



Easter Prayer

Lord, how can we ever thank You enough? You endured more pain, more shame, more sorrow, more grief than we can possibly fathom. Help us remember why You gave Your life. Because of love. Because of mercy. Because we desperately need them both and do not deserve it. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Thank You for Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus to save me from my sins. Thank you that you loved me enough to send a perfect sacrifice, so that we could live together eternally. I confess that I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I ask you to come into my heart, and I commit to following Jesus as my personal Lord and Savior. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Lord God, You loved this world, you loved us all, so much that you gave your one and only Son, that we might be called your children too. Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, everyday. Let us have hearts and souls that are forever grateful for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look upon your grace and rejoice deeply in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell your good news to the world. All for your glory do we pray, Lord, Amen.

Pastoral Care Emergency:

If you have a pastoral emergency, please call the Rev. Dr. Hector Sintim, (757-690-6739), Priest -in-Charge, or the Parish Office at (757) 723-8253.

Pictures ~ Courtesy of Lora Ham, Delores Minor, Fiona Robinson-Powell, and Henry Russell

COME & WORSHIP

Easter at St. Cyprian's





Live-Streaming

We welcome all who visit us online by *YouTube*. Our service is live streamed 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. To access the *YouTube* link, visit

<http://www.stcyprianshamptonva.org>.

For Our Homebound

If you are not able to worship in person for any reason and would like to receive communion and healing prayer, please contact Rev. Dr. Hector Sintim by cell at 757-690-6739 or email him directly at revsintim@hotmail.com. You may call the church office at (757) 723-8253 to schedule a visit.

Ministry Opportunities

Volunteers of all ages are welcome to participate in the Sunday morning worship service. Opportunities include serving as Eucharistic Minister, Lay Reader, Greeter/Usher, or Acolyte. Reach out to Lucretia Clayton or Olive Ezell for more information.



St. Cyprian's Book Nook

Do you enjoy reading? Are you looking for a new book to read or wanting to share one you have already read with others? We invite you to visit St. Cyprian's Book Nook, located in Randall Hall. We encourage all readers to donate one of your favorite books to share and exchange. The book exchange sign-up sheet is in the parish hall. Feel free to take a book home to read as you browse the selections. For more information, please contact Phyllis Holland-James.



Altar Flowers

Donations for Altar Flowers are often given in memory of a loved one who has passed, or in thanksgiving for someone special in your life. The cost of altar flowers increased this year from \$30 to \$35 for each side of the altar due to delivery charges. If you would like to donate to this fund for the 2025 year, as an expression of love or remembrance, please sign the Altar Flower Sign-up Sheet or email the Parish Office at Office@stcyprianshamptonva.org.
~ *Altar Guild*



St. Cyprian's Choir and Priest on Easter Sunday



THANK YOU FOR FAITHFULLY
SERVING OUR CHURCH.

A special thank you is extended to all for your participation and support during the readings for the Liturgy of the Palms, Good Friday- Stations of Cross, and the celebration of Easter and Christ's resurrection.

We offer heartfelt thanks to the Altar Guild and Men's Club for your dedicated service to our church and parish family. The Altar Guild worked tirelessly to prepare for our Holy Week and Easter services. We are so grateful! Thank you!

Thanks to ALL for your donations in support of our annual Easter Egg Hunt. The beautiful warm weather was an added bonus towards making our little "Hunters" happy. A special thanks to our "Egg Stuffing Team," for helping to stuff eggs.



The next Vestry Meeting will be held at 12 noon in the Vestry Room on Tuesday, May 13, 2025.

Please plan to be in attendance and have reports ready for discussion. Thank you.



H.E.L.P. Sunday

Remember the less fortunate in the community by giving monetary donations each fourth Sunday to support the *H.E.L.P.* Pantry. ~ ***Alberta Reid, H.E.L.P. Coordinator***

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

The schedule for donating to St. Cyprian's Outreach Programs is as follows:

- 1st Sunday Virginia Peninsula Food Bank
- 2nd Sunday Peake Childhood Center
- 4th Sunday *H.E.L.P.* (Hampton Ecumenical Lodgings and Provisions) Food Pantry

Thank you for your donations of \$75 to the Virginia Peninsula Food Bank on April 6, 2025 and \$45 to the Peake Childhood Center on April 13, 2025. ~ ***The Finance Team***

Where does each Sunday's loose plate offering go?

