

St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 28, 2024

10 a.m.

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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 Deacon-in-Charge, Senior Warden or any Vestry member 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.



OUR MISSION

To worship and serve the Lord and provide opportunities for spiritual growth through service, evangelism and Christian formation.

WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome to St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church. We are a part of the Diocese of Southern Virginia. For over 100 years, we have shown our commitment to God through worship and community involvement. We, with excitement, look forward to another 100 years of spirit filled ministry together. If you are new to St. Cyprian's or just visiting, thank you for coming today. We are glad to see you and pray that your experience here is a blessing. We welcome the opportunity to meet you and answer any questions you may have about our church and our work in the community! We encourage you to fellowship with our members after service.

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

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

10 a.m.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

PRULUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: (HYMNAL # 471)

~ “We Sing the Praise of him Who Died”

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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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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Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

THE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON: Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: “Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he

does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.” The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea. (NRSV)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22:24-30

Deus, Deus meus

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24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *

“May your heart live for ever!”

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD’s for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

THE EPISTLE: 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also. (NRSV)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL HYMN (HYMNAL # 184)

~ "Christ the Lord Is Risen Again"

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeller: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 15:1-8*

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

Jesus said to his disciples, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.” (NRSV)

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

JOSHUA PRINGLE

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; and Darlene, 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;

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

We ask prayers for the sick, especially *Ardelle Anderson, Daisy Bell, Jean Boyd, Adrienne Combs, Jeffery Corbin II, Keri Corbin, Sandra Corbin, Crystal Diggs, Regal DuBose, Samuel E. Ewell, Jr., Olive Ezell, Gene Harden, Jeannette Lovett, Marc Miller, Ron Minor, Dorian Moore, Gwendolyn Newsome, Shane Otey, Eleanor Pritchett, Angela J. Russell, Henry P. Russell, Jr., Barbara Savage, Jerome Sheppard, Minnie Stiff, Cornelia Taylor, Cornelius Taylor, Vernell Walden, Wayne Walden, Barbara Ward, John Watkins, Sr., and Bernice Wilson.*

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, especially ***Sylesta Babb***, sister of *Dr. Minnie Stiff* that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

We pray for the de-escalation of violence and evil in the world and peace for the people of the Middle East, Ukraine and Haiti.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

CONFESSION OF SIN

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**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.***

THE ABSOLUTION

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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.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ~ **Romans 12:1**

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM (LEVAS # 68)

~ “I’ve Decided to Make Jesus My Choice”

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND DOXOLOGY HYMN

(All Stand) ~ (HYMNAL # 380 v 3)

Representatives of the congregation bring the people’s offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Celebrant and People

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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,

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,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**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

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A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEMS

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

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Celebrant and People

All baptized Christians are invited to come to the altar rail for communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar. Communion will be offered in the form of bread and wine.

*To receive the **bread** only, open your hands, where the priest/deacon will place a wafer.*

Wine is offered by sipping from the cup or intinction. After receiving and consuming the bread at the altar rail from the priest/deacon, you may drink directly from the chalice held by the chalice bearer (Eucharistic Minister).

*If you would prefer to have your bread dipped (**Intinction**), simply cup your hand at the altar rail, and the priest/deacon will dip the bread for you. All servers, including the priest/deacon will be wearing gloves.*

COMMUNION HYMN (HYMNAL # 304)

~ “I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord”

PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A PRAYER FOR DISCERNMENT

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everlasting God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayer for this parish family. If it is your will, send us caring faithful pastors to serve as supply priests until the day you bless us with our very own rector. One who will be dedicated to serving and loving us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

~ Anonymous

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN (HYMNAL # 344)

~ "Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE

~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

IN OUR CYCLES OF PRAYER:

We Pray for Our Bishop:

The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes

We Pray for Our Ministry for Postulancy:

Cornelia Taylor

We Pray for Parishioners:

