THE 48TH ANNUAL
MEETING AND CONFERENCE

A CELEBRATION OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

7:00 P.M.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016
TRINITY CHURCH
THE REV. MELANIE MULLEN, CELEBRANT
THE REV. MARCUS G. HALLEY, PREACHER
**Processional Hymn  “We are Marching in the Light of God”**

1. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, we are marching, Oo we are marching in the light of God.

2. Siyahamb" ekukhanyen" kwenkhos" siyahamb" ekukhanyen" kwenkhos'. Siyahamb" ekukhanyen" kwenkhos" siyahamb" ekukhanyen" kwenkhos'. Siyahamba, Oo siyahamb" ekukhanyen" kwenkhos'. Siyahamba, Oo siyahamb" ekukhanyen" kwenkhos'.

3. We are singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God. We are singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God. We are singing, we are singing, Oo we are singing in the light of God. We are singing, we are singing, Oo we are singing in the light of God.

4. We are standing in the light of God, we are standing in the light of God. We are standing in the light of God, we are standing in the light of God. We are standing, we are standing, Oo we are standing in the light of God.

5. We are praying in the light of God, we are praying in the light of God. We are praying in the light of God, we are praying in the light of God. We are praying, we are praying, Oo we are praying in the light of God. We are praying, we are praying, Oo we are praying in the light of God.
Opening Acclamation

Celebrant  Blessed be our God.
People  For ever and ever. Amen

Song of Praise "THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE"

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
   This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
   This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
   Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
   Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
   Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
   Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3. Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
   Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
   Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
   Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant  The Lord be with you.
People  And also with you.
Celebrant  Let us pray.

Heavenly God, your Son our Savior took young children into his arms and blessed them: Embrace our young people with your unfailing love that they may daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, and protect them from all danger, until they greet with joy the great day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People  Amen

The Congregation is seated.

The Old Testament Reading: 1Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ and he said, ‘Here I am!’ and ran to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call; lie down again.’ So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, ‘Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call, my son; lie down again.’ Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went
to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.” ’ So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel said, ‘Speak, for your servant is listening.’

**Lector**
The Word of the Lord.

**People**
Thanks be to God!

**Psalm 42**

As the deer longs for the water-brooks, *
so longs my soul for you, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; *
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my food day and night, *
while all day long they say to me,
"Where now is your God?"

I pour out my soul when I think on these things: *
how t went with the multitude and
led them into the house of God,

With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, *
among those who keep holy-day.

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? *
and why are you so disquieted within me?

Put your trust in God; *
for I will yet give thanks to the One
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

**The Epistle:** Ephesians 4:11-16

The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body’s growth in building itself up in love.

**Lector**
The Word of the Lord.

**People**
Thanks be to God!
Alleluia tract: "Heleluyan" *(please stand)*

Music: Muscogee (Creek) Indian, tr. Charles Webb


*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ!

As he approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard a crowd going by, he asked what was happening. They told him, ‘Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.’ Then he shouted, ‘Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!’ Those who were in front sternly ordered him to be quiet; but he shouted even more loudly, ‘Son of David, have mercy on me!’ Jesus stood still and ordered the man to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ He said, ‘Lord, let me see again.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Receive your sight; your faith has saved you.’ Immediately he regained his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, praised God.


*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ!

The Sermon: The Reverend Marcus G. Halley

Prayers of the People *(please stand)*

Lector Eternal God, you entrusted to Mary and Joseph the life of your child, Jesus. Strengthen all parents and children in the bonds of love, peace, and faith.

Lector God, the Holy Trinity we pray for all families, that their common life may be marked by mutual honor, respect, and forgiveness, and that homes may become places of hospitality to the stranger.
Lector  God of strength and justice we commend to your never failing care the victims of family violence, that you quickly bring relief, justice, and healing.

Prayer Response

Lector  God consolers of the afflicted, sustain the homeless and the abandoned. Protect the widow, the widower, and the orphan. Comfort those who mourn the dead.

Lector  God of love, like a mother you nourish us with your grace. Quicken in us the seed of Christ's word, that we might reveal his life to the whole human family.

Lector  O loving and gracious God, you bless your people in every time and season and provide for their needs through your providential care. Your Church is continually in need of priests, sisters and brothers to offer themselves in the service of the gospel by lives of dedicated love. Open the hearts of your sons and daughters to listen to your call in their lives. Give them the gift of understanding to discern your invitation to serve you and your Church. Give them the gift of courage to follow your call.

Prayer Response

Lector  Finally ever present God we pray that the power of the word might fill our hearts and minds, so that the gospel be preached with greater courage and strength to the ends of the earth.

Celebrant  God our Mother, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People  Amen.

