Consecration and Ordination of The Reverend Phoebe A. Roaf Fourth Bishop of West Tennessee

Saturday, May 4, 2019 11:00 AM on the Commemoration of Monnica Hope Church Memphis, Tennessee
A Note from the Artist

‘Lift up your hearts.’

We lift them to the Lord.

The *sursum corda*, which I’ve heard all my life, never fails to capture my attention and imagination. No matter how scattered or distracted I am during our worship service I am brought into focus with the priest’s exhortation. I think about all the people all over the world lifting up their hearts in gratitude, love, desperation, sadness. . . there are as many ways to pray as there are hearts to offer prayers.

These paintings will be the seminal pieces in a new body of work for me centered around the idea of lifting up our hearts. I have tried to depict the two people in these panels in joyful postures of thanksgiving and praise appropriate to this joyous occasion. The young girl stands in the water of baptism, the man caught up in a dance of praise and yearning.

I am so honored to have been invited to express, in some small way, the beauty of this concept on the momentous occasion of Bishop-elect Phoebe Roaf’s consecration.

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Liturgy for the Ordination and Consecration of a Bishop as Prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer

PRELUDE

Great Day
I’ll never turn back no mo’
Steal Away
Witness

arr. Walter Martin
arr. Hall Johnson
Traditional Spiritual
arr. Stacy V. Gibbs

Lemoyne-Owen College Concert Choir

AT THE PROCESSION

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

Sigfrid Karg-Elert, arr. Sondra K. Tucker

Processional Hymn  The Church’s one foundation

Aurelia
arr. Dan Forrest

1 The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
2 Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth,
3 Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed,
4 Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war
5 Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new creation by water and the word;
2 her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
3 by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed;
4 she waits the consummation of peace for evermore;
5 and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
The people remain standing, the Presiding Bishop says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People        The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Presiding Bishop then says

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 PRESENTATION

The bishops and people sit. Representatives of the diocese, both Priests and Lay Persons, standing before the Presiding Bishop, present the bishop-elect, saying
Michael, Bishop in the Church of God, the clergy and people of the Diocese of West Tennessee, trusting in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, have chosen Phoebe Alison Roaf to be a bishop and chief pastor. We therefore ask you to lay your hands upon her and in the power of the Holy Spirit to consecrate her a bishop in the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

The Presiding Bishop then directs that the following testimonials be read.

- The Certification of Election
- The Canonical Testimony
- The Evidence of Ordination
- The Consents of the Standing Committees
- The Consents of the Bishops

When the reading of the testimonials is ended, the Presiding Bishop requires the following promise from the Bishop-elect

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, I, Phoebe Alison Roaf, chosen Bishop of the Church in West Tennessee, solemnly declare that I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of The Episcopal Church.

The Bishop-elect then signs the above Declaration in the sight of all present. The witnesses add their signatures.

All stand.

The Presiding Bishop then says

Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, you have heard testimony given that Phoebe Alison Roaf has been duly and lawfully elected to be a bishop of the Church of God to serve in the Diocese of West Tennessee. You have been assured of her suitability and that the Church has approved her for this sacred responsibility. Nevertheless, if any of you know any reason why we should not proceed, let it now be made known.

If no objection is made, the Presiding Bishop continues

Is it your will that we ordain Phoebe a bishop?

The People respond in these or other words

That is our will.
Presiding Bishop
Will you uphold Phoebe as bishop?

The People respond in these or other words
We will.

The Presiding Bishop then says

The Scriptures tell us that our Savior Christ spent the whole night in prayer before he chose and sent forth his twelve apostles. Likewise, the apostles prayed before they appointed Matthias to be one of their number. Let us, therefore, follow their examples, and offer our prayers to Almighty God before we ordain Phoebe for the work to which we trust the Holy Spirit has called her.

The Person appointed leads the Litany for Ordinations.

LITANY FOR ORDINATIONS

Cantor       People

God the Fa-ther, Have mer-cy on us.

Cantor       People

God the Son, Have mer-cy on us.

Cantor       People

God the Holy Spi-rit, Have mer-cy on us.

Cantor       People

Holy Trin-i-ty, one God, Have mer-cy on us.

Cantor       People

We pray to you, Lord Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.
For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Phoebe, chosen bishop in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That she may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit she may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For her family, that they may be adorned with all Christian virtues, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.
For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal,
we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.
Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Monnica, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, ...

