

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 3rd, 2023 11:00 a.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

WELCOME

All are invited to stand, as able.

HYMN: 657, "Love divine, all loves excelling"

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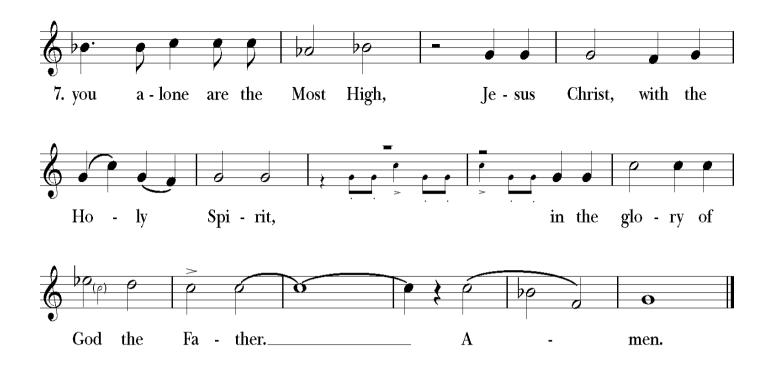
THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.All You come to your people and set them free.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.





Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

All are invited to be seated.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

PSALM 26:1-8: Sung by the Choir.

John Naylor (1838-1897)

Judica me, Domine

1 Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; * I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; * examine my heart and my mind.

3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.

4 I have not sat with the worthless, * nor do I consort with the deceitful.

5 I have hated the company of evildoers; * I will not sit down with the wicked.

6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, * that I may go in procession round your altar,

7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving * and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell * and the place where your glory abides.

SECOND READING: Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

HYMN: 675, "Take up your cross, the Savior said" BOURBON

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-28

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Very Rev. James R. Harlan

Silence for reflection.

All are invited to stand, as able.

THE NICENE CREED Said by all, standing

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

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

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

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

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

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

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

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

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

Silence

All are invited to add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The monetary gifts in the Sunday offering plate make God's dream for the American Cathedral come true. Please use the Offering Envelope for gifts by cash or check. To make gifts via the "virtual, electronic" offering plate, please scan this QR code or visit amcathparis.com/donate.

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HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM: Christ is the world's true light

Walter Stanton (1891-1978)

Christ is the world's true Light, its Captain of salvation, the Daystar clear and bright of every race and nation; new life, new hope awakes, for all who own his sway: freedom her bondage breaks, and night is turned to day. In Christ all races meet, their ancient feuds forgetting, the whole round world complete, from sunrise to its setting: when Christ is throned as Lord all shall forsake their fear, to ploughshare beat the sword, to pruning-hook the spear. One Lord, in one great Name unite us all who own thee; cast out our pride and shame that hinder to enthrone thee; the world has waited long, has travailed long in pain; to heal its ancient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign. [Text: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959), alt.]

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer 1, from Enriching Our Worship)

All are invited to stand, as able.

Celebrant 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.

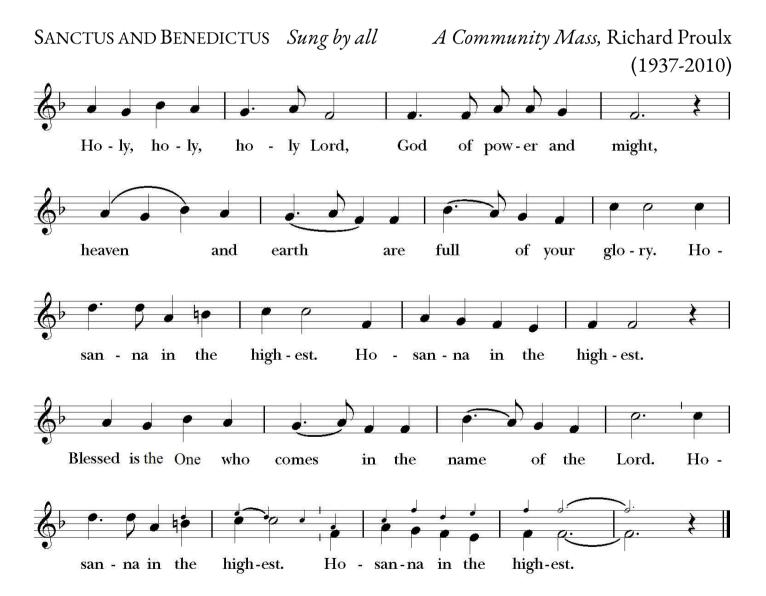
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

LORD'S PRAYER Said by each in their own language

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.

Notre Père qui es aux cieux, que ton Nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel.

Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.

Pardonne-nous nos offenses comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés.

Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal.

Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

COMMUNION

L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale. You are invited to stand or kneel to receive communion. Please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. In accordance with current guidelines provided by the Bishop, we are offering wine at communion. You are invited to take a small sip; please do not dip your wafer in the wine. Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew.

Sadly, we must be concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.

COMMUNION SOLO: O rest in the Lord from Elijah

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Oh rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires. Commit thy way unto Him, and trust in Him, and fret not thyself because of evildoers. [Text, Psalm 37:5] Grace Durham, soloist.

HYMN: 707, "Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord to thee" HOLLINGSIDE

HYMN: 593, "Lord, make us servants of your peace" DICKINSON COLLEGE

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN: 390, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Fugue in A minor (BWV 534ii)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

SERVING TODAY: Celebrant and Preacher: The Very Rev. James R. Harlan; Canon for Music: Zach Ullery; Organ Scholar: George Nicholls; Choir: The Cathedral Choir; Vestry Persons in Charge: Edward Bates, Elizabeth Haynes; Lector: Barbara Diggs; Altar guild: Dennis Grove, Harriet Rivière; Ushers: Xavier Chanay, Helen Charles, Harriet Rivière; Eucharist Ministers: Michel Ranson, Jocelyn Phelps; Flower Guild: Dominique Munchenbach; Production: Arthur Girard

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Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Bishop Michael Curry, Ahcene, Harald, Jean-loup, Christopher, David, Hervé, Pierre, Elizabeth, Jeremy, Françoise, and Eleanor and for those who have died, especially Robert Anton and Scott Gregory Sullivan.

Prayer requests may be sent to us at: communications@americancathedral.org. We will offer them to God at our daily service of Noonday Prayer.

The memorial service for Scott Gregory Sullivan will take place at the cathedral on Monday, September 18^{th} at 3:00 p.m.

Welcome!

Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris. We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here.

Building on our past and our journey towards inclusion, we strive to create a future of faith, love, and charity. Let's do it together. Give us a call, send an email, or find us at coffee hour—we can't wait to get to know you.

Contact information for the clergy, staff and vestry can be found at <u>amcathparis.com/leadership</u>.

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Coming Up

New Midweek service schedule

Our midweek services of Noonday Prayer and Holy Eucharist resume on Tuesday, September 12th at 12:00 p.m. We are really excited to announce that we have a new schedule enabling us to offer some services in French. All are welcome.

- Mondays at 12:00 p.m.: Noonday Prayer (English)
- Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m.: Holy Eucharist (French)
- Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m: Noonday Prayer (English)
- Thursdays: No services
- Fridays: No services
- Saturdays at 12:00 p.m. : Noonday Prayer (French)

Nos services de prière de midi et de Sainte Eucharistie en milieu de semaine reprennent le mardi 12 septembre à 12h00. Nous sommes très heureux d'annoncer que nous avons un nouveau planning qui nous permet d'offrir certains offices en français. Tous sont les bienvenus.

- Les lundis à 12h00 : Prière du midi (en anglais)
- Les mardis à 12h00 : Sainte Eucharistie (en français)
- Les mercredi à 12h00 : Prière de midi (en anglais)
- Les jeudis : Pas d'office
- Les vendredis : Pas d'office
- Les samedis à 12h00 : Prière du midi (en français)

Cathedral Forum

Cathedral Forum resumes next week on **Sunday, September 10th at 10:00 a.m.** with a special discussion by Dean Harlan on the theme of pilgrimage.

Remembering 9/11: A Memorial Ceremony

The American Legion Paris Post 1 are holding a memorial ceremony on **September 11th at 11:00 a.m.** at the Place des Etats-Unis in the 16th arrondissement. All are welcome.

Cathedral Tours

The Cathedral will be **offering a tour** after the 11:00 a.m. service. Meet in the Martyrs Chapel at the end of the service to find out more about this fascinating building.

Meet the new Dean

We will be organizing a series of small events (5-10 people) so that Dean James can meet the parish, and so that parishioners can get to know the Dean. These will be held at the Cathedral and in people's homes and online, at a variety of times and on different days of the week, over the coming months. If you would like to host or attend an event, please watch this space!

Cavaillé-Coll Organ Restoration

The Rentrée is upon us, and the **Make a Joyful Noise organ renovation work** will be moving forward, mostly behind the scenes for now. If you would like to keep abreast of how the project is unfolding, (and don't already receive it), **please subscribe** to the monthly Point d'Orgue newsletter by scanning the QR code below.

