



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF
THE RIGHT REVEREND
VINCENT W. WARNER, D. D.
VII BISHOP DIOCESAN OF OLYMPIA

December 27, 1940 – June 9, 2024



July 13, 2024

1:00 PM

Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all the Coast Salish tribes.

Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.



PRELUDE	Pastorale from <i>Organ Sonata No. 12</i> , Op. 154	Josef Rheinberger
	<i>Prelude in G</i>	C.V. Stanford
	<i>Adoration</i>	Florence B. Price
	In paradisum from <i>Requiem</i> , Op. 48	Gabriel Fauré, arr. Marcel Dupré

A bell is rung, and all are invited to stand, as able, and turn to face the doors of the church.

The liturgy begins in the narthex of the cathedral as the Presider and ministers receive the body and offer words of prayer.

THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD

ANTHEMS

IAM 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.

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.

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.

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

THE COLLECT

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 493

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O GOD of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Vincent.
We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love
as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console
us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet
confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited
with those who have gone before. All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

WELCOME

Canon Weyls

OPENING HYMN *I want to walk as a child of the light* ♦ *sung by all*

Houston

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.
I want to look at Je-sus.
I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and
When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je-sus.
show me the way to the Fa-ther.
shall know the joy of Je-sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. *rit.*

a tempo
Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Words: Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934) Music: *Houston*, Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934)
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Please be seated for the Liturgy of the Word.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING *Isaiah 61:1-3*

read by The Rev. Canon Carla Robinson

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN *My shepherd will supply my need* ♦ *metrical paraphrase of Psalm 23*

Resignation

Please remain seated. The soloist will sing stanza 1; all join in singing stanzas 2 and 3.



1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me



is his Name; _____ in pas - tures fresh he
is my stay; _____ one word of thy sup -
all my days; _____ oh, may thy house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.____
port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.____
mine a - bode and all my work be praise.____

He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
 Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
 There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers

sake his ways, _____ and leads me, for his
 ta - ble spread; _____ my cup with bless - ings
 go and come; _____ no more a stran - ger

mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. _____
 o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head. _____
 or a guest, but like a child at home. _____

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23. Music: *Resignation*, American folk melody, acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

READING

Romans 8:14-19,34-35,37-39

read by The Rev. Canon Edie Weller

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand, as able.

SEQUENCE HYMN *Come down, O love divine* ♦ sung by all

Down Ampney

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 24:13-35*

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

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

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

HOMILY

Betsy H. Greenman, D. D.

All stand, as able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*spoken by all in unison*)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon For our brother Vincent let us pray to God our Creator saying: Hear our prayer

Deacon God, your will for us is abundant life; receive Vincent now into the fullness of life in your presence.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

Deacon You know the thoughts of our hearts and our search for faith; shed the brightness of your light on Vincent, who also sought understanding.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

Deacon You are greater than all our ideas and images of you; draw Vincent into the mystery of your being.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

Deacon We know you as perfect Mercy and Love; welcome Vincent in the grace of that love and mercy.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

Deacon We praise you as the giver of life; gather all who mourn into the hope of renewed life.

***People* Hear our prayer.**

Deacon The Church commends all who die to the care of Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit; and so we commend Vincent to you, giving thanks for the gift of his life.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon May the Holy One, to whom all the desires of our hearts are known before we ask, hear our prayers for Vincent, and for all who mourn, and grant us newness of life, and peace.

All **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All are invited to exchange a sign of peace, respecting others' desires for distance to be maintained.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

An offering is collected to support Camp Huston Episcopal Camp & Conference Center. Checks can be made payable to Saint Mark's. Gifts can also be mailed or made online at saintmarks.org/give, noting memorial gift for Bishop Warner.

Gifts may also be made via the Saint Mark's Cathedral Venmo (@SaintMarksCathedralSeattle, or scan the code at right), or visit this link on your mobile device:

<https://venmo.com/saintmarkscathedralseattle>.

*If Venmo asks you for a four-digit code, enter **2076**.*



OFFERTORY *Elegy*

G.T. Thalben-Ball

All stand, as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer C, adapt.*

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 369

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider God of all power, Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Assembly **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider 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.

Assembly **By your will they were created and have their being.**

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

Assembly **Have mercy, dear God, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Presider 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 Mary his mother, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

Assembly **By his blood, Christ reconciled us.**

By Christ's wounds, we are healed.

Presider 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:

**All 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.

Presider And so, Most gracious God, we who have been redeemed by Christ, 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 Savior.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus 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, Jesus 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 all 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,

Assembly **We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Presider God of our kindred and their generation: God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; Deborah, Hannah, and Rebecca; God and Father of our Savior 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 your Son's name.

Assembly **Risen and ascended One, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Presider Accept these prayers and praises, O God, Most Merciful, 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.

All AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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.

In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread. Silence is kept.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All may be seated for the time of Communion. All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

Please follow the directions of the Liturgical Ministers. Bread and wine are distributed at standing stations at the head of three aisles. The bread will be placed into your outstretched palm. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask for one at the time of Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms in front of your chest.

Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of your chest as you pass by the chalice. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele*

(Tune of Hymn 339, "Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness"), BWV 654

J.S. Bach

All stand, as able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All 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 COMMENDATION

The ministers stand at the Paschal Candle, the symbol of our risen life in Christ.

Presider Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

All where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Presider You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Presider Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Vincent. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

All Amen.

BLESSING *The Presider asks God's blessing on the Assembly. All respond: Amen.*

1. We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,
 2. We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's name.
 3. We all be - hold one vi - sion, the truth that sets us free:
 4. Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.

our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent, our pur - pose is the same:
 the stew - ard of sal - va - tion was nailed up - on a tree.
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.

A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
 Yet res - ur - rect - ed Jus - tice gives rise that we may share
 We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,

to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so peo - ple of all na - tions may feel God's warm em - brace.
 free re - con - cil - i - a - tion and hope a - mid de - spair.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

Words: Rusty Edwards (b. 1955)
 Music: *Aurelia*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley
 Hymn 778 in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*

DISMISSAL

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

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

Please remain standing for the closing procession.

VOLUNTARY *Trumpet Tune in D-Major*

David N. Johnson

*All are invited to join the family in Bloedel Hall for a reception.
To access Bloedel Hall, go to the first floor by using the stairs on the west side of the nave,
or by using the elevator in the southwest corner.*

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THE RIGHT REV. VINCENT W. WARNER D. D.

December 27, 1940 – June 9, 2024

VINCENT was born on December 27, 1940, and grew up in Roanoke, Virginia. His parents were Vincent W. Warner and Virginia Warner. After college, Vincent began a successful career in business: developing systems and sales for data processing equipment with Addressigraph-Multipraph Corporation in Cleveland, Ohio and then four years as a color product manager for Rivco Corporation in Front Royal, Virginia. Despite his awareness that leaving that success would be a sacrifice, he felt called to attend The Virginia Seminary in Alexandria, VA, to study for the priesthood. His sense of Call emanated from a deep compassion for justice as expressed at that time by Dr. Martin Luther King. He graduated with a Master's in Divinity in 1971 and was ordained to the diaconate and then the priesthood by Bishop William H. Marmion of Southern Virginia.

He was an assistant priest at St. John's in Roanoke then was called to be an assistant priest at Christ Church Chapel in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan. After two years, he was called to serve as Rector of St. Peter's Church in Osterville, Massachusetts, where he served until 1980. Then, for three years (1980-1983) he was Archdeacon of the Diocese of Maine. From 1983 to 1989, he was the Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wellesley, Massachusetts, and an active leader in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The Episcopal Diocese of Olympia, (the Episcopal Church in Western Washington), elected him Bishop Coadjutor on the first ballot of the electing convention on February 11, 1989. He served as Coadjutor until January 1, 1990, when after the retirement of the Diocesan Bishop, Robert Cochrane, Vincent became Diocesan. His official seating at the Saint Mark's Cathedral occurred during Cathedral Day, May 19, 1990.

During his tenure, he visited communities in the Diocese as part of a "vision project" and urged congregations to work with local officials to solve community problems. Warner instituted servant leadership values, anti-racism training, and scriptural conversation in Vestry/Bishop Committee meetings. He established positions for Missioner for Ethnic Ministry, Total Common Ministry Missioner, Communications Director. These and the creation of the Bishop Society are some among many accomplishments. He cared deeply about oppressed minorities, led peace missions to the Middle East, pushed for more lay participation in all aspects of church life, and advocated for the inclusion of women in ministry. He was committed to better serving ethnic communities which led him to invite The Rt. Rev. Sanford Z. K. Hampton to become Assisting Bishop, responsible for ethnic ministries, among his duties. "Sandy" was in this role from 1995 until 2003. The Rt. Rev. Bavi Edna "Nedi" Rivera was elected as the Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese, serving from 2005-2009. She oversaw a number of ministries including ethnic ministries.

Bishop Warner served on numerous task forces and committees nationally for The Episcopal Church. Among these were the Church Deployment Board, the Board of Pastoral Care. Within the faith communities in Western Washington, he initiated monthly meetings of those in charge of various denominations or judicatories in order to better address and work collaboratively for the needs of the people of Western Washington.

Vincent's perspective on leadership, the importance of striving for justice and the fun of working with people of diverse backgrounds and circumstances kept him inquiring about life and people's life stories. He was clear that he loved and enjoyed the work, often commenting "I take the work seriously, not myself". The frame around his license plate read: "Live, Laugh, Love. Enjoy the journey".

Vincent is survived by his wife, Shen Warner. They were married in 2004. Shen supported his leadership in many ways including emotional support and energy. They had a common interest in building community and artistic pursuits, especially painting. They valued being open-minded and having strength of ego. He is survived by four children: Victor Warner, Shen's son whom he adopted, and his daughters with his first wife Janice (deceased): Virginia Warner, Beverly Christina Warner, Lilly Warner Everett. Also his son-in-law, Matt Everett, his nephews, Vance Pitzer, and Lewis Pitzer; his nieces Beverly Pitzer Lyle, and niece Ann McGhee.

A more complete biography can be found at the website at Barton Funeral Home, Edmonds. <https://bartonfuneral.com/2024/06/17/vincent-w-warner-d-d/>



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