The Presiding Bishop stands and says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presiding Bishop Let us pray.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O Lord, who through spiritual discipline strengthened your servant Monnica to persevere in offering her love and prayers and tears for the conversion of her husband and of Augustine their son: Deepen our devotion, we pray, and use us in accordance with your will to bring others, even our own kindred, to acknowledge Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 100 Jubilate Deo St. Martin’s Psalter, Thomas Pavlechko
The choir sings the Antiphon; the congregation repeats it, and sings where indicated.

1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; * serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; * he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Antiphon
3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; *  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

4 For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; *  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.  

Antiphon

Second Reading  Romans 8:31-39

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?  
He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he  
not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God’s  
elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes,  
who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who  
will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or  
famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,  
“For your sake we are being killed all day long;  
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I  
am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present,  
nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all cre-

The Word of the Lord  

People   Thanks be to God

All stand
Gospel Hymn  In Afric's northern coastline  Lancashire
Hymn for Blessed Monnica
Arr. James Biery

1. In Afric’s northern coastline When Mother Church was young,
   Was born the holy woman Of whom this hymn is sung.

2. Exemplar for all mothers, And patron saint of wives,
   She led her spouse and children In holy Christian lives.

3. Saint Monica entertained The throne of heav’nly grace,
   That her dear son, Augustine The Gospel might embrace.

4. In Ostia’s port, Augustine Heard her last dying word;
   He wished his mother’s body In Afric’s soil interred.

5. O Monica, beloved before God thee we own,
   Our constant intercessor Before his heav’nly throne.

   Affection, patience, wisdom, True zeal and constancy:
   With these gifts God endowed her And holy Charity.

   Her tearful prayers were answered, Her heart no longer riven;
   Confessor, bishop, doctor She to the Church has giv’n.

   “No place is far from God,” Was her most urgent plea;
   “When at God’s holy altar Do there remember me.”

   Our Saint of perseverance To whom we raise our praises
   Be with us as we pray; As will be ever meet,
   That we with zeal and ardor To Father, Son Eternal
   Might serve our God alway; And Holy Paraclete.
Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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

The Sermon The Reverend Judy Fentress-Williams, Ph.D.

At the conclusion of the sermon, the people stand to sing.

Hymn Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Truro arr. Richard Webster

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THE EXAMINATION

All now sit, except the bishop-elect, who stands facing the bishops. The Presiding Bishop addresses the bishop-elect

My sister, the people have chosen you and have affirmed their trust in you by acclaiming your election. A bishop in God’s holy Church is called to be one with the apostles in proclaiming Christ’s resurrection and interpreting the Gospel, and to testify to Christ’s sovereignty as Lord of lords and King of kings.

You are called to guard the faith, unity, and discipline of the Church; to celebrate and to provide for the administration of the sacraments of the New Covenant; to ordain priests and deacons and to join in ordaining bishops; and to be in all things a faithful pastor and wholesome example for the entire flock of Christ.

With your fellow bishops you will share in the leadership of the Church throughout the world. Your heritage is the faith of patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and those of every generation who have looked to God in hope. Your joy will be to follow him who came, not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Are you persuaded that God has called you to the office of bishop?

Answer
I am so persuaded.
The following questions are then addressed to the bishop-elect by one or more of the other bishops.

**Bishop** Will you accept this call and fulfill this trust in obedience to Christ?

**Answer** I will obey Christ, and will serve in his name.

**Bishop** Will you be faithful in prayer, and in the study of Holy Scripture, that you may have the mind of Christ?

**Answer** I will, for he is my help.

**Bishop** Will you boldly proclaim and interpret the Gospel of Christ, enlightening the minds and stirring up the conscience of your people?

**Answer** I will, in the power of the Spirit.

**Bishop** As a chief priest and pastor, will you encourage and support all baptized people in their gifts and ministries, nourish them from the riches of God’s grace, pray for them without ceasing, and celebrate with them the sacraments of our redemption?

**Answer** I will, in the name of Christ, the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls.

**Bishop** Will you guard the faith, unity, and discipline of the Church?

**Answer** I will, for the love of God.

**Bishop** Will you share with your fellow bishops in the government of the whole Church; will you sustain your fellow presbyters and take counsel with them; will you guide and strengthen the deacons and all others who minister in the Church?

**Answer** I will, by the grace given me.

**Bishop** Will you be merciful to all, show compassion to the poor and strangers, and defend those who have no helper?

**Answer** I will, for the sake of Christ Jesus.

All stand. The Presiding Bishop then says

Phoebe, through these promises you have committed yourself to God, to serve his Church in the office of bishop. We therefore call upon you, chosen to be a guardian of the Church’s faith, to lead us in confessing that faith.
The Bishop-elect says
We believe in one God.

