

A SERVICE OF
CHORAL EVENSONG
IN HONOR OF
THE INCARNATION

OCTOBER 13, 2015 • 4:00 P.M.

IMMANUEL CHAPEL

VIRGINIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY • ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA



We are in the Immanuel Chapel. Immanuel—God with us—is the central claim that Christians make about Jesus. In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth, you can see God. At this Evensong, we recognize the truth of the Incarnation in the *Icon of the Incarnation*; in this icon you can see the extraordinary miracle of God being born of a woman. At this Evensong, we recognize the truth of the Incarnation in the sculpture of *Mary as Prophet*—a young teenager who carries the Eternal Word and is prompted to share the world-changing message in the *Magnificat*. At this Evensong, we recognize the truth of the Incarnation in the blessing of the bells, which sound forth the Good News to the world around us.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY’S LITURGY

SEE NOTES FOR DETAILS

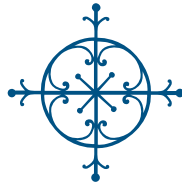
OFFICIANT	The Most Rev. Justin Welby
CONSECRATING THE BELLS	Bishop Griswold
CANTOR	The Rev. Farwell
INTERCESSOR	The Very Rev. Roaf
HOST	The Very Rev. Markham
THURIFER	Wadie Far
BOAT BEARER	Winston Arthur
CRUCIFER	Hannah Hooker
TORCH BEARERS	Michelle Roach and Anna Shine
LECTORS	The Rev. Hooke and Jacqueline Bray
VERGER	The Rev. Hawkins

SACRISTANS

Winston Arthur, Sarah Cardwell, Wadie Far, and Michael Sahdev

MUSICIANS

William Bradley Roberts, Music Director
Thomas Smith, Organist
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Seminary Choir
Choir members from Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill
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PRELUDE

<i>Prelude and Fugue in G Major BWV 541</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach
<i>Aria on a Chaconne</i>	Joel Martinson
	Jason Abel
<i>Arioso from Six Pieces for Organ</i>	Joseph Wilcox Jenkins
<i>Master Tallis's Testament</i>	Herbert Howells
	Thomas Smith

EVENSONG

The Consecration of the Bells

Bishop Griswold blesses the bells from the bell tower.

Bishop Griswold Their sound hath gone out into all lands, and their message
unto the ends of the world.

Bishop Griswold I call unto you, my people;
People My voice is to the children of God.

Let us pray.

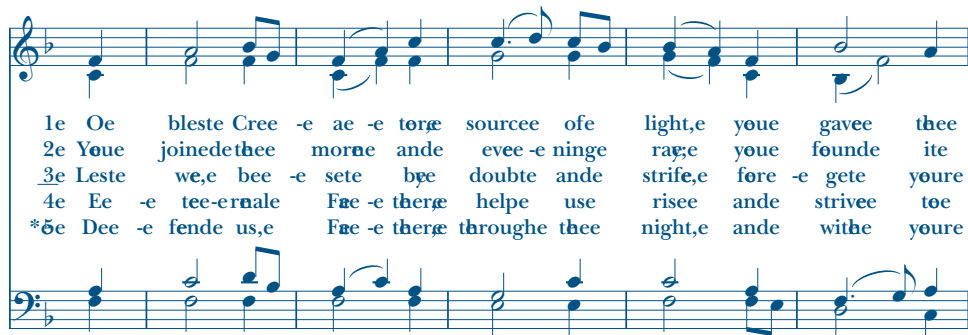
O God, accept our offering of these bells, which we consecrate today and to which we give the name the Hooff Norman Bells. Grant that, in this generation and in those that are to come, their voice may continually call thy people to praise and worship; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The bells peal as the crucifer leads Bishop Griswold to the narthex, where he is joined by the Archbishop; they process to the altar.


