19, 2017. Any information submitted after the deadline will be published in the August newsletter.** *Early monthly submissions are always welcome.*

**Calendar for the Coming Week**

Sun. Aug. 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 AM & 10 AM	-H.E., Rite II
<b>Mon. Aug. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>3 PM – 7 PM</b>	<b>-Blood Drive</b>
Wed. Aug. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	11 AM	-Bible Study
Sun. Aug. 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 AM & 10 AM	- H.E., Rite II

**(H.E.L.P)**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** 8:30 – Sandra Corbin  
10:00 – Olive Ezell

**LECTOR:** Audrey Cobb

**ACOLYTES:** 8:30 – Renee Escoffery-Torres

10:00 – Lauren Jones, Lindsey Jones, Billy Walls

**ALTAR GUILD:** Fannie Walls, Deborah Davis, Stacey Hester

**USHERS:** 8:30 – *Henry Russell, L.C. Wyatt, Alberta Reid, Barbara Ward*  
10:00 – Connie McCullough, Regal Dubose

**GREETER:** Martha Milo-Avery

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Lora Ham (2017) *Register*

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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.*