Please note that if you are already signed up for the Friday e-letter and would like to also receive the monthly Point d'Orgue newsletter, you will need to **update your preferences**. This can be done by clicking the link at the bottom of the Friday e-letter "Select



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Education For Ministry | A Program to Immerse Yourself in Your Christian Faith

EFM is a **four-year program in practical theology for lay people** which explores a wide concept of ministry, based on the baptismal call to minister to each other in our daily lives. Participants register for a year at a time.

The groups meets online (Zoom) on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., beginning in early September and meeting for 36 weeks, normally ending in the following June. **For more information or to join** the 2023/24 group beginning in September 2023 contact the EFM Online Mentors, Kaye O'Connell (kaye.oconnell@gmx.de) or Yvonne Cockcroft (yvonne@cockcroft.de) or take a leaflet from the Front Desk.

Music at the Rentrée

The Rentrée is an excellent time to get involved in music-making at the Cathedral.

The Cathedral Choirs

Our **Canon of Music, Zachary Ullery** would be pleased to receive enquiries from people interested in joining and auditioning for the following various groups. Please contact him at music@americancathedral.org.

- The Childrens Choir: this group meet once a week during term time on Wednesdays at 17h and prepare pieces for two Sunday services a month. We accept children from ages 8-13 and a focus is made on the development of their general musical skills (sight reading, aural perception and theoretical thinking).
- **The Youth Choir:** this is a progression from the Childrens Choir for ages 14 to 18 who sing with the Adult Choir three Sundays per month. Here, the commitment is greater, and focus is made on the efficiency of their musical

output and ensemble skills. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:45 am - 12h00 p.m. (during term time).

- **The Adult Choir:** Following the tradition in many Episcopal and Anglican churches, the Adult Choir performs a central role in our Eucharist services. Singers of all nationalities and faiths are admitted by audition. A good level of English as well as strong sightreading and vocal skills are required.
- **Professional Singers:** The Music Department is looking for talented professionals to sing, when required, as part of an octet at weekly Eucharist and Evensong services. Exceptional sight-reading skills are essential as well as a flexible approach to different musical styles. Interested applicants should send their CV to music@americancathedral.org.

The Paris Choral Society

In addition to the Cathedral Choirs, **the Paris Choral Society** is an affiliated chorus that performs several concerts each year.

The Paris Choral Society is a 100-strong, international "unpaid but professional-level choir" (New York Times). Join us this season for Felix Mendelssohn's *Elijah*, our annual *Messiah Sing-Along*, the French premiere of Carl Rütti's *Requiem*, and a celebratory 30th Anniversary Concert featuring our favorite choral masterworks.

Auditions will be held in the beginning of September. To apply, look for an audition form and more details about the choir at <u>parischoralsociety.org/audition</u>.

Les Arts George V (LAGV)

Les Arts George V is the Cathedral's arts association that supports the music program of the Cathedral and hosts over one hundred concerts each year.

We are looking for concert hosts! To check out the concert schedule or to become a season sponsor please visit <u>lagv.org</u>.

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The Cathedral enriches our lives and the community around us in many ways, but the Cathedral and everything in it depends on the efforts of members like you, including financial support in the form of pledges. To fill out a pledge card, scan this QR code, find the pledge card in your pew, or visit amcathparis.com/pledge.



Support Music at the Cathedral via Les Arts George V

Les Arts George V (LAGV) supports the music at the Cathedral in many ways: among them **hosting Les Dimanches Musicaux** (LDM) **and encouraging sponsorships and donations**. Half the proceeds of LDM go to the Cathedral music program. For sponsorships and donations, remember that in France, while LAGV receives 100% of your gift, you will receive 66% as a deduction on your income tax.



Safeguarding

As part of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, the American Cathedral in Paris is committed to assuring that all people are treated with respect and that no one is abused, harassed, or taken advantage of in any way. We are especially committed to assuring the safety of children and those adults who may be particularly vulnerable.

We adhere to the Convocation's Safeguarding Policy, and a member of our congregation is appointed as the Safeguarding Officer. If you have any concerns at all, please know that they are available to speak with you.

Our Safeguarding Officers are Angelina Stelmach and William Tompson. Please contact them with any questions or concerns at safeguarding@americancathedral.org

Three Things to Know

Welcome back to Zach Ullery, our Canon for Music!

Join Les Arts George V this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. for the first concert of the rentrée in their dimanches musicaux series. Today Angela Nikolovska (pianist) will be performing works by Bach, Beethoven, Zografski, Liszt and Chopin. Entrance is free.

Sandwich Ministry resumes on Tuesday, September 5th. Many thanks to all the volunteers who make this ministry possible. Please note that Sandwich Ministry will now take place on Tuesdays and Saturdays rather than Thursdays. This change is a really exciting opportunity to allow more people to participate that, until now, had been prevented by work or school schedules.

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