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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

ST. CYPRIAN'S DAY

10 a.m.

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3rd Sundays

Sacrament of Healing



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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

ST. CYPRIAN'S DAY

10 a.m. - The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

PROCESSIONAL Hymn (HYMNAL # 397)

~ "Now Thank We All Our God" ~

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Praise to God

1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voice,
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ever more.

Words: Martin Rinckart (1586-1649); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
Music: *Nun danket alle Gott*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662);
harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

67. 67. 66. 66

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THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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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 ~ (*All Standing*)

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**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 the Father. *Amen***

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT

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O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

OLD TESTAMENT: **Exodus 14:19-31**

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians.

So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses. (NRSV)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 114

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¹ Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

² Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion.

³ The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.

⁴ The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep.

⁵ What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?

⁶ You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep?

⁷ Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

⁸ Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in

honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God. (NRSV)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL HYMN (LEVAS # 74)

HYMN OF THE MONTH ~ "*Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love*"

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew 18:21-35**

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

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what

you owe.’ Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.” (NRSV)

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 VI

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The Leader and People pray responsively

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 **Michael**, our Presiding Bishop, and **Susan**, our Bishop; for **Ronald**, our Rector; and **Earl**, our Deacon; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for *Brenda Vinson, Wayne Walden, Shane Otey, Samuel E. Ewell, Jr., Jean Boyd, Gene Harden, Cornelius Taylor, Tinea Savage-Otey, Cynthia Sutherland, Minnie Stiff, Norma Pinkelton, Olive Ezell, Jeannette Lovett, Wilbert Lovett, Sylvester H. Newsome, Sr., Gwendolyn Newsome, Crystal Diggs, Ron Minor, Will Canty IV, Vernell Walden, Adrienne Combs, Deacon Earl Christian, Jodie Ansel James, Alex Strawn, Barbara Savage, Bernice Wilson, and Jerome Sheppard;*

Silence

We also pray for all who are suffering from the COVID-19 virus, their caregivers, all front line workers, those who have died and all who grieve.

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

We pray that God will continue to bless and guide those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this month.

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, especially **Mame Hamlet**, *aunt of Mark Farquharson* 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.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

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Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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Minister and People

**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 ~ *Please stand.*

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

People: **And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM (HYMNAL # 397)

~ *“Now Thank We All Our God”*



1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voice,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,

who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ever more.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST~ Eucharistic Prayer B BCP p. 367

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 ~ (The Sanctus)

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**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,

Celebrant and People

**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 **Cyprian** 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.

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

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

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

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant and People

~ "O 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.

Read Silently

(A "spiritual communion" is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.)

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Celebrant and People

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the

Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

A time of silent meditation with music.

COMMUNION HYMN (LEVAS # 153)

~ “Lord I Have Seen Thy Salvation”

***RECOGNITION OF THOSE WITH 50 OR MORE
YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP AT
ST. CYPRIAN’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH***

(See pages 18-20 in the Bulletin.)

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

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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: (HYMNAL #398)

~“I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced them
good. Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known,
and clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne;
while all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care, and
everywhere that I could be, thou, God, art present there.

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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE



ANNUAL CELEBRATION
IN HONOR OF

CYPRIAN OF CARTHAGE
OUR PATRON SAINT

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

CYPRIAN, BISHOP OF CARTHAGE

Cyprian was already in advanced years when he was converted from paganism. He was a man of considerable note and followed the profession of rhetoric, in the great city of Carthage in North Africa. Though late in coming to the Faith, when he did come, it was with his whole heart. He sold his estates in order to give the money to the poor. So impressed was the Christian community by the evident sincerity of his conversion, that in a short time after his baptism, Cyprian was elected Bishop of Carthage (in 248). His life and conduct were worthy of that high dignity. He devoted himself to the care of the suffering, regardless of creed and this endeared him to the people.

One year later, in the persecution under the Emperor Decius, Cyprian went into hiding, but kept in touch with his Church by letter and directed it with wisdom and compassion.

