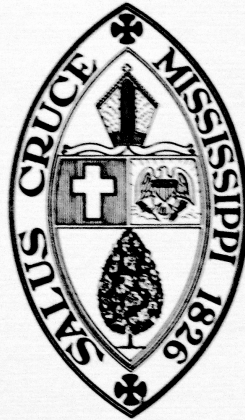


"There is joy in everything."



A REQUIEM EUCHARIST

celebrating the life of

THE RT. REV. ALFRED CLARK "CHIP" MARBLE, JR.

April 4, 1936—March 29, 2017

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017
10:30 A.M.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE MEDIATOR
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

Prelude

Lora Tucker, organist

At the Entrance

All stand as the Procession begins.

Hymn 390: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Lobe den Herren

Hymn 460: Alleluia! sing to Jesus (omit vs. 2)

Hyfrydol

Funeral Anthems

The Celebrant says

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,
even though he die.
And everyone who has life,
and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever.

For none of us has life in himself,
and none becomes his own master when he dies.
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,
and if we die, we die in the Lord.
So, then, whether we live or die,
we are the Lord's possession.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.
After my awaking, he will raise me up;
and in my body I shall see God.
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him
who is my friend and not a stranger.

Happy from now on
are those who die in the Lord!
So it is, says the Spirit,
for they rest from their labors.

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

For Chip

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant Alfred Clark, being raised with him, may know the strength of his presence, and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For Chip's Family and Loved Ones

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with Diene, Matt, Jonathan, and Chip's entire family in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Social Justice

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The people sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

Isaiah 61:1-3

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion— to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual *Domine probasti*

Psalm 139:1-11

LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?

If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

If I take the wings of the morning *
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Even there your hand will lead me *
and your right hand hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, *
and the light around me turn to night,"

Darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day; *
darkness and light to you are both alike.

The Second Reading

Reader A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Church at Rome.

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; 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? 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 creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

At the Sequence

Hymn 490: I want to walk as a child of the light

Houston

Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel

All stand.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

The Sermon

The Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry
XXI/II Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church

The Nicene Creed *All stand.*

Celebrant In the assurance of eternal life given to us in Christ Jesus, let us proclaim our faith and say,

Then, all say

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.

The Prayers of the People: Form III

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People That we all may be one.

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.
People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Reverence is kept. The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

The Celebrant concludes, saying

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Chip, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. *Amen.*

The Peace

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

The members of the assembly greet one another in the name of Christ.

Announcements *The people sit.*

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory

Anthem: *Laudate omnes gentes*

Taizé

At the Presentation *All stand.*

Hymn 469: There's a wideness in God's mercy

St. Helena

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

Once the Table is prepared, the Celebrant says

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

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

S-125: *Sanctus et Benedictus*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Richard Proulx

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection,

as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant says

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.

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 Communion of the People

Music During Communion

Hymn 711: Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Hymn 513: Like the murmur of the dove's song

Hymn 304: I come with joy to meet my Lord

Hymn 178: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord

Postcommunion Hymn 335: I am the bread of life

Seek Ye First

Bridegroom

Land of Rest

Alleluia No. 1

I Am the Bread of Life

The Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Primal Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

At the Procession *The Altar Party, visiting Bishops, and Family retire in procession. Others depart, following the dismissal.*

Hymn 347: Go forth for God

Litton

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Christ is risen.
 People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
 Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
 People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



At Today's Service

The Ministers The Gathered People of God—Chip's Family & Friends
 The Celebrant & Preacher The Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop & Primate
 The Presiding Bishop's Chaplain The Reverend Canon Michael Buerkel Hunn
 The Bishop of Mississippi The Right Reverend Brian R. Seage
 The Bishop of Mississippi's Chaplain The Reverend Canon Paul J. Stephens
 The Attending Minister & Priest-in-Charge The Reverend Morris K. Thompson, III
 The Deacon of the Word The Reverend Deacon Carol Borne Spencer
 The Deacon of the Table The Reverend Deacon Steve Owen
 The Organist Ms. Lora Tucker
 The Old Testament Reader Dr. Anita Parrott George
 The Epistoler Canon Kathryn W. McCormick
 The Intercessor Ms. Liley P. Gilbert
 The Acolytes, Servers, Vergers, Choristers, Ushers & Greeters Members of Church of the Mediator
 The Ministers of Communion The Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry, The Right Reverend Brian R. Seage,
 The Right Reverend Duncan M. Gray, III, The Right Reverend Victor Scantlebury,
 The Reverend Canon Dr. Charles K. Floyd, Jr., The Reverend James B. Roberts,
 & The Reverend Hailey W. Allin

*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
 The Right Reverend Alfred Clark Marble, Jr., VIII Bishop of Mississippi,
 by the People of the Diocese.*



*The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection.
 Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised.*

*The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,
 nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
 will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

*This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ
 brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend.
 So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord,
 we sorrow in sympathy with those we mourn.*

— The Book of Common Prayer, page 507 —