

LOVE IGNITES!

THE 169th ANNUAL CONVENTION
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Opening Eucharist – Friday, October 29, 2021 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Hosted out of St. Paul's Cathedral – Des Moines, Iowa

with streaming available – www.iowaepiscopal.org

Chief celebrant, Bishop-elect Betsey Monnot – Preacher, Bishop Alan Scarfe

Organ Voluntary
Hymn 433

We Gather Together
We Gather Together

Wilbur Held

- 1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:
sing praises to his Name; he forgets not his own.
- 2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning:
thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory be thine!
- 3 We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
and pray that though still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation:
thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

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**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 God the Father. Amen.**

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

God our rock and refuge: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Jesus, you are the way through the wilderness: show us your truth in which we journey, and by the grace of the Holy Spirit be in us the life that draws us to God. **Amen.**

For a Church Convention

Almighty and everlasting Father, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us for ever: Bless, we pray, with his grace and presence, the bishops and other clergy and the laity here now, or soon to be assembled in your Name, that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill all the mind of him who loved it and gave himself for it, your Son Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and fore ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading Isaiah 58:1-12

Reader *A reading from the Book of Isaiah*

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?
Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.
If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 84

The Cantor sings the refrain initially and the People join when invited:

Mode 8

Refrain

How dear to me is your dwell - ing, O Lord of hosts!

from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

2 The sparrow has found her a house

and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *

they will always be praising you.

4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *

whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find

it a place of springs, *

for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6 They will climb from height to height, *

and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *

hearken, O God of Jacob.

8 Behold our defender, O God; *

and look upon the face of your Anointed.

9 For one day in your courts is better than

a thousand in my own room, *

and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God

than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

10 For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *

he will give grace and glory;

11 No good thing will the LORD withhold *

from those who walk with integrity.

12 O LORD of hosts, *

happy are they who put their trust in you!

The Second Reading Philippians 2:5-11

Reader *A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
 he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death—
 even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 707

Take My Life, and Let it Be

- 1 Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
 Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
 Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
 Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
- 2 Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King;
 Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.
 Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
 Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

The Gospel *the people stand* Luke 21:25-36

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord

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

Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Alan Scarfe

After the offered reflection, a period of silent reflection is kept

The Nicene Creed *(stand as you are able)*

(EOW 53)

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 II

(BCP 385)

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishops Alan and Christopher, for our Bishop-elect Betsey; for our companion bishops in Brechin and Nzara, Andrew and Richard, for the Diocese and People of Eswatini; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed especially those in listed our **diocesan necrology** (*next two pages*), inviting you to lift their names now. Pray for those who have died.

Ames, St. John's

Sally D. Greve
 Martha E. (Marrie) Williams
 Joan E. Herwig

Ankeny, St. Anne's

Pam Rose

Bettendorf, St. Peter's

Ella Ahlers
 Mary Jane Andrews
 Irwin Darrah
 Ronald Leroy Huddleston
 Ruth Killinger
 Keith Wilson

Burlington, Christ Church

George W. Rogerson
 Henry Snyder

Cedar Falls, St. Luke's

William Scott Secor
 Sally Pauline Hartley
 Mabel Arlene Waterman

Cedar Rapids, Christ

Jim Bellamy
 Joseph Chang
 Lois Davis
 Ann Gerdtz
 Jim Hallock
 Ginger Hansen
 Pat Miller
 Cynthia Pappas
 Terry Quick
 Mary Smith
 Darlyn Sparre
 Dick Truxaw
 Mary Wright

Charles City, Grace

Norma Noss

Clinton, Christ

Albert J. "Gene" Hinz
 Laurence A. Leonard

Coralville, New Song

Pat Miller
 Annis Hulme
 Avery Wills

Council Bluffs, St. Paul's

Virginia "Ginny" Dobler
 Jane Peters
 The Rev Canon Glenn Rankin

Davenport, St. Alban's

Pauline Ann France

Davenport, Trinity Cathedral

Dan Bovenmyer
 Mary Challed
 Constance Decker
 Donald Decker
 John Deniston
 Charlotte Foster
 Richard Karwath
 James Lischer
 Surria Rizk
 Marline Sanchez
 L. Ted Sloane

Decorah, Grace

Deborah Kiple

Des Moines, Cathedral Church of St. Paul

Twila Anderson
 Loretta Baker
 Norma Bolitho
 Mary Campbell
 The Rev. Elsa "Muffy" Harmon
 Barbara "Robin" Jeneary
 The Rev. Cn. S. Suzanne Peterson
 Eva Wasser Sherinian
 Jean Shanley Stauffer

