

The Deacon presents a symbol of outreach and mission, saying
Kate, receive this sign of our ministries to reach beyond our walls and participate with us in God's mission of wholeness for all. **Amen.**

Others present an oil stock, saying
Kate, receive this oil, and be among us as a healer and reconciler.
Amen.

Others present a children's Bible, saying
Kate, use your love and imagination to teach and bless our children.
Amen.

Others present a symbol of spirituality, saying
Kate, receive this book, and nurture us in prayer, learning and spiritual growth. **Amen.**

Those active in the larger community present a map of Halifax
Kate, receive this map to our city, and be among us as one who connects our life to the life of the Halifax and beyond, and deepens our relationships with the communities around us. **Amen.**

The Dean then says
Kate, let all these be signs of the ministry which is the Bishops' and ours in this place.
People **Amen.**

The Dean then presents the new minister to the congregation, saying
Greet your not-so-new Assistant Priest.

'And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ'

Ephesians 4:11-12

CELEBRATION OF OUR NEW MINISTRY WITH REV. KATE



On September 5th, Bishop Sandra Fyfe instituted Katherine Anne Heichler as Assistant Priest for Congregational Life and Community Engagement here at the Cathedral Church of All Saints. Today we celebrate our new ministry with her in our midst. Let us begin with prayer.

A LITANY OF PRAYERS FOR MINISTRY

The response after each petition is: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader In peace let us pray to the God who made us, knows us, loves us, and calls us into ministry in Christ. Most Holy God:

People **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader Holy God, you call us to worship you in Spirit and in truth. Release your Spirit in our church, that our worship may be lively, holy and transforming; that the body of Christ around our altars may be the Body of Christ in the world.

God, our highest good: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader Jesus, our Good Shepherd, you have called Kate to help shepherd your beloved flock at the Cathedral Church of All Saints, Halifax. Give her discernment to lead your people to good pasture; courage to seek and protect those who wander; tenacity to keep this flock together; and comfort in the lonely times.

God, our Shepherd: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader Holy Spirit, who brooded over creation, you call us to be midwives in your church, helping your people become who you already know us to be. Give us gentleness, patience, stubbornness and stamina; the vision to see what is amidst what is not, that we may co-labor with You in bringing new life into the world.

God, our Source: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader God of wisdom, you have set aside teachers in your church, to equip the saints for ministry. Transform us by the renewing of our minds, that we may conform no longer to the patterns of this world. God, our Teacher: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader Christ, our Word, you call us to proclaim your Good News. Make us bold and clear in bearing your Word – in preaching, in prayer, in works of mercy and justice; that our lives as well as our words will proclaim with power the Gospel of redemption and release. God, our Word: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader Holy Spirit, Giver of gifts for ministry, you call us to nurture the ministry of all the baptized. Help us to discern gifts and foster ministry in our church; to train, equip and encourage every person – child, youth, elder; the strong and the broken – in exercising their gifts to build up your church. God, our Coach: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader God, the author of peace, you call us to be peacemakers, ambassadors of reconciliation. Give us perseverance in the face of resistance and evil. Make us bearers of peace wherever there is strife, especially in the places we name now: (Silence for intercessions). Help us guide your people to be at peace with one another, with the creation, within themselves, and with you. God, our Peace: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader Holy Spirit, our Advocate against the evil one, you call us to stand up for the oppressed and the voiceless. Give us eyes to see those who are overlooked, ears to hear those who are afraid to speak, hearts to love those who are unloved, and courage to stand with those who have no position, empowering them to seek justice and peace. God, our Advocate: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader Jesus, the Healer of the world, you call us to be healers in your name. Give us compassion and strength in caring for those who

hurt, and discernment in how to pray. Increase our faith to rely on your power working through us. We ask your healing for those whom we name now, in silence or aloud: (silence for intercessions). Make this cathedral a community of healing, in which all are restored to wholeness and sent out as healers of the world. God, our Healer: **Set us free to serve you.**

Leader God, our beginning and our end, You call us to resurrection life. We pray now for those who have died, especially those whom we name now: (silence for intercessions). God, our Life: **Set us free to serve you.**

Let us pray together:

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE INDUCTION

Representatives of the congregation stand with the new minister

The Dean presents a BAS and a vessel of water, saying
Kate, take this Prayer Book and help me lead worship in this place. Take this water, and help me baptize in obedience to our Lord. **Amen.**

Representatives of the congregation present a Bible, saying
Kate, accept this Bible, and proclaim the Good News of God's grace in our midst. **Amen.**