Then all say together

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 worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.
THE CONSECRATION OF THE BISHOP

All continue to stand, except the bishop-elect, who kneels before the Presiding Bishop. The other bishops stand to the right and left of the Presiding Bishop.

Invocation Hymn  Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire  Veni Creator Spiritus

1. Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten
2. With celestial fire.
3. Thy blessed unction from above is comfort,
4. Thou the anointing life, and fire of love.
5. Anoint and cheer our soiled face with the abundant grace of thy grace.
6. Enable with promised peace at home; where thou art guide, no ill can come.
7. Teach us to know the Father, Son, and thee, of both, to be but One.
8. That through the ages all along, this may be our endless song:
9. Praise to thy eternal merit,

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.
A period of silent prayer follows, the people still standing.

The Presiding Bishop then begins this Prayer of Consecration

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Father of mercies and God of all comfort, dwelling on high but having regard for the lowly, knowing all things before they come to pass: We give you thanks that from the beginning you have gathered and prepared a people to be heirs of the covenant of Abraham, and have raised up prophets, kings, and priests, never leaving your temple untended. We praise you also that from the creation you have graciously accepted the ministry of those whom you have chosen.

The Presiding Bishop and other Bishops now lay their hands upon the head of the bishop-elect, and say together

Therefore, Father, make Phoebe a bishop in your Church. Pour out upon her the power of your princely Spirit, whom you bestowed upon your beloved Son Jesus Christ, with whom he endowed the apostles, and by whom your Church is built up in every place, to the glory and unceasing praise of your Name.

The Presiding Bishop continues

To you, O Father, all hearts are open; fill, we pray, the heart of this your servant whom you have chosen to be a bishop in your Church, with such love of you and of all the people, that she may feed and tend the flock of Christ, and exercise without reproach the high priesthood to which you have called her, serving before you day and night in the ministry of reconciliation, declaring pardon in your Name, offering the holy gifts, and wisely overseeing the life and work of the Church. In all things may she present before you the acceptable offering of a pure, and gentle, and holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and power and glory in the Church, now and for ever.

The People in a loud voice respond  

Amen.

The new bishop is now vested according to the order of bishops.

Symbols of office, as listed on page 36, are presented to the new bishop.

A Bible is presented with these words

Receive the Holy Scriptures. Feed the flock of Christ committed to your charge, guard and defend them in his truth, and be a faithful steward of his holy Word and Sacraments.
The Presiding Bishop presents to the people their new bishop.

The Clergy and People offer their acclamation and applause.

The Peace

The new Bishop then says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Presiding Bishop and other Bishops greet the new bishop.

The People greet one another.

The new Bishop also greets members of the clergy, family members, and the congregation.

The Offertory

The people sit.

The offering today will go to the Bishop’s Discretionary Fund to aid those in need.

Church of the Holy Communion is providing an opportunity for electronic giving to the Bishop’s Discretionary Fund at today’s service. If you would like to give online, text “CHC” to 732-56 or follow the QR code above. Follow the prompts and select “Consecration Gift” from the menu of options. All gifts made during this service will be recorded at Church of the Holy Communion and sent to the Bishop’s Discretionary Fund, net of credit card fees.

During the collection of alms, the following anthem is sung by the choir.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Te Deum in B-flat Major Charles Villiers Stanford

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers therein. To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of
Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee. The noble army of martyrs praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee, the Father, of an infinite majesty, thine adorable, true, and only Son, also the Holy Ghost the Comforter. Thou art the King of glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting. (The Ambrosian Hymn, 4th century)

The people stand to sing.

**At the Presentation**  
*God of the prophets, bless the prophet's heirs!*  
Toulon  
arr. Sondra K. Tucker

1. God of the prophets, bless the prophets' heirs! E-li-jah's
2. Anoint them prophets! Teach them thine intent: to hu-man
3. Anoint them priests! Help them to intercede with all thy
4. Make them apostles, heralds of thy cross; forth may they

man-tle o'er E-li-sha cast: each age for thine own
need their quickened hearts a-wake; fill them with power, their
royal priesthood born of grace; through them thy Church pre-
go to tell all realms thy grace: in-spired of thee, may

sol-emn task prepares, make each one stronger, no-bler than the last.
lips make eloquent for righteousness that shall all evil break.
sends in word and deed Christ's one true sacri-fice with thank-ful praise.
they count all but loss, and stand at last with joy before thy face.
THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer B

Then the new Bishop goes to the Lord’s Table as chief Celebrant and, joined by other bishops and presbyters, proceeds with the celebration of the Eucharist.

