

# FEAST DAY OF ABSALOM JONES



FEBRUARY 16, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Christ Church Cathedral  
900 Broadway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37203  
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# Absalom Jones, Priest, 1818

## Solemn Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Voluntary

*Fantaisie en ut majeur*  
Fantasy in C major  
- Adagio

Cesar Franck  
(1822-1890)

### The Word of God

*All stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.*

Levas II 44

1. Born in bond-age, born in shack - les, Born stripped of all dig - ni - ty,  
2. Seek - ing to ex - pand hor - i - zons, Bi - ble, pri - mer he did find;  
3. When in Phi - la - del - phia set - tled, He sought per - sons in great need,  
4. One fine morn - ing, while at wor - ship, Wrested from his knees in pray - er;

1. Abs' - lom Jones was bound, de - ter - mined, That he would one day be free.  
2. To each word he was at - ten - tive, Learn - ing, lest he fall be - hind.  
3. Ded - i - ca - ted to em - pow' r - ment, His own peo - ple did he lead.  
4. He, his friends, were thus e - vic - ted: "You no more may praise God here."

1. Bless - ed Abs' - lom, leads us, guides us, In the bonds of u - ni - ty.  
2. Bless - ed Abs' - lom, lib - er - ates us From the pri - son of our mind.  
3. Bless - ed Abs' - lom, pray that we from All in - diff' - rence may be freed.  
4. Bless - ed Abs' - lom, pray that we may Stand stead - fast and per - se - vere.

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| <p>5. Founded he Saint Thomas' church for<br/>Afric's sons and daughters blest;<br/>Full-fledged members of Christ's Body,<br/>They no longer were oppressed.<br/>Blessed Abs' lom, pray that we may<br/>Be the church at Christ's behest.</p> | <p>6. Blessed Abs' lom Jones, first priest of<br/>Afric's stock within our fold;<br/>May we, inspired by your witness<br/>Raise up priests with hearts of gold!<br/>Blessed Abs' lom, pioneer, prophet<br/>May your story long be told!</p> |
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7. Praise to Christ the Liberator;  
Praise Creator ever blest;  
Praise the Spirit, Source of comfort,  
North to south, and east to west:  
Blessed Abs' lom, priest, exemplar,  
In God's bosom now at rest.

*The Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People*     **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

### **Collect for Purity**

#### **Song of Praise**

Ain'-a That Good News

William L. Dawson

*Sung by the choir*

(1899-1990)

I got a crown up in-a that kingdom, ain'-a that good news!  
I got a crown up in-a that kingdom, ain'-a that good news!  
I'm gonna lay down this world; gonna shoulder up-a my cross.  
Gonna take it home-a to my Jesus.  
Ain'-a that good news! Ain'-a that good news!

I got a robe up in-a that kingdom, ain'-a that good news!  
I got a robe up in-a that kingdom, ain'-a that good news!  
I'm gonna lay down this world; gonna shoulder up-a my cross.  
Gonna take it home-a to my Jesus.  
Ain'-a that good news! Ain'-a that good news!

I got a savior in-a that kingdom, ain'-a that good news!  
I got a savior in-a that kingdom, ain'-a that good news!  
I'm gonna lay down this world; gonna shoulder up-a my cross.  
Gonna take it home-a to my Jesus.  
Ain'-a that good news! Ain'-a that good news!

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*   The Lord be with you.

*People*     **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*   Let us pray.

Set us free, heavenly Father, from every bond of prejudice and fear; that, honoring the steadfast courage of your servant Absalom Jones, we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of the children of God, which you have given us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Old Testament Lesson – Isaiah 11:1-5**

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

*Lector*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 137:6

The image shows a musical score for Psalm 137:6. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system has the lyrics "You are my help - er, and my de - liv - er - er;" and the second system has "O LORD, do not tar - - ry." The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C).

Word: Psalm 70:6. Music by David Madeira. © 2017 David W. Madeira. Used by permission.

### Choir:

By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept,  
when we remembered you, O Zion.  
As for our harps, we hung them up  
on the trees in the midst of that land.  
For those who led us away captive asked us for a song,  
and our oppressors called for mirth:  
“Sing us one of the songs of Zion.”  
How shall we sing the LORD’S song  
upon an alien soil?

### Antiphon

#### Choir:

If I forget you, O Jerusalem,  
let my right hand forget its skill.  
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth  
if I do not remember you,  
if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.