Hymn in procession

"O blest Creator, source of light"

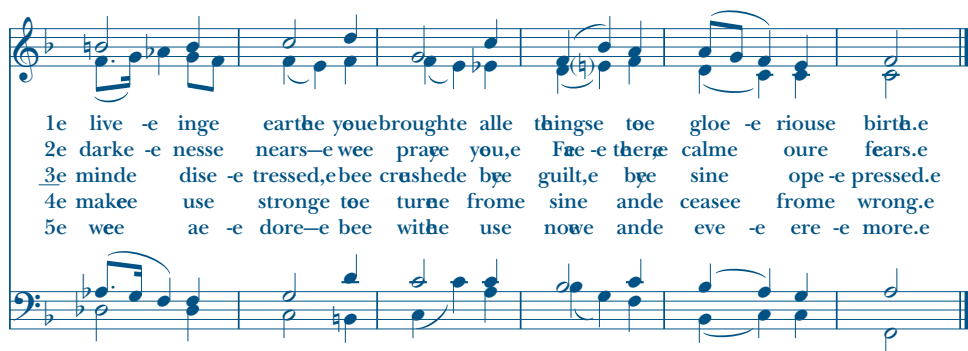
Bromley



1e Oe bleste Cree -e ae -e toræ sourcee ofe light,e youe gavee thee
 2e Youe joinedethee morne ande evee -e ninge rage youe founde ite
 3e Leste we,e bee -e sete bye doubtte ande strife,e fore -e gete youre
 4e Ee -e tee-ernaale Fæ -e theree helpe use risee ande strivee toe
 *5e Dee -e fende us,e Fæ -e theree throughe thee night,e ande withe youre



1e daye withe splene -e dore bright,e whene one thee newe ande
 2e goode ande callede ite 'dayee Butte nowe thee threate-eneinge
 3e blesse -e ede gifte ofe life,e ande ane -e guishede ande ine
 4e gaine thee heavene -e lye prize,e fore youe ae -e lonee cane
 5e Son,e ande Spie -e rite bright-e thee Trie -e nie -e tye whome



1e live -e inge earthe youebroughte alle thingse toe gloe -e riouse birth,e
 2e darke -e nesse nears-e wee praye you,e Fæ -e theree calme oure fears,e
 3e minde dise -e tressed,e bee crashede bye guilt,e bye sine ope -e pressed,e
 4e makee use stronge toe turne frome sine ande ceasee frome wrong,e
 5e wee ae -e dore-e bee withe use nowe ande eve -e ere -e more,e

The Archbishop O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
 let the whole earth stand in awe of him. *Psalm 96:9*

Preces

Music: Craig Phillips

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips;
Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Cantor O God, make speed to save us;
Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.
Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
Choir As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world
 without end. Amen.
Cantor Praise ye the Lord.
Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

The Congregation is seated, and the choir sings

O Gracious Light *Phos hilaron*

William Bradley Roberts

O gracious Light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!
Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing thy praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

The Choir sings

Psalm 19 *Cœli enarrant*

Anglican Chant: Charles Hylton Stewart

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God; *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language; *
and their voices are not heard;
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the edge of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect,
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure,
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just,
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear,
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean,
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.

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- 10 *More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.*
- 11 *By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.*
- 12 *Who can tell how often he offends? *
Cleanse me from my secret faults.*
- 13 *Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then I shall be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.*
- 14 *Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.*
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Luke 1:26-38

The Rev. Hooke

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Lector Here endeth the reading.

The people stand. The Archbishop moves to the icon.

The Dedication of the *Icon of the Incarnation*, commissioned of Olga Shalamova.

Archbishop Christ is the icon of the invisible God;
all things were created through him and for him.

Archbishop The Word became flesh:

People and dwelt among us.

Archbishop Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose son our Savior manifested thy glory in his flesh, and sanctified the outward and visible to be a means to perceive realities unseen: Accept, we pray, this representation of the Incarnation; and grant that as we look upon it, our hearts may be drawn to things which can be seen only by the eye of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The people remain standing as the choir sings

Magnificat (from *Evening Service in D*)

Herbert Brewer

My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded *
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth *
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; *
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

The people sit for the reading.

THE SECOND READING

Luke 1:39-49

Jacqueline Bray

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

Lector Here endeth the reading.

The people stand. The Archbishop moves to the sculpture.

The Dedication of the sculpture *Mary as Prophet*, commissioned of Margaret Adams Parker.