Ardelle Anderson, Daisy Bell, Jean Boyd, Adrienne Combs, Jeffery Corbin II, Keri Corbin, Sandra Corbin, Crystal Diggs, Regal DuBose, Samuel E. Ewell, Jr., Olive Ezell, Gene Harden, Jeannette Lovett, Marc Miller, Ron Minor, Dorian Moore, Gwendolyn Newsome, Shane Otey, Eleanor Pritchett, Angela J. Russell, Henry P. Russell, Jr., Barbara Savage, Jerome Sheppard, Minnie Stiff, Cornelia Taylor, Cornelius Taylor, Vernell Walden, Wayne Walden, Barbara Ward, John Watkins, Sr., and Bernice Wilson.

We Pray for Friends and Family:

Derrick Edmonds, Lois Martin, Margaret Comegys, Clay Cane, Alexa Munoz, Leonard Alexander, Cheryl Maxson, Doris Harris, Marcus Reid, Jeannie & Paul Saunders, Beverly Amaya, Lily Holloman, Allison Jordan, Greg & Patrina Newton, Kenneth Bullock, Peggy Winston, Dominique Jordan, Tony Leroy Duncan, Edith & Sana Harris, Jasen Fykes (*grandson of Eleanor Pritchett*), Sophia McCloud (*sister of Lucretia Clayton*), Shawna Mathias (*sister of Crystal Diggs*), Joy Staton, Christine Calhoun, Jeffrey Peele, Oliver Christian (*brother of The Rev. Earl R. Christian*), Howard Moore (*brother of Lucretia Clayton*), Philip Whitaker (*brother of Crystal Diggs*), Tyrone Comegys, Russell Rhorer (*brother-in-law of Samuel Ewell, Jr.*), Evita Ogden (*niece of Alberta Reid*), Phillip Wilson, Art Regotta (*friend of Newsome & Boyd Family*), Barry Lockett (*neighbor of Lora & Steve Ham*), Yvonne Hargrove (*sister of Stephen Ham {Lora}*), Jessie Dixon (*mother of Joy Strawn*), Betty Rivera (*neighbor of Lora & Stephen Ham*), and Nettie Smiley (*friend of Portia Goode-Herd*)

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; and LT. 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 **Sylesta Babb**, *sister of Dr. Minnie Stiff*, and for the comfort of her family. **Sylesta Babb**, departed this life this month (April 2024) in Richmond, Virginia. May God grant *Sylesta* the blessing of eternal rest and may light perpetual shine upon *her*. *Amen*.

Regathering for In-Person Worship Services

- Worshippers are encouraged to sign-in when entering the narthex. This allows us to notify individuals if someone reports active infection. *
- Masking is no longer mandatory, but is left to the discretion of each individual.
- Hand Sanitation Stations are located at the entrances to the nave and sanitizing wipes are available in the pews.

*If you test positive for Covid-19 within a week of attending our in-person worship service, please call the Parish Office (757-723-8253) as soon as possible.

Live-Streaming – We welcome all who are visiting us today online by *YouTube*. You are welcome to join us each Sunday at 10 a.m. If you missed a service or just want to hear it again, recordings of our worship services are on our *YouTube* channel. Visit <http://www.stcyprianshamptonva.org> to access the *YouTube* link.

Holy Communion – Parishioners are invited to pick-up communion packets from St. Cyprian’s each **Wednesday, Thursday, or Sunday between 11 a.m. and 12 noon**. Please call the Parish Office or the

Rev. Deacon Darlene A. Jackson if you would like communion brought to you.

Thank You for Your Support.

- **Giving By Mail** – You may mail your financial contribution to the church address-**1242 West Queen Street, Hampton, Virginia 23669** or **P. O. Box 65, Hampton, VA 23669**
- **Electronic Giving** – Please visit our website to make electronic contributions to St. Cyprian’s Episcopal Church.
- **Donations/Contributions** – If you are not a member of St. Cyprian’s but would like to contribute to the church, you may contribute online. Visit our home page and click on the green *GIVE* button. Create your account and log in to enter your information.