- 1st, 2nd, & 5th Sundays: to the budget line item "**Plate**"
- 3rd & 4th Sundays: to **Alms**- the Rector's Discretionary Fund (emergency assistance to parishioners and community individuals)

~***The Vestry***



STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

St. Cyprian's Church Family will get to hear the "good news" and experience the joy and excitement around service and stewardship. We will observe Stewardship Sunday monthly, on the third Sunday, as a Vestry member shares his or her personal stories with us. Each Vestry person will offer reflections on their service to God, while focuses on the importance of pledging and giving of time and talents to our church and community. Monthly presentations will be given by the following:

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| • April 27, 2025 | Fannie J. Walls |
| • May 18, 2025 | Charles Wynder Sr. |
| • June 15, 2025 | Marshal Jackson |
| • July 20, 2025 | Lisa Barnes |
| • August 17, 2025 | Lisa Barnes |
| • September 21, 2025 | Mary T. Jackson |
| • October 19, 2025 | Alberta Reid |
| • November 16, 2025 | Joy Strawn |
| • December 21, 2025 | Rev. Dr. Hector Sintim |



Coffee Hour Needs Helpers!

Hosting Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings is a wonderful way for our parish to welcome those who are new and visiting and stay connected with those who are already part our community. Opportunities to host the Coffee Hour are available for those who would like to do so. We welcome families, teams, Church Committees and Guilds, Birthday and Anniversary Groups or friends who wish to join this Ministry of Hospitality.

We are looking for a few hosts to serve on a Sunday for the remainder of this year. To sign up, please see the schedule on the front hallway table. Birthday and Anniversary Teams are asked to select a contact person to coordinate your Coffee Hour Date and refreshments options. For more information, call the parish office or the 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.

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers for **Sunday, April 27, 2025**, will be given to the glory of God from **Ernest Carter**, in memory of his mother, *Eloise Carter*. ~ *Ernest Carter*



Pilgrimage Trip to the Motherland-Ghana

Experience the fall season in Ghana and enjoy the unique beauty and cultural richness of this country. We are excited to announce that the Rev. Dr. Hector Sintim is coordinating a church trip abroad to Ghana in **October 2025**. Please encourage your family and friends to consider joining us on this trip. This will be a remarkable journey for the entire family. See the payment options listed below with the final installment due on or before **August 15, 2025**. For further information, please email Fr. Sintim at revsintim@hotmail.com.