Diocese of Iowa

Alfred Cramer
 Robert Gamble
 John Spencer Hedger
 S. Suzanne Peterson
 Peter O. Sanderson

Des Moines, St. Andrew's

Avril Chase
 Carla Rawson

Des Moines, St. Luke's

Roger W. Vanden Branden
 Darlene Kay Cocks
 Nancy Ross Garretson
 Sally Marie Morrow
 Jeanne Niles

Des Moines, St. Mark's

Gail Denning
Jeanne Hope Roland

Dubuque, St. John's

Nancy Duwe

Fort Dodge, St. Mark's,

Esther Merrill

Fort Madison, St. Luke's

Mary Catherine O'Brien Trout

Glenwood, St. John's

The Rev Artis Ferrel

Independence, St. James'

Helena Mulvaney
Leslie "Les" Streif
Thema VanLaningham

Iowa City, Trinity

Carol Sue Asbury Christensen

Iowa Falls, St. Matthew's

Mary Virginia (Ginger) Lee Hansen

Keokuk, St. John's

Anita Kuhr Taylor
William Vorhies

Maquoketa, St. Mark's

Vivian Miller

Marshalltown, St. Paul's

Audrey Diane Fink Hafar

Mason City, St. John's

Anne Cameron
Gladys deBuhr
Michael Erhard
Leona Funk
Ann Sewell

Mt. Pleasant, St. Michael's

Donald Lee Messer
Michael S. Messer
Bobby E. Siberts

Muscatine, Trinity

Lucy Hahn
William "Tom" Lambert
Robert Wagg

Newton, St. Stephen's

Ann Adams
Ronald Helms
Rosalie Rodewald
Karen Roussos

Orange City, Church of the Savior

August Robert Hubbard

Perry, St. Martin's

Velma McDowell
Leland Ross

Shenandoah, St. John's

Ralph M. Braymen
David 'Joe' Drake

Sioux City, St. Paul's Indian Mission

Michael DeAngelo Figueroa

Sioux City, St. Thomas'/Calvary

The Rev. Leon Pfothenhauer
Bruce Scheid

Spirit Lake, St. Alban's

Bonnie Kunnath
Marcia Osgerby
Connie Cory

Storm Lake, All Saints'

Daniel Swain
David Youberg

Waterloo, Trinity

Eric (Ric) Miller

West Des Moines, St. Timothy's

Jeanne Helen Carlson
Rodney Edward Courtney, Jr.
George T. Eldridge, Jr.
Marvin Daniel (Danny) Hagen
Sandra L. (Sandy) Heagle
Theresa (Terry) Swanson
Mildred (Millie) Uding

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen** (BCP 395)

Confession of Sin

The Deacon says Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen**

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and announcements

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Offertory Sentence *Celebrant*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

Offertory Anthem

How Firm a Foundation

Robert Lau

Eucharistic Prayer I

(EOW 57)

The people remain standing throughout, as able. The Celebrant, facing them, says:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Then, the Celebrant continues:

It is truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing
and fed us with your constant love;
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body.
Through your Spirit you replenish us
and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Celebrant and People:

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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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues:

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care
that we might be your faithful stewards
and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.
Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.
Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.
On the night before he died for us,
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:
“Take, eat:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage
of your daughters and sons,
that with all your saints,

past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The service continues with the Lord's Prayer

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

**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 for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

Fraction Anthem

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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 word: grant us peace.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers deliver the Sacrament in one kind, to the people either at the altar rail or in place, as desired. The Bread is given to the communicants with these words

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **[Amen]**

or The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **[Amen]**

The ministers receive communion following distribution.

After the people receive Communion a period of silent reflection is kept

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.
(St. Alphonsus Liguori)

Communion Music

Hymn to Christ the Light, Zebulon Highben

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

**God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Bishop invites the Bishop-elect to give the blessing

The Blessing

Bishop-elect The Wisdom of God
the Love of God
and the Grace of God
strengthen you
to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity.

All **Amen.**

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always.

All **Amen.**

Hymn 24*The Day Thou Gavest*

- 1 The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended, the darkness falls at thy behest;
to thee our morning hymns ascended, thy praise shall sanctify our rest.
- 2 We thank thee that thy church, unsleeping while earth rolls onward into light,
through all the world her watch is keeping and rests not now by day or night.
- 3 Was o'er each continent and island the dawn leads on another day,
the voice of prayer is never silent, nor dies the strain of praise away.
- 4 So be it, Lord; thy throne shall never, like earth's proud empires, pass away;
thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever, till all thy creatures own thy sway.

Sending*Deacon*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!****Organ Voluntary**

Voluntary in D Major

William Croft

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