Altar Flowers – Altar Flowers are given today to the glory of God by **Ernest Carter and Family**, *in memory of their mother, Eloise Carter. ~ Ernest Carter*

Guest Preachers – We welcome the **Rev. C. Derek Pringle** back to our church today, April 28, 2024 as our celebrant. Our guest preacher is **Joshua Pringle**, a seminarian student from Dublin, Ireland. Joshua was commissioned to serve as a lay reader in churches in Ireland. In this capacity, he led the worship service in churches without a rector and preached. He has two more years to serve before ordination. This visit to Virginia is part of his training. We look forward to hearing his message this morning. The **Rev. Peggy B. Buelow** will join us on Sunday, May 5, 2024. The **Rev. Dr. C. Derek Pringle** returns to St. Cyprian’s on the fourth Sunday, May 26, 2024.

Church Painting – A special thank you is extended to the Vestry for continuing to address the maintenance of our church and its repairs. We are happy to report that St. Cyprian’s Church received a fresh coat of paint last week in the hallways, rector's bathroom, vestry room and outside/inside entrances. Additionally, a couple of window

panes were replaced along the front hallway. Lastly, we offer our gratitude and appreciation to Steve Ham for coordinating this project with the Vestry and paint crew. He, too, joined in the work of staining the woodwork in the windows. ~ *Mary T. Jackson, Senior Warden*

Birthdays and Anniversaries – Each Sunday we pause during our service to offer prayers of blessing for all those celebrating a birthday or a wedding anniversary during the month. If you are celebrating this month, please join us during our Sunday morning worship service at 10 a.m. so that we can add to your celebration by giving you a special blessing.

2023 Charitable Contribution Statements – If you still need your 2023 Contribution Statement, please contact a member of the Treasury Team. Thank you. ~ *The Treasury Team*

Lay Ministry Training – Diocesan staff continue to offer training for lay leaders. Attendance at one of the training days will meet the training requirement for licensing for Eucharistic Ministers and Worship Leaders. Registration is now open for these training sessions. A listing of upcoming training workshops is listed below.

- Saturday, May 4, 2024/St. David's, North Chesterfield
- Saturday, August 3, 2024/St. John's, Halifax

Safe Church Training Workshops are offered, both in-person and online. Registration for *Praesidium Academy* is available online. **Specialized Training** is offered for vestry members, clergy, and church staff. To register for any of the workshops, visit the Safe Church Training page of the Diocesan website.

- Saturday, May 18, 2024/Old Donation, Virginia Beach
- Saturday, June 1, 2024/ Emmanuel, Hampton
- Saturday, June 29, 2024/St. Paul's & St. Andrew's, Kenbridge

Prayer List – To be added to our Parish Prayer List, please contact Deacon Darlene, or email the parish administrator at Office@cyprianshamptonva.org.

Day by Day – Copies of the *Day by Day*, located on the front hallway table, for May-July 2024, are now available for pick-up. Please take one home or share with people in need of inspirational reading.

Calling All Graduates! – Let us know if you have a soon-to-be graduate in your family. Please submit the names of all graduates (high school, college, or post-graduate) and a brief biography to the Parish Administrator by **Tuesday, May 7, 2024**. ~ *Mary Tall Jackson, ECW President*

ECW – The Diocesan ECW Annual Spring Meeting will be held on **Saturday, May 18, 2024** at St. Paul’s-Norfolk. For additional information, contact the Diocesan ECW President Laura L. Manigault at akumlovj.bfrh87@gmail.com.

Certificate of Lay Delegates and Alternates – Churches must submit a Certificate of Lay Delegates and Alternates in order to register for Council. Certificates are due by **July 1, 2024**. Two delegates and one alternate will be nominated by the Vestry to serve for a period of one year, beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025. This term includes eligibility to vote at Pre-Council Convocation meetings, Annual Council, and any other Special Council or other called meetings that may occur during this period. If you are interested in serving as a delegate, please submit your name for Vestry nomination by **Sunday, May 12, 2024** to the Senior Warden, Mary T. Jackson.