*June 10, 2025	\$1,000
*August 15, 2025	\$1,000



Easter Sunday at St. Cyprian's





















Coffee Hour Fellowship

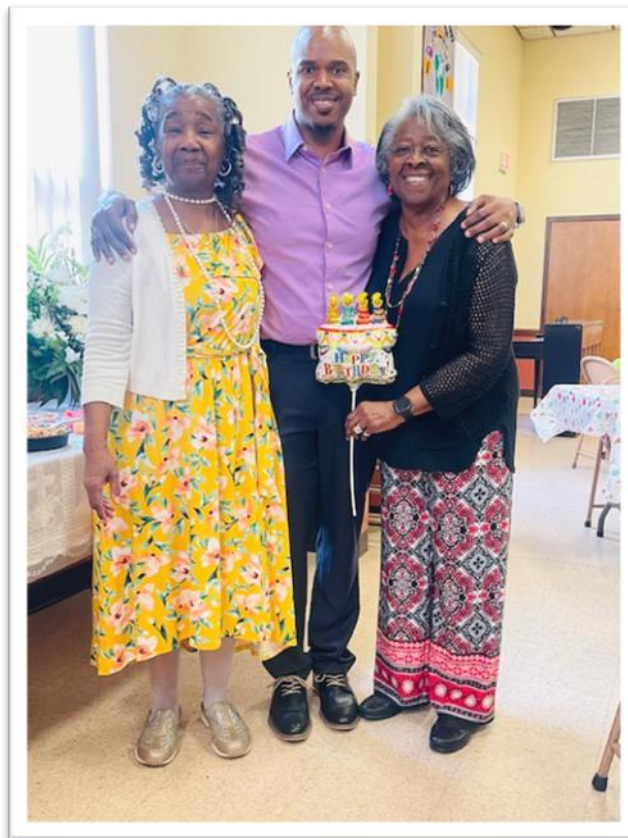




Jackson Youngblood helps Mary Jackson. Maria Watkins, Lisa Youngblood and Lora Ham (not pictured) clean up the kitchen after the Lenten Supper.



April's Birthdays Coffee Hour





Easter Lilies

Thanks so much for your support. Easter lilies were purchased from your donations to beautify the altar once again this year. ~ *Altar Guild*

Day by Day Devotionals

The *Day-by-Day* devotional booklets are available for pick-up from St. Cyprian's Church during the regular office hours.



Thank You for Your Support

Thanks to all who contributed or submitted their pledge. If you have not done so, we will still accept your pledge or gift by **mail** or **electronic giving**.

- **Giving By Mail** – You may mail your financial contribution to the church address-**1242 West Queen Street, Hampton, VA 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, please know how grateful we are. You can also contribute online. Visit our home page and click on the green *GIVE* button. Create your account and log in to enter your information. Whether you choose to make a recurring contribution or a one-time gift, we thank you for your generosity and faithful support of this parish.



Rev. Sintim uses a hammer as a tool to symbolize the choice or path in our life. We can either be participants (take the nails out to bring love, peace and joy to others) or observers (always hammering negativity, pain and suffering) in our walk with Jesus.



The “Passion of Christ” Narrative



St. Cyprian's parishioners were asked to re-enact The “Passion” Narrative.





Crosses for Palm Sunday



The twins, Ele Pritchett and Audrey Cobb, make crosses for Palm Sunday Service. Lora Ham and Mary Jackson (not pictured) also participated.



LOOKING AHEAD

Worship Service at 8 a.m. Coming Soon

Just when you thought St. Cyprian's worship service couldn't get any better—we're adding something extra special! We are excited to announce that St. Cyprian's will offer two worship services on Sundays after Easter. The Rev. Dr. Hector Sintim will be the Celebrant and offer communion at both the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services, beginning **May 4, 2025**. The worship service at 8 a.m. will not be streamed.



Confirmation Classes

St. Cyprian's will be hosting confirmation classes after Easter. Those who wish to be **baptized** are requested to submit their names to the priest this week. For more information, please contact Fr. Sintim by email or phone.



Led by the priest, Sunday Bible Study will be offered to parishioners on Sunday mornings, beginning **May 4, 2025** at 9:15 a.m. Study passages will be given to attending members in advance of the Sunday morning Bible Study session.

Bible study will continue to be offered weekly (in-person) on **Thursdays at 12 noon**. We invite you to join us on Thursdays as we explore the written word. For questions or additional information, please call the Parish Office or email Fr. Sintim at revsintim@hotmail.com. Looking forward to seeing you at one of these study sessions. All are welcome.



Recognition Sunday - Save the Date

On Sunday, June 22, 2025, one part of the worship service will include appreciation and recognition of our members. This service will highlight our 2025 graduating high school and college seniors, and those who may be receiving advanced degrees. Please submit the names of our 2025 graduates from high school and beyond along with a brief biography and photo to the Parish Administrator by **Thursday, May 15, 2025**. For more information, contact Mary T. Jackson. ~ *Mary T. Jackson*



Safe Church Training Opportunities

The Diocesan Office continues to offer Safe Church Training Workshops in three formats: In-person, zoom-based, and online via *Praesidium Academy*. To register for any of the workshops, visit the diocesan website. The schedule for **Specialized Training** is listed below.

*****Saturday, May 17, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. / Redeemer, Midlothian

*****Saturday, June 7, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. / Christ & Grace, Petersburg

Universal Training Workshops are suitable for Sunday school teachers and Vacation Bible School (VBS) volunteers. It does **NOT** meet requirements for vestry members, clergy, or church staff. The upcoming workshops are listed below.

***Sunday, May 18, 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. / Redeemer, Midlothian

***Sunday, May 20, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. / St. Thomas, Chesapeake

***Tuesday, June 3, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. / All Saint's, Virginia Beach -VBS

***Wednesday, June 4, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. / Christ & Grace, Petersburg

***Monday, June 16, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. / Zoom-VBS

***Thursday, July 17, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. / St. Andrews, Newport News-VBS

Lay Ministry Training

The diocesan staff leads a training day for lay leaders serving in the areas listed below. Attendance at the training will meet the requirement for licensing for Eucharistic Ministers and Worship Leaders. Eucharistic Visitors must also have a current certificate of completion of Specialized Safe Church Training prior to being licensed. To register, visit the Diocesan website.

Eucharistic Minister

Eucharistic Visitor

Worship Leader

Lay Reader/Lector

Saturday, /May 17, 2025/9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Trinity-South Boston

Racial Healing

The diocesan office continues to provide Racial Healing Workshops to help address racism in our church and the larger society for Vestry and clergy. For more information, visit the Diocesan website.

Saturday, /May 10, 2025/9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

St. John's, Hopewell



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/6	Lucretia Clayton
4/8	Shane Otey
4/12	Maria Skepple
4/19	Deeno Powell
4/20	Fannie J. Walls
4/21	Julia Ames



ANNIVERSARIES

4/1	Carlton & Tamika Benson
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If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know by calling the Church Office, (757)723-8253.



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:

Juanita Alexander, Ardelle Anderson, Daisy Bell, Jeffery Corbin II, Keri Corbin, Sandra Corbin, Crystal Diggs Gray, Patricia Dixon, Regal DuBose, Lorraine Edwards (*aunt of Crystal Diggs Gray*), Samuel E. Ewell, Jr., Olive Ezell, Olivia Ghanem (*mother of Fr. Sintim*), Gene Harden, Betty Lewis, Marc Miller, Delores Minor, Ron Minor, Gwendolyn Newsome, Shane Otey, Eleanor Pritchett, Alberta Reid, Angela J. Russell, Henry P. Russell, Jr., Barbara Savage, Minnie Stiff, Vernell Walden, Wayne Walden, John Watkins, Sr., Bernice Wilson, and Lucius Wyatt.

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, William & Margaret Boyd (*nephew of Gwendolyn Newsome*), 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*), Nettie Smiley (*friend of Portia Goode-Herd*), Lorean Hester (*Stacey Hester's Mother-in-law*), Julyn Sheppard (*wife of the late Jerome Sheppard*), Doris Powell, Jaden Cooper (*nephew of Crystal Diggs Gray*), Jill & Mike Wojcik (*neighbor of Gwendolyn Newsome*)

We Pray for Those Serving in the Military:

LaToya Artis (*niece of Dr. Minnie Stiff*); Major 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

We Pray for The Departed:

Our love and sympathy are extended to the family and friends of **Adrienne M. Combs** who died on Monday, March 24, 2025. Her funeral was held on Saturday, April 5, 2025 at 11 a.m. "*Let light perpetual shine upon her, O Lord.*"



CALENDAR FOR APRIL 2025

APRIL 6, 2025

Sun.	April 6 th	
Sun.	April 6th	10 a.m.
Sun.	April 6th	10 a.m.
Sun.	April 6 th	11:30 a.m.
Sun.	April 6 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Tue.	April 8th	12 p.m.
Wed.	April 9 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Wed.	April 9th	5 p.m.
Thur.	April 10 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Thur.	April 10 th	12 p.m.
Thur.	April 10 th	1 p.m.