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach to all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

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

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy Lord

Richard Proulx

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\text{Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,} \\
\text{heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hos-} \\
\text{san-na in the high-est. Hos-san-na in the high-est.}
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Then the Celebrant continues

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;

The Celebrant continues

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 the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Monnica and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**
  **hallowed be thy Name,**
  **thy kingdom come,**
  **thy will be done,**
  **on earth as it is in heaven.**
**Give us this day our daily bread.**
**And forgive us our trespasses,**
  **as we forgive those**
  **who trespass against us.**
**And lead us not into temptation,**
  **but deliver us from evil.**
**For thine is the kingdom,**
  **and the power, and the glory,**
  **for ever and ever.** **AMEN.**

The **Breaking of the Bread**

* A period of silence is kept.  

Fraction Anthem: Alleluia, Christ our Passover  
Dennis Janzer

Composed and dedicated to The Right Reverend Phoebe Roaf for her Consecration as Fourth Bishop of West Tennessee, May 4, 2019

The choir introduces the Alleluias; the congregation repeats and sings again after the verse.

Verse: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

The Invitation

The Celebrant then says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ushers direct the people to communion stations. Gluten-free wafers are available at the left side floor communion station below the stage. Please ask an usher to guide you if needed.

During communion, hymns and anthems on the following pages are sung.
Communion Hymn  Humbly I adore thee

1 Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen,
who thy glory hiddest 'neath these shadows mean;
I believe what e'er the Son of God hath told;
tranced as it beholds thee, shrined within the cloud.

2 Taste and touch and vision to discern thee fail;
faith, that comes by hearing, pierces through the veil.
grant my spirit ever by thy life may live,
what the Truth hath spoken, that for truth I hold.

3 O memorial wondrous of the Lord's own death;
living Bread that giveth all thy creatures breath,
face to face thy splendor, I at last shall see,
in the glorious vision, blessed Lord, of thee.

4 Jesus, whom now hidden, I by faith behold,
what my soul doth long for, that thy word foretold:
I, who with all my heart adore thee forevermore,
to my taste thy sweetness never failing give.
Communion Hymn  Let us break bread

[Music notation]

1. Let us break bread together on our knees;
2. Let us drink wine together on our knees;
   let us break bread together on our knees;
   let us drink wine together on our knees;

Refrain

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

3. Let us praise God together on our knees;
   let us praise God together on our knees;

Refrain

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.
Anthem  I shall not be moved  Traditional Spiritual

The anthem was selected by the new Bishop to remember our brothers and sisters who sang it during the Civil Rights Movement.

I shall not be moved; like a tree planted by the water, I shall not be moved. When my cross is heavy, I shall not be moved. The church of God is marching, I shall not be moved. Jesus is our captain, I shall not be moved. Fighting sin and Satan, I shall not be moved.

Anthem  How lovely are the messengers (St. Paul)  Felix Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.
(Isaiah 52:7)

Communion Hymn  I come with joy to meet my Lord  Land of Rest

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for
2 I come with Christians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5 Together met, together bound, we'll

1 given, loved, and free, in awe and wonder
2 find, as all are fed, the new community
3 proud division ends. That love that made us
4 presence, always near, is in such friendship
5 go our different ways, and as his people
After Communion, a Bishop says
Let us pray.

All stand.

Bishop and People

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Phoebe may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with her may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; 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 Blessing

The new Bishop blesses the people, first saying
Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
People The maker of heaven and earth.

New Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
People From this time forth for evermore.

New Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. AMEN.
The Dismissal

A Deacon dismisses the people

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Processional Hymn Lord, you give the great commission

Abbot’s Leigh

arr. Richard Webster

1. Lord, you give the great commission: “Heal the sick and preach the word.”
2. Lord, you call us to your service: “In my name baptize and teach.”
3. Lord, you make the common holy: “This my body, this my blood.”
4. Lord, you show us love’s true measure: “Father, what they do, forgive.”
5. Lord, you bless with words as suring: “I am with you to the end.”

Consecration and Ordination of The Reverend Phoebe A. Roaf
heard, help us witness to your purpose
each, give us all new fervor, draw us
ward, asking that the world around us
give. May your care and mercy lead us
tend and, amid the cares that claim us,

with renewed integrity.
closer in community.
share your children’s liberty.

With the Spirit’s
to a just society.
hold in mind eternity.

gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Postlude Toccata (Symphony V)  
Charles-Marie Widor

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The Vestments and Appointments of the Bishop

The ALB, the long white garment which is already being worn, is the garment that all the baptized receive at their baptism, and it is a reminder that we are all, in our baptisms, first children of God and co-heirs with Christ, in whom we all share in Christ’s royal priesthood.