### Antiphon (2x)

### The New Testament Lesson – Galatians 5:1-5

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

Listen! I, Paul, am telling you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no benefit to you. Once again I testify to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obliged to obey the entire law. You who want to be justified by the law have cut yourselves off from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. For through the Spirit, by faith, we eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

There's a wideness in God's mercy

Beecher

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;  
2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven;  
3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sure of the mind;

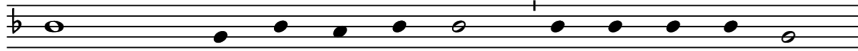
there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib-er-ty.  
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment given.  
and the heart of the E-ter-nal is most won-der-ful-ly kind.


There is wel-come for the sin-ner, and more gra-ces for the good;  
There is plen-ti-ful re-demp-tion in the blood that has been shed;  
If our love were but more faith-ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer-cy with the Sa-vior; there is heal-ing in his blood.  
there is joy for all the mem-bers in the sor-rows of the Head.  
and our life would be thanks-giv-ing for the good-ness of the Lord.


Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt. Music: Beecher, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.


**The Gospel Lesson – John 15:12-15**

*Gospeller*   
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Je - sus Christ ac - cord - ing to John.

*People*   
*Glo - ry to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.”

*Gospeller*   
The Gos - pel of the Lord.

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

**Gospel Fanfare**

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Colenzo Hubbard  
*Director of Emmanuel House and Rector of Emmanuel Church,  
Memphis, Tennessee*

Nicene Creed (BCP p. 358)

*All stand.*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and  
his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Lector* God of love, we pray for your church: For *Michael* our Presiding Bishop; *John*, our bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world. God of love,

*People* **Hear our prayers for the church.**

*Silence*

*Lector* God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

God of freedom,

*People* **Hear our prayers for the world.**

*Silence*

*Lector* God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us. God of justice,

*People* **Hear our prayers for the earth.**

*Silence*

*Lector* God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home. God of peace,

*People* **Hear our prayers for this community.**

*Silence*

*Lector* God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons. God of mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayers for all who are in need.**

*Silence*

*Lector* God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light. God of grace,

*People* **Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

*Silence*



**Confession of Sin and Absolution** (*BCP p. 360*)

**The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

**Holy Communion**

*The Offering is designated to the Episcopal Historically Black Colleges and Universities;  
St. Augustine in Raleigh, North Carolina, and Voorhees College in Denmark, South Carolina.*

**Offertory**

**Anthem**

My Maker's World arr. Sheldon Curry  
Song incorporating "This is My Father's World"  
and traditional Swahili text

This is my Maker's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings  
and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Maker's world; I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;  
God's hand the wonders wrought.

***Asante sana mungu!* (Many thanks, God!)**  
***Bwana asifiwe!* (Praise the Lord!)**  
***Tuimbe Hallelujah!* (Let's sing Hallelujah!)**

This is my Maker's world; the birds their carols raise;  
The morning light, the lily bright declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Maker's world; He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass;  
God speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Maker's world. Oh, let me not forget  
That though the wrong seems oh so strong, God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Maker's world: why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is King; let the heavens ring!  
God reigns; let the earth be glad!

**Eucharistic Prayer** (BCP p. 361 A)

*Celebrant* *People*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*Celebrant* *People*

Lift up your hearts. 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.

*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. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of p'wer and might, —

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. — Ho -

san - na in the high - est. — Ho - san - na in the highest.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People together say*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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,

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread (*BCP, p. 364*)

*A period of silence is kept.*

Fraction Anthem

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

*The Celebrant 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.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. You may receive the Bread and drink the Wine from the chalice or you may receive the Bread alone with the assurance of every benefit of the Sacrament.*

# Music During Communion

Break thou the bread of life

William F. Sherwin  
(1826-1888)

1. Break thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me,  
2. Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, To me, to me,  
3. Teach me to live, dear Lord, On - ly for thee,

1. As thou didst break the loaves Be - side the sea;  
2. As thou didst bless the bread By Gal - i - lee;  
3. As thy dis - ci - ples lived in Gal - i - lee;

1. Be - yond the sa - cred page I seek thee, Lord;  
2. Then shall all bond - age cease, All fet - ters fall,  
3. Then, all my strug - gles o'er, Then, vic - t'ry won,

1. My spir - it pants for thee, O liv - ing word!  
2. And I shall find my peace, My all in all.  
3. I shall be - hold thee, Lord, The liv - ing one.