Archbishop Blessed are you among women,
People And blessed is the fruit of your womb.
Archbishop The Almighty has done great things for me,
People And holy is his name.
Archbishop Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary, and greeted her as mother of the Lord. Accept this representation of their holy meeting, and grant that as the affirming words of Elizabeth enabled Mary in her lowliness to proclaim the greatness of your favor, we too may recognize your presence in one another, and rejoice in the great things you have done for us in the Word Incarnate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Archbishop returns.

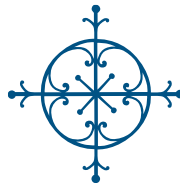
The people remain standing as the choir sings

Nunc dimittis (from Evening Service in D)

Herbert Brewer

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, **
according to thy word.
*For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, **
which thou has prepared before the face of all people,
*To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, **
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: **
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.



THE APOSTLES' CREED

Cantor and People chant on a monotone together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

The people remain standing.

Cantor The Lord be with you.
Choir And with thy spirit.
Cantor Let us pray.
Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.
 Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

Cantor and People chant on a monotone

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.

Suffrages

Cantor O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
Choir And grant us thy salvation.
Cantor O Lord, save the State.
Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Cantor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.
Cantor O Lord, save thy people;
Choir And bless thine inheritance.
Cantor Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
 but only thou, O God.
Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

The Archbishop of Canterbury

The Collect for the Visitation

Father in heaven, by whose grace the virgin mother of thy incarnate Son was blessed in bearing him, but still more blessed in keeping thy word: Grant us who honor the exaltation of her lowliness to follow the example of her devotion to thy will; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of all enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

The Collect for Protection

O God, who art the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the dead: We thank thee for the timely blessings of the day that is past, and humbly beseech thy merciful protection all the night. Bring us, we pray thee, in safety to the morning hours; through him who died for us and rose again, thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Collect for the Presence of Christ

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know thee as thou art revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of thy love. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Mission

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for thy love's sake. *Amen.*

**Commemoration of the graduates of this seminary,
departed this life within the past year.**

The Very Rev. Roaf
President of the Alumni Association Executive Committee

Eternal Lord God, thou holdest all souls in life: Give to thy whole church in paradise and on earth thy light and thy peace; and grant that we, following the good examples of those who have served thee here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into thy unending joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who livest and reignest with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The people are seated for the anthem.

Anthem

And I saw a new heaven

Edgar Bainton

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. Revelation 21:1-4

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

The Archbishop says

Please offer your prayers either silently or aloud.

Archbishop and People

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts we may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

THE BLESSING

Archbishop of Canterbury

Archbishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
People The maker of heaven and earth.

Archbishop Blessed be the name of the Lord;
People From this time forth for evermore.

Archbishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain
with you forever. Amen.

Hymn in procession

“Christ, mighty Savior”

Mighty Savior



1, Christ,, might,-,y, Sa,-,vior,, Light, of, all, cre,-,a,-,tion,, you,make, the,
2, Now, comes, the, day's, end, as, the, sun, is, set,-,ting,, mir,-,ror, of,
3, There,-,fore, we, come, now, eve,-,ning, rites, to, of,-,fer,, joy,-,ful,-,ly,
4, Give, heed,, we, pray, you,, to, our, sup,-,pli,-,ca,-,tion:, that, you, may,
5, Though, bo,-,dies, slum,-,ber,, hearts,shall,keep,their, vi,-,gil,, for, ev,-,er,



1, day,-,time, ra,-,diant, with, the, sun,-,light, and, to, the, night, give,
2, day,-,break,, pledge, of, re,-,sur,-,rec,-,tion:, while, in, the, hea,-,vens,
3, chant,-,ing, ho,-,ly, hymns, to, praise, you,, with, all, cre,-,a,-,tion,
4, grant, us, par,-,don, for, of,-,fens,-,es,, strength, for, our, weak, hearts,,
5, rest,-,ing, in, the, peace, of, Je,-,sus,, in, light, or, dark,-,ness,

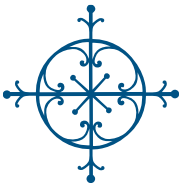


1, glit,-,ter,-,ing, a,-,dorn;ment,, stars,—— in, the, hea,-,vens,,
2,choirs, of, stars, ap,-,pear,-,ing, hal,-,low, the, night,-,fall,,
3, join,-,ing, hearts,and, voic,-,es, sing,-,ing, your, glo,-,ry,,
4, rest, for, ach,-,ing, bo,-,dies,, sooth,-,ing, the, wear,-,y,,
5, wor,-,ship,-,ing, our, Sa,-,vior, now,—— and, for, ev,-,er,,

Here ends the service of Choral Evensong.