Special Donation – The Vestry, at its last meeting, voted to participate in the fund-raising efforts of the **Peake Childhood Center**, formerly known as the Downtown Hampton Child Development Center. Saint Cyprian’s is a “founding church” for this Center because we provided space for the organization when it was first founded. In its present location at 1306 Thomas Street (www.peakecc.org), they provide early childhood care and education for children from six weeks old to age five. On **Sunday, May 12th**, a small envelope will be found inside of your bulletin for your gift. **You may donate with cash or check (made payable to St. Cyprian’s)**, as we will send in one check. **On the memo line:**

please write **Peake Center**. Thank you in advance for your generous gift toward the fund-raising efforts of this important facility in our community. ~ *The Vestry*

Leroy Watson Scholarship – St. George’s Episcopal Church of Newport News is pleased to announce the availability of a \$2,000.00 college scholarship for a qualified graduating senior who is interested in pursuing a career in the fields of ministry, social work, teaching, nursing, and /or technical medical fields, civil government, or any other worthy occupation. The applicant needs to be an active member of an Episcopal Church in the Jamestown Convocation. The deadline to apply is **Saturday, June 1, 2024** for the fall semester. For additional information email stgeorges.nn@gmail.com (Attn: Gerry or Joan)

United Thank Offering – Thank you for contributing to the UTO Spring Ingathering. The total collected in April 2024 was \$145.10.
~ *The ECW*

CHURCH ATTENDANCE
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 21, 2024
10 a.m.

Present – 29
Communion – 29

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 28, 2024
10 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister – William H. Walls, Jr.
Acolyte – William H. Walls, Jr.
Altar Guild – Jean Carnegie; Barbara Ward
Ushers – Earl Hester; Stacey Hester; Mark Farquharson
Webmaster & Audio Visual Technician – Mark Farquharson
Trustees – Stanley Carnegie; Gail B. Jones; Lucius Wyatt

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sun. Apr 28th	10 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II – <i>YouTube Live</i>
Sun. Apr 28th	10 a.m.	Preacher – Rev. C. Derek Pringle
Tue. Apr 30 th		Spring Clergy Day
Wed. May 1 st	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Communion Packet Pick-Up
Thur. May 2 nd	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Communion Packet Pick-Up
Thur. May 2 nd	12 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sun. May 5 th	10 a.m.	Five Dollar Sunday
Sun. May 5th	10 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II – <i>YouTube Live</i>
Sun. May 5th	10 a.m.	Preacher – Rev. Peggy B. Buelow

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 5/4 Charles Wynder, Sr.
- 5/4 Chloe Elizabeth Barnes
- 5/5 Janae Hester
- 5/12 Lora Ham
- 5/17 Emma Christine Angus
- 5/17 Clayton Winston
- 5/24 Stacey Hester
- 5/24 Artreece Tall Gayle
- 5/29 Steve Ham

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 5/18 Sherwin & Yolanda Angus
- 5/23 Henry & Angela Russell
- 5/25 Earl & Stacey Hester

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know by calling the Church Office, (757)723-8253.

NOTES

Diocese of Southern Virginia

The Rt. Rev. Susan B. Haynes, Diocesan Bishop

St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

The Rev. Darlene A. Jackson, Deacon –in-Charge

Worship Services and Times

Sundays

10 a.m.

The Staff

Phyllis Holland-James, Director of Music Ministries

Gary Kelly, Sexton

Bettie J. Swain, Parish Administrator

The Vestry

(Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month - 7 p.m.)

Mary T. Jackson (2025,) Senior Warden

Dorian Moore (2024), Junior Warden

Renee T. Barnes (2024)

Samantha B. Burney (2024), Register

Jean H. Carnegie (2025)

Lora P. Ham (2024), Treasurer

Connie McCullough (2025)

Alberta W. Reid (2026)

Joy D. Strawn (2026)

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