Let us break bread together

Traditional Spiritual

1. Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)  
2. Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

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let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me, (on me). *1st x to v.2*  
*2nd x go on*

3. Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

*to Refrain*

let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

I've Got Peace Like A river

Traditional Negro Spiritual

1. I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a  
 2. I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a  
 3. I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an

1. riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in my  
 2. foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain in my  
 3. o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my

1. soul; \_\_\_\_\_ I've got riv - er in my soul. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. soul; \_\_\_\_\_ I've got foun - tain in my soul. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. soul; \_\_\_\_\_ I've got o - cean in my soul. \_\_\_\_\_

Hear My Prayer  
*Sung by the Choir*

Moses Hogan  
(1957-2003)

O Lord, please hear my prayer in the morning when I rise.  
It's your servant bound for glory! O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

O Lord, please hear my prayer, keep me safe within your arms.  
It's your servant bound for glory! O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

When my work on earth is done and you come to take me home,  
Just to know I'm bound for glory and to hear you say, "Well done."  
Done with sin and sorrow, have mercy. Amen.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living mem-  
bers 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 cour-  
age to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Blessing**

May Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate this festival of Absalom Jones be now and evermore your guide and companion in the way. **Amen.**

May God, who has bound us together in the company of the elect, in this age and the age to come, attend to the prayers of his faithful servants on your behalf, as he hears your prayers for them. **Amen.**

May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion, and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**



# Lift Every Voice and Sing

*J. Rosamund Johnson*

Lift ev-ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en ring, ring with the  
 Ston-y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening rod, felt in the  
 God of our wear - y years, God of our si - lent tears, Thou who hast

har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty; let our re - joic - ing  
 days when hope un - born had died; yet with a stead - y  
 brought us thus far on the way; Thou who hast by Thy

rise, high as the lis-tening skies, let it re-sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
 beat, have not our wear - y feet, come to the place for which our fa - therssighed?  
 might, led us in - to the light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us, sing a  
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered, we have  
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met Thee. Lest our

song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us; fac - ing the ris - ing  
 come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered; out from the gloom - y  
 hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get Thee; shad - owed be - neath Thy

sun of our new day be - gun, let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.  
 past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 hand, may we for - ev - er stand true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

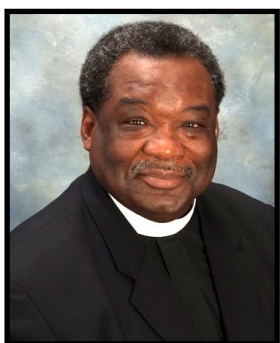
Closing Voluntary

Fanfare

William Mathias  
(1934-1992)

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## The Reverend Colenzo J. Hubbard



The Reverend Colenzo J. Hubbard is the founder and executive director of the Emmanuel Center, Inc., an urban outreach ministry in Memphis, Tennessee. In September 2019, the Reverend Hubbard began his 31<sup>st</sup> year as executive director. When it was established in September 1989, the primary focus of this ministry was evangelism, education, social services, community relations, job training and placement and sports for the children and adults living in the public housing developments and surrounding community. In recent years, the public housing has been replaced by affordable housing, yet there is still a need for this vital ministry in the underserved community.

The Reverend Hubbard is a graduate of the University of Alabama, where he was a member of the world-renowned Omega Psi Phi fraternity and graduated with a degree in social work. He was also a member of the Crimson Tide football team, coached by Paul “Bear” Bryant, that won the 1973 national championship and three SEC championships. After graduation, he went to work for Ryder Systems, Truck Rental Division. During his 8½ year career there, he specialized in management, sales, marketing, and administration, and rose to the rank of district rental manager, covering most of the state of Alabama.

He answered the call to ministry and was ordained deacon in 1986 and priest in 1987 in the Episcopal Diocese of Alabama. The Reverend Hubbard is a fourth-generation clergyman.