Prayer Response

The Peace

Celebrant  The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People  And also with you.
The Holy Communion

Announcements

Celebrant: Pass us not dear Savior.
People: Here our humble cry!

Celebrant: The Reverend Melanie Mullen

Offertory “Sign Me Up”

[Refrain]
Sign me up for the Christian jubilee,
write my name on the roll.
I've been changed since the Lord has lifted me,
I want to be ready when Jesus comes.

1. When Jesus comes, oh the trumpet will sound
loud. When my Savior comes, all the saints in Christ
shall rise. Oh, I'm glad I've been changed since He
lifted me, I want to be ready when Jesus comes.

[Refrain]
Sign me up for the Christian jubilee, write my name on
the roll. I've been changed since the Lord has lifted me, I
want to be ready when Jesus comes.

2. You know not the day, nor the hour He shall
appear, But we know in our hearts that He's coming
back again. My heart is fixed and my mind's made
up; I want to be ready when Jesus comes.

[Refrain]
Sign me up for the Christian jubilee, write my name on
the roll. I've been changed since the Lord has lifted me, I
want to be ready when Jesus comes.

The Great Thanksgiving

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

Celebrant
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 sing:

Celebrant and People:
Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of host,
heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
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, saying: "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 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:

Celebrant and People:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

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:

Deacon Continues

Trayvon, Michal,
Dontre, Eric,
John, Ezell,
Tanisha, Tamir,
Jerame, Freddie,
Walter, Chandra,
India, Sandra

Celebrant Continues

and all your children, 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.

People Amen.
Celebrant United by one baptism in the same Holy Spirit and the same Body of Christ, we pray as God's sons and daughters:
The Lord’s Prayer

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 debts
as we forgive our debtors,
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread
Fraction Anthem.

Communion of the People

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God

The Eucharist in the Episcopal Church is open to all baptized Christians.

Communion Hymn

Hymn: “Hush, hush, somebody’s calling my name.”

Oh, Hush. Hush. Somebody’s callin' my name.
Hush. Hush. Somebody’s callin' my name, Oh, my Lord, Oh, my Lord, what shall I do? what shall I do?

2. Sounds like Jesus.
Somebody’s callin' my name, Oh, Sounds like Jesus.
Somebody’s callin' my name, Sounds like Jesus.
Somebody’s callin' my name.Oh, my Lord, Oh, my Lord, what shall I do? what shall I do?

3. Soon one morning, death come creepin' in my room. Oh, Soon one morning, death come creepin'

4. I'm so glad, got me religion on time. Oh, I'm so glad, got me religion on time. I'm so glad, got me religion on time. Oh, my Lord, Oh, my Lord, what shall I do? what shall I do?

5. I'm so glad. I'm on my journey home. I'm so glad. I'm on my journey home. Oh, I'm so glad, I'm so glad. I'm on my journey home. Oh, my Lord, Oh, my Lord, what shall I do? what shall I do?
Hymn

"I'm Going to Eat at The Welcome Table"

1. I'm gonna eat at the welcome table.  I'm gonna eat at the welcome table.  I'm gonna eat at the welcome table.  I'm gonna eat at the welcome table. some of these days

2. We're gonna feast on milk and honey.  We're gonna feast on milk and honey.  We're gonna feast on milk and honey.  We're gonna feast on milk and honey. some of these days.

3. I'm gonna fly all around in heaven.  I'm gonna fly all around in heaven.  I'm gonna fly all around in heaven.  I'm gonna fly all around in heaven, some of these days.

4. I'm gonna wade cross Jordan's river.  I'm gonna wade cross Jordan's river.  I'm gonna wade cross Jordan's river.  I'm gonna wade cross Jordan's river, some of these days.

Anthem

"Please don't Pass me by" [Fred Hammond]
Miss Imani Francis and Dr. Valerie Francis

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant  Let us pray.
People  Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

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

Procession Hymn “Lead Me, Guide Me”

Refrain
Lead me, guide me along the way, For if you lead me I cannot stray. Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, oh Lord lead me.

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Liturical Participants

MINISTERS: All of us!

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          Amari Aaron, Historic St. Luke’s, New Orleans, LA.
          Ashanti Aaron, Historic St. Luke’s, New Orleans, LA.

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VOCALIST: Ms. Imani Francis
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The Patriotic Project Children’s Choir: under the direction of, Dr. Valerie Francis
Traditional African drumming: Members Anna’s Place Drum Team at St. Anna’s Episcopal Church.

Casa Samba under the direction of, Mr. Curtis Pierre, director and founder

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SPECIAL THANKS: Fr. Deon K. Johnson, Liturgical consultant

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