In another persecution in 258, the Emperor Valerian ordered that all Christian clergy should be punished with death and Cyprian was one of the first to be arrested.

Although all in Carthage, pagans and Christians alike, poured into the streets crying for mercy for their beloved benefactor, Cyprian suffered under the sword on Holy Cross Day, September 13th in the year 258, only ten years after becoming Bishop.

**FIFTY OR MORE YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP
AT
SAINT CYPRIAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

Juanita Alexander
Ardelle Anderson
Jean W. Boyd
Audrey S. Cobb
Gary P. Cobb
Adrienne M. Combs
Patricia Prescott Dixon
Joyce T. Harden
Karen D. Holley
Stephanie H. Kendall
Jeannette M. Lovett
Wilbert L. Lovett, Sr.
Karen McMillan
Gwendolyn H. Newsome
Eleanor Pritchett
Rudolph Pritchett
Barbara T. Savage
Vernell W. Walden
Fannie J. Walls
William H. Walls, Sr.
Bernice W. Wilson
Doris M. Wyatt
Lucius C. Wyatt

*** None Eligible In 2020**

~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

A St. Cyprian's Invitation

Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome here at St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church.

If you are visiting with us today, we invite you to receive the blessings of new and unending life in Jesus Christ. To join us, simply contact the Rector about making St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church your parish. It would be our delight and pleasure to share with you our life of fellowship, worship and prayer.

IN OUR CYCLES OF PRAYER:

We Pray for Our Bishop: Susan B. Haynes

We Pray for Parishioners: Brenda Vinson, Wayne Walden, Shane Otey, Samuel E. Ewell, Jr., Jean Boyd, Gene Harden, Cornelius Taylor, Tinea Savage-Otey, Cynthia Sutherland, Minnie Stiff, Norma Pinkelton, Olive Ezell, Jeannette Lovett, Wilbert Lovett, Sylvester H. Newsome, Sr., Gwendolyn Newsome, Crystal Diggs, Ron Minor, Will Canty IV, Vernell Walden, Adrienne Combs, Deacon Earl Christian, Jodie Ansel James, Alex Strawn, Barbara Savage, Bernice Wilson and Jerome Sheppard

We Pray for Friends and Family: Derrick Edmonds, Lois Martin, Margaret Comegys, Bridget Canty, Clay Cane, Alexa Munoz, Leonard Alexander, Howard Durrah, Cheryl Maxson, 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, Edith & Sana Harris, Jasen Fykes (grandson of Rudolph and Eleanor Pritchett), Ron Durrah, Theodosia Peacock (sister of Connie Daniels), Sylester Babb (sister of Dr. Minnie Stiff), Sophia McCloud (sister of Lucretia Clayton), Shawna Harris Mathias (sister of Crystal Diggs), Joy Staton, Atlena West (sister of Dr. Minnie Stiff), Christine Calhoun, Joyce Steadman (resident,

Hampton Sentara Life Care) and family, Marc Miller (father of Tamika Miller Benson), Rev. Jerome R. Watson (brother of Laura L. Manigault), Jeffrey Peele, Oliver Christian (brother of The Rev. Earl R. Christian), Howard Moore (*brother of Lucretia Clayton*), Philip Whitaker (*brother of Crustal Diggs*), Tyrone Comegys, Russell Rhorer (*brother-in-law of Samuel Ewell, Jr.*), Evelyn Tricarico (*mother-in-law of Erica Robinson Tricarico*), Keaton Williams (*granddaughter of John and Renee Escoffery-Torres*); and Evita Ogden (*niece of Alberta Reid*)

We Pray for Those Serving in the Military: LaToya Artis (*niece of Dr. Minnie Stiff*); Capt. Luke Carpenter, III (*grandson of Bill and Fannie Walls*), U.S. Marine Corps; John “Holland” Watkins (*son of John & Maria Watkins*), U.S. Navy - on-board the USS James E. Williams; and LT. JG Joy Maria Watkins (*daughter of John & Maria Watkins*), U.S. Coast Guard – Stationed in Baltimore, MD

We Pray for The Departed:

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Mame Hamlet** of New York, *aunt of Mark Farquharson*, who transitioned on **Sunday, September 6, 2020** to eternal life at 101 years old. May God grant *Mame Hamlet* the blessings of eternal rest and may light perpetual shine upon her. Please pray for the family during this time of bereavement.