He was the founding vicar of St. Joseph’s Episcopal Church in Memphis, Tennessee, which was established in 1992 as a result of the evangelistic outreach of the Emmanuel Center. Additionally, from 1999 to 2004, he was vicar of St. Paul Episcopal Church in Memphis, accepting the call in 2004 as rector of Church of the Redeemer in Germantown, Tennessee (2004-2010). He continues to serve as the founding vicar of St. Joseph Episcopal Church and for the past nine years has been the vicar of Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

The Reverend Hubbard serves on the boards of many organizations in the Memphis area. He is a founding board member of Promise Academy Charter Schools in Memphis and a founding board member of Memphis Opportunity Scholarship Trust (M.O.S.T.), a non-profit organization providing scholarships for youth to attend private schools throughout the Shelby County, Tennessee, area.

In recognition of his efforts to serve the underserved and assist children in reaching their God-given potential, four full high-school scholarships have been established in his name at the prestigious St. Andrews-Sewanee boarding school in Sewanee, Tennessee.

The Reverend Hubbard received the State of Alabama Governor's Award for Outstanding Religious and Community Service; the Toastmasters International Communication and Leadership Award; the Carnival Memphis Cook-Halle Award for leadership as a non-profit executive; the Thomas W. Briggs Award for outstanding community service; the Amateur Football Award from the Memphis Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame; the Christian Brothers University Bishop Carroll T. Dozier Award for Peace and Justice; the Henry Logan Starks Distinguished Service Award from Memphis Theological Seminary; and the Paul "Bear" Bryant Alumni-Athlete Award, given by the University of Alabama and recognizing former UA athletes and students whose accomplishments have been outstanding based on character, contributions to society, professional achievement, and service. The Memphis Grizzlies professional basketball organization honored the Reverend Hubbard's humanitarian efforts in the Memphis community, and most recently he received the University of Memphis chapter of the NAACP Freedom Award for Religion.

The Reverend Hubbard has been elected to represent the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee as deputy to the General Convention for the past eight conventions, most recently as Deputy #1. He has served as co-chairperson of the National Standing Commission on Domestic Mission and Evangelism and was the special representative of the president of the House of Deputies to that Commission. He was appointed to the 2012 General Convention Committee on Small Churches and most recently served on the National Church Committee on Alleviating Poverty. He has served as president and vice president of the Diocesan Clergy Clericus and has served several terms on the Diocesan governing body of Bishop and Council.

In May 2016 the Reverend Hubbard received a Certificate of Advanced Pastoral Leadership from his beloved seminary, Trinity School for Ministry in Ambridge, Pennsylvania. He returned there as a guest preacher to speak on the legacy of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his assassination.

After they were both widowed, Colenzo and LaVerne met at the Episcopal Conference Center at Kanuga, North Carolina, and again at the 2006 General Convention of the Episcopal Church in Columbus, Ohio. They married in November 2007 and recently celebrated their 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They have four adult children and one granddaughter and live in Cordova, Tennessee.



Please be sure to visit the Beloved Community display table at the reception in the Parish Hall where you can learn more about the mission of the Beloved Community:

*To live out the Baptismal Covenant by working for full inclusivity racially and ethnically of the diocesan staff, elected lay and clergy leaders, and clergy and bishops; to take steps in healing the wounds of the Church and the neighborhoods in which we live; to educate members of the effects of the sin of racism on people of color and white people; and to convey an understanding that racism hurts everyone.*

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The Right Reverend John Bauerschmidt, *Bishop*  
*The Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee*

**PREACHER**

The Reverend Colenzo J. Hubbard  
*Director of Emmanuel House and*  
*Rector of Emmanuel Church, Memphis*

**DEACON**

The Venerable Roger Saterstrom, *Archdeacon*  
*Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville*

**ASSISTING CLERGY**

The Very Reverend Timothy E. Kimbrough, *Dean and Rector*  
*Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville*

The Reverend Lissa Smith, *Associate for Pastoral Care and Cathedral Life*  
*Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville*

**INTERCESSOR**

The Reverend Richard C. Britton, Jr., *Interim Priest*  
*St. Anselm's Episcopal Church, Nashville*

**MUSICIANS**

The Consort Choir  
Donna Stokes-Rogers, *Director*  
Rick Jackson, *Organist*  
*St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Franklin*

Dr. Matthew Phelps, *Organist*  
*Director of Music at West End United Methodist Church*

**OTHER SERVERS**

**BOAT BEARER**

Andrew Callaway,  
*Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville*

**LECTORS**

Paul Deepan  
*St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Franklin*  
Natasha Deane  
*St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Nashville*

**SACRISTAN**

Kris Moore  
*Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville*