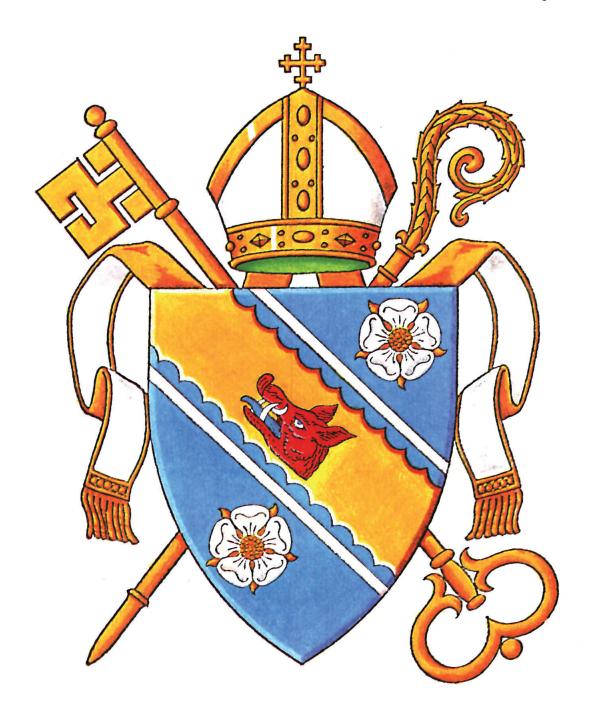
THE INTERMENT OF ASHES THE RT. REV. HENRY I. LOUTTIT, JR.

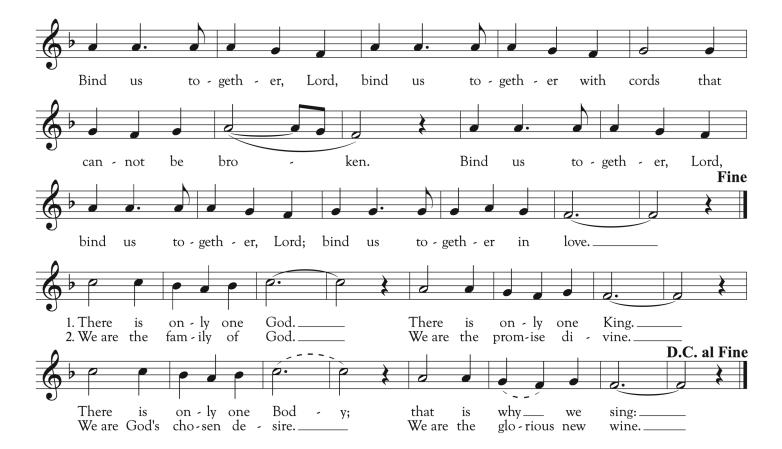


Thursday, December 30, 2021 Christ Church, Valdosta

The Interment of Ashes

Directions are shown in red with the responses in **bold face type**

GATHERING MUSIC - Bind us together, Lord



THE OPENING ANTHEMS

The people remain standing while the Bishop says the following

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Bishop The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

Silence may be kept

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Henry. 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 guiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with the Louttit 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.

The Lessons

THE FIRST READING

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

(Isaiah 61:1-3)

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 broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners: to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, 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. Peoble Thanks be to God.

PSALM 150

- Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; * praise him in the firmament of his power.
- Praise him for his mighty acts; * praise him for his excellent greatness.
- Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; * praise him with lyre and harp.
- Praise him with timbrel and dance; * praise him with strings and pipe.
- Praise him with resounding cymbals; * praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

6 Let everything that has breath * praise the Lord.
Hallelujah!

THE GOSPEL READING

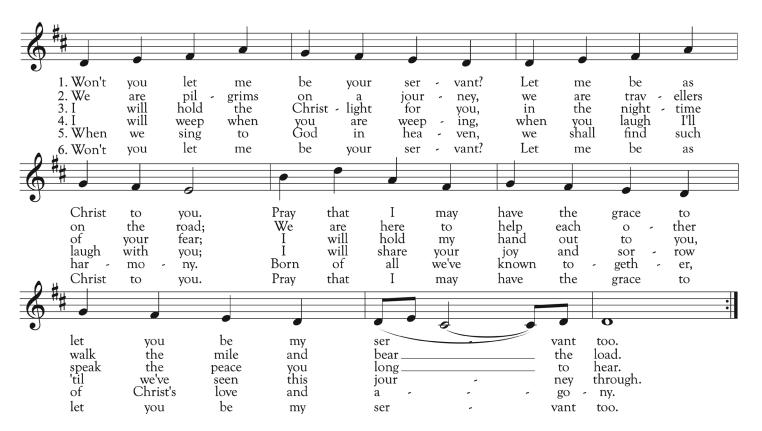
A Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

(Matthew 11:28-30)

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

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

SONG - The Servant Song



THE APOSTLES' CREED

Bishop

In assurance of our eternal life, given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

Bishop and People

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our brother Henry, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Henry, and dry the tears of those who weep.

Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.

Hear us, Lord.

Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear us, Lord.

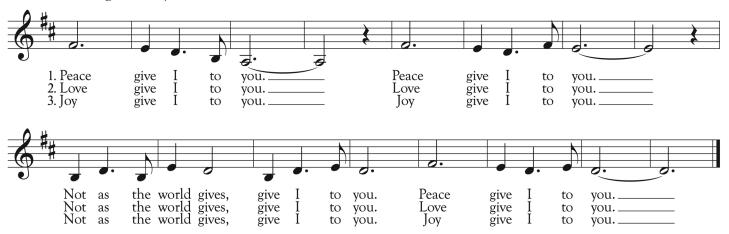
Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Silence may be kept.

The Bishop concludes with one of the following or some other prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Henry, 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.**

SONG - Peace give I to you



THE COMMITTAL

The Bishop says these words

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother Henry, and we commit his body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless him and keep him, the Lord make his face to shine upon him and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up his countenance upon him and give him peace. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bishop The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your death you took away the sting of death: Grant to us your servants so to follow in faith where you have led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in you and wake up in your likeness; for your tender mercies' sake. Amen.

Bishop Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord;

People And let light perpetual shine upon him.

Bishop May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

People Amen.

CLOSING MUSIC - Siyahamba



DISMISSAL

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen..

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Bishop Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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