We welcome all who are visiting us today by YouTube. As we settle into a new pattern of worship, all are welcome to join us each Sunday for our online service on **YouTube** at **10 a.m.** We look forward to entering this period of prayer and virtual ministry with you. Please follow our homepage for the latest announcements and listing of resources. We will make every effort to keep you informed and connected during the coronavirus pandemic.

Altar Flowers were given today, to the glory of God, *in honor of our Patron Saint, Thascius Caecilius Cyprianus, Cyprian of Carthage.* ~ **Anonymous**

St. Cyprian's Day Celebration – Today is St. Cyprian's Day. During the 10 a.m. service, it is customary to recognize those persons who have been members of the parish for 50 or more years.

Grandparents Day is celebrated the first Sunday after Labor Day, which is today, **September 13, 2020**, this year. This observance can be a time to remember your grandparents and their contributions to your family.

Zoom Meeting access is now available for all parish organizations. The Parish Administrator will schedule a date and time to use the Zoom account with the President or Chairperson of your organization. You will need an email list for your organization, committee or group when scheduling the Zoom Meeting. Please call the Parish Office if you have any questions.

Bible Study – Join us for Bible Study on **Wednesdays at 11 a.m.** on **Facebook Live**. The study sessions with the rector will be a time of learning and growing in faith as we explore God's word. All are welcome. If you miss the service, you can watch the recorded service. While we are currently unable to gather in person, it is our hope that these sessions will bring you a sense of joy and community during these difficult times. Please share the time and link with your family and friends also.

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Cyprians-Episcopal-Church-Hampton-Va-307701055912100/>

Noonday Prayer Service – At 12 noon, watch our live Noonday Prayer Service on **Facebook**. We are excited to offer this ministry to our parishioners and community each **Thursday at 12 noon** on **Facebook Live**. We hope these opportunities to hear the spoken word will provide you with the spiritual resources you need to stay grounded in God's peace and strength during this pandemic. To learn more about St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church, visit our website.

Safe Church Training – Registration is now open for Safe Church Training by Zoom. Safe Church Specialized Training is required for clergy, church staff and vestry members. Universal Training is suitable for Sunday school teachers and VBS volunteers. Another

option is online training. For more information, visit the *Diocesan* website.

Universal Training via Zoom

- **Thursday, September 24, 2020** - 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- **Saturday, October 3, 2020** - 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Specialized Training via Zoom

- **Saturday, September 19, 2020** - 9 a.m. to 12 noon
- **Sunday, September 20, 2020** - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

October Newsletter – Please submit any announcements or information that you would like included in the newsletter by **Thursday, September 17, 2020**. We welcome early submissions.

St. Cyprian’s Birthday – We will celebrate **115 years** of service next month, **Sunday, October 11, 2020**. Save the date and plan to join us for this momentous occasion.

Repairers of the Breach Speaker Series: “*Unlawful for Any Christian*”? *Slave-owning Anglican and Episcopal Churches in Early Virginia* – Join participants via Zoom for this informative session on **Tuesday, September 29, 2020** from 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. Talks will explore how slavery was used and thought about in Anglican and Episcopal parishes. It will also examine the lives of individual African Americans who were enslaved to the churches. Registration is required. For more information, see the *Diocesan eNews*, September 1, 2020 issue.

Thank You for Your Support – We need and appreciate your generosity. Although the church building may not be open for in-gathering service, we encourage you to continue to make your pledge or gift by **mail** to:

St. Cyprian’s Episcopal Church
1242 West Queen Street
P. O. Box 65
Hampton, VA 23669

For **electronic giving**, please visit our website to make electronic contributions to St. Cyprian’s Episcopal Church.