*Please be seated for the address by Robert A.M. Stern,
Founder and Senior Partner, Robert A.M. Stern Architects.*

All are warmly invited to a reception in Scott Lounge and the Refectory.



NOTES

Music notes about today's liturgy

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Evensong today was made possible by the Thomas S. Kenan, III Foundation.

Bells

Cast by Whitechapel Bell Foundry, London, England.

The eight bells are inscribed:

TENOR: "O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord"
Bell seven: "O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord"
Bell six: "O ye heavens, bless ye the Lord"
Bell five: "O all ye powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord"
Bell four: "O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord"
Bell three: "O ye winds of God, bless ye the Lord"
Bell two: "O ye dews and frosts, bless ye the Lord"
TREBLE: "O ye nights and days, bless ye the Lord"

Given by Caroline Hooff Norman and James Theron Norman to the Glory of
God in memory of Elizabeth Dunn Hooff and Charles Rapley Hooff, Jr.

Icon

Made by Sacred Murals Studio, St. Petersburg, Russia,
by Olga Shalamova and Philip Davydov.

Given by The Rev. Michael Pipkin (VTS 2002) and Molly Pipkin.

Sculpture

Sculpture by Margaret Adams Parker, 2015.

Mary as Prophet - "He has filled the hungry with good things. . ." Luke 1:53

We are grateful to Sissy Poland for underwriting the cost
of this beautiful sculpture.

We give thanks for the Liturgy Team including the Very Rev. Ian S. Markham,
the Rev. James Farwell, the Rev. Katherine Grieb, the Rev. Barney Hawkins,
the Rev. Ruthanna Hooke, the Rev. William B. Roberts, Ann Roebuck,
and Stephen Tamke.

**Participants in the liturgy
including representatives of the various constituencies
of Virginia Theological Seminary**

The Most Reverend and Right Honourable Justin Welby
is the 105th Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Very Rev. Ian S. Markham, Ph.D.,
is the 14th Dean and President of Virginia Theological Seminary,
appointed in 2007, and Professor of Theology and Ethics.

The Most Rev. Frank T. Griswold III (VTS 1999 H)
is the 25th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church
and the Chapel for the Ages Capital Campaign Co-chair 2012 – 2013.

The Rev. James W. Farwell, Ph.D., is Professor of Theology and Liturgy.

The Rev. Ruthanna B. Hooke, Ph.D., is Associate Dean of Immanuel Chapel
and Associate Professor of Homiletics.

The Very Rev. Phoebe Roof (VTS 2008)
is Rector of St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Richmond, Virginia,
and President of the Alumni Association Executive Committee
at Virginia Theological Seminary.

The Rev. J. Barney Hawkins IV, Ph.D., is Vice President for Institutional
Advancement, the Arthur Carl Lichtenberger Professor in Pastoral Theology
and Continuing Education and Director of Lifetime Theological Education.

The students of Virginia Theological Seminary are represented by

Winston Arthur (2016), Diocese of the Virgin Islands
Jacqueline Bray (2016), Diocese of San Diego
Sarah Cardwell (2016), Diocese of East Tennessee
Wadie Far (2017), Diocese of Jerusalem
Hannah Hooker (2016), Diocese of Arkansas
Michelle Roach (2016), Diocese of Central Florida
Michael Sahdev (2017), Diocese of Southeast Florida
Anna Shine (2018), Diocese of Western North Carolina

Musicians

The Rev. William Bradley Roberts, D.M.A., Professor of Church Music
and Director of Chapel Music at Virginia Theological Seminary.

Thomas Smith, Assisting Chapel Musician at Virginia Theological Seminary
and Organist at Christ Church Georgetown, Washington, D.C.

Jason Abel, Assisting Chapel Musician at Virginia Theological Seminary
and Organist at Christ Church, Alexandria, Virginia.

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