

St Mary's 3rd Grade
Sunday School Lesson
Easter 4:4th Sunday after Easter Week of 5.3.20

Easter 4 Lesson

3rd Grade Easter #4

Topic: Bishops, Priests and Deacons

A. Opening:

Watch if you can Ms. Barb's video#1: Easter 4: Opening #1

Review: [Children's Chapel April 28](#): Serving God: Deacon Claire shares what Deacons do and how they fit in the ordained Episcopal structures.

Warm up your brain sheet: Episcopal Word Search

B. Lesson:

Watch if you can Ms. Barb's video#2: Easter 4: Bishops, Priests and Deacons #2

1. **Background:** St Peter: Jesus gives Peter (an apostle) Keys to Kingdom of Heaven (Matthew 16:19)..the rock of the church, 1st bishop

Those following the Holy Spirit follow the calling of Bishop, Priest, and Deacon

Those are asked to give up former vocations and devote themselves to full time ministry.

Deacons: serve as deacons their whole lives others like Claire are deacons as they transition to priesthood.

Among Priests, Bishop's are elected. Bishop means: overseer, shepherd.

Head of Bishops: Presiding Bishop. 9 year term. Current 27th P. Bishop: Michael Curry

1st Bishop in USA: Bishop White 1789

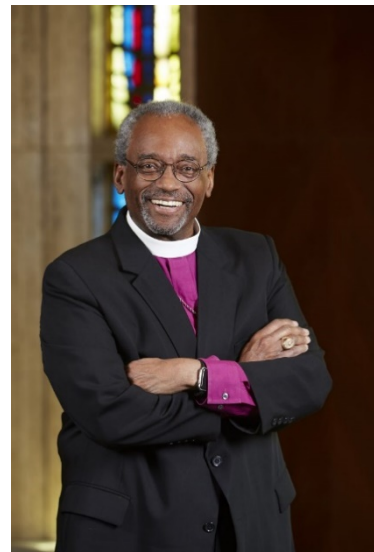
2. **Definitions:**

Episcopal: means led by bishops.

Bishop charge over the dioceses. They visit and care for all the churches.

Ordination: Deacon and Priests feel called(pray). Go through careful preparation. Locally: Virginia Seminary in Alexandria

Lay Ministry: church leaders like you and me! We can all serve.



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3. BCP: Episcopal Services

- p. 512 Ordination of Bishop
- p. 525 Ordination of Priest
- p. 537 Ordination of Deacon

4. Episcopal Coat of Arms: Symbol of Dioceses

Virginia's Bishop: Susan Goff

Virginia's Coat of Arms:

Locate:

Bishop's Miter, Infulae and Crozier(hat, vestment, shepherd's staff)

St Peter's Key

3 Ships: Susan Constant, Godspeed, The Discovery

St George's Flag.

5. Activity: Clergy Appreciation

Picture or Thank you note for Fr. Merrow, Fr. Chris

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C. Closing Prayers:

Watch if you can Ms. Barb's video#3: Easter 4: Closing #3

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Let's go to Closing Prayers sheet.

Have your parent/s send your prayer requests to Ms. Barb

God's Peace be with you!

Ms. Barb and Mr. Dave