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St. John's Reverend Canon John H. Taylor Elected to NAES Governing Board

St. John's Episcopal School's very own Reverend Cannon John H. Taylor was announced by the Governing Board of the National Association of Episcopal Schools (NAES) of his election to a three-year term on the NAES.

"We are thrilled to welcome to the Governing Board a leader of such distinction and commitment to Episcopal schools and education," said the Reverend Roger A. Ferlo, Ph.D., D.D., associate dean of Virginia Theological Seminary and president of the NAES Governing Board, upon Taylor's election. "I look forward to working with John over the next three years as we continue to expand the reach of the Association's mission and ministry," said the Reverend Daniel R. Heischman, D.Min., executive director of NAES.

The Reverend Canon John H. Taylor is the full-time vicar of St. John Chrysostom Episcopal Church and St. John's Episcopal School in Rancho. The school serves 750 students, preschool through eighth grade.

Canon Taylor is a 1980 graduate of the University of California, San Diego and received his master of divinity degree in 2003 from the Claremont School of Theology in Claremont, California. He was ordained to the diaconate in 2003 and to the priesthood in 2004, when he began what was then a part-time appointment at St. John's. For the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles, he currently serves on the Commission on Ministry, Commission on the Middle East, and Committee on Constitution and Canons. He is chair of the Committee on Resolutions.

In 1979, Canon Taylor joined the staff of former President Richard M. Nixon, becoming Mr. Nixon's chief of staff in 1984. He traveled with Mr. Nixon to the Soviet Union, China, and many other countries, helped with six of his books, and assisted in planning the Nixon Library in Yorba Linda, California. Named the Library's director in 1990, he oversaw President and Mrs. Nixon's funerals in 1994 and 1993. As coexecutor of Mr. Nixon's estate, he helped pave the way for the opening of the Nixon White House tapes and other historical materials. In 2007, he coordinated the Library's entry into the federal government's system of presidential libraries.



Reverend Cannon Taylor

What "Religious Freedom" Means To Members Of The Interfaith Coalition Of Greater RSM

This Is Part Two Series, Part One Ran In June

Rev. Greg Uthus, Community Lutheran Church ELCA: As followers of Jesus we have been grasped by the divine love of God and given the promise of His Kingdom. We are bound to Christ and call him Lord. Then the question arises: "How is it that we can say, 'So if the Son of Man makes you free, you will be free indeed'?" How can we be bound to Him as our master, and at the same time consider ourselves free?

Immigrants coming to a new land came to escape the shackles of religious and political oppression in Europe. They found the new land to be a place where they could start fresh and enjoy relative freedom to practice religion, as they so desired. Be-

ing independent and self-sufficient came to be highly prized goals. Thus it came about that our definition of what it means to be free has carried with it the notion that dependence of any kind is confining, demeaning, limiting, and unnecessary. One is not free unless one is independent, or so we think. So we wonder how it can be that we can be bound to Christ as our master and free at the same time?

The Christian faith confronts this individualistic and egotistical view of freedom. From the perspective of faith we discover that dependence upon God in Christ is the source of our life and the basis of any freedom we might enjoy. After
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St. John's Middle School Choir Voices Grace Carnegie Hall

After months of tirelessly practicing, the 27-member St. John's Episcopal Middle School choir joined voices with choruses and soloists from around the country. They were accompanied by the New England Symphonic Ensemble to perform John Rutter's Mass of the Children on stage at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

The Memorial Day weekend performance was lead by Rutter, a highly esteemed choral composer, musician and educator. With Rutter personally leading the choir, students understood the magnitude of this opportunity. "It is such a thrill to share this opportunity with these young singers. I am proud of the work they did to prepare to sing his master work and I am both grateful and excited to be able to sing alongside these amazing students," states Lori Speciale, St. John's choir director.

The St. John's Middle School Choir received an invitation through the Festival

Singers, a local choral group, to participate in this annual event. Each month the Festival Singers would join the choir to practice the moving work of Rutter's score. Speciale shares, "I am grateful to have had the opportunity to work with Artistic Director of the Festival Singers Gary Toops and for St. John's for supporting the arts in such a magnificent way."

During this once-in-a-lifetime experience, St. John's Middle School students took to the streets to explore New York City. They stopped at delis, visited iconic New York highlights like FAO Schwartz, Central Park and the view from atop the Empire State Building. While the students were fascinated by the sights and sounds of the city that never sleeps, the thrill of performing on stage at Carnegie Hall topped it all. Monica Read, Assistant Middle School Principal, relates, "This trip opened their eyes in a whole new way and took their singing and performance to a whole new level!"

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