Virginia Peninsula Food Bank Donations
Preacher – Rev. Dr. Hector E. K. Sintim
Holy Eucharist, Rite II – *YouTube Live*
 Vestry Photo Session
 Communion Packet Pick-up
Vestry Meeting- Conference Room
 Consecrated Communion Packet Pick-up
Lenten Study at St. John's -Hampton
 Consecrated Communion Packet Pick-up
 Choir Rehearsal
 Bible Study

APRIL 13, 2025 - PALM SUNDAY

Sun.	April 13th	10 a.m.
Sun.	April 13 th	
Sun.	April 13th	10 a.m.
Sun.	April 13th	10 a.m.
Sun.	April 13 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Tue.	April 15 th	
Wed.	April 16th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Wed.	April 16 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Thur.	April 17 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Thur.	April 17 th	12 p.m.
Thur.	April 17th	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	April 18th	4 p.m.
Thur.	April 19th	6 p.m.

The Passion of Jesus Christ -St. Luke
 Peake Childhood Center Donations
Preacher – Rev. Dr. Hector E. K. Sintim
Holy Eucharist, Rite II – *YouTube Live*
 Communion Packet Pick-up
 Deadline to Purchase Easter Lilies
Wednesday Noonday Lenten Prayer
 Communion Packet Pick-up
 Communion Packet Pick-up
 Choir Rehearsal
Maundy Thursday Service
Good Friday- Stations of the Cross
Holy Saturday-Lighting of the New Candle

APRIL 20, 2025 – EASTER SUNDAY

Sun.	April 20th	9 a.m.
Sun.	April 20 th	11 a.m.
Sun.	April 20th	11 a.m.
Sun.	April 20th	11 a.m.
Sun.	April 20 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Wed.	April 23 rd	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Wed.	April 23 rd	12 p.m.
Thur.	April 24 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Thur.	April 24 th	12 p.m.
Thur.	April 24 th	1 p.m.
Sat.	April 26 th	10 a.m.

Easter Breakfast-Hosted by Men's Club
 Stewardship Sunday
Preacher – Rev. Dr. Hector E. K. Sintim
Holy Eucharist, Rite II – *YouTube Live*
 Communion Packet Pick-up
 Communion Packet Pick-up
 Noon Day Prayer
 Communion Packet Pick-up
 Choir Rehearsal
 Bible Study
 DOK Meeting –In-Person Meeting

APRIL 27, 2025

Sun.	April 27 th		<i>H.E.L.P.</i> Sunday/ Stewardship Presentation
Sun.	April 27th	10 a.m.	Preacher – Rev. Dr. Hector E. K. Sintim
Sun.	April 27th	10 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II – <i>YouTube Live</i>
Sun.	April 27 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Communion Packet Pick-up
Wed.	April 30 th	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Communion Packet Pick-up
Wed.	April 30 th	12 p.m.	Noon Day Prayer
Thur.	May 1 st	11 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Communion Packet Pick-up
Thur.	May 1 st	12 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thur.	May 1 st	1 p.m.	Bible Study

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 27, 2025

10 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister – Dorian Wilkerson

Acolyte – Chloe Barnes

Altar Guild – Jean Carnegie; Fannie Walls

Ushers – Earl Hester; Stacey Hester; Mark Farquharson

Webmaster & Audio Visual Technician – Mark Farquharson

Trustees – Stanley Carnegie; Gail B. Jones; Lucius Wyatt

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

EASTER SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025

11 a.m.

Present – 96

Communion – 80

YouTube – 11

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025

6 p.m.

Present – 12

Communion – 7

YouTube – 0

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

GOOD FRIDAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2025

4 p.m.

Present – 22

Communion – 0

YouTube – 0

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Diocese of Southern Virginia

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

St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

The Rev. Dr. Hector K. E. Sintim, Priest –in-Charge

Worship Services and Times

Sundays

10 a.m.

The Staff

Phyllis Holland-James, Director of Music Ministries

TBA, Sexton

Bettie J. Swain, Parish Administrator

The Vestry

(Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month – 12 p.m.)

Mary T. Jackson (2025,) Senior Warden

Charles Wynder Sr., (2027), Junior Warden

Lisa Barnes (2027), Register

Jean H. Carnegie (2025)

Marshall Jackson (2027)

Connie McCullough (2025)

Alberta W. Reid (2026)

Joy D. Strawn (2026)

Fannie J. Walls (2027)

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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.