Absentee and Early Voting Information – You can vote early at your local registrar’s office beginning 45 days before Election Day and ending the Saturday before Election Day. **In-person voting begins September 18, 2020.** Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, 2020. To request an absentee ballot, go online to the **Virginia Department of Elections website:**

<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>. In Virginia, the deadline to register online, by mail, and in person: **October 13, 2020.** The deadline to request a **vote-by-mail ballot: October 23, 2020.**

Additional Resources

- Whenweallvote.org seeks to increase participation in every election and close the race and age voting gap by changing the culture around voting, harnessing grassroots energy, and through strategic partnerships reach every American.
- Andstillivote.org is a national call to action for people to take back the power of the vote.
- iwillvote.com (or call 833-336-VOTE) confirms where you can vote, check voting hours, and find out if you need to bring anything with you to vote.
- [Rock the Vote](http://RocktheVote.org) has a comprehensive list of state requirements to register and to vote.
- [Rock the Vote FAQs about voter registration.](http://RocktheVote.org)
- [Fair Elections Center](http://FairElectionsCenter.org) has state-specific guides covering a variety of topics.
- [The National Voter Registration Day](http://TheNationalVoterRegistrationDay.org) website has a state-by-state guide on voter registration drive rules.
- [Nonprofit Vote](http://NonprofitVote.org) helps you find your state and local election clerk offices.
- [State-by-state Voter ID card information](http://State-by-stateVoterIDcardinformation.org)

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

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| Sun. Sept. 13th | 10 a.m. | Holy Eucharist, Rite II |
| Sun. Sept. 13th | | St. Cyprian's Day Celebration |
| Sun. Sept. 13 th | | National Grandparents Day |
| Sun. Sept. 13 th | 9 a.m. | Inspirational Choir Rehearsal – Cancelled |
| Sun. Sept. 13 th | 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | Sunday School – Cancelled |
| Sun. Sept. 13 th | 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | Free Coffee Ministry – Cancelled |
| Sun. Sept. 13 th | 10 a.m. | Celestial Choir Rehearsal – Cancelled |
| Sun. Sept. 13 th | 1 p.m. | ECW Meeting– Cancelled |
| Wed. Sept. 16th | 11 a.m. | Bible Study – Facebook Live |
| Wed. Sept. 16 th | 7 p.m. | Bible Study-Cancelled |
| Thur. Sept. 17th | 12 p.m. | Celestial Choir Rehearsal-Cancelled |
| Sat. Sept. 19 th | 7:30 p.m. | Diocesan ECW Executive Board Mtg |

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 ST. CYPRIAN'S DAY SUNDAY

EUCCHARISTIC SERVERS

Eucharistic Minister: – William H. Walls, Jr.

Acolyte: – Lucretia Clayton

Altar Guild: – Lucretia Clayton; Lora Ham; Eleanor Pritchett

Webmaster & Audio Visual Technician – Mark Farquharson

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.

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**St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church
Diocese of Southern Virginia**

*The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes, Diocesan Bishop
The Very Rev. Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey, Rector
The Rev. Earl R. Christian, Deacon-in-Residence*

Worship Services and Times

Sundays
10 a.m.
3rd Sundays
Sacrament of Healing

The Staff

*Phyllis Holland-James, Director of Music Ministries
Timothy Goddard, Sexton
Bettie J. Swain, Parish Administrator*

The Vestry

(Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 7:15 pm)

*Stephanie H. Kendall (2020), Senior Warden
Juanita Alexander (2022), Junior Warden
Ardelle Anderson (2022)
Lucretia Clayton (2020)
Mark Farquharson (2021)
Gail Boyd Jones (2020), Register
Connie McCullough (2020)
Norma H. Pinkelton (2021)
Leroy Stiff (2022)
Brenda K. Vinson (2021)
Fannie J. Walls (2022)
Maria Watkins (2021)*

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