The STOLE is worn by bishops, priests and deacons when officiating at the Eucharist or other sacramental celebrations. The stole is linked to the towel used by Christ in washing the feet of his disciples, and is a fitting symbol of the yoke of Christ, the yoke of service.

The CHASUBLE is the outermost vestment in an oval or circular shape covering the other vestments worn by bishops and priests during the celebration of the Eucharist. The original Latin name of the chasuble, casula, or “little house,” reminds us of the universality of the Eucharist as Christ’s eternal wedding feast for all in the household of God.

A PECTORAL CROSS is exclusively worn by bishops as a symbol of their office both to the Church and the world, but also as a reminder of the daily duty they now carry.

Since the Middle Ages, each new bishop has received an EPISCOPAL RING as a sign of office. Like a wedding ring, an Episcopal Ring is a symbol of the bishop’s faithfulness to God and the Church. The ring is used as an official seal on documents that call for the bishop to affix a seal in wax. Each visiting bishop impressed a wax seal on the bishop’s ordination certificate before the liturgy began.

The MITRE is perhaps the most distinctive symbol of the bishop. The shape of the mitre is reminiscent of the tongues of fire that rested on the heads of the Apostles gathered in the upper room on the Day of Pentecost. Attached to the back of the mitre are two strips of cloth, called fanons, which are symbolic of the spirit and authority of the Old and New Testaments. The mitre is a reminder of a bishop’s apostolic authority and ministry of “proclaiming Christ’s resurrection and interpreting the Gospel” to the Church and to the world.

The COPE is a long mantle or cloak, open in the front and fastened with a band or clasp across the chest. From the Latin capa, meaning cape, it may be worn by any order of the clergy on festival occasions.

Another distinctive symbol of a bishop is the CROZIER, a staff with a curved or hooked top similar in appearance to a traditional shepherd’s staff. It is an object that is not only symbolic of the bishop’s role as chief shepherd or pastor, but also of the governing office of the bishop; thus it is a symbol of mercy and compassion, but also of firmness and the correction of vices.

The ROCHET and CHIMERE are worn by bishops as “choir dress” in non-Eucharistic liturgies such as the Daily Office or in a diocese where a cope and mitre are not preferred. “Choir dress” is traditionally worn by clergy in public prayer when they are not part of the altar party and are seated in the choir. For example, if they are preaching but not presiding.
The Processional Cross used in today’s service

On April 5, 1968, one day after the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s assassination, Memphis clergy from many churches and synagogues met at St. Mary’s Cathedral. In an impromptu move, Dean William Dimmick took up the cathedral’s processional cross and led the assembled ministers down Poplar Avenue to City Hall to petition Mayor Henry C. Loeb to end the labor standoff that Dr. King was in town to help negotiate. The sanitation workers were protesting unsafe conditions, abusive white supervisors, low wages and the city government’s refusal to recognize their union. Nearly half of the cathedral’s membership eventually left in protest of Dean Dimmick’s gesture of racial unity.

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A Word of Thanks from the Bishop

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Monnica
*Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387*

Monnica’s life story is enshrined in the spiritual autobiography of her eldest son, in *The Confessions* of Saint Augustine. Born in North Africa about 331, of Berber parents, Monnica was married to a Latinized provincial of Tagaste named Patricius, whom she won to the Christian faith before his death. In her earlier years she was not without worldly ambitions and tastes. She grew in Christian maturity and spiritual insight through an ever-deepening life of prayer.

Her ambition for her gifted son was transformed into a passionate desire for his conversion to Christ. After his baptism in Milan in 387, by Bishop Ambrose, Augustine and his mother, together with a younger brother, planned to return home to Africa. While awaiting ship at Ostia, the port of Rome, Monnica fell ill.

Augustine writes, “One day during her illness she had a fainting spell and lost consciousness for a short time. We hurried to her bedside, but she soon regained consciousness and looked up at my brother and me as we stood beside her. With a puzzled look, she asked, ‘Where was I?’ Then, watching us closely as we stood there speechless with grief, she said, ‘You will bury your mother here.’”

Augustine’s brother expressed sorrow, for her sake, that she would die so far from her own country. She said to the two brothers, “It does not matter where you bury my body. Do not let that worry you. All I ask of you is that, wherever you may be, you should remember me at the altar of the Lord.” To the question, whether she was not afraid at the thought of leaving her body in an alien land, she replied, “Nothing is far from God, and I need have no fear that he will not know where to find me, when he comes to raise me to life at the end of the world.”

Recent excavations at Ostia have uncovered her original tomb. Her mortal remains, however, were transferred in 1430 to the Church of St. Augustine in Rome.

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